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FARM BUREAU HEAD READS PIERCE PEDIGREE

Big Crowd Has Fine Time at Firemen's Ball

The Firemen Have Their Usual Large Attendance At The Annual Ball

GOOD TIME IS REPORTED

I was a huge success from every standpoint, was the Annual Firemen's Ball, held on Monday evening of this week, with a crowd in attendance that overflowed the opera house. One hundred twenty-eight dance tickets were sold, which, with the donations, etc., will bring the receipts of the evening up to around two hundred and fifteen dollars. The boys, after deducting the expenses of the evening, expect to clear about $125 to $150.

With the Melody Boys' Orchestra from Iowa Falls to furnish the music, the floor was crowded with couples enjoying the dances. Scores of spectators watched the enjoyment. Lunches were served on the stage thruout the evening, which was taken advantage of by many. The evening was ideal, and many people were in attendance from towns around at this winter's fete.

The Firemen's Annual Ball is always one of the most enjoyable affairs of the winter season, and the one held Monday night was pronounced the best ever, with the largest attendance and the best time enjoyed. The boys are to be congratulated upon the success of their endeavor, and they certainly have the best wishes of the entire community in anything which they may undertake.

JUDGE WRIGHT NOT A CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION

Monitor: Judge R. M. Wright of Fort Dodge who was in Clarion yesterday to hold a short session of court, definitely decided not to be a canidate for re-election. He requests that support be given to the younger man, Clarence M. Hanson, also of Fort Dodge, who is an active canidate.

In a statement to the public Judge Wright says:

In a very restricted sense, I have been a canidate to succeed myself as judge of this judicial district; but I have never intended to be a canidate, unless I could receive the unanimous support of the people of my own county and have no competition. If there had been no opposition, I would gladly have given to the public the best service that in me lies and the best of my strength and ability but under no conceivable circumstanes whatsoever, will I consent to go into a contest or fight for the nomination. I, therefore, at this time anounce that I am not a canidate for renomination, and I now ask you to give your cordial support to the young man who is a canidate. He is a worthy young man, and in my opinion will make a good judge. In withdrawing, I desire to say to the public of Webster county and to the people of this judicial district that I feel that I have been greatly honored by being sent to the legislature of Iowa for three terms and by being nominated and elected four times as judge of the Eleventh Judicial District of Iowa, and this, practically without opposition except as to my first nomination for judge. I assure you that I deeply appreciate the honors that you have conferred upon me, and I thank you. I have, however, one wish in the premises, and that is this: that Mr. E. P. Tinkham be appointed by my successor as his shorthand reporter.

The coming January term of court will be my last term of court in Webster county; and I hope to make it a good business term.

Gratefully yours,
R. M. WRIGHT.

WANTED—Copies of the Independent for December first. Two bits apiece.

The Rest Room is now open again.

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN OUR SCHOOLS

School will open Monday, January 9th, and it is hoped that both teachers and pupils will be ready for good hard work after their two weeks of vacation.

Don't forget the Business Men's Night every Thursday from 7:30 to 9:30. If you don't want to take part, come up and see the fun.

On Friday afternoon at 1:50 the boys' basket ball team will take the C. G. W. train to Swaledale where they will play that evening. The night train will stop at Swaledale for the team to return. If you have been looking for a little holiday trip go with the boys to Swaledale Friday and help them win the game.

January 27th is the date set for the Four County Declamatory Contest. Clear Lake, Garner, Hampton and Belmond are the schools taking part. On this night a contest will be held in each of the four cities. The winning school of the four contests will be given a suitable cup or trophy.

During the vacation Mr. Thake has given the school building a very thorough cleaning and Mr. Webb has overhauled the heating and ventilating systems.

The next number of the Lecture Course will be the Fine Arts Quartette on January 16th.

NOTICE—There is an ordinance with a penalty of a fine for any person driving across the school grounds with a car or team. If you wish to drive up to the building for any purpose, use the driveway on the north side of the building. Help us keep our school yard in good condition.

OBITUARY

W. H. WHITE

William Henry White was born in Galena, Illinois, June 9th, 1861 and died at the home of his son, W. C. White, at Fort Dodge on December 24th, 1921. At Galena he grew to manhood and then with his parents moved to Plattsville, Wisconsin, where he attended the Wisconsin State Normal School. Afterwards he attended the Bailey Business College at Dubuque, graduating in the spring of 1881.

In March 1883 he came to Belmond with his parents and became engaged with his father in the general mercantile business, continuing this business after his father's death until August 1920. He was also agent for the Wells Fargo Express Company for twenty-two years.

He was married to Phoebe Anna Rick, of Centerville, Iowa, March 4, 1888 and to this union were born two sons, William Clair, of Fort Dodge and Joseph Starr, of this city, who succeeded his father in the express business.

Although the deceased had not been in the best of health for several months his death came as a shock to his family and friends. Mr. White was well known, having been one of the pioneer business men of this city. He was honest and upright and although a man of a quiet and unassuming character his niche in life was felt by his interesting personality. In his boyhood he was taught the love of God and although making no big demonstration of this fact, those who were with him through his last days found wrapped up in his heart that devine love which was manifested in his unselfishness and praise for all that was done for him. He possessed a keen sense of humor and a fine appreciation of the higher arts, being a lover of music. This was a source of much enjoyment to him as he was a master of many instruments.

Mr. White will not only be missed by his family, but by his friends and former associates.

And thus closes another life
And yet—we would not call him to this strife,
His soul is at rest.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all who by words and deeds expressed their sympathy in our recent bereavement caused by the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father, and also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. W. H. White
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. White

Belmond Society News Notes Of Interest

Holiday Entertainments Of Our Local Clubs And Societies During The Week

MANY ITEMS OF INTEREST

Party—

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cannon, living east of town, gathered together a crowd of about forty friends and neighbors to a party, to watch the old year out and the new year in. Each guest was required to bring a small gift. These gifts were gathered together by the hostess and made into a grab bag from which each guest received a present. The house was decorated with the red and green streamers suitable to the season. The evening was passed quickly in playing cards and in dancing. After midnight appetizing refreshments were served to the guests made hungry by their long vigil. Everyone enjoyed himself to the utmost.

Chain of Ten—

The Chain of Ten Society met at the Veeder home Tuesday for a sociable afternoon.

Priscilla Club—

The Priscilla Club met Wednesday, January 4th at the home of Mrs. Cecil Jones. The afternoon was spent in sewing and fancy work. This is the first meeting of the club since the holiday season.

Epworth League—

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church held their annual business meeting Tuesday evening. The election of officers took place. Mrs. Wilkinson was chosen as president for the coming year. The other officers being Coetta Foster, 1st Vice President; Mrs. J. S. White, 2nd Vice President; Bernetas Wolle, 3rd Vice President; Doris Bailey, 4th Vice President; Raymond Stapley, Secretary; Alfred Wilkinson, Treasurer, and Dorothy Purcell, Pianist.

Entertain At Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Thompson entertained a number of relatives to a dinner last Tuesday, the occasion being the birthday of one of the members of the family.

W. F. M. S.—

Mrs. Ed Bailey will be hostess this Thursday afternoon to the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. church.

Royal Neighbors Entertain—

The local lodge of the Royal Neighbors held a social afternoon last Saturday at the home of Mrs. Joe Pletch, the occasion being in honor of Mrs. Ed Thomas of Montana who is spending a week or so visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Baldridge, and other relatives. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant time was enjoyed.

Chain of Ten—

The next meeting of the Chain of Ten will be held on this following Monday, at the home of Mrs. Otto Hanson.

Married—

On the morning of December 29th occurred the marriage of Miss Martha Pals, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Pals, of Alexander, to Adolph Meinders, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Meinders Sr. Rev. Waalkes, pastor of the Emmanual church officiated. An assumptious dinner was served after the wedding.

The young couple begin housekeeping Saturday on the Meinders farm, the groom's parents having moved to Palsville where Mr. Meinders Sr. will have charge of the elevator. The Independent takes pleasure in joining with the many friends of this worthy young couple in extending best wishes and congratulations.

Mrs. S. R. Huntington and children, who have been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boughton, left the latter part of the week for their home in Dinsdale.

Mrs. P. J. Peterson visited at Hampton, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butterfield spent New Years at Klemme.

AMONG OUR BELMOND STUDENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tyrrell, who have been spending the holidays at the Wm. Tyrrell home, have left for Iowa City where they will resume their college courses.

Marjorie Purcell who has been visiting over the holidays at the home of her parents in Belmond left Sunday for Morningside College where she will resume her work.

Among the Morningside students who have spent their vacation in Belmond, were Myrtle and Ray Hawley, who have been visiting at the home of their parents. They left Sunday to take up their school work again.

Clara Johnson was among the Morningside students who left Sunday to resume her college work. Miss Johnson spent the vacation visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Johnson, in Belmond.

Harry Webb, who visited over the holidays in Belmond, has returned to his studies at Morningside College.

Beatrice Leinbach, a student of Coe College, has gone to Cedar Rapids to resume her college work.

Dorothy Okreug, who has been visiting with her parents here over the holidays, left recently to resume her studies in Coe College.

Olive Butts, after spending the vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. G. W. Butts, left for Cedar Rapids where she will again be enrolled as a student in Coe College.

Scott Smith, of Des Moines, who has been visiting for the past few weeks at the McBurney home, left the fore part of the week for Cedar Rapids to resume his studies in Coe College.

Grace Reed, a student of Teachers State Normal, after spending the holidays with her parents in Belmond, returned to Cedar Falls to take up her course in the college again.

Among the many students who left the fore part of the week to resume their college work, was Philip McBurny. He spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. McBurney.

Esther Hardwick, a student of Ames who has been visiting over the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. Geo. P. Hardwick in Belmond, left the latter part of the week to resume her studies in the Iowa State College.

Stephen Hardwick, after spending the vacation days at the home of his parents in Belmond, has left to carry on his studies in Des Moines.

POLMATEER-DAVIS

On December 21st, at Hampton, occurred the marriage of Hattie Polmateer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Polmateer, of Alexander, to Mr. Lloyd Davis, of Dows, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davis, of Tuttle, North Dakota. The bride will be remembered by many Belmond people as she resided with her parents at this place. They will make their home for the present with Geo. Polmateer, uncle of the bride, residing south of Belmond. The Independent extends its best wishes.

The editor was numbered among the missing Wednesday, being on the sick list, and was unable to obtain the latest developments in the dispute between the Belmond Telephone Company and the farmers. We hope to give our readers further fact on the case next week. The impression seems by some that the Farm Bureau is fighting the Telephone Company, whereas such is not the case; the disagreement, as the Independent understand it, being entirely between the farmers and the Company.

Our friend, "Local Citizen," seemed to have been slightly—a'hem—mistaken last week, or else he is playing it safety first, as witnessed by his following contribution:

"Now Mary just got madder than
  thunder,
Because of her dress I made such
  a blunder;
When she read it she raved and
  she tore—
I stayed in the basement that night
  and kept the furnace warm—
Now I've got to get Mary good na-
  tured,
So I'll just buy her something new;
To have her stand around storm-
  ing—
That will never do.

(To be continued—maybe)

President Hunt Answers Article In Homestead

Mis-Statements Made By Homestead Are Answered By Farm Bureau Head

DOES NOT MINCE WORDS

To County Farm Bureau Presidents, County Agents and others addressed:

Regarding the article by Dante Pierce criticising Mr. Cunningham and myself for having anything to do with the Iowa Finance Corporation, I wish to say that I can draw only on conclusion, namely, that Mr. Pierce wants to discredit the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, and at the same time kill the Iowa Finance Corporation. In this desire he is evidently receiving encouragement from certain other interests who fear that the farmers are going to have a finance corporation, enabling them to secure some independence in future marketing plan.

Mr. Pierce says in substance that we are against the War Finance Corporation. There is no truth in that statement. We did object that the War Finance Corporation was not getting new money to some farmers whom we thought might make good use of it and who were in a position to offer sufficient security for the loan. For the purpose of getting new money to these farmers, Mr. Cunningham went to Washington and secured from Mr. Meyer and his War Finance Committee a promise of money when the Iowa Credit Corporation had completed its sale of stock up to one million dollars. Mr. Meyer gave Mr. Cunningham a letter stating definitely what he would do when the Iowa Finance Corporation had completed sale of stock as contemplated. In this letter Mr. Meyer said that the Iowa Credit Corporation with a million dollars of capital should enjoy a credit up to twelve times its capital stock. In other words, up to twelve million dollars.

In quoting from this letter Mr. Pierce was absolutely unfair and misrepresented, taking a part of two paragraphs in the Meyers letter and making it appear that no definite promise was made. I am enclosing copy of the letter from Mr. Meyer so that you can see exactly what he did say, and by comparing with the Pierce article you will be able to see how Pierce manipulated the letter to carry out his purpose.

Mr. E. H. Cunningham, Vice-President Iowa Farm Credit Corporation,
410 Observatory Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Sir: Referring to your interview with the Board of Directors of th War Finance Corporation I am authorized by the directors to advise you that, when you have completed your cash capital stock subscriptions to the total amount of one million as now contemplated the Board will be pleased to entertain applications from your Company. The War Finance Corporation will be prepared to consider business involving a liberal extension of financial assistance to your Corporation, proportionate to its capital and in accordance with the character of the business propositions submitted, having due regard to the management of your company, which appears to be substantial.

It is not the policy of the War Finance Corporation to make contracts in advance with any company as to the exact volume of business it may be prepared to consider, but it is in accordance with established commercial and financial practice, in the case of live stock loans for such corporations as the Iowa Farm Credit Corporation to be able to command credit to the extent of eight to twelve times its paid in capital stock, dependent, as above stated, on the character of the business and management.

The problem of the War Finance Corporation is how to make its resources effective in relieving the agricultural situation. With the enlargement of the capital in your Corporation, as now contemplated our Board feel that your organization may be a most helpful instrument in assisting the War Finance Corporation to carry out the purposes intended by the Congress when it passed legislation in aid of the agricultural interests of the country.

Very truly yours,
Signed: Eugene Meyer, Jr.
Managing Director.

"HOMESTEAD"—"I quote portions of Mr. Meyer's letter, verbatim: It is addressed to Mr. Cunningham, under date of November 25, 1921:

"Referring to your interview with the Board of directors of the War Finance Corporation, I am authorized by the directors to advise you that, when you have completed your cash capital stock subscription to the total amount of one million dollars as now contemplated, the Board will be pleased to entertain applications from your company.

"It is not the policy of the War Finance Corporation to make contracts in advance with any company as to the exact volume of business it may be prepared to consider."

I might say further that Mr. Cunningham was one of the first to ask for Iowa when it became known that the War Finance Act was going to be operative for the benefit of agriculture. He made a statement to Mr. Meyer showing that Iowa was badly in need of financial aid and insisted that the farmers of our state receive their just share of the billion dollar appropriation provided for to get War Finance money for the farmers of Iowa, it shows very poor grace in Mr. Pierce to say that we are striving to kill the War Finance Corporation in order that the Iowa Credit Corporation might function.

With reference to the salesmen for the Iowa Credit Corporation being ex-associate packing stock salesmen, I wish to say that the officers in charge of the Corporation have affidavits from every one now employed to the effect that they had nothing to do with the selling of associate packing house stuff. You may know that the law passed last year regulating the sale of corporation stock in Iowa provides that the stock salesmen before they are allowed to solicit stock in this state are required to make an affidavit as to their previous occupation. Unless they make a satisfactory statement to the Secretary of State they are not issued a permit to enter into this line of work, so Mr. Pierce is evidently wrong in his statement that these salesmen were previously engaged in the sale of associate packing house stuff.

Mr. Pierce would have his readers believe that Mr. Cunningham and myself are large stockholders, and presumably drawing large salaries as officers of the Iowa Credit Corporation. In that connection allow me to make the statement that Mr. Cunningham has subscribed for $1,000 of Iowa Credit Corporation stock. I have subscribed for $1,000 of this stock. Neither of us have received a dollar in the way of salaries from the Iowa Credit Corporation, and do not expect to receive any salary from this source in the future. Neither have we in any way been connected with the sale of its stock. I might say further that the officers now engaged in looking after the affairs of the Iowa Credit Corporation are not drawing a salary, nor will they draw a salary under the present agreement until the Credit Corporation is a going concern. The only salary connected with the employees of the office of this Iowa Credit Corporation at the present time consists of one stenographer.

Mr. Pierce would have you believe that only $142,600.00 of stock have been sold to date, and draws the conclusion that two years will elapse before the one million dollar mark is reached. This statement is misleading and untrue. The records in the office of the Iowa Credit Corporation show that there has been to date $525,000.00 of stock subscribed for. Not all this stock has been paid up in cash, but it is sold and will be paid for when the million dollar point is reached. Most people understand that stock issued, which accounts for the showing at the Secretary of

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Business Directory

ATTORNEYS

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ATTORNEY AT LAW
Belmond, Iowa
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1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

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Office Over State Bank of Belmond
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DR. R. G. BROWN
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Calls answered promptly
day or night
Telephone 159
Belmond, Iowa.

THE NEW YEAR

The Old Year is gone, we are standing upon
The threshold that lead to the new;
But the measure of things which the New Year brings
Depends on the work that we do.
So [illegible] whatever be-
[illegible]
We will put forth our [illegible] finest
[illegible]
Success shall attend [illegible] last.
But [illegible] and it's
[illegible]
[illegible]
And Time dissolves [illegible]
[illegible]
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Though [illegible]
[illegible]
Yet [illegible]
We'll [illegible]
[illegible]
If we honestly play [illegible]
[illegible]
May the bright New Year with its promise and cheer
Find each of us glad it's begun;
Let us labor to win [illegible]
So long as there's work to be done.

ROBINSON'S

ROLLED OATS, 6 lbs. 25c
SUGAR, 15 lbs. $1.00
BACON, per lb. 25c
KARO, No. 10 (dark) 50c
KARO, No. [illegible] (light) 60c
FLOUR
$1.80, $2.00, $2.15, $2.40
COFFEE
Our Coffees are as good as [illegible]
20c, 25c, 35c, 45c
BLACK TEA, lb. [illegible]
GUNPOWDER TEA, lb. [illegible]
COCOA, bulk [illegible] 20c

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LOCAL ADS TO BE CASH

Beginning this week, all "local" advertising in the Independent will be cash in advance. "Local" ads are "readers," run among the news matter of the paper. This will hold on all local ads outside of those with whom the Independent has a steady account.

We are making this change for several reasons, among them being the fact that they are a great deal of trouble in keeping track of, in entering them on the books from week to week and making the many changes which they necessitate, and by making them cash in advance it cuts down on the amount of book work necessary to keep them straight on our records. The 20 cent local requires as much attention as does the $20 ad. Another reason is that they are so often phoned in, and then forgotten by the party in a week or so, and upon presentation of the bill they cannot remember how they happen to owe it, or think they have paid it, and things become balled up all around. The Independent has on its books today seventy-five dollars in old local ads, which money could just as well have been paid in advance and a lot of work and trouble saved all around.

Locals will be accepted over the phone, but we must ask that the cost be sent in before publication. It is easy to find the cost: Figure six words to the line, whether the word is "California" or "it," and figure each line at 10 cents. If mailed, please enclose stamps or cash. A great many papers have adopted the cash-in-advance plan on this class of advertising and have found it worth while. All dailies operate under it in their classified columns, unless the customer is one with whom they have had or are starting an account. We trust our readers will help us in observing this, and we thank them in advance, assuring you that we will give you the very best service.

MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

We extend our hearts and hands to all to help make this a happy New Year. Come and we will do our best to make life's load a little lighter and at any time you are in need of a helping hand remember that we are here to help in every way within our power.

The first services of the new year were well attended and full of interest. We were nearly up to the mark set for an average attendance for the year. The school is now thoroly organized for efficient work. We urge every man who has no Bible school connection to come and join our Men's Bible Class. We are going to have some good times together and we would like to have you with us. Sabbath school begins at 10:00 a. m. and our morning worship at 11:00. The evening services at 7:30 and Miss Mildred Parsons will be the leader next Sunday. Thursday evening at 7:00 we are intending to start a Bible Study Class which is open to all.

The annual church meeting last Tuesday will be long remembered by all who were there. Rev. Johnson's address was right up to date and while realizing the difficulties of our times was nevertheless full of hope and inspiration. The reports showed all departments of the church in a flourishing condition. We hope to be able to carry the inspiration of this day through the whole year. If you have not been in the habit of attending church, surprise your friends by starting in next Sabbath. Come with us and we will do you good.

CLIPPINGS

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* Postmaster General Hays an-*
nounced that circulars sent through
the U. S. mails offering for sale
certain formulas for use in the
manufacture of alcohol, concentra-
ted liquor and other intoxicants
are in violation of the national pro-
hibitory law. He holds that they
are not unmailable but that when
his attention is called to it it will
become his duty to return them to
the senders. It will be very diffi-
cult if such circulars are dropped
into the mails at various places, to
keep them from reaching their des-
*tinations. *

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In Clarion, the phone service charges are at the highest peak in the history of the exchange. The last raise came with the promise on the part of the company that the employes would realize the benefit of the increase, but the writer has talked to some of these same employes and has yet to learn where any sum equal to the increased rental charges are being paid to local employes. Possibly the need for extra dividends and extension, not to mention increased salaries for officials, is getting the bulk of the raise.

Some of the towns over Iowa which are served by the Bell and affiliated companies, are already demanding lower rates. The News believes that the patrons of the exchange in Clarion would back our city council in an effort to put the rates nearer the pre-war basis than they are at present.—News.

Geo. Kovac, former occupation beet weeder, aged about 35 years, possessed of a wife and three children, drank some "hootch" of his own make and was buried Thursday of last week. This family has resided in the vicinity of Hutchins for the past year. Some time ago, he was brought to the County Home to sort of pull himself together after a protracted spree. He came out of it all right, but a few days ago he was brought there a second time, and this time Shannon hauled him away in his auto hearse.—Garner Leader.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baldridge, accompanied by Mrs. Mae Thomas from Montana and Mrs. Baldridge from Belmond who are guests at the Baldride home, autoed to Mason City today, Wednesday.—Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Champlin returned Saturday from a two weeks visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wolfe, of Homes. Mrs. Champlin has been recovering from a recent operation, and the two weeks rest greatly benefited her.—News.

Mr. and Mrs. Durran Nagle and children spent Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kinney at Belmond.—Monitor.

Mr and Mrs. Charles Peterson had for out of town guests Christmas day the following relatives fom Belmond: Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Tomson, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Nelson and Mrs. P. J. Peterson.—Hampton Recorder.

Mr. and Mrs. Christy from Belmond were guests here the first of the week at the home of Mrs. Christy's sister, Mrs. O. T. Bamford and family.—Reporter.

POST-HOLIDAY REFLECTIONS

The holidays are over and it's difficult for me
To get my work accomplished in the way that it should be.
My purse is flat and empty, pay day is a week away
And how I'll ever live till then is more than I can say.
I did my shopping early and I did my swapping late
I stood in line for hours at the "Parcels Mailed Here" gate;
Now the dizzy days are over and oh gee, how hard it is
To forget the celebration and to settle down to biz.
It strikes me that the U. S. A. is feeling just the same,
We've all been playing Santa Claus and how we liked the game!
For several years we hit it up in one grand spending spree
And then the coin gave out and oh, the difference to me!
So we must simply learn, as we have learned before
That when we're daily earning less, we can't be spending more;
And a lesson in economy is what we chiefly need
For the big Joy Ride is over and we're down to second speed.

CONDITIONS IN GERMANY

Conditions Are Serious, Says George Herman, of Marshalltown

Marshalltown Times Republican: It was a changed Germany that George Herman, former councilman of this city, found in an eight months' stay in his native land. It is a Germany in which he would have no desire to live; a Germany where the common people at the present time are having a hard time to earn enough to eat, and many find themselves undernourished.

Mr. Herman has just reached home from his extended stay in the former empire. He visited principally in Bavaria, his native state, but spent some time in the different important centers.

Even though he found many things to remind him of the many changes that have taken place in the forty-one years since he came to this country. Mr. Herman considered Germany today the best country in Europe. It excels in that almost everybody is doing something and are not afraid to work. To be true, the common people earn but little, and what little they earn does not buy very much, but they are employed and managed to get enough to eat, except in the extreme cases of the very poor.

The collapse of the German mark is the big discouraging feature just now. Common labor is being paid ten marks an hour, or five cents in American money, and German laborers work an eight hour day. This will buy food for an average family but it will not also buy clothes.

A man's suit costs today from 800 to 1,000 marks. A shirt is worth 130 marks. A pair of common baby's shoes cost from fifty to 100 marks. Herman himself bought a suit of clothes, paying or it 1,300 marks. At the value of the mark at that time the suit cost him in American money, $21. The same suit here, quality and workmanship equal, would cost $80.

Other wearing apparel is on the same high plane, and it is not to be wondered that the German laborer earning 80 marks a day cannot spend much for luxuries. If he wants a cigaret he must pay forty pfenigs, or about one-fourth of a cent in American money. A package would cost him fifty marks, or the better part of a day's wages, and he cannot afford that. Herman says that he saw more cigarets bought singly than in packages. A stein of Bavarian beer, and real beer, too, costs two marks, or one cent in our money. The trouble is, however, to get the two marks for beer.

Mr. Herman says that the government owned railroads in Germany are a great handicap to the country at the present time. There are so many pensioners that the government treasury is being kept drained to meet the pension rolls. Then Herman says, there are about five men on every job, doing the work that one ought to do.

Mr. Herman says that if the combination of German and American capital, now trying to buy from the government the railroads, can negotiate their deal, he thinks that it will be the solution of the German problem. The government can get some money through the sale to pay its debt to the allies, and with the railroads being operated by a private corporation more American money could be circulated in the country. The value of the mark could be raised, and confidence restored.

Mr. Herman says that Germany is "one big robbers' roost." Everybody fears the collapse of the government and is profiteering. Farmers who made money during the war and have it now, even though it will not buy much, are buying mercrandise to convert their worthless marks into tangible assets in the event that the government goes broke. He saw in one store a farmer buy bolt after bolt of cloth, in fact so much that the store refused to sell him more.

Mr. Herman made a special effort to find out the feeling in Germany as to the loss of the kaiser. He found by talking to people in all walks of life only three men who expressed the wish that the kaiser was again in power. These three, he learned afterward were former high army officers.

Mr. Herman says that the people are all glad that the kaiser was dethroned. They felt sorry when they first were informed by the newspapers that the emperor was going to abdicate. Then they learned that he had fled to Holland two weeks before, and taking his fortune with him. When they reflected on the fact that, in order to help "win the war" they had given up all their silver and gold during the war, it did not set well to think that Wilhelm had gone and and taken his gold and silver with him. This caused a revulsion of feeling that is very apparent. Herman says one can call the kaiser anything he cares to and meet with sympathy.

Mr. Herman also says that while the people are not satisfied, apparently with the present government, he thinks it is due mainly to the fact that there are so many political parties. "There are twenty-two parties that I heard of," said Herman. "If a shoemaker gets an idea into his head he goes out and starts a party."

In the cities, especially Berlin, Mr. Herman says that one sees but little signs of hard times unless he gets into the very poor quarters. The night life is as gay as either in New York or Chicago, and there is much display of wealth and finery. The cafes and theatres are filled nightly, there is music everywhere, and it appears as though all the people were rolling in wealth.

Mr. Herman is glad to be home, and glad that he is not to be classed with some of the many Americans who have been in Germany this last summer, and who went there with the expectation of remaining there. He said he saw a few who went back to Germany because they were peeved over the prohibition laws of this country who would give anything now could they get enough money to pay their passage back to the United States.

M. & ST. L. IS DERAILED

The engine, mail and baggage car, chair car and front trucks of the coach ahead of the Pullman sleeper on the northbound M. & St. L. passenger, No. 6, running two hours late, were derailed in the yards here Monday morning at about 6 o'clock when the train struck a defective switch located at the Eighth street crossing.

The engine and coaches kept right side up and were not damaged to any extent, but the track was torn up for more than 100 feet. Passengers were given a good scare but no one was injured.

The wrecking crew from Marshalltown arrived on the scene at 9 o'clock and after ten hours of work succeeded in placing everything in order. The damage is estimated at $1,000. It was what might be termed a "lucky wreck." The cause of the accident is unknown but the supposition is that some red handed individual had tampered with the switch.—Hampton Recorder.

IOWA CORN TO PLANT ARMEMIAN FIELDS

Iowa's champion seed corn is to be used in planting the fields of far-off Armenian and the Bible lands to bring an end to the famine conditions existing in those countries today.

Announcement of plans for shipping a number of carlaods of Iowa seed corn to the Armenian famine zone for spring planting was made here today by Governor N. E. Kendall, state chairman of the Near East Relief movement.

"If we can get our good old Iowa corn planted in the soil of those countries we will have gone a long way toward ending the famine conditions which are claiming thousands of lives every week over there at the present time," Governor Kendall said.

The farmers and farm organizations of every county in the state are to be asked immediately to cooperate in preparations for a seed corn campaign, to be inaugurated the first of the year by the Near East Relief Workers. Gifts of seed corn, large or small, are to be sought from all farmers in the state. The corn is to be delivered to the nearest elevator, marked as seed corn, and it will be hauled from there to the seaboard for shipment, free of charge, through a special arrangement made with the railroads.

Workers are to continue their gift corn campaign through the state, for donations of corn which will be used for food in the famine zones. More than half of the counties of Iowa have now raised their quotas, state director C. A. Montanus said today.

1922

You have not started on the first lap of the New Year of 1922 right unless you have started with a bank account in some reliable bank. It makes you safe for the year to come. No matter how small the beginning, start a bank account with us today. Interest paid on Time Deposits.

State Bank of Belmond

The Bank for Everybody!

Sugar 4c

With every $50 order - - 100 lbs. at 4c
With every $25 order - - 50 lbs. at 4c
With every $13 order - - 25 lbs. at 4c
With every $5 order - - 10 lbs. at 4c

LUTZ GROCERY
Belmond, Iowa

Rowan Local News

Home Talent To Be Feature Next Week

"Comedy Farce" Is Title Of the Home Talent Play To Be Given January 10th

DON'T MISS THIS TREAT

Citizens of Rowan, lend us your ear. One of the best programs ever put on in our town will be given on the evening of Tuesday, January 10, by home talent. There will be lots of real fun, and good music. One of the special items will be a "Comedy Farce," put on by the town boys, and there'll be lots of screams. We are only charging 25 cents for admission. The program is as follows:

Piano Selection........Guy Sheldon
Reading ......Mrs. Frank Kerchival
Solo ....Arno Myers
Orchestral Selection .....Box, Rietz, Bailey and Williams.
Solo—"O Heart of Mine"......Miss Lavonne Ballou (violin obligato).
Reading .....Miss Laura McCallum
Piano Duet..Misses Rietz and Allen
Male Quartette ..Emerson, McCallum, Toyne, Williams.
Piano Duet ....Ruth and Esther Emerson.
Selection from Mark Twain....Mrs. H. Tomkinson.
Duet—"Somewhere A Voice Is Calling" ..Misses Kirkvink and Osterhouse.
Cornet Solo ....Kenneth Keith
Solo—"I passed By Your Window".. Mrs. Bert Pelley.
Reading ....Town Girls
Mixed Quartette—"Close Thine Eyes" ....Ballou, Box, Box, Whitten
Selection .... W. H. Nye
Reading ......Miss Frances Farren
Piano Selection with violin obligato.. Mrs. Clinton and James Kerchival.
Comedy Farce ......The Town Boys

This will be a jolly evening for all who attend. Come and help the guarantors out who have tried to provide some entertainment for the winter.

Congregational Church Notes
Pastor—W. H. Nye

The Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m. —"The Rough Life."

The Sunday School, 12:00 a. m.—Children, we need you at your Sunday School.

The Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.

The Evening Song and Worship, 7:30 p. m. "Look At That Face."

These two addresses for this Sunday are worth your attention, and the music will be worth nearing. Invite all your friends to come, and boost the Great Work of The Kingdom.

The Junior Endeavor will meet at the church, Wednesday, after school, 4:00 p. m. "Come."

The Mid-week meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Come, and invite your neighbors.

We wish all a good and Prosperous New Year for 1922. The Rowan Congregational Church.

The free annual dinner and election of officers took place at the Rowan Congregational church last Friday afternoon with a large attendance. The dinner was one of the best that the ladies have given, and the reports of all the departments of the church showed a marked gain for the year of 1921. We are looking forward and working for a better showing for the year of 1922. This means that we will boost and work.

Our Sunday School is a growing institution, and we need more children and workers. Parents, we invite you to send your children to our Sunday School, and if possible for you, we would like you to come with them. We have classes for the young and the old, and this is an invitation for you to come with the family to the Church Sunday School

The ladies of the Church met at the home of Mrs. S. Heath, Thursday afternoon to tie quilts. There was good work accomplished.

There will be a home talent play on the evening of January 10th. This will be worth your attention, and hold this date open, so that you will attend with your many friends. Watch the paper for further notice, etc.

There was a very good attendance at the Rowan Congregational church Sunday, January 1st. We have pledged to work, and make a moral investment for the best interest of the Church and community for the year of 1922.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Farran, Thursday, January 5th. A large attendance is desired.

Come Sunday and hear the music and addresses at the Rowan Congregational Church, and stay for the Sunday School. Our church and Sunday School is a growing and progressive institution, and we need all the children and parents to come, and take part with us who do not attend any other church school.

M. E. Church Notes

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church met last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Luella Whitten with Mrs. F. B. Sheldon as the leader.

Miss May Virden, student at Cornell College, lead the Epworth League last Sunday evening.

The Rev. Harold Tomkinson, pastor of th Methodist Church, will speak next Sunday on two important subjects. At the evening service he will speak on the novel topic, "RUBBER HEELS AND WHEELS." I don't think that anyone can guess what the pastor will say. Mr. Tomkinson says that it is a fine subject. The spirit of rubber heel and wheels is everywhere. Come and find out whether or not you have it.

Mr. and Mr. Clifford Snow, of Goldfield, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten.

Mr. Dayton went to Estherville, Friday, to spend some time with his son at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Peters, of Alexander, were passengers Wednesday for California, where they expect to spend the winter.

Mrs. T. K. Holliday went to Clarion Wednesday.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Jennings, in Clarion, Monday.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens visited Belmond relatives between trains, Tuesday.

Donald Farren was an Eagle Grove visitor last Monday.

Clarence Currie was a Hampton business caller, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitten and daughter, Frieda, were Clarion shoppers, Wednesday.

Mrs. Jessie Agnew and Miss Florence Box returned Wednesday from Clarion, where they had been visiting their brother, Arthur Box and family.

Miss Mae Virden returned to her school work at Cornell, Monday, after a pleasant vacation with the home folks.

Mrs. Lizzie Otto, of Hampton, spent Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Steffens.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lindsey are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine six and one-half pound boy, born Tuesday, December 27th, 1921. Mother and baby are reported as doing fine. The young chap has been named Merle Willmer.

Another baby boy arrived Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher. This is their first born and we think the dray horses step just a little prouder since their driver is in such good spirits. This little chap has been named Merle Dean.

Mr. R. L. Robinson and son, of Meservey, visited at the G. R. Stumph home a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Vennum and daughter, Carol, of Ft. Dodge, visited relatives in Rowan and Dows the latter part of the week.

Alt Hackley and his sisters, Eva and Nellie went to Dows Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week with relatives at that place.

Jake Steffens, of Milledgeville, Illinois, spent a few days at the home of his brother, William Stffens and family.

Grace Holliday returned Monday from Wesley where she has been spending her holidays.

Donald Farren returned to Iowa City, Sunday, where he will resume his school work.

Mesdames Guy Stumph and Roscoe Robinson were Dows callers last Wednesday.

Mesdames Roy Ryder and Willard McCallum were Clarion callers last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Belmond caller, Tuesday.

L. W. Stevenson has purchased the meat market from Guy Stumph. We wonder how many times it will change hands in 1922. It seems to have gotten the habit. Mr. Stevenson took possession December 31st.

Last Thursday night a party of young people gathered at the J. F. Howell home for a social evening. About eighteen were present. The honored guest was Floyd Allen, of Aberdeen, South Dakota. The evening was spent in music and games. Light refreshments were served. One feature of the evening was the redeeming of forfeits which were paid in one game. Some very amusing stunts were given as forfeits.

Roy Cupp was a Dows caller, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sullivan visited at the Dan Fletcher home last week.

Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kerchival entertained the following guests at a birthday dinner in honor of their son, Clint: Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kerchival and son; and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Kerchival and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou gave a New Year's dinner, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. John DeNio and daughter and Vivian Norris, of Galt, were guests.

Last Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Stumph and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson went to Hampton to see the show, "The Old Nest." They report it as a fine show.

D. A. French returned, Friday from New York, where he was called by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Cole. Monday he received word that she had passed beyond Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. She had been making her home with a daughter in North Laurence, New York the past few months. She was the oldest of the first settlers of this place that was living when she went from here. We hope to have the obituary for next week's paper. Mr. French has the sympathy of his many friends in his loss.

Luke Wessels went to Meservey last Tuesday to work the rest of the winter.

Mrs. Chester Bailey arrived home from Highmore, South Dakota last week.She remained after her mother's death to care for a brother who was very ill.

Mrs. Joe Patton Jr. fell Sunday morning, spraining her back and side very badly. She is confined to her bed. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Edwin Nelson has been very sick the past week. She is reported as some better at this writing.

Our news was hard to get this week owing to the telephone trouble.

Mrs. Fred Smith and children, of Clarion have been at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Snyder, part of this week as Mrs. Snyder has not been so well.

Arthur Hansen, who is in the hospital at Hampton, is reported as getting along as well as could be expected considering his injuries.

Frank Toyne was a Fort Dodge caller, Saturday.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten, and Laurel and Miss Angie Baines were weekend visitors at the Ed Baines home at Dows.

Mrs. Kate Conn spent several days the past week at the home of her son, C. B. Conn and family at Coulter.

Laurel Whitten is on the sick list and unable to attend school the first of the week.

Mrs. June Shinnamon, of Oelwein, came Saurday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Ketchum.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Halbrook and family returned from Hayfield, Monday, whee they had been visiting at the Peter Schreck home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle and family arrived home Saturday from their honeymoon and expect to start housekeeping in the near future.

Mrs. Ezra Ingraham and daughter, of Swaledale, visited at the home of Mrs. Mary Braden over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle and Mrs. Fred Smith were Clarion callers last Monday.

Mrs. C. E. Johnson and children returned from visiting relatives at Bristow and Allison, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris, of Thornton, spent Sunday at the parental Stevenson home.

Wednesday night Mr. and Mrs. Will Ferguson entertained a few young people. Oysters was the chief attraction. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Roland Harris and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Bangs, of Dows. A very enjoyable evening is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Azeltine entertained his brother, J. W. and family at dinner, Christmas.

The American Legion Andrew Whitten Post No. 59, of Rowan, Iowa met in regular session Monday night for the election of officers for the coming year, as follows: Rev. H. Tomkinson, Post Commander; James Rowen, Adj.; Guy E. Toyne, Post Finance Officer; Albert Moellering, Vice Commander; Howard Box, Chaplain; Albert Johnson, Sergeant at Arms; Frank Retliff, Post Historian; J. F. Howell, Post Correspondent. Plans were made for the work for the year. They completed arrangements for the county meeting which will be held at Clarion January 25; also completed arrangements for a home talent play, the date of which will appear later. Watch the paper for this date.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Acres, of Dows, were transferring in town Saturday and called at the E. Bingham home. Mrs. Acres will be remembered by Rowan friends as Grace Willis, of Dows.

Marshall Myers returned to Des Moines, Monday to take up his school work again after his holiday vacation.

Russell Olson returned to Iowa Falls, Monday, where he is attending Ellsworth College. He reports his school work as interesting this year.

Miss Dorothy Ramsey, Mr. J. F. Howell and son, John were Dows callers, Monday.

Star Theater
Rowan, Iowa

F. H. Brooks, Mgr.

PROGRAM

"DEEP WATERS"
JANUARY 5TH

The new Tourneur picture.

The story was adapted from F. Hopkinson Smith's popular novel, "Caleb West, Master Diver," and the scenes are laid on the New England Coast.

Caleb West, a man past his prime, and his girl-wife, Betty, are the central figures in the story. Betty becomes attracted to a youth named Bill Lacey, and the ship upon which Lacey is traveling is wrecked and Caleb West brings the body of the young man to the surface. In a dramatic scene the loyalty of Betty to her husband asserts itself and a touching reconciliation between the two takes place.

ALSO A HAROLD LLOYD COMEDY.

NOTICE TO AUTO OWNERS

We do all kinds of repairing to auto curtains—new lights in side curtains, reinforcing eyelets, etc. Bring them in.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

HUMBOLDT FIRMS ARE ALL GOOD ADVERTISERS

The LuVerne News comments on the fact that the Humboldt papers are full of advertising, and that they carry no Fort Dodge or other out-of-town advertising because they are patronized at home. The news feels that if the LuVerne merchants would advertise liberally it could also refuse the out-of-town advertising.

Every newspaper man hates to admit that he can't get enough business at home, but has to carry out-of-town advertising to make his paper pay. And still, he has to do it.

It is a side of newspapering that few merchants consider. They do not realize that there is always someone anxious to buy newspaper space, and what they refuse to buy someone else is anxious to buy.

The Republican turns down many advertisements every year. One Fort Dodge business house has several times offered this paper an order for 1,000 inches at thirty cents an inch—$300. At one time we turned down an order guaranteeing never less than a half page, and from that up to two pages weekly, at twenty-five cents an inch. In fact, the copy for the two pages was forwarded this office, but was not inserted, though nearly every paper in the county published outside of Humboldt gave it admission to the papers.

There are several towns in this vicinity that are worrying about their home paper taking out-of-town advertising, when the fact is that the editor has to take this outside advertising or quit his business.

Why not give the local paper sufficient business to warrant its refusing the out-of-town business?—Humboldt Republican.

SICK
With a Bad Cold

"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa.

Get it from your druggist at 35 cents per bottle, large size 60 cents.

As I have bought a farm and have a surplus of Household Goods, I will hold a private sale at my residence from

Now Until Feb. 1st, 1922

New dining room table
6 new dining room chairs
New gumwood bedroom suite
Bed, dresser, chiffonier, stand rocker
Nearly new couch
New $200 Edison Phonograph, and 15 latest records
Nearly new library table
Nearly new leather davenport
3 rocking chairs
4 burner Perfection Oil Stove
Nearly new Thor Electric Washer
2 Electric table lamps
Electric 7 in fan
2 burner Electric plate
Vacuum Cleaner
Electric Iron
1 9-12 Congoleum Rug
9x27 Brussels Rug
2 new Axminster 36x63 rugs
7 1-2 x 9 Axminster rug
China Cabinets
Sectional book case
Ice refrigerator
2 oak dressers
Chiffonier
Kitchen Cabinet
New reed baby cab
Other articles too numerous to mention.

F. E. CHRISTIE

The New Years' Stationery

Should be of the very best in quality and workmanship. We are prepared to give you only the best, as every true business man demands.

Choose what you need and any style or class you wish and our workmen will fill your order in the least particular.

Look Over Our Stock

and let us figure with you on that next job of Catalogues, Posters, Statements, Letter Heads, Envelopes, Work Orders, Shipping Tags, Society Stationery, etc. We print every variety of stationery in our own shop, where you can look over the work if you wish before it is printed.

The Belmond Independent

Phone 115 Belmond, Iowa

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm

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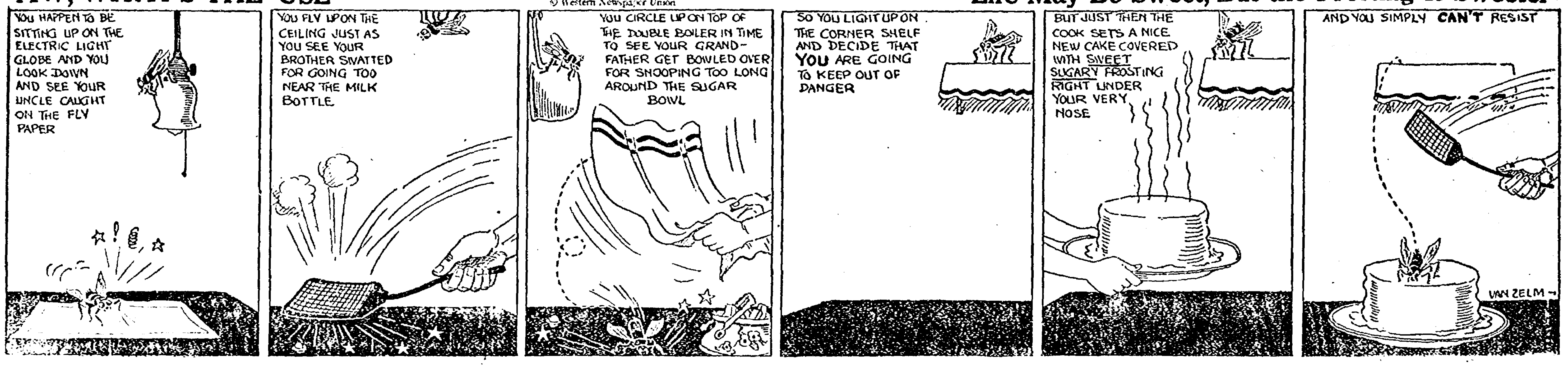
Life May Be Sweet, But the Frosting Is Sweeter


YOU HAPPEN TO BE SITTING UP ON THE ELECTRIC LIGHT GLOBE AND YOU LOOK DOWN AND SEE YOUR UNCLE CAUGHT ON THE FLY PAPER
YOU FLY UP ON THE CEILING JUST AS YOU SEE YOUR BROTHER SWATTED FOR GOING TOO NEAR THE MILK BOTTLE
YOU CIRCLE UP ON TOP OF THE DOUBLE BOILER IN TIME TO SEE YOUR GRAND-FATHER GET BOWLED OVER FOR SNOOPING TOO LONG AROUND THE SUGAR BOWL
SO YOU LIGHT UP ON THE CORNER SHELF AND DECIDE THAT YOU ARE GOING TO KEEP OUT OF DANGER
BUT JUST THEN THE COOK SETS A NICE NEW CAKE COVERED WITH SWEET SUGARY FROSTING RIGHT UNDER YOUR VERY NOSE
AND YOU SIMPLY CAN'T RESIST
VAN ZELM

A Letter of Interest to Our School Patrons

Meservey Cannot Collect Tuition Unless New Building Is Guaranteed

VOTERS READ CAREFULLY

There seems to be some difference of opinion in regard to matters concerning the status of our school. The last legislature passed a law raising the amount of tuition that school districts who do not maintain an approved high school are required to pay for pupils who attend schools that are approved from eight dollars per month per pupil to twelve dollars per pupil. This bill is known as Senate File 293 and was passed by a vote of 36 to 2 in the state senate. Below we give an extract from a letter written to the secretary of the School Board under the date of Sept. 20, 1921, which is on file at his office.

"The State Department cannot continue the school at Meservey on the four year approved list for tuition purposes after January 1, 1922 unless bonds have been voted for the erection of a new building.

I am sure that your community will come to a realization of the need of a new building when it realizes that under the law the school can no longer collect tuition and that any child living in the Meservey district can attend any approved school in the state of Iowa at the expense of the Meservey district. At the present time I understand that the tuition will amount to more than $100 per month, consequently your community ought to be able to see the need for voting for this new building in the immediate future.

The State Department stands ready to give whatever assistance it can in providing for the right kind of housing facilities for the school children of the Meservey district. Will the Secretary please notify the Department whenever bonds have been voted so that the school may be reinstated.

Most cordially yours,
P. E. McClenahan,
Superintendent of Public Instruction
(Signed) Geo. A. Brown,
Inspector of Consolidated Schools

This letter is published at the request of a farmer patron of the school and the original may be read by anyone who cares to do so.

In addition for the information of the patrons we may state here that the Meservey school did not receive state aid this year. This had been received for a number of years previous.

MUST HAVE BEEN M. & ST. L.

Fred Menzel returned from his visit at Auburn last Thursday. He reports that he was delayed in returning on account of a railroad wreck somewhere down the line, and we have never known him to tell anythig but the truth so that goes, altho the newspapers appear to have overlooked mentioning the fact.

Miss Sylvia Bloom is visiting her friends here for a few days before she returns to her school duties at Northwestern College.

MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

Prof. Swain, of Cedar Falls, will give an address, accompanied with stereoptican slides, Tuesday evening, the tenth of January. This entertainment will be free.

The semester examinations will be given in two weeks. All classes are reviewing for finals in this semester.

Some new classes will be formed at the beginning of next semester. New classes will be formed in bookkeeping, Business, English, Business Arithmetic and Community Civics and Patriotism.

Everyone is invited to come out to hear Prof. Swain. He is a very interesting speaker.

He brings a lantern and no admittance.

A test was made in the high school last Tuesday. A statement had been made that only a small per cent of school children could repeat the Lord's Prayer. Thirty-three out of thirty-nine of the Meservey school can repeat it and only four in the grammar room that could not, giving a very large percentage in favor of those who know the prayer. A large percentage knew in substance the Ten Commandments. I am not so sure that eighty--seven per cent of those making this criticism can do as well.

A kindly word should be said for the teachers for the endeavor and purpose and well prepared Christmas programs.

The High School gave their programs in the morning in the manner of Christmas stories and talks. The grammar room at 10:30 a. m., and the lower grades in the afternoon.

Surely Meservey school should be congratulated upon the high class of work the teachers have done. These programs were pure, full of history, and inspiring.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

BOND PROPOSITION

MESERVEY, IOWA.

[illegible]e is hereby given, That a special election of the Consolidated Independent School Disedict of Meservey, in the Counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin and Wright, State of Iowa, will be held on the 12th day of January, 1922, at the City Hall, Meservey, Iowa from one o'clock P. M. until six o'clock P. M. and that at said election there will be submitted to the voters of said Consolidated Independent District to be by them voted upon, the following proposition:

Shall the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the Counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin and Wright, State of Iowa, issue bonds in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60-000) for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new school house?

At which time and place all of the voters of said Consolidated Independent School District are hereby notified to appear.

This notice is given by order of Board of Directors of said Consolidated Independent School District, pursuant to a sufficient petition with the requisite signatures is accordance with Sections 2820-d 1 et seq. of the Supplement to the Code of Iowa, 1913.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa, this 7th day of December, 1921.

K.CLARENCE RUIGH
Secretary, Board of Directors.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E Jones spent Christmas at the Walton home at Thornton.

DO YOU REMEMBER 'WAY BACK WHEN—

Editor Meservey Register:

Dear Sir—I notice by the Mason City Times that there was a fire in Swaledale today; that a grain elevator burned and a whole lot of grain, salt, cement, etc., with it. I also notice by the paper that Swaledale had just bought a new fire apparatus but it was of no avail. It also says that the bucket brigade saved the town.

Now, Mr. Editor, what would become of our town (I mean the buildings) if we should happen to have another accidental fire here?

We all know that the town is bonded for $4,000.00, which is drawing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum. Now, I do not know how much of that sum has been spent; neither do I know how much more has been spent by a promise to pay; but one thing I do know, and that is, if we should happen to have a fire in town now, that we would have no protection at all.

Now, fellow citizens, do you not think that it is about time to look into this, take the matter in hand and make the engine pump, and the waterworks work. What have we got the two big tanks, the building, the water mains, hydrants, hose, etc. for? Is it to make a show? We all know that a jail in a small town will never pay a dividend, if you could build one for $25. It seems here that all that is to be looked after is a fire-proof jail (which was not mentioned in the proceedings for the bonds for the water works.)

Fellow citizens, which shall we do—lock the door after the colt is stolen, or shall we go to work and make our servants (the Mayor and council) make an accounting, and if they are unable to finish the water works, let us (the people) take it in our own hands and I am confident it will be finis[illegible].

Who has [illegible]e courage to call a meeting

W. P. VanderZalm.
January 2, 1912.

TEN YEARS AGO

Much snow, 20 and 22 below.

A. D. Brogan is traveling salesman for Baxter Stove Company.

Tenus Johnson farm sale.

Morris Floy and Guy Crapser in train wreck. Mr. Floy had two ribs broken.

TO ADDRESS SCHOOL PATRONS

C. C. Swain will address the Meservey patrons in the Methodist church on January 10th, 1922. Mr. Swain is speaking in place of Macy Campbell. All are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

LYCEUM COURSES NOT PAYing

Most towns that have put on a Lyceum course this winter are running behind and the receipts will not pay the bill and as usual those that put up the guarantee will have to foot the bill. We were quite lucky not to have contracted for a course this winter, altho some pretty fine looking feminine advance agents were here and tried to land us on a contract of that kind but failed.

FOR SALE

10 Large Type Poland China bred gilts, to farrow in March and April. Cholera immune. Pedigrees furnished and satisfaction guaranteed. Price $25 to $35. C. H. Quandt, Meservey, Iowa.

RAILWAY HEADS OPPOSE REDUCTION

Efforts of railway companies to postpone giving effect to the grain and hay rate reductions recently ordered by the interstate commerece commission are declared by Des Moines traffic men to be responsible for a hearing to be held before the commission in Washington, December 14th. This hearing, at which Iowa will be represented by Judge J. H. Henderson, council for the board of railway commissioners, is ostensibly called to consider proposals advanced by the railways for reduction on a wider list of agricultural commodities than that covered in the western grain and hay case. In reality, say traffic men here, the subject to be considered is the desire of the railways to decrease the amount of the reductions already ordered.

In approving the plea of the complainants for reductions in the western hay and grain case, the interstate commerce commission refrained from ordering the railroads to put the reductions in effect on a given date because a definite order would have required thirty days' notice. It was thought that, in view of the urgency of western agricultural needs, the object could be attained more speedily by leaving the matter to the free action of the railroads. They were desired, but not ordered, to publish reductions ranging from twelve per cent upwards not later than November 20. This they failed to do. Finally at the solicitation of the original complaintants, the commission issued a definite order for reductions to be made, but this does not become effective until December 27.

Meantime the railroads had advanced the proposition to the commission that the whole western grain question should be reconsidered. They suggested, says E. G. Wylie, freight commissioner for the interstate commerce commission, that they would do bigger things for the agricultural interest, if premitted a general ten percent reduction on a wide list of commodities in the place of the considerable larger reductions ordered on a restricted list. This exchange, Mr. Wylie asserts, would be a poor one from the standpoint of Iowa, because the additional commodities the railroads would include in their reductions are comparatively unimportant.

"What the western states particularly desired has not as yet been vouchsafed to them," said Mr. Wylie. "They sought reductions which would go in effect with the least possible delay, so that the benefit would be felt on shipments of this crop. When the commission asked the railroads to publish the lower tariffs by November 20, it was thought this object had been achieved. It is true that some of the western states' represenatives suggested a binding order would be preferable. Still, in general, it was believed the railroads would comply with the commission's formal request, and so strong was this belief that the grain markets moved upward in conformity with it.

"In view of this fact, the failure of the railroads to publish the lower tariffs November 20 can only be construed as breach of moral, if not of a legal obligation.

"Nobody desires to deal unjustly with the great transportation lines of the country, but they should be according no special advantage over other actitivies. They are entitled to a fair return upon their captial investment, but that fair return must be measured by the returns accruing to other business in the conditions which at the time prevail. It is preprosterous to insist that the common carriers of the United States shall enjoy an income appoximating six per cent while those who originate the traffic they carry are prosecuting their business at a material loss."

NEW DOG TAX LAW

Any person in the state of Iowa owning or harboring a dog, male or female, must apply to the county auditor of their respective county for a license of ownership for said animal and said application must be made before the 15th day of January next and every year thereafter. A fee of one dollar for each male or spayed female dog, and three dollars for each female dog, must accompany the application.

Blanks for applying for license can be secured at the auditor's office, on which must be stated the breed, sex, age, color and markings of such dog, the name and address of the owner, and the same shall be signed in the presence of some person qualified to administer an oath. The fee of this service is fixed by law at twenty-five cents.

Upon receipt of the application accompanied by the required fee, the auditor will issue a license for the current year together with a metal tag. Such tag must be affixed to a substantial collar and shall at all times be kept on the dog for which license is issued.

All dogs running at large after January 15 not so licensed and without collar and tag are to be deemed "wild" dogs and it will be the duty of any peace officer to kill same wherever found. The law also specifies that any dog, licensed or not found worrying, maiming or killing any domestic animal or fowl, may be killed by any person.

It shall be deemed a misdemeanor for any person other than the owner or authorized agent to remove the tag from any dog and a penalty of not to exceed $40 attaches or a 30 day jail sentence.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENTERTAINS

On Tuesday evening, December 27 Mrs. Muller's Sunday School class met at the home of Evelyn and Thelma Thomas for a social evening spent in the nature of a surprise farewell to the members who were to leave the class, being promoted to another. The business of the year was completed, after which a pleasant time was had by all present. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, salad, coffee, ice cream and cake were furnished by different members of the class, and served in two courses. A feature of the evening's entertainment was the "fond farewell" bestowed by the teacher upon each of the members of the class, per special request. Thus ended a happy evening.

FOR SALE

Fine Duroc Jersey boars, thoroughbred. Price $20.—L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. Telephone Meservey 414. 3t*

Albert Hafermann is having his house on South Main re-plastered.

CHURCHES

REFORMED CHURCH

German Preaching, 8:00 p. m.

Primary and Junior Classes in Catechism meet every Saturday at 1:30 p. m.

Senior Class in Catechism at 3:00 p. m.

The annual congregational meeting is to take place January 11, 1922. All members are earnestly requested to be present. Let everyone aim to be present.

Let us enter the New Year thus equipped for service, putting on the whole armor of God, and above all neglecting not the sandals that stand for faithful continuance in well doing. So shall we be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. Thus when we reach the border we shall be able to say "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

"I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord.'"

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Regular Services:

Sunday School—9:45 a. m.

Preaching Services—10:45 a. m.

Y. P. A.—7:30 p. m., followed by preaching service at 8:00.

Wednesday Prayer Service—2:00 p. m.

Thursday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

Yearly election of officers was held December 31st and the following officers were elected:

For Church: August Guth, trustee for five years.

For Sunday School:

C. J. Wendel, S. S. Supt.
Frank Guth, Vice Supt.
Henry Wendel, Secretary.
Louis Foss, Treasurer.
Mrs. L. Foss, Pianist.
Viola Thomas, Assistant Pianist.
Geo. Brater and Donald Muller, Librarians for Sunday School and regular services.

Geo. Brater has accepted the janitorship for one year.

The Sunday morning services were well attended and enjoyed by all present. The following united with the church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wickersham, by letter from the Evangelical Church of Ft Dodge.

By confession of faith:

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Jannsen.
Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hoffman.
Mrs. A. B. Hulsebus.
Mrs. J. A. Nissen.

Others may follow very soon.

May God's richest and choicest blessings be yours for the New Year. God give us all a vision of our duties and obligations to our fellowmen, thus making us more able to observe the "Golden Rule."

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

W. S. Pritchard let Saturday night for Chicago with several cars of stock of his own feeding on his Belmond farm. We speak ff this stock as Walt's own feeding. Get this right. Walt is one of the biggest feeders in this section, but he does it all by proxy.—Leader.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

The young people held a surprise party at the Theo Wendel home last Thursday evening, in honor of Ralph's eighteenth birthday and a large crowd was present and a good time was reported.

G. L. Stump and wife, of Rowan, visited at the R. L. Robinson home

from Friday to Sunday.

Edgar Mantel and bride, of Rowan visited in town for a short time Saturday.

R. L. Robinson made a business trip to Rowan Monday forenoon. H. A. Kofoed had charge of the shop during his absence.

The Misses Marie Fischer, Irene Guth and Sylvia Bloom left Monday for Naperville, Illinois, to take up their school duties.

Herman Ostendorf, Herman Dirks and Hajo Pals departed for Pella last Monday to take up their studies at Central College.

Erma and Ona Ulrick returned to their studies at the Ames College last Sunday.

Walt Wooton, who moved from here to Sheffield to run a restaurant did not stay in business very long. We understand he lived at Hampton for a time and is now back at Sheffield again.

Some one made a suggestion that the janitors of our churches be asked to make their New Years bell ringing somewhat shorter in the future—we second the motion.

Bonita and Neva Muller have been on the sick list for the last few days.

The newest fashion decree is that the ears shall be bared. Why the idea. Simply shocking.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Butz and daughter visited at the Mary Butz home, Sunday.

Mrs. C. E. Brogan is visiting her brother, Eric Clark at Garner for a few days.

Miss Esther Reverts, who has been spending her holiday vacation with her parents at Stout, Iowa, returned Sunday.

John Langlitz was a motor passenger Monday morning. He visited his wife, who expects to return home soon.

Erma Nissen is assisting with the invoicing at the Fischer store this week.

Our city police department made a hurried trip north of town last Monday night to bring in two suspicious characters who had their car parked along side of the road for no apparent reason. They had been several places in like position for several days. They were suspected of being booze runners but were turned loose for lack of evidence. One of the party stated they were only booze soakers and were celebrating New Years.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

I have purchased the meat market of H. A. Koefed, and will conduct the business under the same lines as it has heretofore been conducted. I am prepared at all times to give you the best in all kinds of meats, of the best of quality, and solicit a share of your patronage in this line.

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The Cemetery Society will meet Tuesday, January 10th, 1922, at 2:00 p. m., at the Frank Hafermann home. Full attendance desired.

L. B. Hulsebus autoed to Mason City, Friday.

Titus Frohling and family, of Ackley were visiting at the Fred Frohling home last week.

Dwelling House For Sale—Bids on the Noteboom home will be received by the undersigned up to February 1st. Right is reserved to reject any or all. Ben Gruis, A. J. Nissen.

Ralph Ulrick was in town one day last week. He is spending his vacation at home. He attends a Chiropractic school at Davenport, Iowa, and expects to complete his course by next fall.

Mrs. A. D.Brogan visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wier, at Clear Lake several days last week. weeks vacation ahrdl mfwyp cmfwyp

Marvel Brogan is spending two weeks' vacation at home. She attends school at Charles City.

Miss Alma Witt and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus returned from Mason City last Wednesday, where Miss Alma had her tonsils removed.

Victor Zimmerman was a Thornton caller between trains last Wednesday.

F. C. Sprau returned last Wednesday from his visit to Farmer City, Illinois.

Miss Dora Witt visited at the L. B. Hulsebus home.

FOR SALE

Big type of Poland China boars eligible to register.—C. F. W. Paul, Route 2, Thornton. Phone 5304 on Meservey exchange 1tfc

Miss Wilhelmina Loats, of Belmond, is the new clerk at the Hulsebus-Muller store, beginning her duties Monday morning.

Mrs. A. E. Muller and daughters,

Bonita and Neva have been on the sick list for the past few days.

ANTI-SALOON ON JOB IN EVERY COUNTY

Ninety-nine county committees of the Anti-Saloon League, one for each county in Iowa, are to be named shortly after the first of January under the new state-wide prohibition enforcement program announced here this morning by league officials.

The organization which will be formed in each county by state headquarters of the Anti-Saloon League will include some of the best citizens of each community, State Superintendent R. N. Holsaple said today. When completed it will provide the the most thorough dry network ever planed since the great fight was made in this state against the saloons some years ago. The first county committees will be named by the state headquarters within the coming week, Holsaple stated.

The county committees will have the following functions:

1. Report all violations of liquor lows in their communities.
2. Check up to see that cases are prosecuted after reports have been made.
3. Institute cases in court in the name of the Anti-Saloon League when local athorities fail to prosecute.
4. Furnish added legal help in prosecutions where county attorneys or other authorities desire it.
5. Where courts assess ridiculously low fines in liquor violation cases, the local committees, thought the state headquarters, will carry the cases before the higher courts to see that proper penalties are imposed.

Special investigators will probably be used by some of the county committees in cases where conditions are especially bad, the state league headquarters announced.

THE BLACKSMITH"S TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. Thou shalt honor me and my helper above all other blacksmiths.
2. Thou shalt remember me and forget all others in my line.
3. Thou shalt not kick on my prices for I must live on the profits.
4. Thou shalt not blame me for injury done thy horses by some other smith.
5. Thou shalt not let thy horses go barefoot, for it injures my business.
6. Thou shalt not say chalk it, for I like it not.
7. Thou shalt pay bills promptly with gold, silver or scrip.
8. Thou shalt not steal by my shop, without coming in.
9. Thou shalt remember the Sabbath and get thy horses shod during the week.
10. Thou shalt remember these commandments that thy days may be prolonged 'till you die; if you don't get killed in an automobile accident.

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FARM BUREAU NEWS ITEMS

By the new revenue bill which President Harding signed on Nov. 23, the transportation tax is repealed. Section 500 specifically repeals the 3 per cent on freight charges, the 1 per cent tax on express shipments, the 8 per cent tax on pipe line transportation, the 8 per cent tax on passenger fares, the 8 per cent tax on Pullman tickets, and also the special stamp tax on parcel post shipments. No change has been made in the tax on telegraph and telephone messages.

The transportation taxes have been paying into Uncle Sam's pocket about $300,000,000 annually. The portion of this charge which the farmer had to bear was not less than $105,000,000. Lightening this tax burden makes it just that much easier for the farmer to climb back to prosperity.

The treasury department, in its decision No. 3255, holds that the tax on freight will apply if a freight bill is prepaid before January 1st regardless of when the shipment reaches destination, but that in case of shipments moving "collect" no tax will be assessed if the shipment arrives on or after January 1st. The transportation department of the American Farm Bureau Federation advised shipping associations not to prepay freight on shipments moving just prior to January 1st. If the terms of sale are f. o. b. point of origin, the shipper instructed the consignee to pay the freight and deduct freight charges from the invoice.

The tax on transporation should not be confused with the surcharge of 50 per cent on pullman tickets, sometimes called a 50 per cent surtax. This surcharge accrues to the railroads, not to the United States Government, and is continued in force.

Help Grain Growers

The American Farm Bureau Federation's committee on relationship with the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., appointment of which was authorized by the executive committee at the annual meeting, conferred last week with the officials of the farmers grain marketing company. The farm Bureau committee offered to render every assistance possible, financial and otherwise to promote the managerial welfare and successful organization of the U. S. Grain Growers in all sections of the country. The Grain Grower's officials accepted the proffer of assistance. This means that several of the state farm bureau federations will probably lend their funds to promote organization work, upon the assurance that the plans and expenditures have the approval of the American Farm Bureau Fereration.

Returning from Clarion last Thursday evening, the Dr. Christensen and Dr. Sams cars collided with somewhat interesting results. Dr. Christensen was driving north and met the Sams car coming east. Apparently Mr. Jacobs, driver of the Sams car did not see the Christensen car until they were almost together. He then pulled his car suddenly to one side and the rear end swung across the path of the Christensen car. Without the use of instruments, drugs or anesthetics, the rear end of the Sams car was nearly amputated. No bill for professional services will be presented.—Eagle Grove Eagle.

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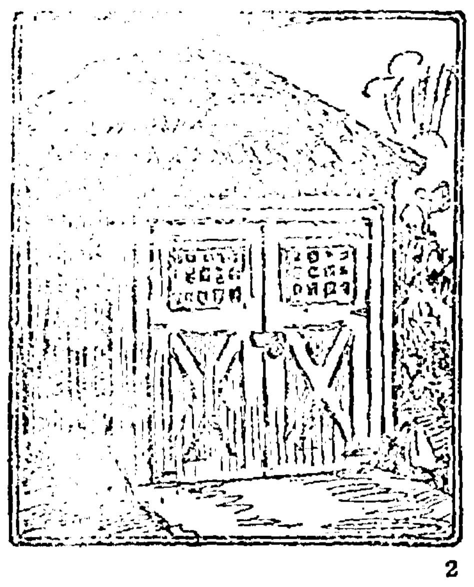

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Miss Joyce Seegar returned home Saturday after spending a week with her mother near Clear Lake.

The Cemetery Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Nels Larsen next Thursday afternoon, January 5th. A good attendance is desired. The entertaining committee are Mrs. Nels Larsen, Miss Addie Larsen and Mrs. Joe Veeder.

Mrs. Kate Kausian and two children, Minnie and Julius, left Tuesday for their home at Dumont after a two weeks' visit with relatives at Alexander.

Misses Alice Suntken and Marie Pals were shoppers at Belmond last Thursday.

Dr. Martin, of Latimer, was a professional caller at Alexander several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son, Fredrick were visitors with relatives at Belmond, Wednesday.

Leonard Arends was a caller at Belmond one day last week.

Mrs. Harry Hardy and two daughters, Virgie and Betty, of Hampton, spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Larsen, of this place.

Arthur Peters was a caller at Meservey last Sunday.

Miss Thessa Morse, of Thornton, was a visitor at the Charles Hansen home over Sunday.

Mrs. Louie Peters was a shopper at Belmond last Monday.

Miss Carrie Baxter, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen a few days the past week.

Miss Maud Newgaard, of Belmond, visited her cousins, Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Burma, of Ackley are visiting at the Jelto Pals home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder were business callers at Hampton, Friday.

Norman Bohlen and Jerry Blau were callers at Sheffield Wednesday evening.

Jerry Blau returned to his school duties at Iowa City last Saturday.

John Murphy was a business caller at Hampton Friday afternoon.

Amos Reed, of Stockton, Illinois, came Monday to visit his brother, William Reed, who is on the sick list.

Forrest Gillett left Tuesday for Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to attend to business matters.

Jap Riis, of Coulter, was a business caller in town one day last week.

Mrs. Hans Barkema and daughter, Florence visited at the Willard Aldrich home in Hampton Thursday and Friday.

Arthur Winwood was a business caller at Hampton last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stoffer have moved into the L. C. Peters house in the west part of town.

Mr. and Mrs Menno Frohling and Miss Anna Frohling, Belmond; Mr. and Mrs. Hans Pals and family; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pals and family; and Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals called at the Peter Pals home on "Old Year's Eve." The evening was spent in playing various games during which an Old Year's Supper was served. The parties returned to their respective homes after welcoming the New Year.

Leonard Arends left Monday for Elmhurst, Illinois, where he will continue his college duties after spending the holidays with Alexander relatives and friends.

Earl Hall was a business caller at Hampton, Friday.

Mrs. J. J. Weik and daughter, Barbara, of Kensett, visited with relatives and friends here last week.

G. H. Roberts, of Hampton, was a caller here, Friday.

B. G. Walsh and Geo. Nixon, of Hampton, called on O Walsh, Saturday.

Mrs. James Moore and Mrs. A. L. Brewster, of Geneva, visited a few days last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Walsh.

C. S. Hamilton, of Hampton, was here this week looking after business

Our old friend, Frank Ramey, was here Friday. Frank is the same old kid. Never gets any older. But then he has a recipe for that tired feeling. Ask him about it.

Arthur Thomas and Mrs. George Yaw, of Iowa Falls spent New Years Day at the Fred Rodemeyer home.

Bert Kieslich was an Ackley caller last Sunday.

Ben Hensell, of Webster City, visited at the home of his brother, Oscar Hensel, several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Borne are enjoying a visit from Mr. Borne's father and two sisters from Spirit Lake.

Walter Dunn, of Geneva, Minnesota, spent over Sunday with relatives at Alexander.

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

The Sunday School held their election of officers for the coming year last Sunday. The following were elected: Superintendent—Fred L. Greenfield; Secretary—Ralph Schulte; Treasurer—Mrs. Lewis Bell; Librarian—Jesse Arends; Pianist—Bertha Nelson; Assistant Pianist—Susie Schulte. Teachers as follows: Class No. 1—Mrs. Fred Greenfield; Class No. 2—Gertrude Berminghausen; Class No. 3—Lillie Cornwell; Class No. 4—Jessie Bell. Let us all get out to Sunday School on time and start the New Year right next Sunday at 2:00 a'clock. Preaching services at 3:00 o'clock.

Dorcas Society

The Dorcas Society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. W. P. Aldinger next Thursday afternoon, January 12th. A large attendance is desired.

LEAVE FOR THE WEST

Mr. and Mrs. John Peters departed Wednesday for Fresno, California, where they expect to spend the winter months with their daughter, Mrs. Virgil Routt, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Peters have been in charge of the restaurant at Alexander for the past few years. Their son, L. C. Peters will be in charge of the restaurant during their stay in the west.

ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE

Announcements were received here last week announcing the marriage on Christmas day of Miss Mabie Pogue, of Manchester, to Bernard H. Motn, of Mason City. Miss Pogue is remembered here as being our 4th grade teacher in our schools here last year.

They will reside at Manchester.

FRIENDS SURPRISE PASTOR

Rev. J. Heyenga and wife, pastor of the Reform Church at this place, was given a surprise on Thursday evening when the young people of the church met at their home for a social time. As a token of their esteem they presented Rev. and Mrs. Heyenga with two beautiful rugs, dainty refreshments were served and a very enjoyable evening was spent

PALS-MEINDERS

Miss Martha Pals, of this place, and Adolph Meinders, of Belmond, were joined in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pals last Thursday in the presence of many of their relatives. The young couple will reside on the groom's father's farm near Belmond.

GETS BID OF $2.60 FOR ROAD PAVING

Garner Signal: The paving letting at Algona yesterday brought the best bids on country road work that have been made in this section of the country in a long time. There were many bidders present and the bids show that they are anxious to secure contracts. Three bids were under the mark of $2.60, and these bidders were the Empire Construction Co., who did the city work in Garner and who now have the big grading contract in Kossuth the Pickus Company of Sioux City who did the work between Britt and Hutchins last summer, and the Bryant Asphalt Co. These three bids were taken under consideration by the board of supervisors last evening and all other bids were rejected. The bid of the Henkel Construction Co., who did the work between Garner and the County line this past season was but a fraction of a cent above $2.60.

Whether the board would let the contract under any of the bids submitted was not decided last evening when they adjourned. The three bids retained were to be considered. A petition had been filed with the board asking for the paving, and yesterday a remonstrance was filed. County Auditor Jacobs and Supervissor Meyer of Britt attended the letting. The outcome of this letting undoubtedly will have some effect on the decision of the board in Hancock County as to whether they call for bids on the paving of the road from Garner to the Kossuth County line to connect with the proposed Kossuth County paving.

TAX LAWS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Collector of Internal Revenue, Lars Blandine, has issued the following statement from his office in Dubuque:

Enactment of new revenue legislation has brought to the offices of collector of internal revenue a flood of inquiries regarding various provisions. The Revenue Act of 1921 became effective November 23, 1921, unless otherwise provided for.

To advoid error in the peparation of their returns and late difficulties with the Bureau of Internal Revenue; tax payers are advised to carefully note the changes and when they become effective.

The excess profits tax is repealed as of January 1, 1921. The rates for 1921 are unchanged.

The surtax for the calendar year 1921 are unchanged, and range from 1 per cent on the amount of net income between $5,000 and $6,000 to 65 per cent the amount of the net incomes in excess of $1,000,000. For the calendar year 1922 the surtax rates range fom 1 per cent on the amount of net income between $6,000 and $10,000 to 50 per cent on the amount by which the net income exceeds $200,000.

The exemption allowed for a dependent is increased from $200 to $400. Married persons living with husband or wife and heads of families are allowed a personal exemption of $2,500 (instead of $2,000) unless the net income is in excess of $5,000, in which case the personal exemption is only $2,000. The act provides that in no case shall the reduction of the personal exemption from $2,500 to $2,000 operate to increase the tax which would be payable if the exemption were $2,500 by more than the amount of net income in excess of $5 000. This is to overcome the disparity in the case of two tax payers, one of whom is just within the lower $2,000 exemption and the other just within the higher $2,500 exemption.

Single persons and married persons not living with husband or wife, are allowed an exemption of $1,000. Nonresident aliens are allowed a single exemption of $1,000. Persons having gross income for 1921 of $5,000 or over are required to make a return, regardless of the amount of net income.

Provision is made for the repeal as of Jan. 1st, 1922, of the tax on stockholders of a personal service corporation as such. After that date such corporations are to be taxed in the same manner as other corporations.

The income tax on coporations for the calendar year 1922 and thereafter is increased from 10 to 12 1-2 per cent. The $2,000 exemption heretofore allowed corporations is to be granted only on those corporations whose net income is $25,000 or less.

Many persons are under the impression that the taxes on ice cream, soft drinks, etc., monthly returns of which are required, have been repealed with the enactment of the new act. These taxes remain in force until the end of the calendar year 1921.

No change is made in the tax on admissions except that after January 1st, 1922, there will be no tax where admission is 10c or less. Effective Jan. 1st, 1922, the following taxes are also abolished: on musical instruments, sporting goods, chewing gum, portable electric fans, thermos bottles, fur articles, pleasure boats and pleasure canoes, (unless sold for more than $100,) toilet articles, medicines and numerous articles of apparel.

On and after January 1, 1922, the tax on various works of art is reduced from 10 per cent to 5 per cent, the tax on candy from 5 per cent to 3 per cent and the tax on carpets, rugs, trunks, valises, purses, fans, etc., from 10 per cent of sales price in excess of specified amounts to 5 per cent of sales price in excess of specified amounts.

The tax on parcel post packages is elimated, effective Jan.1, 1922.

The new act provides that no taxpayer be subjected to unnecessary examinations or investigations, and only one inspection of his books of account shall be made each taxable year unless the taxpayer requests otherwise, or the commissioner notifies the taxpayer in writing that an additional inspection is necessary.

The period for filing returns on the calendar year basis is from January 1 to March 15, 1922. This year, as last, the tax may be paid in full at the time of filing the return or in four installments, due on or before March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15.—Recorder

When you get tired of reading about the arms meet at Washington you might try making them meet at home.

We saw a newspaper the other day that had for its motto: "With malice towards none, charity to all." The editor of this paper used to have a motto something about "Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may." However, we found that if we wanted three meals a day we couldn't live up to it and tell the truth, so we canned it.—Garner Leader.

Covering a coffin with flowers is a beautiful tribute, but the deceased never appreciates it.

Many a man owes his popularity to his ability to hold his tongue.

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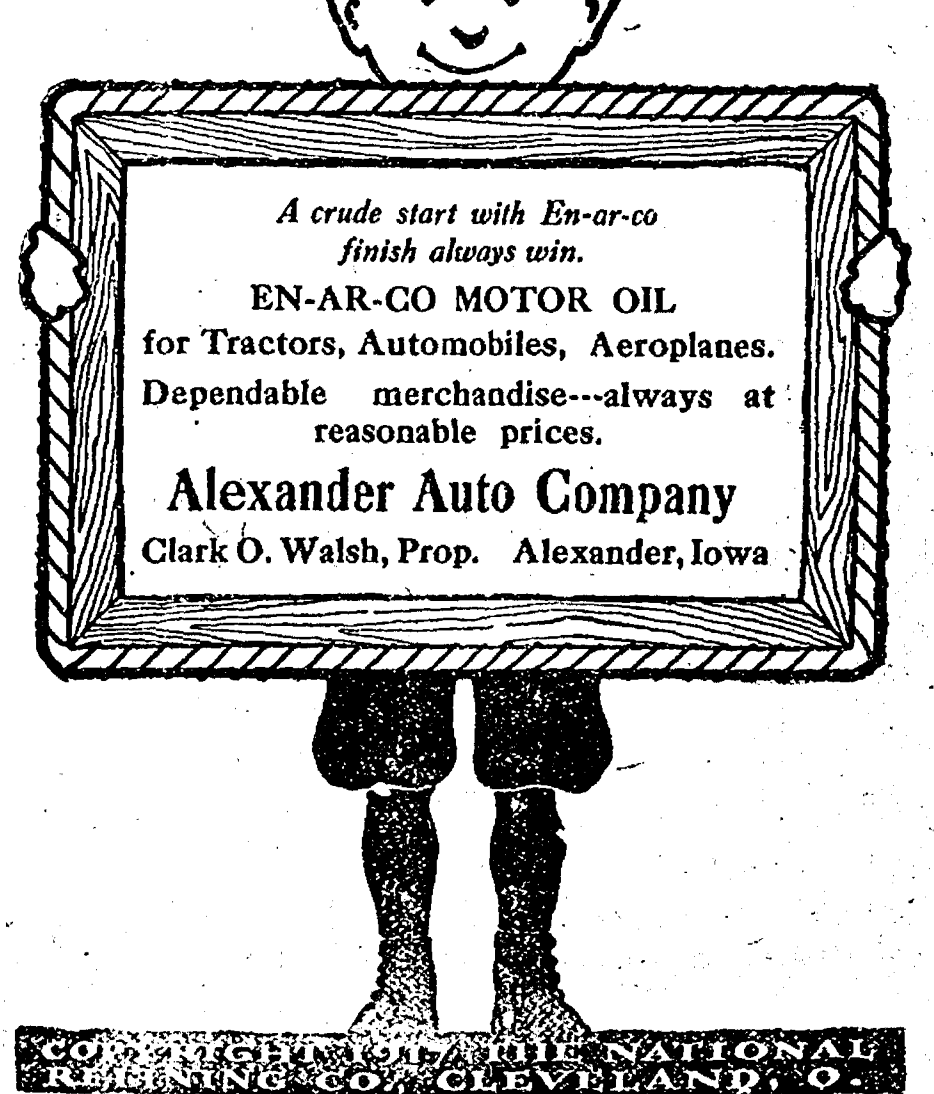

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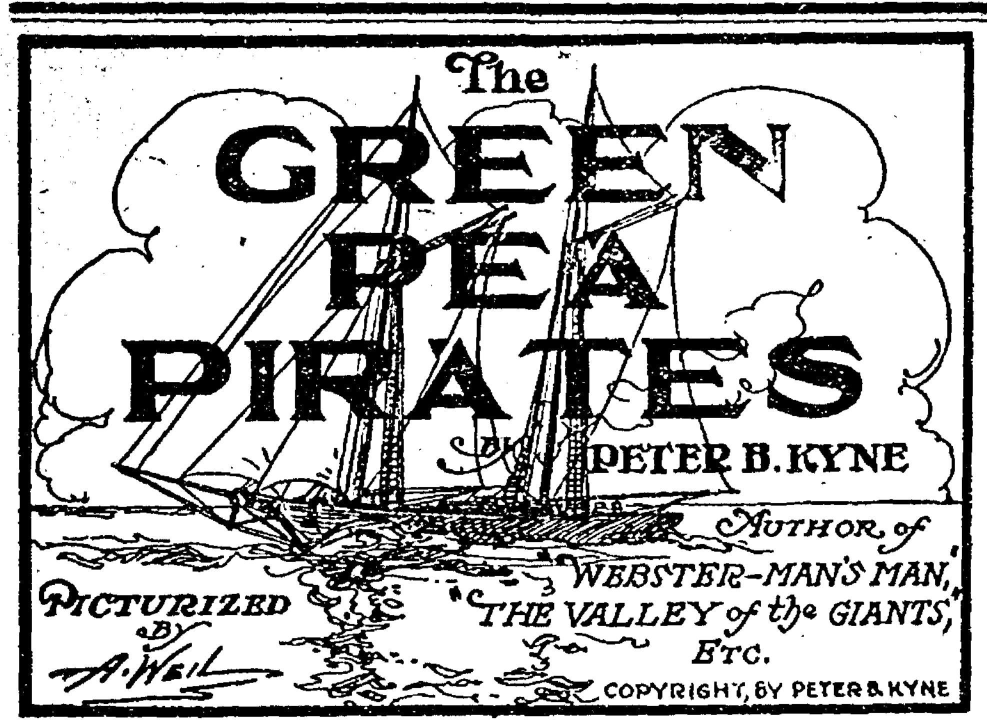

The GREEN PEA PIRATES

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

About ten o'clock next morning the little vessel completed taking on her cargo, the lines were cast off, and the homeward voyage was begun. Messrs. Gibney and McGuffey were seated on the stern bitts as the Maggie came abreast the Point Montara fog signal station, when Mr. Gibney observed a long telescope poking out the side window of the pilot house, and following the direction in which the telescope was pointing he made out a large bark standing in dangerously close to the beach. In fact, the breakers were tumbling in a long white streak over the reefs less than a quarter of a mile from her.

In an instant all was excitement aboard the Maggie. "That looks like an elegant little pick-up. She's plumb deserted," Scraggs shouted to his navigating officer. "I don't see any distress signals flyin' an' yet she's got an anchor out while her canvas is hangin' so-so."

"If she had any hands aboard, you'd think they'd have sense enough to clew up her courses," the mate answered.

At this juncture, Mr. Gibney and McGuffey, unable to restrain their curiosity, and forgetful of the fact that they were pirates with very sore feet, came running over the deckload and invaded the pilot house. "Gimme that glass, you sock-eyed salmon, you," Gibney ordered Scraggs, and tore the telescope from the owner's hands. "Hum—m—m! American bark Chesapeake. Starboard anchor out; yards braced a-box; royal an' to'-gallan'-s'ls clewed up; courses hangin' in the buntlines an' clew garnets, Stars-an'-Stripes upside down."

He lowered the glass and roared at Neils Halvorsen, who was at the wheel, "Starboard your helm, Squarehead. Don't be afraid of her. We're goin' over there an' hook on to her. I should say she is a pick-up!"

Mr. Gibney had abdicated as a pirate and assumed command of the S. S. Maggie. With the memory of a scant breakfast upon him, however, Captain Scraggs was still harsh and bitter.

"Git out o' my pilot house an' aft where the police can find you when they come lookin' for you," he screeched. "Don't you give no orders to my deckhand."

"Stow it, you ass. Yonder's a prize, but it'll require imagination to win it; consequently you need Adelbert P. Gibney in your business, if you're contemplatin' hookin' on to that bark, snakin' her into San Francisco bay, an' libelin' her for ten thousand dollars' salvage. You an' Mac an' The Squarehead here have sailed this strip o' coast too long together to quarrel over the first good piece o' salvage we ever run into. Come, Scraggsy. Be decent, forget the past, an' let's dig in together."

The new navigating officer drew Captain Scraggs aside and whispered ... can't make it up with these Smart Alecks, Scraggs. They got it on us, but if we can send you an' Halvorsen, McGuffey and Gibney over to the bark, you can get some sail on her an' what with the wind helpin' us along, the Maggie can tow her all right."

Mr. Gibney saw by the hopeful, even cunning, look that leaped to Scraggs' eyes that the problem was about to be solved without recourse to the Gibney imagination, so he resolved to be alert and not permit himself to be caught out on the end of a limb. "Well, Scraggsy?" he demanded.

"I guess I need you in my business, Gib. You're right an' I'm always wrong. It's a fact. I ain't got no more imagination than a chicken."

"Spoken like a man—I do not think. Scraggs, for once in my life I have you where the hair is short. I'm willin' to dig in an' help out in a pinch, but it's gettin' so me an' Mac can't trust you no more. We're that leery of you we won't take your word for nothin', since you fooled him on the new boiler an' me on the paint; consequently, we're off you an' this salvage job unless you give us a clearance, in writin', statin' that we are not an' never was pirates, that we're good, law-abidin' citizens an' aboard the Maggie as your guests, takin' the trip at our own risk. When you sign such a paper, with your crew for witnesses, I'll demonstrate how that bark can be salvaged. My imagination's better'n my reputation, Scraggsy, an' I ain't workin' it for nothin'!"

"Gib, my dear boy. You're the most sensitive man I ever sailed with. Can't you take a little joke?"

"Sure, I can take a little joke. It's the big ones that stick in my craw an' stifle my friendship. Gimme a fountain pen an' a leaf out o' the log book an' I'll draw up the affydavit for your signature."

Scraggs complied precipitately with this request, whereupon Mr. Gibney spread his great bulk over the chart case and with many a twist and flip of his tongue on the up and down strokes, produced this remarkable document:

"At Sea, Off Point Montara,
"aboard S. S. Maggie,
"of San Francisco.
"June 4, 19—.

"This is to certify that A. P. Gibney, Esq., and Bart McGuffey, Esq., is law-abidin' sitisens of the U. S. A. and the constitootion thereof, and in no way pirates or such; and be it further resolved that the said parties hereto are aboard said American steamer Maggie this date on the special invite of Phineas P. Scraggs, owner, as his guests and at their own risk.

"Witness my hand and seal:"

Captain Scraggs signed without reading and the new mate and Neils Halvorsen appended their signatures as witnesses. Mr. Gibney thereupon folded this clearance paper into the tiniest possible compact ball, wrapped it in a piece of tinfoil torn from a package of tobacco, to protect it from his saliva, tucked it in his cheek and with a sign for McGuffey to follow him, started crawling over the cargo aft. By this time the Maggie was within a hundred yards of the distressed bark and was ratching slowly backward and forward before her.

"In all my born days," quoth Mr. Gibney, speaking a trifle thickly because of the document in his mouth, "I never got such a wallop as Scraggs handed me an' you last night. I don't forget things like that in a hurry. Now that we got a vindication o' the charge o' piracy again us, I'm achin' to get shet of the Maggie an' her crew; so if you'll kindly peel off all of your clothes with the exception, say, of your underdrawers, we'll swim off to that bark an' give Phineas P. Scraggs an exhibition of real sailorizin' an' seamanship."

"What's the big idee?" McGuffey demanded cautiously.

"Why, we sail her in ourselves—me an' you an' glom all the salvage for ourselves. T'ell with Scraggs an' the Maggie an' that new mate an' engineer. I'm off'n 'em for life."

Pop-eyed with excitement and interest, B. McGuffey, Esquire, stood up, and with a single twist shed his cap and coat. His shirts followed. Both he and Gibney were already minus their shoes and socks. To slip out of their faded dungarees was the work of an instant. Strapping their belts around their waists to hold up their drawers, the worthy pair stepped to the rail of the Maggie.

"Hey, there? Where you goin', Gib? I give you that clearance paper on condition that you was to tell me how to salvage that there bark."

"I'm just about to tell you, Scraggs. You don't touch a thing aboard the Maggie. You leave her out of it entirely. You just jump overboard, like me an' Mac will in a jiffy, swim over to the bark, climb aboard, and sail her in to San Francisco bay. When you get there you drop anchor an' call it a day's work." He grinned broadly. "One o' these bright days, Scraggs, when me an' Mac is just wallerin' in salvage money, drop around to see us an' we'll give you a kick in the face. Farewell, you boobs," and he dove overboard.

"Ta-ta," McGuffey cried in his tantalizing falsetto voice; and followed his leader into the briny deep.

CHAPTER VI.

The tide was still at the flood and the two adventurers made fast progress toward the Chesapeake. Choosing a favorable opportunity as the vessel dipped, they grasped her martingale, climbed up on the bowsprit, and ran along the bowsprit to the to-gallan'-fo'castle. On the deck below a dead man lay in the scuppers, and such a horrible stench pervaded the vessel that McGuffey was taken very ill and was forced to seek the rail.

"Scurvy or somethin'," Mr. Gibney announced, quite calmly. "There should be chloride of lime in the mate's storeroom—I'll scatter some on these poor devils. Too close to port now to chuck 'em overboard. Anyhow, Bart, me an' you ain't doctors, nor yet coroners or undertakers, so you'd better skip along an' build a fire under the donkey aft. Matches in the galley, of course."

He trotted down to the main deck and prowled aft. On the port side of her house he found two more dead men, and a cursory inspection of the bodies told him they had died of scurvy. He circled the ship, came back to the fo'castle, entered, and found four men alive in their berths, but too far gone to leave them. "I'll have you boys in the Marine hospital tonight," he informed the poor creatures, and sought the master's cabin. Lying on his bed, fully dressed, he found the skipper of the Chesapeake. The man was gaunt and emaciated.

The freebooter of the green-pea trade touched his wet forelock respectfully. "My name is Gibney, sir, an' I hold an unlimited license as first mate of sail or steam. I was passin' up the coast on a good-for-nothin' little bumboat, an' seen you in distress, so me an' a friend swum over to give you the double O. You're in a bad way, sir."

"Two hundred and eighty-seven days from Hamburg, Mr. Gibney. Our vegetables gave out and we drank too much rain water and ate too much fresh fish down in the Doldrums. Our potatoes all went rotten before we were out two months. Naturally, the ship's officers stuck it out longest, but when we drifted in here this morning, I was the only man aboard able to stand up. I crawled up on the to'-gallan' fo'castle and let go the starboard anchor. I'd had it cock-billed for three weeks. All I had to do was knock out the stopper."

While Mr. Gibney questioned him and listened avidly to the horrible tale of privation and despair, McGuffey appeared to report a brisk fire under the donkey and to promise steam in forty minutes; also that the Maggie was hove to a cable length distant, with her crew digging under the deckload of vegetables for the small boat. "Help yourself to a belayin' pin, Bart, an' knock 'em on the heads if they try to come aboard," Mr. Gibney ordered nonchalantly.

"Do I understand there is a steamer at hand, Mr. Gibney?" the master of the Chesapeake queried.

"There's an excuse for one, sir. The little vegetable freighter Maggie. She'll never be able to tow you in, because she ain't got power enough, an' if she had power enough she ain't got coal enough. Besides, Scraggs, her owner, is a rotten bad article an' before he'll put a rope aboard you he'll tie you up on a contract for a figger that'd make an angel weep. The way your ship lies an' everything, me an' McGuffey can sail her in for you at half the price."

"I can't risk my ship in the hands of two men," the sick captain answered. "She's too valuable and so is her cargo. If this little steamer will tow me in I'll gladly give her my towline and let the court settle the bill."

"Not by a million," Mr. Gibney protested. "Beg pardon, sir, but you don't know this here Scraggs like I do. I couldn't think of lettin' him set foot on this deck."

"You couldn't think of it? Well, when did you take command of my ship?"

"You're flotsam an' jetsam, sir, an' practically in the breakers. You're sick, an', for all I know, delirious, so for the sake o' protectin' you, the sick seaman in the fo'castle an' the owners, I'm takin' command."

The master of the Chesapeake reached under his pillow and produced a pistol. "Out of my cabin or I'll riddle you," he barked feebly.

Mr. Gibney departed without a word of protest and proceeded to make his arrangements, regardless of the master's consent. As he and McGuffey busied themselves, laying the leading blocks along the deck, they glanced toward the Maggie and observed Captain Scraggs hurling crates of vegetables overboard in an effort to get at the small boat quickly. "He'll die when the freight claims come in," Mr. McGuffey chortled. "Poor ol' Scraggsy!"

When Captain Scraggs came aboard, Mr. Gibney escorted him around to the master's cabin, introduced him, and stood by while they bargained. "The tow will cost you five thousand, Captain," Scraggs began pompously.

"Me an' McGuffey'll sail you in for four," Gibney declared.

"Three thousand," snarled Scraggs.

"Sailin's cheap as dirt at two thousand. As a matter of fact, Scraggsy, me an' Mac'll sail her in for nothin' just to skin you out o' the salvage."

"Two thousand dollars is my lowest figure," Scraggs declared. "Take it or leave it, Captain. Under the circumstances, bargaining is useless. Two thousand is my last bid."

The figure Scraggs named was probably one fifth of what the master of the Chesapeake knew a court would award; nevertheless he shook his head.

"It's a straight towing job, Captain, and not a salvage proposition at all. A tug would tow me in for two hundred and fifty, but I'll give you five hundred."

Remembering the vegetables he had jettisoned, Scraggs knew he could not afford to accept that price. "I'm through," he bluffed—and his bluff worked.

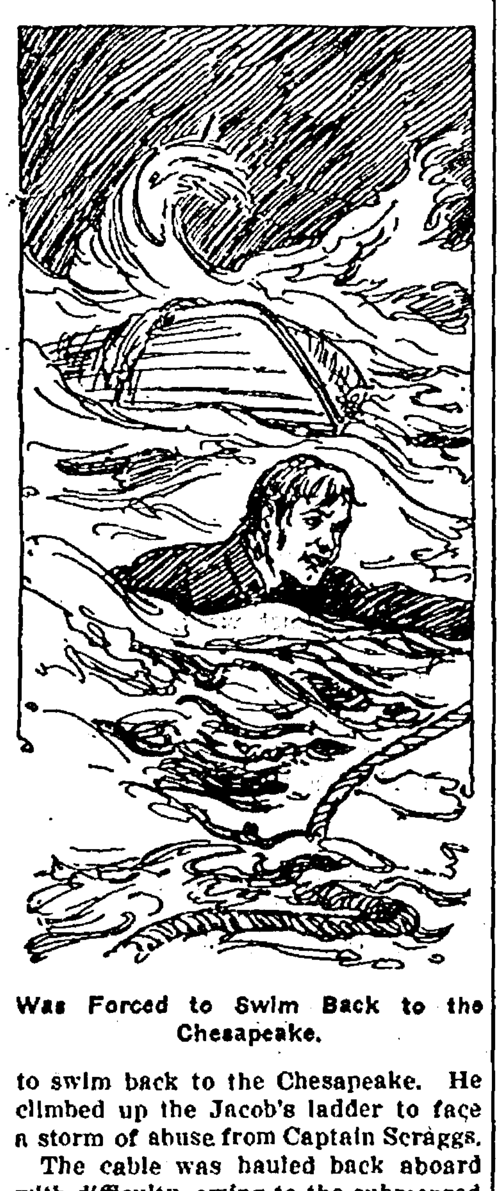
"Taken, Captain Scraggs. Write out an agreement and I'll sign it."

With the agreement in his pocket, Scraggs, followed by Gibney, left the cabin. "One hundred each to you an' Mac if you'll stay aboard the Chesapeake, steer her, an' help the Maggie out with what sail you can get on her," Scraggs promised.

"Take a long, runnin' jump at yourself, Scraggsy, old sorrowful. The best me an' Mac'll do is to help you cock-bill the anchor, an' that'll cost you ten bucks for each of us—in advance." The artful fellow realized that Scraggs knew nothing whatever about a sailing ship and would have to depend upon The Squarehead for the information he required.

"All right. Here's your money," Scraggs replied and handed Mr. Gibney twenty dollars. He and Neils Halvorsen then went forward, got out the steel towing cable, and fastened a light rope to the end of it. The skiff floated off the ship at the end of the painter, so The Squarehead hauled it in, climbed down into the skiff, and made the light rope fast to a thwart; then, with Captain Scraggs paying out the hawser, Neils bent manfully to the oars and started to tow the steel cable back to the Maggie. Half way there, the weight of the cable dragging behind slowed The Squarehead up and eventually stopped him. Exerting all his strength he pulled and pulled, but the sole result of his efforts was to wear himself out, seeing which the Maggie's navigating officer set the little steamer in toward the perspiring Neils, while Captain Scraggs, Gibney, and McGuffey cheered lustily.

Suddenly an oar snapped. Instantly Neils unshipped the remaining oar, sprang to the stern, and attempted, by sculling, to keep the skiff's head up to the waves. But the weight of the cable whirled the little craft around, a wave rolled in over her counter, and half-filled her; the succeeding wave completed the job and rolled the skiff over and The Squarehead was forced to swim back to the Chesapeake. He climbed up the Jacob's ladder to face a storm of abuse from Captain Scraggs.



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The cable was hauled back aboard with difficulty, owing to the submerged skiff at the end of it. Captain Scraggs and The Squarehead leaned over the Chesapeake's rail and tugged furiously, when the wreck came alongside, but all of their strength was unequal to the task of righting the little craft by hauling up on the light rope attached to her thwart.

"For ten dollars more each me an' Mac'll tail on to that rope an' do our best to right the skiff. After she's righted, I'll bail her out, borrow new oars from this here bark, an' help Neils row back to the Maggie with the cable," Mr. Gibney volunteered. "Cash in advance, as per usual."

"You're a pair of highway robbers, but I'll take you," Scraggs almost wailed, and paid out the money; whereupon Gibney and McGuffey "tailed" on to the rope and with raucous cries hauled away. As a result of their efforts the thwart came away with the rope and the quartet sat down with exceeding abruptness on the hard pine deck of the Chesapeake.

"I had an idee that thwart would pull loose," Mr. Gibney remarked. "Well, what're you goin' to do now?"

"I ain't licked yet—not by a jugful," Scraggs snapped. "Halvorsen, haul down that signal halyard from the mizzenmast, take one end of it in your teeth, an' swim back to the Maggie with it. We'll fasten a heavier line to the cable, an' haul the cable aboard with the Maggie's winch."

"You say that so nice, Scraggsy, old hopeful, I'm tempted to think you can whistle it. Neils, he's only askin' you to risk your life overboard for nothing. 'Tain't in the shippin' articles that a seamen's got to do that. If he wants a swimmin' exhibition make him pay for it—through the nose. An' if I was you, I'd find out how much o' this two thousand dollars towage he's goin' to distribute to his crew. Pers'nlly I'd get mine in advance."

"Adelbert P. Gibney," Captain Scraggs hissed. "There's such a thing as drivin' a man to distraction. Halvorsen, are you with me?"

"Aye bane—for saxty dollars. Hay bane worth a month's pay for take dat swim."

"You dirty Scowegian ingrate. Well, you don't get no sixty dollars from me. Bear a hand and we'll drop the ship's work boat overboard. I guess you can tow a signal halyard to the Maggie, can't you, Neils?"

Neils could—and did. Within fifteen minutes the Maggie was fast to her prize. "Now we'll cockbill the anchor," quoth Captain Scraggs, so McGuffey reporting sufficient steam in the donkey to turn over the windlass, the anchor was raised and cockbilled, and the Maggie hauled away on the hawser the instant Captain Scraggs signaled his new navigating officer that the hook was free of the bottom.

"The old girl don't seem to be makin' headway in the right direction," McGuffey remarked plaintively, after the Maggie had strained at the hawser for five minutes. Mr. Gibney, standing by with a hammer in his hand, nodded affirmatively, while the skipper of the Chesapeake, whom Mr. Gibney had had the forethought to carry out on deck to watch the operation, glanced apprehensively ashore. Scraggs measured the distance with his eye to the nearest fringe of surf and it was plain that he was worried.

"Captain Scraggs," the skipper of the Chesapeake called feebly, "Mr. Gibney is right. That craft of yours is unable to tow my ship against this wind. You're losing ground, inch by inch, and it will be only a matter of an hour or two, if you hang on to me, before I'll be in the breakers and a total loss. You'll have to get sail on her or let go the anchor until a tug arrives."

"I don't know a thing about a sailin' ship," Scraggs quavered.

"I know it all," Mr. Gibney cut in, "but there ain't money enough in the world to induce me to exercise that knowledge to your profit." He turned to the master of the Chesapeake. "For one hundred dollars each, McGuffey an' I will sail her in for you, sir."

"I'll not take the risk, Mr. Gibney. Captain Scraggs, if you will follow my instructions we'll get some sail on the Chesapeake. Take those lines through the leading blocks to the winch——"

The engineer of the Maggie came up on deck and waved his arms wildly. "Leggo," he bawled. "I've blown out two tubes. It'll be all I can do to get home without that tow."

"Jump on that, Scraggsy," quoth McGuffey softly and cast his silken engineer's cap on the deck at Scraggs' feet. The latter's face was ashen as he turned to the skipper of the Chesapeake. "I'm through," he gulped. "I'll have to cast off. Your ship's drivin' on the beach now."

"Oh, say not so, Scraggsy," said Mr. Gibney softly, and with a blow of the hammer knocked out the stopper on the windlass and let the anchor go down by the run. "Not this voyage, at least." The Chesapeake rounded with a jerk and Mr. Gibney took Captain Scraggs gently by the arm. "Into the small boat, old ruin," he whispered, "and I'll row you an' The Squarehead back to the Maggie. If she drifts ashore with that load o' garden truck, you might as well drown yourself."

Captain Scraggs was beyond words. He suffered himself to be taken back to the Maggie, after which kindly action Mr. Gibney returned to the Chesapeake, climbed aboard, and with the assistance of McGuffey, hauled the work boat up on the deck.

"Now," Mr. Gibney inquired, approaching the skipper of the Chesapeake, "what'll you give me an' Mac, sir, to sail you in?"

"One thousand dollars," the skipper answered weakly.

"You refused to let us do it for a hundred. Now it'll cost you two thousand, an' I'm lettin' you off cheap at that. Of course, you can take a chance an' wait until word o' your predicament sifts into San Francisco an' a tug comes out for you, but in the meantime the wind may increase an' with the tide at the flood how do you know your anchor won't drag an' pile you up on them rocks to leeward?"

"I'll pay two thousand, Mr. Gibney."

Without further ado, Mr. Gibney went to the master's cabin, wrote out an agreement, carried the skipper aft and got his signature to the contract. Then he tucked the skipper into bed and came dashing out on deck.

"Come here till I introduce you to the jib halyards," he bawled to McGuffey, and they went forward.

With the aid of the winch, they braced the foreyard; then McGuffey ran aft and took the wheel while Mr. Gibney scuttled forward, eased up the compressor on the windlass, and permitted the anchor chain to pay out rapidly. With the hammer, he knocked out the pin at the forty-five fathom shackle and leaving the anchor to go by the board, for it worried him no longer, the bark Chesapeake moved gently off on a west-sou'west course that would keep her three points off the land. She had sufficient headway on now to hold her up.

Mr. Gibney fell upon the main to'-gallan'-s'l leads like a demon, carried them through the leading block to the winch head, turned over the winch and sheeted home the main-to'-gallan'-s'l. The Chesapeake gathered speed and Mr. Gibney went aft and stood beside Mr. McGuffey, the while he looked aloft and thrilled to the whine of the breeze through the rigging. "This is sailorizin'," he declared. "It sure beats bumboatin'. Here, blast you, Bart. You're spillin' the wind out o' that jib. First thing you know we'll have her in irons an' then the fat will be in the fire."

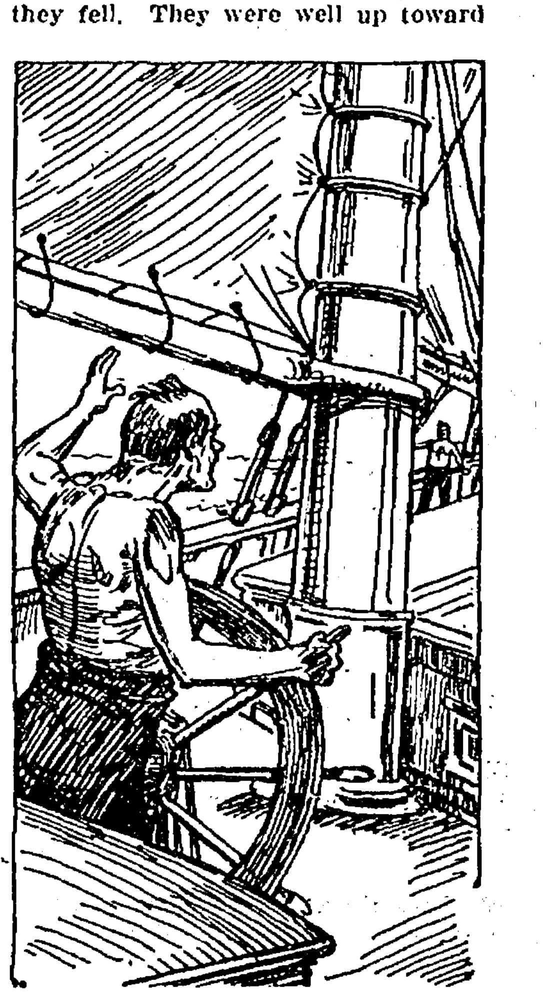
He took the wheel from McGuffey. When he was two miles off the beach he brought her up into the wind and made the wheel fast, a spoke to leeward. "Sheet home the fore-to'gallan'-s'l," he howled and dashed forward. "Leggo them buntlines an' clewlines, my hearties, an' haul home that sheet."

The ship lay in the wind, shivering. Mr. Gibney was here, there, everywhere. One minute he was dashing along the deck with a leading line, the next he was laying out aloft. He ordered himself to do a thing and then, with the pent-up energy of a thousand devils, he did it. The years of degradation as navigating officer of the Maggie fell away from him, as he sprang, agile and half-naked, into the shrouds; a great, hairy demigod or sea-goblin he lay out along the yards and sprang from place to place with the old exultant thrill of youth and joy in his work. A word, a gesture, from Mr. Gibney, and McGuffey would pounce on a rope like a bull-dog. With the fore-royal set, Mr. Gibney ran back to the wheel and put it hard over. There being no after sail set the bark swung off readily on to her course, slipping through the water at a nice eight-knot speed. Ten miles off the coast, Mr. Gibney hung her up in the wind again, braced his yards with the aid of the winch and McGuffey, came about and headed north. At three o'clock she cleared the lightship and wore around to come in over the bar, steering east by south, half-south, for Point Bonita. She drew the full advantage of the wind now and over the bar she came, ramping full through the Gate with her yards squared, on the last of the flood tide.

As they passed Lime point, Mr. Gibney prepared to shorten sail and like a clarion blast his voice rang through the ship.

"Clew up them royals." He lashed the wheel and they brought the clewlines again to the winch head. The ship was falling off a little before the fore-royal was clewed up, so Mr. Gibney ran back to the wheel and put her on her course again while McGuffey brought the main-royal clewlines to the winch. Again Gibney made the wheel fast and helped McGuffey clew up the main-royal; again he set her on her course while McGuffey, following instructions, made ready to clew up the fore-to'gallan'-s'l. They were abreast Black Point before this latter sail was clewed up, and then they smothered the lower top-s'ls; the bark was slipping lazily through the water and McGuffey took the wheel.

"Starboard a little! Steady-y-y! Keep her as she heads," Gibney warned and cast off the jib halyards. The jibs slid down the stays, hanging as they fell. They were well up toward Meiggs wharf now and it devolved upon Mr. Gibney to bring his prize in on the quarantine ground and let go his port anchor. Fortunately, the anchor was already cock-billed. Mr. Gibney sprang to the fore-top-sail halyards and let them go and the fore-top-sail came down by the run.



"Hard-a-Starboard! Make Her Fast, Bart."

"Hard-a-starboard! Make her fast, Bart, an' come up here an' help me with the anchor. Let go the main-top-sail halyards as you come by an' stand by the compressor on the windlass."

The Chesapeake swung slowly, broadside to the first of the ebb and with the wind on her port beam, Mr. Gibney knocked out the stopper with his trusty hammer and away went the rusty chain, singing through the hawsepipe. "Snub her gently, Mac, snub her gently, an' give her the thirty-fathom shackle to the water's edge," he warned McGuffey.

The bark swung until her bows were straightened to the ebb tide and with a wild, triumphant yell Mr. Gibney clasped the honest McGuffey to his perspiring bosom. The deed was done!

(Continued Next Week)

If you don't wish to buy a new suit—let us clean and press your old one. We do all kinds of altering and repairing, also relining. Fur cuffs and fur collars made to order.—New Belmond Tailor Shop, south of hotel. Phone 28.

Belmond Local News

Wilma Trumbull was a Clarion visitor last week to attend the Epworth League convention held there.

Martin Thoe was transacting business in Lake Mills this week.

Coetta Foster and Scott Smith returned Wednesday from a short visit in Des Moines at the home of Mr. Smith's parents in that city.

Ethel Hedges attended the Epworth League rally in Clarion last Wednesday.

Miss Sharon visited her brother in Fort Dodge last week.

Jenny Green visited at the Kalvig home in Clarion Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

O. R. Wood, of Corwith, was a Belmond business visitor one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G Miller autoed to Goldfield, Friday.

Dell Taphie, of Garner, transacted business in Belmond this week.

For Sale—Second hand power washer and wringer to run with gasolene engine. A bargain if taken at once. —Townsan Hardware, Phone 34.

Violet Starnes was visiting in Mason City over the week end.

C. B. Meints, of Ackley, visited in Belmond one day last week.

Alma Stapley attended the Epworth League Rally held in Clarion last week.

Archie McCallum, of Thornton visited in Belmond on business last week.

C. A. Jones, of Alexander, transacted business in Belmond, Thursday.

Doris Bailey visited in Clarion last week to attend the Epworth League Rally which was held there.

M. T. Surson, of Clarion, was in Belmond, Friday, on business.

For Sale—Bourbon red turkey toms, $8.—A, W. Leonard. 4tfc

Mrs. Lena Ferguson and baby, who has been visiting with her mother, Mrs. A. B. Foster, in Belmond, left Friday for Goldfield, where she will make her home.

Josephine Johnson, of Thompson, Iowa, visited in Belmond over Friday.

Andrew Kallestad, of Thornton, visited in Belmond, Friday.

Olaf Bryntesen, of Klemme, was a Belmond business visitor one day last week.

We have thorobred Toulouse geese and Bourbon red turkeys for sale.—Harold Jenison, Belmond. 3tfc

Mrs. Fall Colby and baby, who have been visiting Mrs. Colby's father, Mr. Bettin, at the Case Hotel, returned to their home in Sioux City the latter part of the week. Mr. Colby spent a few days visiting here and then accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Palmer visited her father, Mr. Bettin, at the Case Hotel Mr. Palmer has returned to his work in Sioux City, but Mrs. Palmer will visit indefinitely with her father.

Beatrice Leavy was visiting in Clarion, Friday.

Dorothy Purcell was in Clarion one day last week to attend the Rally of the Epworth League held there.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

The Misses Leona and Annie Sandry, of Goodell, were visiting friends in Belmond, Saturday.

Harry Webb was among those attending the Epworth League Rally in Clarion this week.

Clem Cannon, who has been spending the holidays at the James Cannon home, returned to Ames, where he will resume his studies.

The Misses Irma and Alma Wilkinson attended the Epworth League Rally in Clarion last week.

For Rent—4 room house on Water Street. Inquire at State Bank. 62t*

Alfred Wilkinson was among those who visited in Clarion to attend the Rally.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow and calf; also yearling heifer. Tuberculosis treated. J. P. Courtney.

Frank Finn was visiting relatives in Thornton last week.

Tom Dziewanowski is visiting in Thornton with relatives.

FOR SALE—Cutter, with shaves. Nearly new. T. D. Rankins, Phone 196 or 115, Belmond, Iowa.

Neva Kimmel, of Manly, visited friends in Belmond over the past week-end.

Mabel Cramer, who has been spending her vacation with her parents in Belmond, has returned to her duties as a school teacher near Clarion.

FOR SALE—A good hard coal heater, at your own price. Inquire at this office.

Joe Newton, of Algona, visited over the week-end at the W. A. Parsons home.

Mrs. Wagner, who has been visiting over the week-end at the Martin House home, returned Monday to her home in Thornton.

The Misses Ennis and Grace Allen have been spending the vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Allen, in Belmond.

SITUATION WANTED—Married man wants place on farm. Can handle any tractor. Inquire at this office.

Elsie Parkerg, who has been visiting at the Martin House home, left Monday for Sioux City where she will resume her work at Morningside College.

FOR SALE—A beautiful piano, highly polished, Chickering & Son make. Cost $850 at factory. Just as nice as new. Will sell very reasonable. Phone 116. Mrs. M. J. Bensch at W. H. Galliger residence.

Mrs. Ben Mehus and son, Granville, and Miss Bertha Jacobson were guests at the T. O. Shurson home in Eagle Grove over Sunday.

Kenneth Fitz, of Clarion, visited with friends in this city, Sunday.

Mrs. C. I. Williams and daughter. who have been visiting friends in Clear Lake, returned Saturday to their home in Belmond.

The out-of-town relatives attending the funeral of W. H. White last Wednesday were Mr. John Rick Sr., of Cincinnati, Iowa, father of Mrs. W. H. White; Mrs. A. L. Veach, of Cincinnati, Iowa, sister of Mrs White; Mr. J. B. Rick and son, Otto, of Numa, Iowa, brother and nephew of Mrs. White.

Mr. Otto Rick, of Numa, a nephew of Mrs. W. H. White, accompanied her to Fort Dodge, where they will visit a few days at the home of her son, W C. White. Mrs. White will be home the latter part of this week.

FOR SALE—Single driving harness. W. L. Wilson. 71c

Mr. Pfaltzgraff was in Minneapolis attending to some business affairs last Monday.

Harold Kimmel, of Manly, visited friends in Belmond, Sunday.

REDUCED PRICES on all-wool suits and overcoats. W. L. Wilson, Star Cleaner. 72c

Mr. and Mrs. Christie were visiting her sister, Mrs. O. T. Bamford, in Kanawha, last week.

LOST—Large, red shepherd dog; left front foot white. Wears leather collar. Lost Saturday night. Finder please notify Casper Kern, Belmond.

Rev. Wilkinson was in Clarion to attend the Epworth League Rally held there last Wednesday. He was accompanied by quite a large squad of Leaguers from Belmond.

Kenneth Wren, of Manly, visited in Belmond, Sunday.

Mrs. Peter Stacy and Mrs. W. W. Pratt were called to Algona Tuesday where Mrs. Jason Pratt was taken with a severe attack of appendicitis. She was operated on immediately, but no further reports have been given.

LOST—Gold watch, between Jas. Kenefick pool hall and hill across river. Initials on back of case, Finder leave at Independent. REWARD.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Papousek visited over Christmas with relatives in Garner.

Mrs. Henry Schultz spent Saturday visiting in Mason City.

Wm. Jones has returned from Omaha where he went last week to attend the funeral of his father who died there recently.

Oscar Walsh, one of the leading merchants of Alexander, was transacting business in Belmond, Monday.

Cato Griesy and Mrs. Peterson were in Mason City Tuesday to attend the ballet given by Pavlowa and her troupe of famous dancers.

Marian Pritchard, of Garner, was a guest at the Matt Barry home the fore part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ramsay and daugther, Ruth, spent New Year's day with relatives at Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Benson spent New Years day and the week-end with relatives at Latimer.

E. W. Hood visited his daughter at Dubuque last week, his daughter being in a hospital at that place for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sampson and son, Gerald, of Merricourt, North Dakota, spent the holidays at the Trumbull and Wright homes.

Miss Zola McGuire and Miss Sharon spent Thursday at Garner.

Charlie Pritchard, of Buffalo Center was in town, Wednesday.

Miss Marion Luick visited her friend, Miss Leoda Smith at Klemme several days last week.

T. H. Thake, popular janitor of the school, left Thursday evening of last week for the Twin Cities, where he is spending a few days with friends.

Lawrence Dorr and family, of Clarion, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sampson.

M. Chenetti, of Ackley, the leader of the Belmond band the past year, was a guest recently at the home of his friend, Joe Sampson. Mr. Chenetti, has contracted to lead the band at Ackley and Hampton again this year, and has an offer to manage a band east of Ackley, but is hoping that the Belmond band will be gotten into shape for concerts again this summer, and is delaying signing up with the offer made in hopes that he may return to Belmond this year, for he says that he likes the town and people here very much, and that our band is an excellent organization.

John Morris, of Omaha, was visiting his brother, Ray P., over the New Years. Mr. Morris is one of the auditor of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

Wayne Pond came up from Dows Tuesday, and spent the day visiting with old friends.

Bert Champlin, of Dows, former resident of this place, was in town Monday greeting old friends.

Miss Cloe Jenison, who has been teaching school north of Belmond, left Sunday for Ames, where she will attend the Iowa State College. Miss Beatrice Barry will take her place in the school in District No. 4, Pleasant township.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Allen and family, have returned from their holiday trip to Britt and Bancroft, where they were visiting friends Miss Ennis is spending a few days this week with friends at Algona.

Mrs. Pat Dillon was a visitor at Goodell one day last week.

CHURCH DINNER

Last Tuesday members and friends of the Congregational church, together with their families, gathered in the parlors of the church and enjoyed a bountiful dinner, served in the good old-fashioned way, with guests seated at one large family table. Upwards of 150 were in attendance and did ample justice to the fine dinner.

Mr. P. A. Johnson, representing the mission work of the state as treasurer, was present and interested the company with a helpful talk along his line of work, while the table was being prepared.

It being the regular annual meeting, officers for the coming year were elected. Reports from the several departments of the church were given showing a very prosperous year.

Talks were given concerning work for the coming year with hopes that even better results may be attained.

Cookies made with pure butter, at the Belmond Bakery.

H. C. Pinkham, of Goldfield was in town Saturday and stated that he was receiving gratifying promises of support from all parts of the county should he decide to become a canidate for the legislature. He has a wide acquaintance in the country and is well qualified to represent us at Des Moines. It is doubtful if Mr. Pinkham has serious opposition.—Eagle Grove Eagle

Mrs. Ira Christie, of this place, was among those who attended the North Iowa poultry show, held at Mason City last week, Mrs. Christie being in attendance at the show on Saturday. She states that the exhibition was splendid, with over 500 entries of fancy birds from practically all the breeds represented. Some very fine specimens were on display from many different states, and much interest and enthusiasm was displayed.

BASKET SOCIAL, District No. 7, Alexander, Friday evening, January 6. Program will be given. Ladies please bring baskets. Anna Finn, Teacher. 71*

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State's office at the time Mr. Pierce made his investigation that only $142,600.00 of stock had been paid up and stock issued for the same.

Allow me to say that the marketing plans now contemplated by the Farm Bureau Federation cannot go without a finance corporation behind them. It is only because of this need that Mr. Cunningham and myself are interested in the Iowa Finance Corporation. The farmers of Iowa must have a finance peculiar to their needs and under their control if they are to be successful in marketing their products. Without it the proposed marketing of grain, livestock and dairy products by the farmers of Iowa will fail. We feel very certain that the Iowa Credit Corporation is going to be a start in assisting the Iowa farmers in financing themselves. With the aid of the local banks and the issuing of warehouse receipts, and in turn selling debentures against these warehouse receipts secured by grain, livestock or other farm products, the Iowa Finance Corporation will be able to carry on a business many times its capital stock in taking care of the agricultural business of the state. The officers of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation have no other thot in mind in connection with this Credit Corporation than the thought of bettering the financial condition of the farmers.

The Iowa Farm Credit Corporation was not designed to function as a temporary emergency factor, but as a permanent concern to go on year in and year out, taking care of agricultural credits and the marketing of farm crops, as provided by statute.

Very truly yours,
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation
By C. W. Hunt, President.

Kinseth Store News

Who said snow? It could be worse though. Anyway, don't let a little snow keep you away from the Cash and Carry Story on the Corner.

This week we want to tell you that we have Cereal Meal at 85c per package.

Oatmeal for breakfast. We have the best quality at 25c per pound.

All kinds of prunes, 35c per pound and up.

Coffee is something that we all have our notions about. We can suit your taste and also your pocketbook. Give our bulk coffee a trial.

It's a Fact

You will find that our high test of Kerosene for your oil stove will go farther and give a better flame. No charred wicks. Lights with the first match.

Phone 34

Townsan Hardware

We Announce

Beginning January 1st, 1922, we will conduct our business on a strictly CASH BASIS. Our business has grown to such an extent that we are unable to extend credit. A strictly Cash Basis will enable us to give you better service and lower prices on your battery work.

Belmond Storage Battery Co.

Phone 46 Belmond, Iowa

These Figures

	Loans	Deposits	Cash	Rediscounts and Bills Payable
December 31, 1920	$431,844.07	$312,766.81	$27,691.42	$118,000.00
March 22, 1921	426,352.02	343,876.06	46,290.98	100,000.00
June 30, 1921	433,754.49	306,659.25	25,721.01	126,000.00
September 3, 1921	415,783.30	306,415.53	15,196.32	98,000.00
October 31, 1921	394,320.43	305,054.89	21,298.40	88,000.00
December 31, 1921	395,823.67	303,082.98	30,371.24	94,834.71

THESE FIGURES TELL THE STORY

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GOOD FELLOWSHIP MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT

Annual Meeting Of Farm Bureau Held

Fine Session Of Organization Is Held, At Which Officers Are Elected

SUMNERS GIVES ADDRESS

The annual meeting of the Wright County Farm Bureau Federation was held at the Court House in Clarion Tuesday afternoon and it was one of the most enthusiastic and largest attended meetings in the history of the organization. The spirit evidenced at this meeting indicates that there is no dispositon to drop the fight which the organization is making for the agricultural and live stock interests. Not less than five hundred farmers and their wives were present.

In the morning President Harry Sumners delivered the welcome address, and the reports of County Agent Edwards, Secretary E. W. Campbell and Treasurer George A. Miller were read in convention.

In the afternoon T. A. Houglas, of Eagle Grove, explained the workings of the Grain Growers incorporation the farmers present giving him the closest attention. Special singing and music was interspersed between the various addresses.

Hon. Peder Pedersen, of Cedar Falls was the speaker of the day and we may add that his address was the hit of the day. For an hour he held the closest attention of the big audience, and he got down to the grass roots in his plea for loyal support of the Farm Bureau.

Mr. Pederson is not an orator, yet he has the rare charm which captivates an audience. We imagine that he could go before an audience of typical city folks and make them a talk they would understand and commend. He has a fund of inimitable stories that get next to the ribs of his hearers and have a telling punch that drive home the truths he sponsors.

Mr. Pederson told the Wright County farmers they should not be discouraged because the Farm Bureau had not accomplished every wonder in the world so early in its organization. He reminded them that it was really little more than two years old, but in that time it had achieved a national organization which was being felt in national affairs.

In speaking of the waste in our marketing system, he told how things were done over in Sweden, where co-operative packing houses had an absolute monopoly on the live stock business. There, the packing houses are centered, say in districts about as large as two or three of our counties. The farmers are bound by contract to sell only to the co-operative packing plant. They must buy the co-operative plant product. No fat stock can be shipped elsewhere than to the district plant for marketing. The surplus is sold as a finished product and exported or sold to districts where the local supply is insufficient. And this system gave the Swedish farmer a spread of $4 to $5 per hundred for his hogs when the American farmer was getting around $8 and $9 per hundred for his hogs, the freight rate from Chicago to Liverpool of $1 a hundred considered.

Mr. Pederson told of how stocker cattle were traced from a Guthrie county farm to Chicago, back to Guthrie county to a farmer who fed them a couple of months, to Chicago, and again back to a Guthrie county farm where they were finished. "The farmer pays for this," he argued.

He said the farmer who held off joining because the organization was not perfect in every way, reminded him of an Irishman named Pat, who preached during his lifetime that at a man's death he was dead, and that was all there was to it. "Well," he said, "Pat died. The funeral day came. The mourners were passing for a last look at Pat.

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SCHOOL NOTES

Remember the third number of the Lecture Course will appear Monday, January 16, at 8:00. This number, The Fine Arts Quartette, was recommended to us as the best number of the Course. It is a mixed quartette, and will give both vocal and instrumental selections. It depends upon you what the program will be. If you enjoy it and let the quartette know by your applause, you will get a longer program.

Remember that Lecture Course tickets are transferrable, but only one person can be admitted on each ticket.

Community Night every Thursday night, 7:30 to 9:30, is growing in popularity. More of the business men should avail themselves of this privilege for recreation.

The basket ball game at Swaledale was postponed by Superintendent Thomas, on account of a breakdown in their lighting plant. This game will probably be played some time in February.

Friday night of this week Coaches Christie and Stedman will invade Hampton with their respective teams, and we are sure they will acquit themselves in a creditable manner in every way.

The High School appreciates the Herald Press Basket Ball ad of last week. Every boost puts pep into our teams, which we believe to be winners.

It might be interesting to know that the school enrollment of this year is 36.8 per cent greater than the enrollment of the year 1915-16, six years ago.

Semester examinations will be given in high school Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week. Regular classes on Friday.

The Eagle Grove debating team will meet our team here the afternoon of January 20. Plan to hear the debate.

January 27th has been set for the declamatory contest with Hampton and Garner. Hear our speakers in a contest with other towns.

POLITICAL BEES ARE BEGINNING TO BUZZ

Coming events cast their shadows before them, it is said, and the political line-up for the spring battle appears to be getting shaped and sharpened. Nothing definite so far has been announced or reported, but 'tis said that several bees are abuzzin' 'round, here and there, for this and that. Apparently there is to be more or less of a scrap for certain political offices, town and county, and much ammunition is reported as being stored up for the drive, with several citizens being groomed for generals and captains. Party lines are apparently not to cut much figure in the fight, the issue being between brothers of the same family, you might say. Sic 'em! It'll furnish something to enliven the place, anyway.

"CAP." TYRRELL SENDS FRIENDS RICE PRESENT

Following Old Custom, Sends Belmond Friends Nice Present

"Cap." W. C. Tyrrell, of Beaumont, Texas, following his established custom for many years, sent his friends in Belmond a present of a bag of rice, grown on his land in Texas and milled by the Tyrrell Rice Milling Co. The rice was received last week and distributed among the Captain's local friends by one of his grandsons. The writer acknowledges a nice sack of it, and along with the many Belmond friends of Mr. Tyrrell, extends his thanks for the compliment.

Mrs. Thomas, of Lewistown, Montana, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Baldridge, in Belmond. Mrs. Thomas is head of the Farm Bureau Work in Fergus Falls County and as this county is almost as large as the state of Iowa one may have an idea as to the scope of her work. From here Mrs. Thomas intends to visit for a few days with relatives in Cedar Rapids, before returning to her western home. This is the first time Mrs. Thomas has been home for ten years.

County Meeting Of American Legion Held Here Jan. 25

The State, District And County Officers Are To Be On The Program

DETAILS GIVEN OUT LATER

The county convention of the American Legion will be held in Belmond on Januarry 25th. Two meetings will be held, one in the afternoon for the Legion members and one in the evening, this latter a mass meeting for the public. State, district and county officers will be on the program. After the evening affair a dance will be held. Full details will be given in a later issue of the Independent.

Administratrix's Notice

Public Notice Is Herebey Given, that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Administratrix of the Estate of William H. White, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undrsigned and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 6th day of January, 1922.

Phoebe A. White,
Administratrix
W. E. Bullard, Attorney for Estate.

Mrs. Peter Stacy returned the latter part of the week from Algona where she has gone to attend her daughter, Mrs. Jason Pratt, who underwent an operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Pratt is reported to have recovered so far from her operation in fine condition.

"Bill" Chase came home the first of the week from his college duties at Cedar Rapids, and will spend the week with Belmond relatives and friends.

Wilhelmina Loats, of Belmond, has accepted a position with the Hulsebus Muller store in Meservey and left last week to begin her work at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pierce and family have been the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Daisy Pierce, the past week or so. Paul is an old time Belmond boy, and now resides in the Twin Cities, where he has his headquarters as advertising manager of People's Popular Monthly.

Miss Shirley Thompson has resigned her position with the State Bank, as stenographer, and expects to go to Cedar Rapids, where she will take a business course at the College there.

Mr. and Mrs. Roe Pierce, Mrs. Truer Davenport, and Mrs. Ernest Stapley autoed to Clarion, Monday afternoon, where they attended the joint installation of the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges that evening. A fine time is reported.

Helen Johnson was among the students who left last week to resume their college courses. She had been visiting her parents in Belmond over the holidays and left Wednesday for work in the state Normal school at Cedar Falls.

Every night you can hear the roar of the shotgun as some unlucky rabbit starts on the journey of the stew pan. Rabbits are reported plentiful [illegible] winter, and judging from the number being shot they must be; one young fellow in town got fourteen in one evening, which is fair, considering. And when they are cooked right, boy, there's somthing to it.

Fire Sunday Destroys Fine Country Home

John Campbell Residence South Of Town, Complete Loss By Fire Last Sunday

DAMAGE IS ABOUT $7,000

Sunday, about half past twelve, the John Campbell residence in the country was discovered to be on fire, and despite the most strenuous efforts to save it, the house was burned to the ground, with a loss of $7,000, and insurance to the amount of $1,950 was carried. The family were all downstairs when they heard a noise as of something falling upstairs. Investigation disclosed that the second story was blazing, and the fire had already gained large headway. The blaze spread rapidly, and seeing that nothing could be done to stop it, all efforts were devoted to saving the furniture on the first floor. Most of this, including the piano, was saved. The fire company was called, and the truck rushed to the scene, but the fire was so far advanced that nothing could be done, except help to keep the fire down while the furniture was being saved. The Campbell home was one of the finest rural residences in the country, and its loss is a hard blow to the family, who have had more of their share of hard luck the past year. For the present, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are staying at the Alex Smith home, Miss Rhea staying with friends in town.

MRS. KLEMME DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Relatives in Belmond received the sad news Saturday evening of the death at Sierra Madre, Calif., of Mrs. H. J. Klemme. Mrs. Klemme had been more or less of an invalid the past year or so, and her health had not been very good, but it was not thought that she was in so serious a condition, and her death came as a shock to the relatives and many local friends. The children left at once for California, Ray, who was on a business trip to Denver, being notified enroute by telegram, and Glenn going Sunday, Mrs. Stanberry, of Mason City, going Saturday night. At this writing the Independent is not informed as to the arragements for the funeral or the place of interment, but hopes to print an obituary later. The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their great loss.

RENDERING PLANT HAS STARTED AGAIN

The Hawkeye Reduction Plant, located in the grove south of town, has been leased by Ned Packard and Hans Thompson and was re-opened for business by these two gentlemen on last week Saturday. They are now doing business. The new firm have a truck for gathering up carcasses, and have been licensed by the state to carry on the business, which they are now doing along the same lines as formerly done.

DISCUSS PLANS FOR SHORT COURSE

Last week Saturday afternoon, representatives from three townships and the city met to discuss the plans for the proposed Short Course, which it is planned to hold here this winter. The sentiment seems to be in favor of the event, and the only serious question to be settled now appears to be the question of financing. Another meeting is to be held later, we are informed, at which time definite arrangements will be made providing the event is carried thru. It is to be hoped that it will, for such occasions mean much to both the town and country, and create a better understanding between the two.

Nearly everybody forgets a favor but hardly anybody forgets a wrong.

SOCIETY NEWS

The January meeting of the Missionary Society of the Methodist church was held last Thursday at the E. F. Bailey home.

In spite of the extreme cold there were thirty-four ladies present, three of whom were new members.

Mrs. J. S. White conducted the lesson in an interesting way.

One feature of the program was a historical sketch of the Belmond Foriegn Missionary Society, given by Mrs. Bailey, who said it was in existence at least thirty years ago.

She showed a photograph of the organization taken in 1893. Some of the people shown in the picture were; Mrs. W. A. Bartholomew, Mrs. Jim Logan, Mrs. Henry Polhemus, Mrs. L. J. Wendell, formerly Mrs. Wm. Werts, and Mrs. J. C. Butterfield, also the following who are now deceased, Mrs. M. S. Paige, Lena Logan Mrs. Thos. King, Mrs. J. D. Walton, Mrs. Mary Sorenson, Mrs. N. Reese and Mrs. E. J. Lathrop.

A letter was read from Miss Carrie Bartlett in China, thanking the Society for the Christmas gifts sent to her.

With the dainty luncheon served by Mrs. Bailey was tea which was sent from China by Miss Bartlett.

OLAF NEWS NOTES

G. Halverson and wife visited in Story County, several days during the holiday period.

The Ladies Aid Society met at the John Eliason home, Thursday instead of Wednesday, on account of the bad storm. The ladies in connection with the society, gave Miss Judith an aluminum shower, as a small token of esteem. Many useful presents were given.

Bennie Benson stayed at the Orpha Anderson home the past two weeks, and took care of the livestock.

Mr. McDougal came down from Kanawha Saturday, and spent the time between trains in our little burg. He was trying to rent one of is farms.

Mrs. Geo. Thompson helped Mrs. Geo. Baxter can beef, last Tuesday. They canned 80 quarts, surely a good days work.

Mrs. S. O. Windecker returned from Iowa Falls and Ackley, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott entertained the Young Married Peoples' Club last Thursday evening. A very enjoyable time was had.

Gladys Houge began school Monday after a weeks vacation.

Henry Lein, wife and Esther were in Mason City one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson and little Kenneth returned home Saturday They went to Belmond to spend Christmas with relatives, little Kenneth took sick and they were compelled to stay until Saturday.

Clarence Scott and wife spent Sunday at the Geo. Baxter home.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES

Clarion will contribute a divorce case at the Februuary term of court, Louisa Loraine have filed a petition for separation from her husband John Loraine. Cruel and inhuman treatment and drunkeness are alleged as grounds for divorce.

Lena Ferguson of Rowan has petitioned the court for a divorce from her husband Wm. Ferguson. She alleges her husband has failed to support her and is cruel and inhuman and at one time threatened to poison her.

Judge Wright has modified the decree in the McDowell divorce case by reducing the alimony of $125 to Mrs. McDowell to $50 per month for the support of two children. On the stand McDowell stated that his salary had been reduced to $100 per month and that his expenses were fully $75. The court allows the father to see his children not to exceed two days at a time once a month and to have the boy with him during the month of July of each year.

The board of supervisors met in regular January session Tuesday and chose G. R. Garttidge of Clarion as their chairman for the coming year. The new supervisors were duly seated, James Mehl from Norway township, who succeeds H. C. Pinkham of Goldfield and E. E. Kitley of Troy township, who takes the place of C. M. Spangler.

A $257 note is the basis of a suit brought by A. W. Moseley & Co., against J. O. Nelson. It is alleged defendant is about to convert his property into cash for the purpose of defrauding his creditors.

The assessors of Wright county will meet at the court house on Saturday, Jan. 17, to receive supplies and instructions for the coming year. —News.

News: Alleging that his father-in-law, Mayor Buck, of Iowa Falls, had thus threatened him when he went in the presence of friends to secure the custody of his little boy and girl, and asking the court to amend the order whereby he is required to pay $125 montly to his divorced wife, as well as the custody of the boy, W. H. McDowell. of Clarion, opened the fight before Judge Wright Tuesday and the hearing in district court was held. At times it was acrimonious.

As grounds for a reduction in alimony, Mr. McDowell cited lessened earning capacity and by testimony sought to show that his former wife was not in need of the sum fixed for the support of herself and children, her father being a very wealthy man and more than providing for her because of her services as housekeeper in his home.

The testimony of Mr. McDowell, substantiated by Alden C. Jones and L. R. Fitz, was that at one time when he went to Iowa Falls to secure the children, Mayor Buck swore at him and said, "I'll put you where the dogs won't bite you." Mr. McDowell charged that every time he went for the children he was afraid to go alone, and that every time he was there Mayor Buck either had the city marshal or a Rock Island detective, or both in the house. Mr. Buck explained that these men were not in his home in an official capacity but were there as friends of the family, as witnesses againt Mr. McDowell, should he "start something."

Mr. McDowell alleges that the mother and father-in-law had worked on the mind of his little daughter to such an extent that she would run from him when he appeared. People knowing the family here say that the father was a favorite of the child while they were living together here. As yet Mr. McDowell has not had the custody of the little girl since the divorce was granted.

Judge Wright has taken the case under advisement and Mr. McDowell's attorneys are hoping that some modification of the original decree may be had which will be more equitable to the husband and father.

Divorces were granted the following couples: Bertha Faulhaber of Eagle Grove from Joseph Faulhaber; Manda Tippen; of Eagle Grove from Orry Tippen; Florain Lance of Olaf from Barbara Lance.

Hope To Have Big Attendance At First Meeting

Business Men and Citizens Are Strongly Urged To Attend This Meeting

BIG FEED AFTER MEETING

The first meeting of the Good Fellowship club is to be held Friday evening in the library basement. An address by Supt. Prall of Clarion will be given, his topic being "The High Cost of Education."

A lunch will be served, the same as was the old custom, and the glad hand extended to all. Every business man and citizen of Belmond, and every farmer in the vicinity, is invited and urged to attend and have a pleasant evening with his fellows.

It is hoped to start the newly organized club with a large attendance at the first meeting, so come out and help swell the ranks and have a good time.

Business Directory

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Belmond, Iowa
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No man is a hero to his wife, of course, but unless he's hero to his very young son there's something wrong with the man.

A fool who knows he is one has some sense.

A balky mule can be started by building a fire under him, but you can't start a balky automobile that way.

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CLIPPINGS

A meeting of the committee to consider the future of the county fair was held last week. It was decided to abandon the plan of selling shares of stock for at least a year and rent the fair grounds for 1922, —Monitor.

Local dealers were pinched last week when the egg market took a drop of five to six cents a dozen. One grocer reports a net loss of $33 on the amount he had on hand and others suffered smaller losses.—Monitor.

Two Groen girls of Belmond, have been visiting at the George Ulrich home the past week.—Klemme Times.

W. H. Trafford and family, of Belmond, spent New Year's day with Klemme relatives.—Times.

Bud Pritchard, one of the youngsters of the W. S. Pritchard household, returned Tuesday from Belmond. He had been a guest at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Mame Martin for a week.—Leader

Several farmers south of Clear Lake have had their chickens stolen. All of them are of the belief that the thief drives a truck auto. Last Thursday night the thief came to Joe Caffrey's, on the Geo{ Grimm farm. They sacked all the chickens and by some oversight of fright left three sacks filled with chickens in the yard. The family heard the car start up after the chickens had been taken.—Clear Lake Reporter.

POLITICAL POT BEGINS TO BOIL

(From the News)

Denger Not A Candidate

C. D. Denger, deputy sheriff, says there is nothing to the talk that he will be a candidate in the primaries for the nomination of sheriff.

"I have no intention, nor have I had any intention, of being a candidate," Mr. Denger said Monday.

Thus this pretty effectually stops the talk that had been heard regarding the Dows man's candidacy for the place.

Representative Oscar Ulstead will be a candidate for senator from this district at the June primaries. Mr. Ulstad was in Eagle Grove Tuesday visiting with friends and talking with them about his candidacy.

If Governor Kendall should decide to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Schaffter before the regular election next November, Representative Ulstad will not give up a seat in the house to become a candidate. There is very little possibility of an early election being held unless a special session of the legislature is called.

Representative Ulstad is serving his third term in the house. He has made a good record and has many friends in Wright, Hamilton and Hardin counties, who will get behind him once his candidacy is officially announced.—Eagle Grove Times.

Developments with the withdrawal of Judge Wright as a candidate for district Judge leaves the other three present judges candidates for re-election, and C. M. Hanson, of Ft. Dodge is already in the race. There are four places to be filled. Attorney J. A. Clock, of Hampton, according to reports will possibly be a candidate,and it is understood that Boyd R. Bryson, of Iowa Falls, will also be a candidate. It is not known at this time whether J. W. McGrath, of Eagle Grove will enter the race or not. It may be that the senatorial contest in the Hamilton-Wright-Hardin district will have some bearing on the situation in those counties, as they are all located in the eleventh judicial district, says the Hampton Chronicle.

CHURCH NOTES

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Watch this crowd grow. Why not get in the game and help us make a "Home Run."

Preaching service at 10:00 a. m. We will try and make this a profitable hour.

Epworth League at 6:30 a. m. This organization urges all young people to attend this meeting.

Evening service at 7:30 p. m.

Thursday evening prayer meeting, Study Acts Chapter land 2.

Friday evening we have our annual winter picnic in the church basement. Bring your lunch. We will eat supper together and spend the evening in a jolly good time. All members and friends of the church are urged to be at this meeting. Do not fail to be on hand. Come as near 6:30 p. m. as you can.

M. E. Sunday School

Last Sunday we were very pleased to see such a large number of the young folks out to Sunday School. There were just one hundred and fifty present and we were not one bit crowded for room. Bear in mind you who used to come that there is still room, and that you are not too old, or too young to attend. We have a class of real boys, under the leadership of H. C. Clausen and a bunch of real girls under the leadership of the rest of the classes. Come out Sunday and see for yourself. Let's make it a winner. What say Coming? SURE!

S. E. Cretary

Sands Memorial Congregational Church

The second Sabbath of the new year showed a marked increase in attendance at the Bible School as well as at all other services of the day. We are hoping to reach a new high mark during January, thirteen more than we had last Sunday will give us a record above anything for the past two years. We would like to have that many more men who are not now in the Bible school present next Sunday. The new class has just started and we want you in it. The Bible study on last Thursday night was well attended although the weather was cold and the walks were covered with snow.

The Ladies Aid will meet for their first business meeting of the year on Thursday afternoon in the church parlors. The Bible Study at 7:30 Thursday evening to which all who would like to know more about the Bible are invited. Our study is the book of Genesis.

Sabbath Sshool at 10:00 a. m., Morning worship at 11:00 and the evening praise service at 7:30. Mr. Stephen Hardwick will be the leader. The subject is "God in Our Lives," Gal 5:16-26.

1922

You have not started on the first lap of the New Year of 1922 right unless you have started with a bank account in some reliable bank. It makes you safe for the year to come. No matter how small the beginning, start a bank account with us today. Interest paid on Time Deposits.

State Bank of Belmond

The Bank for Everybody!

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

STATE BANK OF BELMOND

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Belmond, Iowa in the County of Wright, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1921

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, bonds and securities		$770,084.98
Overdrafts		3,193.61
Banking House	$ 40,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	15,000.00	55,000.00
Other real estate owned		11,500.00
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		38,854.51
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) Tax Receipts		8,330.85
Total Resources		$886,963.95

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$ 80,000.00	
Surplus Fund	20,000.00	
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand	8,860.36	
Individual deposits subject to check	233,902.09	
Demand deposits (certificates, certified checks and unpaid dividends)	5,266.67	
Time certificates of deposit	172,473.20	
Savings deposits	18,022.84	
Bills Payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	241.558.37	
Rediscounts	86,880.42	
United States bonds borrowed	20,000.00	
Total Liabilities		$886,963.95

State of Iowa, Wright County—ss.

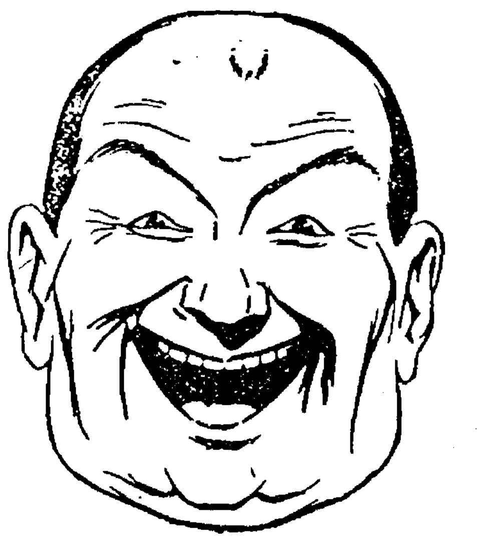
We, A. L. Luick, President; Ole Thompson, Vice President; and W. T. Gfeller, Cashier of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

(BANK SEAL) A. L. LUICK, President
OLE THOMPSON, Vice President
W. T. GFELLER, Cashier

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by A. L. Luick, Ole Thompson and W. T. Gfeller this 9th day of January, 1922.

(SEAL) C. O. FITTS
Notary Public in and for Wright County.

Attested by Henry Groen, R. H. Klemme, W. C. Tyrrell Jr., M. F. Christie and G. F. Elder, Directors.



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FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th STARTS our big Shoe Sale--All prices cut to where you will smile with joy.

Doors open at 9 a. m.
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Woodruff's
26 years of Good Shoes

115 North Federal Avenue
Mason City, Iowa

Rowan Local News

The Home Talent Concert which should have been given last Tuesday has been postponed until Tuesday, January 17th. Will the citizens kindly not forget this change, and not forget also to be there when the program is given. A very enjoyable program has been arranged.

Some of the directors and officials of the Belmond Telephone Compan met with the farmers last week to discuss the grievances of the patrons. Both sides of the quetion were discussed, and finally a committee was appointed to examine the Company's books. This was carried out at the sugestion of the Telephone Company.

Mrs. Frank Toyne went to Langsboro last Tuesday to spend several days at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Chase were Clarion callers, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Haupt, of Clarion, spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Pelley. They went to the home of their daughter, Mrs. Frank Walters, Tuesday evening for a few days' visit.

John Combs was a Ft. Dodge caller Wednesday.

Eph McKinley, of Spirit Lake, who has been visiting at the home of his brother, L. W. and family, returned to his home, Wednesday.

Ben Hackley was a Clarion caller, Tuesday.

Jim Langdon was a county seat caller, Tuesda.y.

Mrs. Dave Smith, of Garner, came Wednesday night to see her friend, Mrs. M. Snyder. She visited at the Fred Brooks home.

Al Woods was a Belmond dental caller, Friday.

Fred Smith, of Clarion, spent last Wednesday night at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. M. Snyder.

Charles Kercheval has been on the sick list the past week.

Mariam Sellers, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sellers, fell at school last Wednesday and broke one bone and fractured the other in her right wrist and sprained the left one: also sprained a foot, besides bruises on her body. She was leaning over the railing of the gymnasium when she lost her balancce and fell to the bottom of the gymnasium. It was a miracle she escaped as well as she did. Last year she fell from a swing at school and broke her left arm.

Miss Mildred Azeltine spent the week-end with her parents. She is teaching school in Vernon township. She was accompanied home by her friend, Miss Theda Byers.

Kieth and Harold Nevitt, of Savannah, Illinois, spent New Years at the home of their mother, Mrs. Henry Azeltine. They returned home last Monday.

Will Bingham was on the sick list this last week, suffering from tonsilitis.

Little Fred Francis Kercheval has been sick the past week.

The young people of the community enjoyed a party in the Brooks Hall Thursday night. A large crowd attended and a very nice time is repored.

Mrs. Darrell Stout and baby visited Saturday in Clarion at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Pearl Haun.

Miss Wilda Whitten was a Clarien shopper, Saturday.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the State Savings Bank was held January 3rd. This was the regular meeting. There was a good attendance at this meeting. Mr. Birdsall, of Clarion, attended this meeting.

Arthur Hansen, who is in the hospital at Hampton, had to have his limb rebroken this last week and set over.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Farren spent Sunday at Lanesboro, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lynch.

A. C. Rietz has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten were Clarion callers, Monday.

Miss Carol Hoke came Monday to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Darrell Stout.

J. F. Howell was a Clarion caller, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten and daughter, Gladys, visited relatives at Latimer, Sunday.

Miss Dorothy Ramsey went to Mrs. Lizzie Brooks', Monday, to assist with the house work.

Miss Hazel Azeltine surprised her many friends last week when she was united in marriage to Manley McCormick, of Hampton. We wish this young couple lots of happiness. Miss Izetta Fletcher taught the bride's school for her the past two weeks.

Henry Rietz was on the sick list the past week.

Nels Kjar was out of school last week on account of sickness.

Guy Toyne was sick the past week.

We would appreciate it very much if when you have any news you would ring No. 62 and give us the item. We try to get the most of the news, but it is impossible without the cooperation of the readers.

O. E. Ballou and daughter, LaVonne, were both on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle gave a treat to the children under twelve years of age to a show Wednesday night. It was a stormy night, but the children enjoyed it anyway.

John Thomas went to Williams last Saturday.

Miss Maude Nickless and Miss Helen Gaeth, of Schuyler, Nebraska, came Saturday for a few days' visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tice Streveler. Miss Nickless is a sister of Mrs. Streveler.

Mr. Charles Lamb and baby, of Iowa Falls visited Saturday at the home of her brother, C. H. Lindsey, and family, and made the acquaintance of her new nephew, Merle Willmer.

Joe McKinley was a Hampton shopper between trains, Saturday.

Tom Whitten went to Ft. Dodge, Saturday to visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Andy Sorenson and family.

Kenneth Kieth was a Belmond visitor Saturday forenoon.

The town team of basket ball went to Alexander last Friday night to play the town team over there. Alexander defeated them, 7to 14.

Jim Thomas, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thomas, was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Harms, of Eldora, at the holiday season. They are living in Des Moines, where the groom is employed in a barber shop.

Robert Holliday returned Wednesday to Cedar Falls where he will continue his school work.

The stockholders of the Sales Pavilion held their annual business meeting, Monday. A better report next week.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

The Congregational and Methodist churches in town are arranging to hold union services on Jauary 22nd, in the interests of the Wright County Sunday school Association. Outside speakers will be secured and a fine Convention is anticipated.

Methodist Episcopal Church
Pastor, H. Tomkinson

Services for Sunday, January 15:
10:30 a. m.—Worship.
11:30 a. m.—Sunday School.
6:30 p. m.—Epworth League.
7:30 p. m.—Evensong.

You are cordially invited to these services.

CONGREGATIONAL
Pastor—W. H. Nye

The Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m. "They Tossed Up."

Sunday School, 12:00 a. m.

Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.

Evening Song and Worship, 7:30 p. m. Sermon, "And She Mocked."

There will be good music at each of these services, and we desire that you come with your families to the service. Come and hear, and see Sunday.

The Junior Endeavor will meet at the church Wednesday afternoon after school.

The Mid-week service at the church Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m.

There was a good attendance at the Womans' Missionary Society last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Farran, and the officers for the year were appointed.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the Parsonage, Thursday, for dinner. The dinner will be served at 11:30. Price 25c. After the dinner the ladies will appoint their officers for the year. Be sure and come to this dinner, and bring all your friends.

The Rowan Congregational Young people met at the Parsonage last Thursday evening, and enjoyed a social evening together, and there was the election of officers for the Christmas Endeavor, and the report for a good year for 1921, and we are working and planning for a better year for 1922.

There was a large audience at the Rowan Congregational church Sunday, and we invite you to come this Sunday and hear the music and sermons. Don't forget to bring your friends with you. Also the children, so they can attend the Sunday School.

ELSIE FERGUSON PLAYS 3 PARTS IN NEW PHOTOPLAY

Versatility of Screen Star Splendidly Displayed In Play Entitled "Lady Rose's Daughter

STAR THEATRE, JANUARY 14

The versatility of Elsie Ferguson, the charming star in leading Paramount pictures, is splendidly displayed in "Lady Rose's Daughter," her latest photoplay which comes to

STAR THEATRE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

Miss Ferguson plays three powerful parts in this picture, and her artistry is conspicuously evidenced in each characterization.

The story of Mrs. Humphry Ward's dramatic novel is divided into three epochs, those of 1860, 1890 and 1920. In the first epoch, Miss Ferguson is seen as Lady Maude, a woman of high social station in England. In the second she is Lady Maude, while in the present day epoch, she has the role of Julie Le Breton, the illegitimate daughter of Lady Rose.

The three parts are entirely different in conception and treatment, but in this splendid photoplay, Miss Ferguson portrays each with her usual artistry and dramattic effectiveness. As the daughter born out of wedlock, she endures much suffering, but after her love affair with a rascally army officer reaches its climax, she finds happiness in the love of a worthy man.

The photoplay has been finely produced and the support headed by David Powell, Holmes E. Herbert, Frank Losee, Ida Waterman and Warren Cook, is exceptionally clever.

School Notes

Robert Holliday was a visitor Tuesday afternoon, January 3.

Marvel Weld, once a resident of Rowan, but now a Clarion student, visited school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week.

Thursday, January 5th, LaVonne Ballou and Florence Box visited school downstairs and Jay Knuths visited the high school.

Friday, Januaty 6th, Mildred Duffy visited school.

Friday afternoon, January 6th, the Rowan ball teams went to Goodell to play. They came back on the seven o'clock, bringing the victories with them. In spite of the unaccustomed floor the Rowan teams carried off both games. The Rowan girls won by a score of 16 to 1 in their favor and the Rowan boys carried the victory by a score of 18 to 3 in their favor.

The Rowan girls have played eleven games and have won eight. The three games which were lost were played on the opponents' floor. The team has six more games to play yet. Let's see you there. It is your duty to boost your own team. If you wish to see or expect the Rowan teams to win you must come and boost for them. They need your help and it is your duty to help them. The next game is at Rowan Saturday afternoon, January 14th, at 2:30, with Hansell. This game promises to be a fast and exciting game for the teams are evenly matched. Come and help Rowan add another victory to their list.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Belmond Savings Bank

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Belmond, Iowa, in the County of Wright, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1921

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, Bond and Secarities		$395,823.67
Overdrafts		1,133.85
Banking House	6,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	3,000.00	9,000.00
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		30,373.24
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) Tax Receipts		3,106.13
Total Resources		$439,436.39

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$ 25,000.00	
Surplus Fund	12,000	37,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses	2,512.31	
Reserve	1,500.00	4,012.31
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand	3,715.87	
Individual deposits subject to check	126,107.94	
Demand deposits (certificates, certif. and unpaid dividends) ied checks and	506.89	
Time certificates of deposit	121,329.47	
Savings deposits	51,929.70	303,589.87
Bills Payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	75,000.00	
Rediscounts	19,834.71	94,834.71
Total Liabilities		$439,436.89

State of Iowa, Wright County—ss.

We, C. P. Luick, president; D. E. Packard, vice president; and C. O. Fitts, cashier, of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets

C. P. Luick, President.
D. E. Packard, Vice President.
C. O. Fitts, Cashier.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by C. P. Luick, D. E. Packard and C. O. Fitts this 7th day of January, 1922.

W. T. GFELLER,
[SEAL] Notary Public in and for Wright County.

Attested by Adolf Meinders, M. D. Sullivan, W. J. Morse and O. T. Jacobson, Directors.

J. E. MILLER'S CLOSING OUT

Public Sale

As I have rented my farm and intend to move to town, will sell at my residence one mile north and two and one-half miles west of Rowan; five miles north of Galt; six miles south and three-fourths mile east of Belmond; seven miles east and two miles north of Clarion, on what is known as Snarl Street, on

Tuesday, January 17

COMMENCING AT ONE O'CLOCK SHARP, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY. HOT LUNCH SERVED AT NOON.

11 Head of Horses 11

Consisting of one team of grey geldings, four and five years old, weight 3500; one black gelding, four years old, weight 1700; one three-year-old black mare, weight 1400; one two-year-old black mare, weight 1350; one two-year-old roan mare, weight 1200; one eight-year-old black mare; one eight-year-old black blind mare; one ten-year-old driving horse; one black gelding one year old; one spring colt.

26 Head of Cattle 26

Consisting of nine high grade Shorthorn cows, some fresh, balance fresh a little later; one black heavy springer; one Jersey cow, the property of George Strahorn; three two-year-old heifers; three one-year-old heifers; three one-year-old steers; two Shorthorn bull calves; one yearling Swiss bull eligible to registry; three last spring heifer calves.

Hogs and Chickens

Consisting of yearling sow; seven Chester White bred sows; the rest fall pigs; one dozen Rose Comb White Wyandotte roosters; one crate yearling R. I. Red hens; some yearling Buff Rock hens.

Machinery & Miscellaneous

Consisting of two good wide tired wagons with triple boxes, one Twentieth Century manure spreader in good condition, one good Deering mower, one Hayes corn planter with 160 rods wire, one 8-foot Sterling disc, 1 good Mandt oscillating sled, 2 sets 1½-inch harness in good shape, horse collars of various sizes, one 10-gallon barrel churn and numerous other articles.

TERMS: All sums of $10 and under, cash. All sums over that amount a credit of twelve months' time will be given on bankable notes drawing 8 per cent interest from day of sale. No property to be removed until settled for.

J. E. MILLER, Owner

COWLEY & MUNNIS, Auctioneers
F. B. SHELDON, Clerk

A Dollar for 9c

This Big Event in this Great Sale
THE SALE OF THE YEAR

Of Highest Quality Men's and Boy's Clothing Starting
9 a. m. Thursday, January 12th

THE PLAN

Open and Aboveboard No Strings Attached

READ ON

Think of it! Every 4th dollars worth of merchandise you buy at this store during this big sale will cost you but 9c and some prices reduced more. Every stitch of clothing and furnishings in the store included---for both men and boys. Prices reduced from our regular low prices which are made possible by our sixteen store buying power.

EVERYTHING GOES

Nothing reserved. No sale price juggling has been done. No charge for alterations. Prices smashed! Irresistable! Incomparable! Bargains in every department of this Great Store. All Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes included.

SAVE! SAVE!

Plan to Come -:- Its Your Sale -:- Your Opportunity

Get to Know

Gildner Bros.

Iowa's Largest Clothiers
Mason City, Iowa
Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JAN UARY 12, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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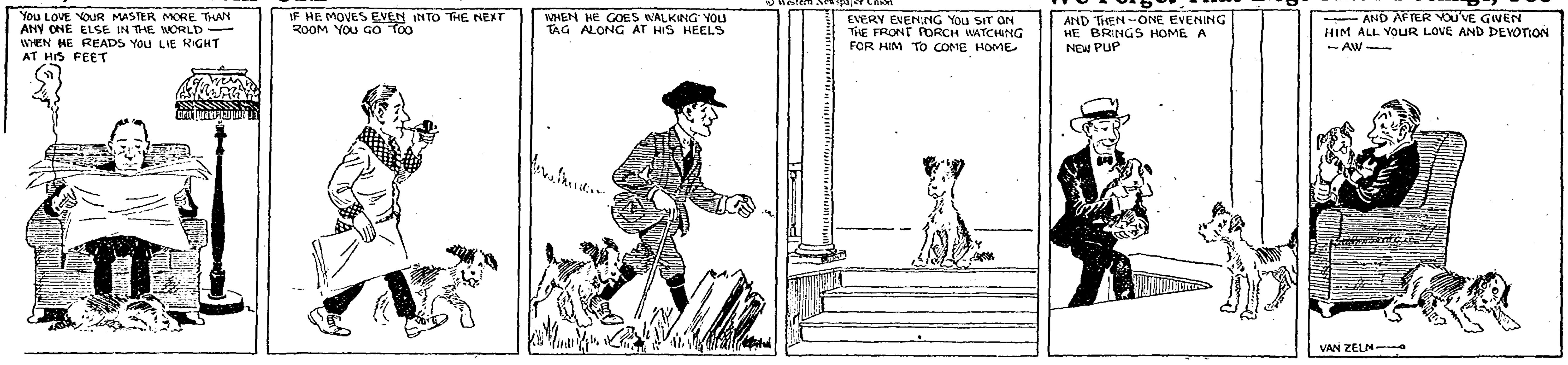
We Forget That Dogs Have Feelings, Too


YOU LOVE YOUR MASTER MORE THAN ANY ONE ELSE IN THE WORLD —— WHEN HE READS YOU LIE RIGHT AT HIS FEET
IF HE MOVES EVEN INTO THE NEXT ROOM YOU GO TOO
WHEN HE GOES WALKING YOU TAG ALONG AT HIS HEELS
EVERY EVENING YOU SIT ON THE FRONT PORCH WATCHING FOR HIM TO COME HOME
AND THEN — ONE EVENING HE BRINGS HOME A NEW PUP
—— AND AFTER YOU'VE GIVEN HIM ALL YOUR LOVE AND DEVOTION — AW ——
VAN ZELM

MORE ABOUT THE DEVIL SCARE

Big Stone Headlight: The article appearing in The Headlight two or three weeks ago about the Devil that appeared at the dance near Hutchinson, Minnesota, attracted much attention among our readers. Some look upon the story as having been born in the brain of some space writer. Others that it is a clever hoax contrived by practical jokers, and still others see in the incident evidence of the fulfillment of the scripture prophecy and the approaching end of satan's reign. To date, however, there has been no satisfactory explanation of the incident offered. A lady living at Bertha, Minn., wrote to Mr. A. L. Richardson of Hutchinson to find out the truth of the matter and received the following reply:

"Dear Madam—Your inquiry concerning the Hutchinson 'devil' came to hand and I willingly tell all I know about it. Of course much that we hear about it is not dependable at all. What is fact is as follows:

"Lake Marion, nine miles from here, is a pretty resort and a pavilion has been built there by the hotel for dancing. On Sunday for some time back dances have been held there and a class of people for many miles around who attend Sunday affairs have attended. It has been said that these dances are rough and that some of the dancers of both sexes got drunk; that the rooms of the hotel are all engaged in advance, and that the cottages are broken into and the rooms occupied by the revelers.

On Sunday night, October 30, last, a dance was in progress there and it is generally agreed that there were 100 dancers on the floor, when the devil came and was in their midst. Some claim that he came through the floor, while others claim that he came down from the roof. He was the regular fellow they say, horns and hoofs and tail. The lights flared, the musical instruments flew from the hands of the players and were splintered. Lurid lights filled the place and the devil danced about them. Women and girls screamed and some fainted. One or more are still confined in bed with hysteria. They all fled, terror-stricken, from the place. Some hid in the woods all night, others found shelter at farm houses. Twenty-six cars were left standing by the pavilion until daylight came and the party rallied and kept their courage up by keeping close together and got the cars away.

"Many and varied stories are told about the details, but the above is generally told by all. If it was a hoax, it was cleverly done and the hotel proprietor has offered $1,000 for an explanation of it. His place, hotel and all, is deserted and abandoned. He nor his family dare remain there.

"If it was the real devil, he has hurt his own business, for dancing among that class has ceased. It has been a real sensation, and I suppose has been widely advertised. The hardest people to convince that it was a hoax are those who were there.

Yours very sincerely,
A. L. Richardson."

You can't alter the color of a drab life by painting it with red liquor.

The girl who refuses to go to the dance because she has nothing to wear is foolish. Supposing she hasn't, she will look just like all the others.

A PLEA FOR PURE ENGLISH

To the Editor: In last Sundays Register Major MacNider, national commander of the American Legion, in speaking to an immense crowd at Mason City, the occasion being a welcome to Marshal Foch, is quoted as saying the reason the Marshal came to Mason City was to see the Mason City American Legion post, "the best damn post in the United States." In today's Register former Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, in speaking to the Brooklynn, N. Y., Rotary club, is quoted as saying, "If some of the present members of congress had been given boy scout training, we'd have a damn sight better government today." Also in today's Register in the Paragraphone column, the writer of that really good humorous stuff makes one of his imaginary characters say, "Al, how the hell do you get that way?

All Iowa is proud of young MacNider, but we think he is not dignifying his exalted position by the use of rough language in public addresses. Secretary McAdoo unnecessarily loses dignity, and the funny man of the Paragraprone adds nothing to his humor by the use of such language. Such expletives may be thought strong, expressive and emphatic but the English language in its purity and flexibility, furnishes enough good words without drawing on those that are generally regarded as more exclusively belonging to the vocabulary of the uncultured and profane.

We plead for the use of good pure and clean English. Don't set an example to the boys and girls to acpuire harsh and profane words.

D. C. Mott.

The above appeared in the Des Moines Register of Jan. 1, 1922, we heartily agree with Mr. Mott, but are told that Mr. MacNider did not use the word mentioned but used the word "darn." As to McAdoo he has made so many errors that there is no use trying to help him. Give him a few more railroads to run and we will all be on the run.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Regular Services:

Sunday School—9:45 a. m.

Preaching Services—10:45 a. m.

Y. P. A.—7:30 p. m., followed by preaching service at 8:00.

Wednesday Prayer Service—2:00 p. m.

Thursday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Brecher will preach Sunday night.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Morning service(German) 10:30.

Young peoples meeting 7:15 p. m.

Preaching services (English) 8:00 p. m.

Catchism on Saturday afternoon as usual.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

The annual meeting of the American Legion post was postponed on account of the storm and will be held Friday evening, Jan. 13, at the Farmers Savings bank basement.

THE NEW SCHOOL— WHICH LOCATION?

By the time this paper reaches our readlers this week the school election will be in full blast, and the result will be known tonight, but regardless of the outcome it will do no harm to find out on what location the patrons have the building built if one is voted.

As we know, we have two sites that can be used for the new building, those that are qualified to speak say that the old location is one of the prettiest grounds in the state, has a nice park, and a new building there could be seen by everyone that drives up main street and would be quite an advertisement for the town.

The new location is a five acre plot which would provide ample grounds for a ball diamond, play grounds and in time possibly would provide space for buss barns, and Supterintendent's home. It is away from the noisy streets, does away with much of the danger to the smaller children being run over by autoes, and one of the main items is the dust. The home can be closed during the dusty season but not so with the school. Imagine the effect on the mothers washing with around 150 to 200 pupils wiping the dust off their desks all day long with their sleeves. The disposal of sewerage would cost less.

The south six lots of the old location could possibly be sold for around $700 per lot—we would figure that the new location would save around $5,000; this at 5 per cent interest would make $250. Is it worth that just to advertise our school on main street?

The excavating costs are the same on one place as the other. On the new location the plot can be filled in with the dirt excavated, and on the old location it would have to be hauled away.

You have a right to have the building where you want it and the school board wants to favor the majority.

A ballot box will be left at the bank, or bring or mail the ballot printed below. Mark an X for your choice of location and sign your name.

I favor Old Location ......——
I favor New Location ....——
Signed ....

W. E. Wooton writes the publishers as follows:

"I moved here to Sheffield so as to be near a Chiropractor for my wife's health. After finding that we got no results from him, I have closed up the restaurant and intend to move to Hampton soon. But have not done so yet. I left Meservey with the intentin of getting my wife on her feet again. Last fall she received such wonderful results. I figure we would be foolish to stay here after leaving Meservey for that purpose. So will you please correct it in the next paper that we are not so foolish yet as to be moving back and forth from Sheffield to Hampton. That when we do move we expect to stay."

When a young man who never before has done it suddenly begins to economize, the answer is that some girl has "hooked" him.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

THE FARMER SAVINGS BANK

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 31st day of December. 1921.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities ...		$274,938.66
Overdrafts	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank		None
Banking House	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		36,591.88
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)		1,301.18
Total Resources		$321,861.72

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	20,000.00	
Surplus fund	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)	7,562.61	7,562.61
Individual deposits subject to check	87,000.99	
Postal Savings Deposits	164,139.44	
Time certificates of deposits	4,158.68	255,299.11
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	29,000.00	
Rediscounts	5,000.00	34,000.00
United States bonds borrowed	None	
Total Liabilities		$321,861.72

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, President; Conrad Bier, vice president; and K. Clarence Ruigh, Cashier of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN, President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.
K. CLARENCE RUIGH, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, Conrad Bier and K. Clarence Ruigh this 4th day of January, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.
(Seal)

Attested by Frank Hafermann, Wm. Messelheiser and W. F. Butz, Directors.

GOODELL NEWS

OBITUARY

Howard Douglass Kepner was born in Hecla, Penn., April 7, 1854, and died at Rock Island, Ill., Jan. 6, 1922. In early manhood he came west to Northern Minnesota. Later he settled in Goodell where he lived 19 years. He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, two daughters: Mrs. A. M. Johnson, of Spirit Lake, and Mrs. L. P. Boyce, of San Francisco, and his son, Howard, of Rock Island. His son John preceeded him in death. His three grandchildren and a host of friends will also greatly miss him. "He lived in a house by the side of the road and was a friend to man."

Miss Maude Griggs spent the last of the week in the country visiting her sister, Mrs. Julius Cook.

S. S. Matson is improving fast. He is able to sit up some now.

Frank Quigley is very ill with an attack of the pneumonia. His father is here helping take care of him.

The basket ball games here Friday afternoon were rather rough, especially the boys' game. The Rowan team would surely make good at foot ball. However, the Rowan teams showed better team work and they were better at throwing baskets than the Goodell teams. Score: Rowen 18, Goodell 3, for the boys', and Rowan 12 and Goodell 1 for the girls'.

The Goodell team will play at Crystal Lake on January 13.

Mrs. W. F. Beier was called to Garner on Friday, on account of her mother's illness. She returned on Saturday.

Last Saturday morning O. Sandberg received the sad news of the death of Mr. H. D. Kepner. He died at Rock Island, Ill., where he has resided since leaving Goodell. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Miller at the U. B. church, on Tuesday, at 1:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson, of Spirit Lake, and Mr. Polland and Mrs. Kepner's brother, also of Spirit Lake, were here on Tuesday to attend the H. D. Kepner funeral.

The next number of the Lecture Course will be a lecture by Homer C. Boblitt, Jan. 17, next Tuesday, on "Smouldering Embers." Mr. Boblitt is a redblooded American, a world traveler, orator, humorist, thinker. He brings a tense stirring message full of patriotism. His "Smouldering Embers" deals with the menace of radicalism, stirringly told, for he has seen Red Russia in action. Do not fail to hear him. All the high school children will be admitted for 25c each.

Monday evening, while Miss Agnus Fuller was driving home from school, she had the misfortune to have her collar bone broken. When near her home she stopped and got out of the sleigh, and was walking beside it. The horse became frightened, and while she was trying to hold the horse she was thrown to the ground and had her collar bone broken.

Goodell School Notes.

The attendance in the primary room last week was very low, owing to the cold weather.

The Lowenberg children were absent the last three days of last week.

Dale Busick was absent Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Evelyn Hetland is in school after a long absence, due to sickness.

The primary rooms are working on a milk campaign, the object being to have no tea or coffee drinkers in the room. The children are all encouraged to drink milk and we would appreciate home co-operation.

The attendance in the Intermediate Room for the month of Dec. was much better than the previous months. Among the 19 pupils enrolled 16 were neither absent nor tardy. Since the holiday vacation many have been absent during the week due to illness.

The fourth month's reports were given out last week. They seemed somewhat improved in some cases in comparison with other month's work.

Those with the highest average were Daphane Houghton in the 6th grade, Lucil Boller in the 5th grade, and Chun Houghton in the 4th. grade

Basket Ball

The return game with Rowan teams were played on the Goodell floor Jan. 6th. In this game the Goodell teams played better than they have done any previous game. The girls played first and it was a hard fought and good game all through. The final score was 16 to 1 in favor of Rowan. It was not a close game but it showed great improvement over the Rowan game. The Goodell girls had several shots at the basket but were not able to roll it through.

The boys' game was very rough from the very start. But even if the visiting team was heavier than the Goodell boys, the boys held them down fairly well. The final score being 18 to 3 in favor of Rowan. The Goodell boys played the best they have this season.

The Klemme boys and girls play here Friday January 20.

Leona Sandry is back in school after a months absence.

Semester examination will be given this week as January 13 concludes the first semester making half of the school year.

The people of Goodell and community have found it advisable to consider school consolidation. January 19th Proffessor C. C. Swain of the Iowa Extention Division will speak at the school house at 7:30 p. m. Mr. Swain will lay the facts before the people and will try to answer any question that anyone may wish to ask. School consoldation is an important question for Goodell. Let everyone plan to be out and hear Prof. Swain.

SCHOOL NOTES

Semester exams are coming next week. All the students are busy studying for them.

The pennants have arrived and are already on the wall. The colors are Seniors: Turquoise blue and silver;; Juniors: purple and gold; Sophomores Maroon and old gold; Freshmen: green and gold. Hurrah for the Freshies!

The 11th and 12th grades have decided to take up Citizenship or Patriotism or Community Civics next semester. Also arithmetic instead of algebra.

The high school, grammar room and 6th grade took a comprehension test Monday. This test is sent out by the State University to all public schools.

All children who have an average of 90 per cent or above including their deportment will be excused from the

The 3rd and 4th grades have organized a so-called city. The aim is to increase interest in keeping the room clean and tdy. Each isle represents a street and each desk a house, being numbered according to the street it is situated on. Each of the streets has policemen elected by the inhabitants in that street. The policemen's duties are to see that his street is kept clean and that the houses are in good order.

The primary children are dramatizing. They made bookmarks Friday afternoon.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

H. K. Pals returned from Ames Thursday morning where he attended a Farmers Short Course.

Allen Jacobson and wife departed for Chicago last Saturday where they will make their future home. Mr. Jacobson has a position in a tea store.

Elmer Paul, who moved to Buffalo Lake, Minnesota, two years ago, expects to sell out there and move back to Iowa. Evidently Iowa is not so bad a place to live after all.

The stork left a baby girl at the John Koenen home last Wednesday night.

C. E. Brogan was a Mason City caller last Saturday.

Miss Alma Wolters has returned from her holiday vacation at Buffalo Lake, Minn.

E. A. Strasburg returned from the hospital last Wednesday, and is again at his duties at the drug store.

H. F. Reif returned from Greeley, Colo., last Wednesday, where he had spent two weeks visiting his mother and sister.

John Kreins and Minnie Meints were united in marriage by Rev. Pankuk at the parsonage last Wednesday. They will make their home with his parents on a farm east of Belmond.

Our general stores have completed their invoicing for the past year and are again lined up for the coming year's business.

Mrs. Frank Nissen and Miss Erma Nissen were Mason City passengers on the motor Friday morning.

Miss Dora Witt was a Mason City visitor last Thursday.

FOR SALE

10 Large Type Poland China bred gilts, to farrow in March and April. Cholera immune. Pedigrees furnished and satisfaction guaranteed. Price $25 to $35. C. H. Quandt, Meservey, Iowa.

Dwelling House For Sale—Bids on the Noteboom home will be received by the undersigned up to February 1st. Right is reserved to reject any or all. Ben Gruis, A. J. Nissen.

WANTED—Good reliable man to work on farm. Work year around. Must be good with stock. Separate house furnished to married man. Wm. Messelheiser. tf

FOR SALE—25 shares of the Belmond Telephone Co. L. B. Hulsebus, Meservey, Iowa.

FOR SALE—About $800 worth of good new furniture. Will be sold at auction on Main street at Meservey, Saturday, January 21. W. F. Hogan.

Miss Alma Witt returned to Clear Lake Sunday to take up her school duties.

Mrs. John Langlitz returned from a Mason City hospital where she underwent an operation some time ago. She is much improved.

Little Gladys Strasburg had her tonsils removed one day last week.

The Farmers Savings Bank held their annual meeting last Monday, the same officers and directors being elected for the coming year. The affairs of the bank were found in their usual good condition.

A report was received here Sunday of the death of Mrs. C. Schluter, at Redsburg, Wisconsin. Bert Gaetzke departed for there Sunday. Grandma Schluter lived here about twelve years and had reached a ripe old age. She moved to Wisconsin about a year ago, but had never forgotten Meservey, and had planned on returning here to live next spring.

Miss Gealow and Miss Loats were motor passengers Saturday to spend Sunday at their homes.

Word reached here Sunday that Mrs. H. J. Klemme died Saturday night at their home at Sierre Madre, California.

A telephone meeting was held here last Tuesday by the farmers of West Grimes, the telephone situation appears to be clearing up and it is hoped that all will soon be settled to the satisfaction of all.

The meeting scheduled for monday evening was called off on account of Mr. Lockhart being unable to make train connections.

Eilert Dirks left Monday for New Brunswick, N. J., to take up his school duties. For some very dear friends his stay was much to short.

A miselaneous shower was given in honor of Miss Erma Nissen Monday night at the Louis Foss home. Many useful presents were given and a large crowd was present and all report a fine time.

The Helping Hand Society will meet at the Edw. Foss home January 19th.

Its marraige licence time, also auto and dog the latter two may be applied for at the bank, the former at your county seat.

Miss Jennie Meinderts is visiting her sisters this week, at Goodell and Klemme.

Ralph Wendell took a sled load of our young ladies to the shower Monday night, but says there were too many to pay attention to and the driving also.

We hear all kinds of bells, church, school, sleigh, etc—pretty soon we will hear wedding bells.

CRITICIZING THE OTHER FELLOW

Criticizing the other fellow is becoming to be more and more an American pastime, but often it is done to make the public believe the other fellow is wrong or to cover some defect of our own which we know exists,or possibly to convey the idea that we possess superior knowledge and ability.

Our President Harding released a number of persons as a Christmas present among which was Eugene V. Debs who had been in prison for obstructing the draft during our great war. President Harding is being severely criticized by many for this pardon. We believe the president had facts about which we know nothing and whenever some one is found that can fill the president's chair better than Mr. Harding they will be called to fill the position, but until then we are willing to trust our affairs to the man that fills the chair.

Public officials do make mistakes most times not intentionally but thru error that is discovered too late to make things right, at such time it is the duty of a citizen to show such official what is not being done as it should be, but this should be done before we holler graft and dishonesty.

We recently heard a man make a remark that our present school board did not know enough to pound sand in a rat hole—we do not know what connection the rat hole proposition has with being necessary to be a good school board member, we do not think that the man had any other idea to convey otherwise than he was so much better fitted for the job than the present members, but could not bring out his point without trying to discredit someone else, for he had no qualifications of his own having made a failure of every thing he ever undertook.

ESCAPES DEATH IN TRAIN WRECK

News: Mrs. A. W. R. Schultz and three sons are home from a visit to Milwaukee relatives and report a very exciting time enroute, the train on which they were riding having been cut in two by a fast freight as they neared Waukesha, Wisconsin. The passenger train was traveling due east at a good speed. There was a crossing near Waukesha and a freight train on the other road came along on the other road at a good speed, and before the engineer on the freight could stop his engine the passenger train had been hit, the baggage car getting the brunt of the blow. It was smashed into flinders but luckily the two baggagemen escaped unhurt. None of the passenger cars were thrown from the track. The Clarion friends of the Schultz family congratulate them on their narrow-escape.

CLAIM VICTORIES FOR PROHIBITION

Prohibition won big victories in Iowa in 1921.

The price of bootleg liquor has nearly doubled all over.

Moonshine beer has practically been stamped out; public officials are more rigid in the enforcement of the dry laws.

Iowa has probably made greater strides toward real prohibition during the last twelve months than any other state in the Union.

These are the claims of the Iowa Anti-Saloon League in a review of 1921 achievements in this state, which was issued today by State Supt. R. N. Holsap.e.

More than 5,000 raids were conducted throughout Iowa during the twelve months just closed, the report states. Approximately 1,000 were made in the immediate vicinity of Des Moines and the balance in other counties of the state.

The increasing danger incurred in the selling of liquor has caused the price to be doubled during the year, thus making prohibition more effective, the league asserts. Bonded whiskey was selling for $15 a quart in January 1921; it is now $25 to $35 a quart. Alcohol has gone up to $60 and $75 a gallon. Ordinary moonshine whisky is now $3.00 per pint. Beer is practically off the market, Holsaple says, and when it is obtainable in a few counties in eastern Iowa it costs at least $1.50 a bottle.

"Co-operation of churches, law enforcement officers and newspapers throughout the state in educating the public with regard to civic duties toward prohibition and law enforcement has been one of the greatest steps forward n the year," the report says.

"Make Iowa the Dryest state in the Union," the League urges for 1922.

The crab at home is often a fish in society.

If you must have spies in your business, you'd better get out of business.

The reward of faithful service too often is, "He was a good man in his day."

IMPORTS DOG FROM SOUTH AMERICA

Garner Leader: We claim that F. W. Zieger is quite a hand for "nick-nacks," particularly of the dog kind. Some months ago, he invested in a German war dog, but after the brute had scared a dozen or so people to death, he was forced, in self defense, to dispose of him. No more dog for Frank, until yesterday when he got one of a rare specie—a pure bred Drehpehs. Unlike his other dog, this one is rather a docile beast but what effect this particular climate will have on the canine remains to be seen. He is of a specie raised in South America and there is a possibility that the sudden change to this extreme cold climate, may have the effect of developing rabies. However, he will be watched closely. Until he becomes acclimated, he will be kept in Zeiger's Drug Store. Later he will become a member of the household, and allowed to grow up with "Peggy" and the other little Zeiger's. Being native of the hot, southern country, heat has no effect upon him. The hair, or wool, is sort of an abestos texture, and they can pass through the flames without injury to themselves. That is what Frank tells us. If we ever get a chance we are going to try him out with turpentine.

CROSS FAN BELTS IN COLD WEATHER

Fertile—A discovery of timely interest to owners and drivers of automobiles was recently made by Paul Humphrey, proprietor of a garage at this place. During the zero weather of last week, a great many cars with frozen radiators were brought to this place for repairs. While at work on one of these machines, the thought struck the young man that if the warm air of the engine could be thrown thru the meshes of the radiator, the latter would not freeze. After a little experimenting he discovered that this could be accomplished by simply crossing the fan belt, thus reversing the motion of the fan. The novel idea has already been tried out by a great many drivers at this place and pronounced a big success.

Only those who think more of their work than they do of their pay get more pay.

If nobody judges lest he should not be judged there would be a lot of policeman, courts and juryman out of a job.

A man became lost in the woods during a big storm. He sought shelter in a hollow log. The rain caused the log to swell and the man was unable to move and realized that he must starve. All the mean things that he had done during his life came back to him. One of the things he thought of was that he had never started a bank account and that as a result his family would suffer. After this he felt so small that he was able to get out of the log without difficulty. Moral—Start a bank account now.

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Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Hans and Hilko Pals were business callers at Clarion, Tuesday.

The Misses Jennie and Minnie Groen, of Belmond, visited several days of last week with their sister, Mrs. Henry Schulte.

About fifty of the neighbors gathered at the Hans Pals home Friday evening for an oyster supper. The affair was a success and enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Kate Kusian and children, Minnie and Julius, returned to their home at Dumont last Saturday after spending the week with relatives at this place.

George Yaw and Arthur Thomas, of Iowa Falls, spent the week-end with relatives at Alexander.

Miss Evelyn Oliver, of Corwith, has been visiting friends here a few days the past week.

Miss Nellie Bell went to Waterloo last Thursday where she will spend the week with relatives at that place.

Miss Vivian Meyerbauchtol was an over Sunday guest with friends here. Miss Vivian was on her way back to Tripoli after spending her vacation with her parents in Springfield, Minnesota.

The Peters, Butler & Kieslich Transfer Company is doing a thriving business since the M. & St. L. crippled its passenger service by the recent change in time table. This company meets trains at Belmond, Dows and Ackley. Messrs August Friesleben, Harry Lauen and Dick Hansen very ably assisted with the office work last Friday afternoon.

SCHOOL NOTES

School began January 2nd after one week's vacation. Everyone seems fully rested and ready for work.

The following named persons visited school last week: Miss Maud Newgard, of Belmond; Miss Therest Mors, a former teacher in our school, but now teaching in New Hampton, Iowa; Miss Malinda Tickmeyer, of Sheffield; Miss Bertha Gartz, a former teacher in our school but now attending college at Cedar Falls; Miss Ethel Hall, who is attending Waterloo business college and also numbered as one of our recent teachers.

One more week of the first semester. Severar new subjects will be taken up at the beginning of the second semester, viz: High School, arithmetic; high school, civics; American Constitution; High School, Grammar.

A small delegation of Latimer high school pupils taking advantage of an extra week of vacation in their own school, visited us last Friday. They were the Misses Katie and Fay Simons, Laurine Christensen, Gladys and Loretta Johnson.

Our attendance and punctuality is holding up good in spite of the recent cold weather. Ninety per cent of our tardiness the past week was caused by those living within three or four blocks of school. The bus drivers to date have been unusually prompt in delivering children to school on time.

Our moving picture schedule has been received. Motion pictures will be given each Tuesday night, beginning January 10th and continuing weekly up to and including May 2nd.

M. E. CHURCH

We want to thank Rev. Wilkinson for his courage, and the strong effort he put forth Sunday to get here through the drifted banks of snow. And though we had to wait a few minutes for his arrival, it was well worth our while. For he had an interesting sermon from the prophet, Amos, which he delivered for us.

Miss Lillie Corwell, of Class No. 3 gave her pupils an enjoyable evening Monday night when she took them for a sleigh ride. All report a jolly good time.

ANNUAL MEETING OF FARM BUREAU HELD

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Mike, a friend looked down at the corpse and began to laugh. His wife upbraided him. I'm ashamed of you," she said, "for laughing that way at a corpse." I could not help it," said Mike, "for I get to thinking, there lies Pat, all dressed up, and no place to go." So you fellows who wait for a perfect organization will wait till some day you're all dressed up and no place to go.

Mr. Pederson arraigned the men who sought to create dissension in the Farm Bureau. He said no purely farm organization had ever yet failed, and while none had ever yet achieved the strength and influence of the Farm Bureau, yet the latter was surely the child of the earlier organizations, the outgrowth of their work, and that the interests of agriculture were the most certain to be advanced thru an harmonious co-operation. He rapped the Iowa Homestead for its attitude toward the Farm Bureau officials; he pleaded for support for them; for co-operation with the County Agent.

"But if you have weak officers in the Farm Bureau kick them out," he said. He said the farmer who did not join the organization yet criticised it or expected to share in its benefits was no more illogical than the man who sat on a line fence and watched the other man grow a crop and then ask him to give him half.

Mr. Pederson attacked the attitude of people who wanted everything to come down to the level of present farm prices. "What we should ask is that the farm products be raised. We don't want to have a low level. The farmer is entitled to the best. You cannot pay off the world's debt which has multiplied a hundred fold with 30 cent corn. If that's the level the world wants, it might as well draw a blue pencil line thru these huge debts and call them no good."

He told of the "passing of the buck" of the high cost of living. It went all around the circle and finallation, asserting that Iowa's Farm Bureau federation had taken the lead and delivered an ultimatum to Iowa Congressmen and Senators that unless they fought for farm interests Iowa would be heard from but that if they did fight for farm interests, the farmer would see that they were protected in the elections.

But the most uproarous applause greeted Mr. Pederson when he told the crowd about getting stuck in the mud two blocks from the court house two years ago! Really, the crowd thought it was a great joke on Clarion.

Pederson's talk, we would judge, was worth a thousand dollars to the Wright County Farm Bureau. How any farmer could hear it and not be convinced of the organizations value is beyond the writer. His advice against internal dissension was excellent. His plea for the continuance of the organization was based on common sense. Filled with a thoro knowledge of farming conditions, and speaking more for profitable farming rather than loans, which he said never would be of any benefit unless better prices were securd, he drove home the worth and value of the county, state and national organization.

President Sumners Re-Elected

The nominating committee reported in the afternoon and President Harry Sumners was re-elected. Geo. A. Miller, of Vernon, refused a reelection as treasurer, and E. A. Patton, of Blaine, was named to succeed him.

The resolutions committee, Hon. O. P. Morton, chairman, and M. L. Clark and T. A. Knight, offered the resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Ratification of township directors was unanimously voted by the convention. The township directors are as follows:

Lincoln—Miss Lydia Richards and W. F. Mechem.

Pleasant—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Henn.

Belmond—Mrs. A E Martin and A C. Hinman.

Norway—E. E. Evans and Harold Holm.

Dayton—Mrs. Harry Sumners and J. S. Ross.

Lake—Mrs. M. L. Clark and Clarence McBride.

Eagle Grove—Mrs. G. L. Trask and Miller S. Nelson.

Vernon—Mrs. Glen Knox and G. D. Denger.

Blaine—Mrs. . W. Akers and C. W. Ballou.

Grant—Mrs. Myrtle Peck and J. E. Lamp.

Troy—Mrs. A. L. Middleton and John Thebiay.

Iowa—Mrs. Harold Gates and R. E. Lee Aldrich.

Wall Lake—Mrs. A. J. Anderson and Ed Smith.

Boone—Mrs. Bert C. Martin and J. E. Overbaugh.

Liberty—Mrs. Harry Inners and T. A. Knight.

Woolstock—Mr. and Mrs. Matt Adams.

(By R. M. Edwards)

Goldfield Short Course Certainty

A joint meeting of the business men's committee and the farm bureau committee was held at the Whyte Motor Co. building Friday evening, January 6th, to plan and organize a winter short course. The farm bureau was represented by T. A. Knight, Geo. M. Nelson, Harry Inners, Miller Nelson and France Warner; and the business men by W. H. Mantle, F. G. Taylor, W. M. Coons, E M. Anderson and Geo H. Whyte.

Election of officers for the entire short course gave the following results: W. H. Mantle, chairman; W. M. Coons, secretary-treasurer. The following people were appointed by the chair to have charge of the different exhibits in the short course: Mrs. Geo. M. Nelson, ladies' department; H. C. Wiser, horses; T. A. Knight, sheep; France Warner, hogs; F. G. Taylor, poultry; Geo. M. Nelson, farm crops and L. P. Stevenson, cattle. The publicity committee, consisting of J. S. Whyte and Lou Sherman was appointed to get out all necessary publicity material. An entertainment committee consisting of B. W. McElhinney and M. F. Coons was appointed to see that the specialists are made to feel at home during their stay in Goldfield. Mrs. Geo. M. Nelson, as chairman of the ladies' committee, will be assisted by Mrs. Harry Inners, Mrs. Geo. Kabele, Mrs. Ole Lerdal and Mrs. Ruth Whyte.

County Agent Edwards was present and assisted in making plans for the Goldfield short course. He assured the joint committee that every effort would be made to secure the best talent available through college of agriculture at Ames. The following specialists were suggested at this meeting the talent for the Goldfield short course will undoubtedly be selected from this list: Professors H. H. Kildee and Rex Beresford for animal husbandry; Prof. F. G. Churchill and Elmer Reed for farm crops; Miss Bertha Holden or Miss Knowles for the ladies' department. The date for the short course was not definitely decided upon for the reason that it will have to be arranged to fit in with the plans of the specialists from Ames.

Meat Demonstrations Postponed

The meat cutting and curing demonstrations which were originally scheduled for Wright county for January 5th, 6th and 7th, were postponed indefinitely on account of the severe weather.

It seems unfortunate that these most interesting demonstrations had to be postponed, but it was decided by the officers of the farm bureau organization that more good would be done and we would receive more service for our money if the demonstrations were held some time later, when weather and road conditions were more favorable.

Musical Numbers Highly Appreciated

Officers and directors of the farm bureau as well as the county agent wish to express their appreciation of the splendid music which was rendered by the Meekers' orchestra, also by Mrs. H. B. Fickle and Mrs. W. T. Derr.

T. A. Hougas, who spoke in behalf of the U. S. Grain Growers Inc., spoke very highly of the music given by the Meekers' orchestra and remarked that it was unusual to see the music at an annual meeting by a farmers' orchestra. The vocal solos by Mrs. Fickle and the violin solo by Mrs. Derr were very much appreciated b those who attended.

WOMAN CANDIDATE FOR RAMSAY'S JOB

Des Moines Sunday Register: Miss Lillian Leffert, of Des Moines, formerly deputy secretary of state, announced yesterday her candidacy for the republican nomination for secretary of state at the June primaries.

Miss Leffert is widely known in political circles, having served as journal clerk in the house during the Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth assemblies of the Iowa legislature. She is a graduate of the University of Chicago Law school and a member of the Iowa bar, but has never practiced law.

Miss Leffert came to Des Moines from Dubuque and following an extensive experience in various business offices went to the state house as special asistant in compiling the supplement to the code of 1913. After three terms as journal clerk in the general assembly she entered the office of secretary of state under Walter C. Ramsay. She served here two years, first as chief clerk and later as deputy.

As a candidate for state office, Miss Leffert will make no particular appeal to the women voters, she stated yesterday, basing her claims for support on the experience and training which she feels fits her for filling the position to which she aspires.

She will open a downtown headquarters in a short time and expects to stump the state for two months prior to the primary. Her nomination papers will be circulated in a few weeks.

Many a man who fumes and swears if he has to wait five minutes for his wife to get ready for the theatre, will coax and pet his balky automobile for an hour when it refuses to start without getting out of patience.

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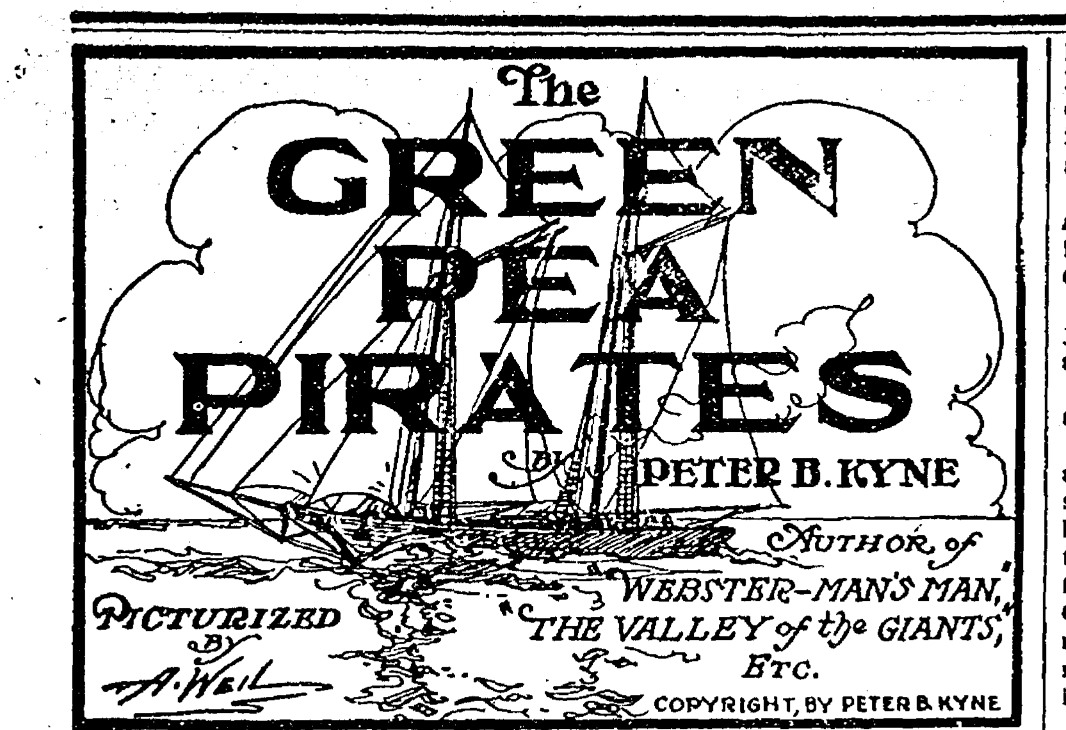

SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. – Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halversen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

It was dark, however, before they had all the sails snugged up shipshape, although in the meantime the quarantine launch had hove alongside, investigated, and removed those of the crew who still lived. Shortly thereafter the coroner came and removed the dead, after which Gibney and McGuffey hosed down the deck, located some hard tack and coffee, supped and turned in in the officers' quarters. In the morning, Scab Johnny arrived in a launch with their other clothes (Mr. Gibney having thoughtfully sent him ten dollars on account of their old board bill, together with a request for the clothes), and when the agents of the Chesapeake sent a watchman to relieve them they went ashore and had breakfast. After breakfast, they called at the office of the agents, where they were complimented on their daring seamanship and received a check for one thousand dollars each.

"Well, now," McGuffey declared, after they had cashed their checks, "Seein' as how I've become independently wealthy by following your lead, Adelbert, all I got to say is that I'm a-goin' to stick to you like a limpet to a rock. What'll we do with our money?"

For the first time in his checkered career Mr. Gibney had a sane, sensible, and serious thought. "Has it ever occurred to you, Mac, how much nicer it is to have a few dollars in the bank, good clothes on your back, an' a credit with your friends? Me, all my life I been a come-easy, go-easy, come-Sunday,-God'll-send-Monday sort o' feller, until in my forty-second year I'm little better'n a beachcomber. So now, when you ask me what I'm goin' to do with my money, I'll tell you. I'm going to save it, after first payin' up about seventy-five bucks I owe here an' there along the Front. I'm through drinkin' an' raisin' h—ll. Me for a savings bank, Bart."

CHAPTER VII.

When Captain Scraggs, after abandoning all hope of salving the bark Chesapeake, returned to the Maggie, the little craft reminded him of nothing so much as the ward for the incorrigible of an insane asylum. Due to Captain Scraggs' stupidity and the general inefficiency of the Maggie, the new navigating officer was of the opinion that he had been swindled out of his share of the salvage, while the new engineer, furious at having been engaged to baby such a ruin as the Maggie's boiler turned out to be, blamed Scraggs' parsimony for the loss of his share of the salvage. Therefore, both men aired with the utmost frankness their opinion of their employer. One word borrowed another until diplomatic relations were severed and, in the language of the classic, they "mixed it." They were fairly well matched, and, to the credit of Captain Scraggs be it said, whenever he believed himself to have a fighting chance Scraggs would fight and fight well, under the Tom-cat rules of fisticuffs.

Following a bloody battle in the pilot house, he subdued the mate; following his victory he was still war mad, so he went to the engine-room hatch and abused the engineer. As a result of the day's events, both men quit when the Maggie was tied up at Jackson street wharf and once more Captain Scraggs was helpless. In his extremity, he wished he hadn't been so hard on Mr. Gibney and McGuffey, for he realized he could never hope to get them back until their salvage money should be spent.

Godless and wholly irreclaimable as Mr. Gibney and Mr. McGuffey might have been and doubtless were, each possessed in bounteous measure the sweetest of human attributes, to-wit: a soft, kind heart and a forgiving spirit. Creatures of impulse both, they found it absolutely impossible to nourish a grudge against Captain Scraggs, when, upon returning to Scab Johnny's boarding house, their host handed them a grubby note from their enemy. It was short and sweet and sounded quite sincere; Mr. Gibney read it aloud:

"On Board the Maggie, Saturday night.
"Dear Friends:

I am sorry. You hurt me awful with your kidden when you took the Chesapeake away from me. To er is human but to forgive is devine. After what I done I don't expect you two to come back to work ever but for God's sake don't give me the dead face when we meat agin. Remember we been shipmates once.

"P. P. Scraggs."

"Why, the pore ol' son of a horse thief," Mr. Gibney murmured, much moved at this profound abasement. "Of course we forgive him. It ain't manly to hold a grouch after the culprit has paid his fair price for his sins. By an' large, I got a hunch, Bart, that old Scraggsy's had his lesson for once."

"If you can forgive him, I can, Gib."

"Well, he's certainly cleaned himself handsome, Bart. Telephone for a messenger boy," and Mr. Gibney sat down and wrote:

"Scraggsy, old fanciful, we're square. Forget it and come to breakfast with us at seven tomorrow at the Marigold cafe. I'll order deviled lam kidneys for three. It's alright with Bart also.

"Yours,
"Gib."

This note, delivered to Captain Scraggs by the messenger boy, lifted the gloom from the latter's miserable soul and sent him home with a light heart to Mrs. Scraggs. At the Marigold cafe next morning he was almost touched to observe that both Gibney and McGuffey showed up arrayed in dungarees, wherefore Scraggs knew his late enemies purposed proceeding to the Maggie immediately after breakfast and working in the engine room all day Sunday. Such action, when he knew both gentlemen to be the possessors of wealth far beyond the dreams of avarice, bordered so closely on the miraculous that Scraggs made a mental resolve to play fair in the future—at least as fair as the limits of his cross-grained nature would permit. He was so cheerful and happy that McGuffey, taking advantage of the situation, argued him into some minor repairs to the engine.

About nine o'clock, as Mr. Gibney was on his way to the Marigold Cafe for breakfast, he was mildly interested, while passing the Embarcadero warehouse, to note the presence of fully a dozen seedy-looking gentlemen of undoubted Hebraic antecedents, congregated in a circle just outside the warehouse door. There was an air of suppressed excitement about this group of Jews that aroused Mr. Gibney's curiosity; so he decided to cross over and investigate, being of the opinion that possibly one of their number had fallen in a fit. He had once had an epileptic shipmate and was peculiarly expert in the handling of such cases.

Now, if the greater portion of Mr. Gibney's eventful career had not been spent at sea, he would have known, by the red flag that floated over the door, that a public auction was about to take place, and that the group of Hebrew gentlemen constituted an organization known as the Forty Thieves, whose business it was to dominate the bidding at all auctions, frighten off, or buy off, or outbid all competitors, and eventually gather unto themselves, at their own figures, all goods offered for sale.

In the center of the group Mr. Gibney noticed a tall, lanky individual, evidently the leader, who was issuing instructions in a low voice to his henchmen. This individual, though Mr. Gibney did not know it, was the King of the Forty Thieves. As Mr. Gibney luffed into view the king eyed him with suspicion. Observing this, Mr. Gibney threw out his magnificent chest, scowled at the king, and stepped into the warehouse for all the world as if he owned it.

An oldish man with glasses—the auctioneer—was seated on a box making figures in a notebook. Him Mr. Gibney addressed.

"What's all this here?" he inquired, jerking his thumb over his shoulder at the group.

"It's an old horse sale," replied the auctioneer, without looking up.

Mr. Gibney brightened. He glanced around for the stock in trade, but observing none concluded that the old horses would be led in, one at a time, through a small door in the rear of the warehouse. Like most sailors, Mr. Gibney had a passion for horseback riding, and in a spirit of adventure he resolved to acquaint himself with the ins and outs of an old horse sale.

"How much might a man have to give for one of the critters?" he asked. "And are they worth a whoop after you get them?"

"Twenty-five cents up," was the answer. "You go it blind at an old horse sale, as a rule. Perhaps you get something that's worthless, and then again you may get something that has heaps of value, and perhaps you only pay half a dollar for it. It all depends on the bidding. I once sold an old horse to a chap and he took it home and opened it up, and what d'ye suppose he found inside?"

"Bots," replied Mr. Gibney, who prided himself on being something of a veterinarian, having spent a few months of his youth around a livery stable.

"A million dollars in Confederate greenbacks," replied the auctioneer. "Of course they didn't have any value, but just suppose they'd been U. S.?"

"That's right," agreed Mr. Gibney. "I suppose the swab that owned the horse starved it until the poor animal figgered that all's grass that's green. As the feller says, 'Truth is sometimes stranger than fiction.' If you throw in a saddle and bridle cheap, I might be induced to invest in one of your old horses, shipmate."

The auctioneer glanced quickly at Mr. Gibney, but noticing that worthy's face free from guile, he burst out laughing.

"My sea-faring friend," he said presently, "when we use the term 'old horse,' we use it figuratively. See all this freight stored here? Well, that's never been called for by the consignees, and after it's in the warehouse a year and isn't called for, we have an old horse sale and auction it off to the highest bidder. Savey?"

Mr. Gibney took refuge in a lie. "Of course, I do. I was just kiddin' you, my hearty." (Here Mr. Gibney's glance rested on two long heavy sugarpine boxes, or shipping cases. Their joints at all four corners were cunningly dove-tailed and wire-strapped.) "I was a bit interested in them two boxes, an' seein' as this is a free country, I thought I'd just step in an' make a bid on them," and with the words, Mr. Gibney walked over and busied himself in an inspection of the two crates in question.

The fact of the matter was that so embarrassed was Mr. Gibney at the exposition of his ignorance that he desired to hide the confusion evident in his sun-tanned face. So he stooped over the crates and pretended to be exceedingly interested in them, hauling and pushing them about and reading the address of the consignee who had failed to call for his goods. The crates were both consigned to the Gin Seng company, 714 Dupont street, San Francisco. There were several Chinese characters scrawled on the top of each crate, together with the words, in English: "Oriental Goods."

As he ceased from his fake inspection of the two boxes, the King of the Forty Thieves approached and surveyed the sailor with an even greater amount of distrust and suspicion than ever. Mr. Gibney was annoyed. He disliked being stared at, so he said:

"Hello, Blumenthal, my bully boy. What's aggravatin' you?"

Blumenthal (since Mr. Gibney, in the sheer riot of his imagination elected to christen him Blumenthal, the name will probably suit him as well as any other) came close to Mr. Gibney and drew him aside. In a hoarse whisper he desired to know if Mr. Gibney attended the auction with the expectation of bidding on any of the packages offered for sale. Seeking to justify his presence, Mr. Gibney advised that it was his intention to bid on everything in sight; whereupon Blumenthal proceeded to explain to Mr. Gibney how impossible it would be for him, arrayed against the Forty Thieves, to buy any article at a reasonable price. Further: Blumenthal desired to inform Mr. Gibney that his (Mr. Gibney's) efforts to buy in the "old horses" would merely result in his running the prices up, for no beneficent purpose, since it was ever the practice of the Forty Thieves to permit no man to outbid them. Perhaps Mr. Gibney would be satisfied with a fair day's profit without troubling himself to hamper the Forty Thieves and interfere with their combination, and with the words, the king surreptitiously slipped Mr. Gibney a fifty-dollar greenback.

Mr. Gibney's great fist closed over the treasure, he having first, by a coy glance, satisfied himself that it was really fifty dollars. He shook hands with the king. He said:

"Blumenthal, you're a smart man. I am quite content with this fifty to keep off your course and give you a wide berth to starboard. I'm sensible enough to know when I'm licked, an' a fight without profit ain't in my line. I didn't make my money that way, Blumenthal. I'll cast off my lines and haul away from the dock," and suiting the action to the figure, Mr. Gibney departed.

He went first to the Seaboard drug store, where he quizzed the druggist for five minutes, after which he continued his cruise. Upon reaching the Maggie, he proceeded to relate in detail, and with additional details supplied by his own imagination, the story of his morning adventure.

"Gib," said McGuffey enviously, "you're a fool for luck."

"Luck," said Mr. Gibney, beginning to expand, "is what the feller calls a relative proposition—"

"You're wrong, Gib," interposed Captain Scraggs. "Relatives is unlucky an' expensive. Take, f'r instance, Mrs. Scraggs' mother—"

"I mean, you lunkhead," said Mr. Gibney, "that luck is found where brains grow. No brain, no luck. No luck, no brains. Lemme illustrate. A thievin' land shark makes me a present o' fifty dollars not to butt in on them two boxes I'm tellin' you about. Him an' his gang wants them two boxes. Fair crazy to get 'em. Now, don't it stand to reason that them fellers knows what's in them boxes, or they wouldn't give me fifty dollars to haul ship? Of course, it does. However, in order to earn that fifty dollars, I got to back water. It wouldn't be playin' fair if I didn't. But that don't prevent me from puttin' two dear friends o' mine (here Mr. Gibney encircled Scraggs and McGuffey with an arm each) next to the secret which I discovers, an' if there's money in it for old Hooky that buys me off, it stands to reason that there's money in it for us three. What's to prevent you an' McGuffey from goin' up to this old horse sale an' biddin' in them two boxes for the use and benefit of Gibney, Scraggs an' McGuffey, all share an' share alike? You can bid as high as a hundred dollars, if necessary, an' still come out a thousand dollars to the good. I'm tellin' you this because I know what's in them two boxes."

McGuffey was staring fascinated at Mr. Gibney. Captain Scraggs clutched his mate's arm in a frenzied clasp.

"What?" they both interrogated.

"You two boys," continued Mr. Gibney with aggravating deliberation, "ain't what nobody would call dummies. You're smart men. But the trouble with both o' you boys is you ain't got no imagination. Without imagination nobody gets nowhere, unless it's out th' small end o' th' horn. Maybe you boys ain't noticed it, but my imagination is all that keeps me from goin' to jail. Now, if you two had read the address on them two boxes, it wouldn't 'a' meant nothin' to you. Absolutely nothin'. But with me it's different. I'm blessed with imagination enough to see right through them Chinaman tricks. Them two boxes is marked 'Oriental Goods' an' consigned (here Mr. Gibney raised a grimy forefinger, and Scraggs and McGuffey eyed it very much as if they expected it to go off at any moment)—them two boxes is consigned to the Gin Seng company, 714 Dupont street, San Francisco."

"Well, that's up in Chinatown, all right," admitted Captain Scraggs, "but how about what's inside the two crates?"

"Oriental goods, of course," said McGuffey. "They are consigned to a Chinaman, an' besides, that's what it says on the cases, don't it, Gib? Oriental goods, Scraggs, is silks an' satins, rice, chop suey, punk, an' idols an' fan tan layouts."

"If there ain't Swiss cheese movements in that head block of yours, Mac, you and Scraggsy can divide my share o' these two boxes o' ginseng root between you. Do you get it, you chuckleheaded son of a Irish potato? Gin Seng, 714 Dupont street. Ginseng—a root or a herb that medicine is made out of. The dictionary says it's a Chinese panacea for exhaustion, an' I happen to know that it's worth five dollars a pound an' that them two crates weighs a hundred and fifty pounds each if they weighs an ounce."

His auditors stared at Mr. Gibney much as might a pair of baseball fans at the hero of a home run with two strikes and the bases full.

"Gawd!" muttered McGuffey.

"Great grief, Gib! Can this be possible?" gasped Captain Scraggs.

For answer Mr. Gibney took out his fifty-dollar bill and handed it to—to McGuffey. He never trusted Captain Scraggs with anything more valuable than a pipeful of tobacco.

"Scraggsy," he said solemnly, "I'm willin' to back my imagination with my cash. You an' McGuffey hurry right over to the warehouse an' butt in on the sale when they come to them two boxes. The sale is just about startin' now. Go as high as you think you can in order to get the ginseng at a profitable figger, an' pay the auctioneer fifty dollars down to hold the sale; that will give you boys time to rush around to dig up the balance o' the money. Tack right along now, lads, while I go down the street an' get me some breakfast. I don't want Blumenthal to see me around that sale. He might get suspicious. After I eat I'll meet you here aboard th' Maggie, an' we'll divide the loot."

With a fervent handshake all around, the three shipmates parted.

After disposing of a hearty breakfast of devilled lamb's kidneys and coffee, Mr. Gibney invested in a ten-cent Sailor's Delight and strolled down to the Maggie. Neils Halvorsen, the lone deckhand, was aboard, and the moment Mr. Gibney trod the Maggie's deck once more as mate, he exercised his prerogative to order Neils ashore for the remainder of the day. Since Halvorsen was not in on the ginseng deal, Mr. Gibney concluded that it would be just as well to have him out of the way should Scraggs and McGuffey appear unexpectedly with the two cases of ginseng.

For an hour Mr. Gibney sat on the stern bitts and ruminated over a few advantageous plans that had occurred to him for the investment of his share of the deal should Scraggs and McGuffey succeed in landing what Mr. Gibney termed "the loot." About eleven o'clock an express wagon drove in on the dock, and the mate's dreams were pleasantly interrupted by a gleeful shout from Captain Scraggs, on the lookout forward with the driver. McGuffey sat on top of the two cases with his legs dangling over the end of the wagon. He was the picture of contentment.

Mr. Gibney hurried forward, threw out the gangplank, and assisted McGuffey in carrying both crates aboard the Maggie and into her little cabin. Captain Scraggs thereupon dismissed the expressman, and all three partners gathered around the dining room table, upon which the boxes rested.

"Well, Scraggsy, old pal, old scout, old socks, I see you've delivered the goods," said Mr. Gibney, batting the skipper across the cabin with an affectionate slap on the shoulder.

"I did," said Scraggs—and cursed Mr. Gibney's demonstrativeness. "Here's the bill o' sale all regular. McGuffey has the change. That bunch o' Israelites run th' price up to $10.00 each on these two crates o' ginseng, but when they see we're determined to have 'em an' ain't interested in nothin' else, they lets 'em go to us. McGuffey, my dear boy, whatever are you a-doin' there—standin' around with your teeth in your mouth? Skip down into th' engine room and bring up a hammer an' a col' chisel. We'll open her up an' inspect th' swag."

Upon McGuffey's return, Mr. Gibney took charge. He drove the chisel under the lid of the nearest crate, and prepared to pry it loose. Suddenly he paused. A thought had occurred to him.

"Gentlemen," he said (McGuffey nodded his head approvingly), "this world is full o' sorrers an' disappointments, an' it may well be that these two cases don't contain even so much as a smell o' ginseng after all. It may be that they are really Oriental goods. What I want distinctly understood is this: no matter what's inside, we share equally in the profits, even if they turn out to be losses. That's understood an' agreed to, ain't it?"

Captain Scraggs and McGuffey indicated that it was.

"There's a element o' mystery about these two boxes," continued Mr. Gibney, "that fascinates me. They sets my imagination a-workin' an' joggles up all my sportin' instincts. Now, just to make it interestin' an' add a spice t' th' grand openin', I'm willin' to bet again my own best judgment an' lay you even money, Scraggsy, that it ain't ginseng, but Oriental goods."

"I'll go you five dollars, just f'r ducks," responded Captain Scraggs heartily. "McGuffey to hold the stakes an' decide the bet."

"Done," replied Mr. Gibney. The money was placed in McGuffey's hands, and a moment later, with a mighty effort, Mr. Gibney pried off the lid of the crate. Captain Scraggs had his head inside the box a fifth of a second later.

"Sealed zinc box inside," he announced. "Get a can opener, Gib, my boy."

"Ginseng, for a thousand," mourned Mr. Gibney. "Scraggsy, you're five dollars of my money to the good. Ginseng always comes packed in air-tight boxes."

He produced a can opener from the cabin locker and fell to his work on a corner of the hermetically sealed box. As he drove in the point of the can opener, he paused, hammer in hand, and gazed solemnly at Scraggs and McGuffey.

"Gentlemen," (again McGuffey nodded approvingly) "do you know what a vacuum is?"

"I know," replied the imperturbable McGuffey. "A vacuum is an empty hole that ain't got nothin' in it."

"Correct," said Mr. Gibney. "My head is a vacuum. Me talkin' about ginseng root! Why, I must have water on the brain! Ginseng be doggoned! It's opium!"

Captain Scraggs was forced to grab the seat of his chair in order to keep himself from jumping up and clasping Mr. Gibney around the neck.

"Forty dollars a pound," he gasped. "Gib—Gib, my dear boy—you've made us wealthy—"

Quickly Mr. Gibney ran the can opener around the edges of one corner of the zinc box, inserted the claws of the hammer into the opening, and with a quick, melodramatic twist, bent back the angle thus formed.

Mr. Gibney was the first to get a peep inside.

"Great snakes!" he yelled, and fell back against the cabin wall. A hoarse scream of rage and horror broke from Captain Scraggs. In his eagerness he had driven his head so deep into the box that he came within an inch of kissing what the box contained—which happened to be nothing more nor less than a dead Chinaman! Mr. McGuffey, always slow and unimaginative, shouldered the skipper aside, and calmly surveyed the ghastly apparition.

"Twig the yellow beggar, will you, Gib?" said McGuffey; "one eye half open for all the world like he was winkin' at us an' enjoyin' th' joke."

Not a muscle twitched in McGuffey's Hibernian countenance. He scratched his head for a moment, as a sort of first aid to memory, then turned and handed Mr. Gibney ten dollars.

"You win, Gib. It's Oriental goods, sure enough."

"Robber!" shrieked Captain Scraggs, and flew at Mr. Gibney's throat. The sight reminded McGuffey of a terrier worrying a mastiff. Nevertheless, Mr. Gibney was still so unnerved at the discovery of the horrible contents of the box that, despite his gigantic proportions, he was well-nigh helpless.

"McGuffey, you swab," he yelled. "Pluck this maritime outlaw off my neck. He's tearin' my windpipe out by th' roots."

McGuffey choked Captain Scraggs until he reluctantly let go Mr. Gibney, whereupon all three fled from the cabin as from a pestilence, and gathered, an angry and disappointed group, out on deck.

"Opium!" jeered Captain Scraggs, with tears of rage in his voice. "Ginseng! You and your imagination, you swine, you! Get off my ship, you lout, or I'll murder you."

Mr. Gibney hung his head.

"Scraggsy—an' you, too, McGuffey—I got to admit that this here is one on Adelbert P. Gibney. I—I—"

"Oh, hear him," shrilled Captain Scraggs. "One on him! It's two on you, you bloody-handed ragpicker. I suppose that other case contains opium, too! If there ain't another dead corpse in No. 2 case I hope my teeth may drop overboard."

"Shut up!" bellowed Mr. Gibney, in a towering rage. "What howl have you got comin'? They're my Chinamen, ain't they? I paid for 'em like a man, didn't I? All right, then. I'll keep them two Chinamen. You two ain't out a cent yet, an' as for this five I wins off you, Scraggs, it's blood money; that's what it is, an' I hereby gives it back to you. Now, quit yer whinin', or by the tail o' the Great Sacred Bull, I'll lock you up all night in th' cabin along o' them two defunct Celestials."

Captain Scraggs "shut up" promptly, and contented himself with glowering at Mr. Gibney. The mate sat down on the hatch coaming, lit his pipe, and gave himself up to meditation for fully five minutes, at the end of which time McGuffey was aware that his imagination was about to come to the front once more.

"Well, gentlemen," (again McGuffey nodded approvingly) "I bet I get my twenty bucks back outer them two Chinks," he announced presently.

"How'll yer do it?" inquired McGuffey politely.

"How'll I do it? Easy as fallin' through an open hatch. I'm a-goin' t' keep them two stiffs in th' boxes until dark, an' then I'm a-goin' to take 'em out, bend a rope around their middle, drop 'em overboard an' anchor 'em there all night. I see th' lad we opens up in No. 1 case has had a beautiful job of embalmin' done on him, but if I let them soak all night, like a mackerel, they'll limber up an' look kinder fresh. Then first thing in th' mornin' I'll telephone th' coroner an' tell him I found two floaters out in th' bay an' for him to come an' get 'em. I been along the waterfront long enough t' know that th' lad that picks up a floater gets a reward o' ten dollars from th' city. You can bet that Adelbert P. Gibney breaks even on th' deal, all right."

"Gib, my dear boy," said Captain Scraggs admiringly. "I apologize for my actions of a few minutes ago. I was unstrung. You're still mate o' th' American steamer Maggie, an' as such, welcome to th' ship. All I ask is that you nail up your property, Gib, an' remove it from th' dinin' room table. I want to remind you, however, Gib, that as shipmates me an' McGuffey don't stand for you shoulderin' any loss on them two cases o'—Oriental goods. We was t' share th' gains, if any, an' likewise th' losses."

"That's right," said McGuffey, "fair an' square. No bellyachin' between shipmates. Me an' Scraggs each owns one-third o' them diseased Chinks, an' we each stands one-third o' th' loss, if any."

"But there won't be no loss," protested Mr. Gibney.

"Drayage charges, Gib, drayage charges. We give a man a dollar to tow 'em down t' th' ship."

"Forget it," answered Mr. Gibney magnanimously, "an' let's go over an' get a drink. I'm all shook up."

CHAPTER VIII.

Had either Mr. Gibney or McGuffey been watching Captain Scraggs after he had left them they would have been much puzzled to account for that worthy's actions. First he dodged around the block into Drumm street, and then ran down Drumm to California, where he climbed aboard a cable car and rode up into Chinatown. Arriving at Dupont street he alighted and walked up that interesting thoroughfare until he came to No. 714. He glanced at a sign over the door and was aware that he stood before the entrance to the offices of the Chinese Six Companies, so he climbed upstairs and inquired for Gin Seng, who presently made his appearance.

Gin Seng, a very nice, fat Chinaman, arrayed in a flowing silk gown, begged, in pidgin English, to know in what manner he could be of service.

"Me heap big captain, allee same ship," began Captain Scraggs. "On board ship two China boys have got." (Here Captain Scraggs winked knowingly.) "China boy no speak English—"

"That being the case," interposed Gin Seng, "I presume that you and I understand each other, so let's cut out the pidgin English. Do I understand that you are engaged in evading the immigration laws?"

"Exactly," Captain Scraggs managed to gasp, as soon as he could recover from his astonishment. "They showed me your name an' address, an' they won't leave th' ship, where I got 'em locked up in my cabin, until you come an' take 'em away. Couple o' relatives of yours, I should imagine."

Gin Seng smiled his bland Chinese smile. He had frequent dealings with ship masters engaged in the dangerous, though lucrative, trade of smug-

(Continued Next Week)

Belmond Local News

W. O. Butterfield has gone to Klemme, where he intends to remain indefinitely.

A. R. Hershma, of Clarion, was transacting business in Belmond Wednesday and Thursday. He is connected with the Wright County Credit Association.

E. G. Richardson, of Ackley, was a business visitor here one day last week.

Mrs. George Petersen and her two daughters visited friends in Colter one day last week.

T. D. Rutledge, of Blairsburg was a visitor here with friends on Thursday of last week.

J. S. Dinwoodie, of Nora Springs, was a Belmond business visitor Thursday of last week.

George Heshing, of Manning, was a business caller in Belmond Thursday.

FOR SALE—A good hard coal heater, at your own price. Inquire at this office.

E. E. Ewalt, of Hampton, transacted business in Belmond Monday of this week.

SITUATION WANTED—Married man wants place on farm. Can handle any tractor. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE—A beautiful piano, highly polished, Chickering & Son make. Cost $850 at factory. Just as nice as new. Will sell very reasonable. Phone 116. Mrs. M. J. Bensch at W. H. Galliger residence.

H. E. Watts, of Clear Lake, visited Belmond in the interests of his business Friday of last week.

Lucretia Morse, who has been spending the holidays at the home of her parents in Belmond, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Morse, left last week for Minnesota, where she has been teaching.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Frank Morris, of Humboldt, was a business caller in Belmond last week Saturday.

J. F. Gill, of Garden Grove, was a business visitor in Belmond Monday of last week.

Henry Polmateer, from Alexander, was in town on this week Tuesday. Henry states that they have been having considerable sickness in his family lately, two of the family having had pneumonia.

W. F. Hembd has been spending a few days the past week visiting with relatives and friends in Ackley.

S. T. Stanfield, of Rockwell City, visited Belmond on business last Friday.

Mrs. A. B. Foster, who has been conducting the Home Hotel, has left Belmond and is now located in her future home at Goldfield.

Elwyn R. Cody, of Ames, visited in Belmond on business Thursday of last week.

Miss Dodd, one of the local teachers, has returned to her work after visiting her relatives in Grundy Center over the holidays.

Miss Stedman has retured to her school work, after spending the holidays with her parents in Galesburg, Illinois.

Alfred Lindeman, of Dysart, was transacting business here the latter part of the week.

Miss Rorick, who spent her vacation at the home of her parents in Kanawha, has returned to her duties in our local schools.

Cookies made with pure butter, at the Belmond Bakery.

George Rothe, of LuVerne, was a business visitor in Belmond Thursday.

Rufus Morse, who has recently been visiting his brother, Courtland, in Belmond, returned to his school work in Iowa City last week.

Nels Larson, of LuVerne, was a business visitor in our city Thursday of last week.

REDUCED PRICES on all-wool suits and overcoats. W. L. Wilson, Star Cleaner. 72c

R. L. Calkins, of Garner, transacted businesss here on Friday of last week.

Steve Antonio was in attendancec, Monday evening, at the Odd Fellow Installation held at the county seat.

Wallace Ramsay and daughter, Ruth, were visitors at Des Moines several days the past week.

Jim Thomas has purchased a house next to Theo. Wright's in the north part of town. The family intend to move there shortly.

Shampoos, massages, manicures, at Mrs. Brevig's. Phone 160 for appointments. Work evenings. 31

R. R. Kester, of Garner, was visiting in Belmond on business last Thursday.

D. W. Stewart, of Garner, was among those who visited in Belmond last week on business.

Mrs. Furuseth, who has been ill for several months is reported to be still very low.

S. W. Greene, of Hampton, was a Belmond business visitor Monday.

ROBINSON'S

BREAD, large loaf	10c
BREAD, small loaf	5c
PICNIC HAMS, per lb.	18c
LARD, per lb.	15c
BACON, per lb.	25c
KARO, light, per can	60c
KARO, dark, per can	50c
ROLLED OATS, 6 lbs.	25c
MACARONI AND SPAGHETTI—2 lbs. for 25c. 10 lbs. for	$1.00.
RICE, 3 lbs.	25c
NAVY BEANS, 3 lbs.	25c
PEANUT BUTTER, per lb.	15c
PRUNES, per lb.	10c
OUR BEST BROOM	60c
FLOUR—$1.80, $2.00, $2.15,	$2.40
SUGAR, per 100 lbs.	$6.25
BLACK TEA, per lb.	40c
GUN POWDER GREEN TEA	40c
JAPAN TEA, per lb.	50c
P. & G. SOAP, 4 bars for	25c

These Are Pre-War Prices.

Eventually—Why Not Now?

E. F. Wege has been in town the past week, on business connected with the United Manufacturing Company plant.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow and calf; also yearling heifer. Tuberculosis treated. J. P. Courtney.

Townsan Hardware are holding a big sale, starting on Saturday of this week. See their ad in this issue of the Independent.

Mrs. Geo. Schanck will be hostess to the Chain of Ten, Monday, January 23rd.

Owing to lack of space, quite a few items were left out this week which will be printed in the next issue.

FOR SALE—Cutter, with shafts, Nearly new. T. D. Rankins, Phone 196 or 115, Belmond, Iowa.

Kinseth Store News

Be a Good Fellow and attend the Good Fellowship meeting Friday evening. And be a good fellow to yourself and see what we are offering you in the way of bargains.

We want you to try buying your bulks goods here; your money goes as far as you think it will, and farther.

We offer you cocoa at a pound this week for 20 cents; Graham crackers at 18 cents; oyster crackers at 18, and peanut butter for only 20 cents.

Then you can get seedless raisins —not for hootch purposes however— at only 25 cents a pound, and some dandy navy beans at 10 cents, with three pounds of them for two bits. At this price they are the cheapest and best food on the market. Get a few pounds and have some of those real old fashioned baked beans that taste good all the way down.

And remember the store on the corner, where your dollar does its duty.

For Sale, Two Shorthorn bulls one 13 months old, the other 16 months old. Priced to sell. Roy Jenison. 81

Miss Mitta Anderson was visiting over the week-end at the home of Mrs. Hazel Doty, at Mason City.

FOR SALE—A typewriter, Standard make. A bargain. Address inquiry by mail to 84. Care Independent.

Mrs. Alex Smith received word, Wednesday, of the serious illness of her mother, at Sheffield, Illinois. She and her husband left last night for that place.

What Kind of a Battery Would You Sell?

Would it be a cheap battery that the manufacturers wouldn't stand back of?

Or a high-priced battery that made no attempt at economy?

Or a sound, well built battery that sells at a fair price and that gives the *most miles of uninterrupted service per dollar*, as does the Willard Threaded Rubber Battery?

Experience has proved our wisdom in choosing the Willard Battery with Threaded Rubber Insulation.

Come in—and we'll tell you how it will save money for you.

Belmond Battery Station
Phone 46

FOR SALE—My spotted Poland China herd boar, weight 2550 pounds. Price $18. Inquire of M. Halfwassen, Palsville, Iowa.

WANTED—Everyone to know that J. C. Atherton can repair any and all kinds of shoes.. 81

LOST—Large, red shepherd dog; left front foot white. Wears leather collar. Lost Saturday night. Finder please notify Casper Kern, Belmond.

LOST—Airdale dog with round leather collar, Saturday, January 7. Finder please notify this office.

Announcement

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To the Editor and Readers of The Independent:

Since I have announced myself as a candidate for the office of State Senator from this district a number of voters have made inquiry as to my position in regard to some matters of vital importance to the public at this time, and believing that they are entitled to an expression from me, I wish briefly to state a few views on the present situation of business and politics, and some of the principles that will guide me during my candidacy and which, should I be elected, I shall endeavor to bring about:

FIRST—Reduce taxes and assessments, legally to the very limit.

SECOND—Have more publicity in regard to where taxes actually ARE spent.

THIRD—Issue no more bonds without vote of the people.

FOURTH—Advocate an amendment to the Federal Constitution permitting us to tax those billions of tax-free bonds and warrants that are now escaping taxation, much to the detriment of the people who DO pay.

FIFTH—I am in favor of the reduction of passenger and freight rates.

SIXTH—As the agricultural interests of Iowa are paramount, they should have very careful consideration and be safeguarded by conservative legislation whenever needed. Believing, however, that the SPIRIT rather than the campaign promise is vital, I assure all voters of my deepest concern in the welfare of the business of the farm, and will vote with this uppermost in mind if elected to the Senate.

W. T.S. RATH,

Candidate for Senator from the 37th District, comprising
Hardin, Hamilton and Wright Counties.
Ackley, Iowa, January 6, 1922.

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"National Thrift Week"

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Oak Heater No. 118	$45.00	36.85
Oak Heater No. 116	39.50	32.65
Oak Heater No. 17	35.00	27.75
Oak Heater No. 15	30.00	22.75
(These Represent Over 15 Per Cent Reductions)		
Hot Blast Heater	$40.00	$34.50
Wood Stove	12.80	9.50
Wood Stove	4.20	3.75
Wood Stove	3.00	2.25

All Heaters sold at these Prices on easy payment plan. Extra 5 per cent for cash.

Ask us how our Guaranteed Sanitary Chemical Closet keeps the doctor away for $8.25

Reductions on Complete stock of
Aluminum Ware
25 per cent

We have a few 410 or 36 gage
SHOT GUNS
While they last, Regular $12.50 now $9.85

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PYREX WARE

Oil Room Heaters
Regular $6.75 now $4.50 Regular $8.25 now $5.65

10 per cent Cash Discount on Everything not Specially Mentioned During this Sale

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COUNTY LEGION CONVENTION HERE JAN. 25

First Meeting of Good Fellowship Club Fine Success

Supt. Prall, Of Clarion School, Gives Fine Talk On "High Cost Of Education."

OVER SIXTY ARE PRESENT

The first meeting of the reorganized Good Fellowship club was held last week Friday evening, in the library basement, and was decidedly a success from every standpoint.

Over sixty of the local business men and citizens and farmers were in attendance, and a jolly good time was enjoyed by everybody present. Supt. Prall, of Clarion, was the speaker of the evening, and gave a most interesting address on the subject "The High Cost of Education." He pointed out, in his remarks, that the cost of education had greatly increased, but that the enrollment had also been greatly increased. He urged that the schools keep their experienced and capable teachers, and that any economy be practiced in other ways rather than the hiring of inexperienced and inefficient teachers, Supt. Prall's remarks were timely, full of facts and interesting data, and were of great benefit to all who have any interest in the future of our public schools.

Following his address, the eats were next on the program, sanwiches, pickles and coffee, followed by a general smoker and "good fellowship." To date between fifty and seventy-five members have joined and paid in their dollar a year dues. This money goes to pay the expenses of the speakers. The eats and cigars are served at cost. It is hoped to have a membership in the club of at least 200, and it appears now as if this mark was to be surpassed.

The next meeting will be in about two weeks, and Judge Fry has been engaged as the speaker.

Some time in the near future, National American Legion Commander Hanford McNider, of Mason City, will be the speaker, and plans are under way to make this meeting one of great proportions, to be held, probably, in the school auditorium, with a program and banquet, to invite the eneral public and make everything free except the banquet, which, we understand will be for club members only.

The Good Fellowship club means much to Belmond, and with the right leadership and some push will bring about in Belmond a change that will mean everything that is better and good to the community and citizens. Everybody is invited to join, every man in the town and country, and the more there are the better it will be. If you aren't a member, get in on the best club of its kind and be a booster.

Administratrix's Notice

Public Notice Is Hereby Given, that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Administratrix of the Estate of William H. White, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 6th day of January, 1922.

Phoebe A. White,
Administratrix

W. E. Bullard, Attorney for Estate.

Ye ed is indebted to Joe Scott, of the Battery company, for a couple of fat, juicy rabbits. Cooked brown, with brown gravy—we claim they are a real dish, and they mke you wish you had a neck like a giraff to taste 'em all the way down.

There were four births in this vicinity the past week, and every one of them were boys.

SCHOOL NOTES

Friday afternoon at 2:30 the High School debating team will meet the team from Eagle Grove High School. This promises to be an exciting debate. The question is: Resolved, That the Phillipine Islands should be Given Their Independence Within Five Years.

We are anxious to make debating one of the important actcivities of our high school. To do this, we must have the support of the public, as we have had it in athletics and declamatory work. Come out and hear our team debate. *Admission 25c.*

Friday night January 20, will occur the Dows-Belmond basket ball game. Both boys and girls will play at this time, and a fast game is assured.

You remember last year luck broke against our boys and they lost to Dows by two points in the last minute of play.

This year our boys are working hard and are determined that the game will end in Belmond's favor. Timmerman of Sheffielf has been secured for referee and works the floor well.

Come out to the game and BOOST for B. H. S.

Semester examinations and Normal Training examinations are being given this week. Regular classes on Friday of this week, at which time every student is expected to be present.

Community night is becoming more popular every week. Better come out and enjoy the fun for the next few weeks. A small fee of 50 cents is charged to pay for the new volley ball and new net. This amount should be paid to Adolph Skovlin, Treas. this week if possible. All adults are eligible but must wear proper shoes.

The date for the triangular declamatory contest with Garner and Hampton has not been definitely set, but will probably be February 8.

The last number of the lecture course will be held February 24. At this time Ratto, the impersonator, will be the entertainer. He comes recommended to us as one of the best on the platform in his particular type of work.

Last Friday night our boys played a fast brand of basket ball against the Hampton Quintet. The first half our boys were handicapped because of the large floor, the half ending 14 to 8 in Hampton's favor. In the last half our boys opened up and in ten minutes tied the score 15 all. For five minutes neither team scored. At this period Johnson caged an easy shot in front of the basket. At this moment the game was very exciting. With four minutes to play, Hampton at this time was 2 points behind Belmond, 15-17. Hampton scored one free throw and a basket simultaneously, taking the lead by one point. In the next two minutes Hampton scored two baskets, for a total score of 22, while Belmond scored one free throw. for a total of 18 points. We play Dows Friday night here.

The Belmond Girls Basket ball team was defeated at Hampton by a score of 25 to 17. Hampton's floor is both longer and wider than the home floor. The girls exhibited the poorest ball they have played this year. They seemed unable to get into the game, and played with very little team work. Defeat was due to a large extent to overconfidence and too hasty throwing when the ball was in Belmond's possession. The Hampton girls play easy ball, and while this is their first game this year, they are the best team the local girls have met so far. However, the girls are determined to have the score in their favor in the return game, and are woring with that in view.

Meservey had a fierce fight last week Thursday on the erection of the new school building. The proposition was for the building of a new $60,000 building. A total of 215 votes were cast, and the election went to the negative side by a majority of but seven votes. A petition was immediately circulated and signed to call another election for the 16th of February, and notice to that effect is published this week in the Independent.

Big Time Is Being Planned For Next Wednesday

The county convention of the American Legion will be held next week and will be the main feature o fthe week's affairs. It will take place on Wednesday, the 25th. Two meetings will be held, one in the afternoon at 2:30 for members of the Legion only, and a mass meeting in the evening at 7:15, at the high school auditorium. The public is earnestly urged to attend the mass meeting and learn what the Legion is and has done, as well as what it plans to do in the future. After the evening meeing there will be a dance at the opera house, towhich the public is invited.

The Women's Auxiliary will serve a supper that evening in the parlors of the Congregational church.

There will be officers from the state, district and county present, and some excellent addresses will be given. Come out and see what your local post, as well as the Legion in general, has done, is doing, and plans to do.

Belmond's Cop Is Being Sued For $1,000 Damages

Solazzo Claims That Night Cop Beat Him Up Without Any Just Cause Therefor.

HAPPENED IN NOVEMBER

Nightwatch Holver Rierson is made defendant in a suit in the district court brought by one Danny Solazza, who asks for damages in the sum of $1,000 for alleged illegal assault. Solazza charges that on the night of Nov. 3, 1921, Rierson violently assulted him, without any reason, and that the nightwatch beat him on the head with his fists, not to say malicious and painful, and he wants one thousand dollars for his injuries, bodily and otherwise.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

Tom Thompson returned from Minn. Tuesday, where he had been on a business mission.

Arthur and Alma Ericson were Belmond callers Saturday.

Henry Anderson of Belmond spent a couple of days of last week at the Orpha Anderson home. While here he attended a business meeting of the directors of the First National Bank at Kanawha.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Thompson spent Thursday at the Albert Thompson home, the children met there and sawed enough wood for their father, to do the entire winter for fuel.

S. O. Windecker has been filling his ice house, during the past week, with ice from West Lake. Emil Peterson has the job of hauling.

Among those who shelled corn last week, were Jacob Thompson, Nels Fatland, E. N. Ericson, Cryder Wicks, Alvin Ericson and Roy Mikleson.

The Young Married Peoples club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson Thursday evening.

G. Halverson was a business caller in Belmond Saturday.

The next meeting of the Ladies Aid Society will be with Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Wednesday January 25.

FAMILY REUNION HELD AT BALDRIDGE HOME

A family reunion was held this week Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Baldridge on the hill west of town. All the children were present; Mrs. Ed Thomas, of Lewistown Mont.; Mrs. Charlie Reese of Waterloo, Ia.; Will Baldridge, of Cedar Rapids Iowa; George of Kanawha; and Frank and Louie of Bemond. Chas Waltz of Story City, a brother of Mrs. Baldridge was also present, and Mr. and Mrs. Ike Shaffer, of Belmond. It was the first time the family had all been together for fourteen years, and a highly enjoyable time was had by all.

List your farm sale dates with the Independent, whether we get your printing or not, we want to keep our readers informed as to the sale dates in this vicinity.

Developments In The Telephone Company Dispute

Differences Between Company And Farmers Seems To Be Getting Adjusted.

ABOUT 100 PHONES ARE OUT

The developements in the dispute between the telephone company and its rural patrons appears to have reached its crisis. The Independent it informed that about 100 phones have been taken out and that about as many more claim to be disconnected, thru the entire lines of the company. The greatest trouble is reported at Thornton, with some hard feelings noted in Franklin county. Wright county sentiment appears to have abated, and the differences between the company and the rural patrons seems to be getting adjusted.

JENISON—TUCKER

A Pleasant affair took place last Sunday at one o'clock at the home of Mr. W. E. Jenison, East Main St. when his daughter Nora A., became the bride of Albert D. Tucker, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Tucker of Clarion. The ceremony being performed by the Rev. Wilkenson of the Methodist church in the presence of the immediate families.

The bride wore a gown of dark blue silk canton crepe.

This young couple starts out in life under very favorable circumstances. Miss Nora was a graduate of our High school graduating with the class of 1918.

She was book-keeper for the Cash Meat Market and afterward being employed as effecient clerk at the W. W. Goetz store.

After a short honeymoon at Fort Dodge they will reside with the groom's parents until March 1st when they will be at home to their many friends on a farm two and a half miles northeast of Clarion.

The Independent takes pleasure in joining with the many friends of this couple in extending best wishes for a long and happy life together.

Geo. Thompson has reserved the second of February as his date for a sale of Duroc Jersey brood sows. The sale will be held in the Case Livery barn, in town. Full particulars and advertisement will appear in next week's Independent. All farmers intetested will do well to look it over carefully.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP SHORT COURSE SOCIAL

A basket social will be held at the Center school house in Pleasant on Friday evening January 20th. This is for old folks as well as the young. Ladies please bring baskets. The proceeds will be donated to the short course fund of Pleasant township.

—Teachers of Pleasant Township

Ice for next summer's hot weather is being stored up now by E. F. Bailey, from the river. The ice is of good quality and from eight to ten inches thick.

DOES IT PAY?

There is one thing that we as American Citizens prize as one of the greatest virtues of our national, civil and local life, and that is Honor.

Without honor to our country, we are not fit to partake of the benefits and advantages that this great nation offers us. We need only to look about us on the other nations of the world and we can thank God that we are American citizens. True we have conditions confronting us that are difficult to foresee and solve, which are trying the metal and endurance of the greatest minds of this country, but they will be solved for the good of humanity. This is a time that calls for steady nerves, a steadfast and upright purpose and a benevolent spirit. There is no doubt that we are on the threshold of a brighter future, not only in our own country but in the whole world.

No less important is our civic honor, honor in our relation to our government in all its branches. Laws are based on justice, or quoting a legal phrase, "the basic principle of all law is justice." We have laws in our state and nation, altho their basic principle is correct and for the best interests of society in general that have been perverted and mis-applied to serve the purpose of the unscrupulous, whose honor and sense of justice is lacking to such a degree that they do not respect the rights and privileges that belong to their fellow men and society as a whole.

In the narrower sense, in our relation to our fellow men, is it not a moral obligation as old as the world itself, that we owe our neighbor honor. We have the golden rule, take this out of the life of a person and you have little else left in the make up of his character that is worth while. Would you trust a person whose character lacked this great principle? Or after giving people who have trusted you, the right to say that you betrayed them in that trust, would you not feel that you were apart from men whose honor kept them from any taint or shame?

This is a trying time for most people, for the farmer who depends upon the soil for his maintenances and the world for the market. It is no easier for the business man whose losses, sometimes occurring in a single day, wreck the savings and labor of years.

What is the solution? It is to act the part of a weakling and so as a few are doing at this time—seek relief in the Bankruptcy courts? Most assuredly not. There is only one honorable course to take and that is to grit your teeth and make a determed stand to weather the storm. Stand by those who have stood by you.

A man's whole future may rest on what action he takes at this time. No thinking man whether a farmer or business man, will risk his future welfare and position in society that he is entitled to, by taking refuge in bankruptcy.

A crisis such as we are undergoing is a test of real manhood, not only on the part of the debtor, but also of the creditor. We must all stand together, each doing his part squarely and with patience. Can we afford to do otherwise—does it pay?—Contributed.

COE COLLEGE CONSERVATORY.. GIVES FREE MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Six Scholarships in Coe College Conservatory will be given for the second semester of the college year beginning with February, to deserving Iowa students who can qulaify by showing marked ability in the various branches of music, it was announced by Risser Patty, Director of the well known Cedar Rapids Music Conservatory.

These scholarships will include study under the following teachers: Max Daehler, Piano; Risser Patty and Claude Newcomb, Voice; Joseph Kitchin, Violin; Marshall Bidwell, Organ; Fayette Moore, Trumpet and Cornet.

Further information may be obtained by addressing Coe College Conservatory, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Mrs. George Vance of Goodell was shopping in Belmond Tuesday.

Membership of Wright Co. Farm Bureau Doubles

Wright County Farmers' Organization Makes Fine Record During The Year.

MUCH INTEREST IS SHOWN

The Wright County Farm Bureau under the leadership of County Agent Ralph M. Edwards has made a substantial growth during the past year and some real constructive work has been accomplished by the organization. Mr. Edwards came to Wright county just two years ago and since that time has worked unceasingly to build up an organization which has meant real service to the farmers of Wright county. The membership in the organization, when he came to the county, was about six hundred, but since that time interest has grown in the activities in the farm bureau and the membership has increased to about thirteen hundred. Mr. Edwards is a conscientious worker, a man who devotes his entire time and energy to the interests of the organization which he is serving, a man who is willing to work day and night when is becomes necessary to protect and further interests of the farmers. He has made an eviable record and is considered one of the best county agents in Iowa.

Judging from the schedule of work shown in his annual report the county agent must have been a very busy man during the past year. His report shows that he spent 239 days outside the office, which would indicate that he did not sit in the office only to draw his salary, but spent his time in conducting demonstrations, holding organization meetings, social and business meetings. No mention was made of how many of these meetings were night meetings but if we are to judge by the reports of our city night watch it was not an uncommon thing to see the county agent pulling in at night anywhere from 12:30 to 1:30 A. M. We presume that if the county agent were asked what his daily schedule was he would probably say that for some days it ran about as follows: eight hours in the forenoon, eight hours in the afternoon and eight hours at at night. The county agent has never been the one to complain about the night work because he seems to take pleasure in serving the farmers of his organization and seems willing and anxious to work both day and night to see that the farmers' interests are properly cared for. It can be truly said that the county agent has been on the job, that he has been very active in the discharge of his duties, that he has earned his money if ever a Wright county agent did.—Monitor.

TO OUR FRIENDS:

Last week the Independent sent out a number of letters, giving statement of the addresse's account, and asking the recipients to please verify the account. The object was to get our books straight, as they were pretty badly "balled up." Some exceptions have been taken to the letters the impression being that they were sent for collection. Such was decidedly NOT the case, the big idea was to find out whether or not the account given was correct and we ask those who received these letters to accept in the manner meant and to help us get our books into shape so that in the future such mistakes will not occur.

The Publisher.

UNITED MANUFACTUREING CO. STARTS OPERATIONS

The United Manfactoring Co. plant has been leased to E. Wege and will be put in operation immediately.

Mr. C. Anderson of Des Moines, Iowa, who has gained a wide experience in the manufactoring plants of the Ford automobile will be in charge of the manfacturing end of the business. Mr. Anderson comes well recommended and will move his family to Belmond shorty.

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CLIPPINGS

Antone Olson, Thor painter, fell from the second story of the Broadway Cafe building through a skylight and lit on a chair in the dining room. His back was broken and he was otherwise bruised. He was a painter by trade and in very poor circumstances. He was staying at the Broadway Cafe and Mr. Pixler gave him the job of painting the upstairs room. He was painting in the hall up stairs and placed his ladder over this skylight. The ladder was not moved in his fall. The accident occured about ten o'clock Friday morning. According to the last reports from the O'Toole-Christensen hospital, where he is being cared for, he is doing nicely.—Eagle.

We are always greived to see old friends disagree, but unless Frank Zeiger repairs the side curtains in Chas. Frisbee's "buzz buggy" we fear that blood will be shed. Zeiger and Frisbee went rabbit hunting one day the fore part of the week. Frank of course, had to take his new dog along. They were motoring along both cylinders hitting, when up jumped a rabbit, and Frank's dog lunged through the glass in one of Frisbee's auto curtains, and for all anyone knows, both the dog and the rabbit are still running. Or it may be that our guess that the critter would develop rabies has come true. Leastwise, the dog is gone.—Leader.

SICK With a Bad Cold

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PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

The Pleasant township schools will give a program and basket social at District No. 5, tomorrow night, January 20, the proceeds to be used for the benefit of the Farm Bureau.

The teachers should not forget the last Study Center for the year, to be held in Clarion court room Saturday January 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen and little daughter, were Sunday visitors at the Geo. Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm L. Pals and family, were Sunday visitors with relatives in Meservey.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halfpap spent Sunday afternoon at the Fred Gartz home.

Mrs. Theodore Kessler is reported as being quite ill at this writing.

The grippe is certainly not forgetting Pleasant township this winter. Nearly everybody is reported as fighting the ravages.

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AND AGAIN, WHY?

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To which another exchange replies thusly.

Well, we don't know if a woman went out with a big wad of tobacco in her mouth and stood around on the corner and told stries and squirted tobacco juice all over everything and swore every other breath, used foul language and swaggered around she would soon be arrested. But a man can do it and get away with it. Why?

And in answer to both queries we might give a reply by stating that the offspring of both the above people are allowed to do all that what is quote above plus the evils of *hootch, cigrets, night riding, fast auto driving; all night orgies* and several other exciting experiences. But the boys and girls can and do get away with it—and why?—Times.

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Rowan Local News

Mrs Ed. Riley was a Belmond caller Tuesday.

Mrs. Chester Bailey was a Belmond shopper Wednesday.

Mrs. Dee Halbrook was a Dows shopper between trains Friday.

Will Bailey, Jr., took their young daughter to Dows Wednesday for medical attention. She is reported better at this writing.

Mrs. Johnson, of Allison, who has been visiting at the home of her son, C. E. Johnson and family returned to her home Monday.

Mrs. Edwin Nelson spent a few days with her friend, Mrs. John Richards. Mrs. Nelson's many friends will be glad to learn that she is much improved in health at the present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson and son, Malcolm came Wednesday to visit Rowan friends a few days. Mr. Robinson returned to Meservey Friday. Mrs. Robinson went to Dows to stay over Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Parkenson.

Rev. Nye was a Clarion visitor last week.

S. A. Ferguson was a Clarion business caller between trains Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Munson were Clarion visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Williams and son, Ivan, and Miss Vinnie Whitten spent Sunday at Fort Dodge.

Mrs. Fred Smith and son, Kenneth, of Clarion returned home Sunday after a short visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Snyder.

F. B. Sheldon was a county seat caller Wednesday.

Mrs. L. W. Stevenson visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bert Harris at Thornton last week.

Harry Cain was a Clarion visitor last Friday.

Loren Hackley, the twelve months old baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Alt Hackley has been very sick with pneumonia but is reported better at this writing.

George Pritchett was a Clarion business caller between trains Saturday.

Mrs. George Whitten was an over Sunday guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Peddle of Coulter.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Reasoner and children, of Congor, Minn., came Saturday to spend a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bailey expect to move to Highmore S. Dak., this week. They have sold nearly all their household goods. They will make their home with Mrs. Bailey's brother, who was very ill with the flu and does not fully recover from it. They may go on a farm in the spring. Their friends will miss them but wish them much good luck.

For Sale

One new shack 10-12, 8 ft. high, good for Ford garage or a fine milk house; One Ford Touring car, new tires all around, good running order, 1922 license, priced right. Harry Cain, Rowan, Iowa.

Mrs. Kate Conn went to Cedar Falls Saturday morning to spend some time visiting friends and attending to business.

Rev. Harold Tomkinson was sick Sunday and unable to fill his pulpit He is some better at the present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten and daughter, Gladys spent Sunday at Goldfield at the Clifford Snow home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle went to Goodell to spend the week end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine spent several days at the home of their daughter, Mrs, Murtell Myers, assisting with the work as Mr. and Mrs. Myers were both sick.

Cloe Duffy has been quite sick the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jennings and children visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum.

Casper Reasoner visited Monday, with his parents at Dows.

Clarence Lindsey was a Dows caller Monday.

Miss Kirvink was a Dows caller between trains Monday.

Esther Emerson is on the sick list. Dr. Potter was called on the case.

Dick Virden and A. E. Emerson were Clarion callers Monday.

F. B. Campbell, of Alden, spent the week end at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. E. Hubble.

Ben Hackley was a Dows caller Monday.

John Rowen spent the week end at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cady Templeton at Clarion, returning home Monday.

Mrs. Will Bingham has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Arthur Hanson went to Hampton Saturday to see her husband who is in the hospital at that place. She reports his limb as healing now and he is doing very well again.

Clarence Currie was a Fort Dodge caller Sunday.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Miss Ruth Whitney of Milwaukee, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kieth a few days this week.

The Young People's Christian Endeavor Society will serve an oyster supper next Thursday night, Jan.26th at the church parlors. Be sure and come. They will begin serving at 5:30 and serve until all are filled.

Next Sunday morning at the M. E. church Dr. Ellott of Dows will speak at the Sunday school convention. This will be a treat to all who hear him.

Mr. Nate Ballou, of Omaha, is visiting relatives here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph and family spent several days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller. They will remain to help with the sale.

The Misses Erdene and Wava Unger of Dows, spent Friday at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Braden.

Harod Steffens has been on the sick list this week.

Clarence Lindsey has sold his share of the elevator to his partner Joe Patton Jr. He gives posession at once.

School Notes.

Cloe Duffy and Esther Emerson have been on the sick list all last week.

Stella Emerson taught the seventh and eighth grades one day last week for Miss Kervink.

The Rowan basket ball teams played Hansell teams Saturday afternoon January 14th. The Rowan boys were beaten. The girls game was a hard fought game from start to finish. At the end of the first half the score stood 15 to 9 in Hansell's favor. The Rowan girls came back at Hansell with hard playing the last half and the game ended with the score of 23 to 22 in Rowan's favor. This score is on to be proud of for two of the Rowan's usual players were unable to play. This game is the first one that Hansell has lost in three years of playing. The Rowan girls have played thirteen games and only lost three which were played on opponents floors. Their next game is Friday night January 20 with Clarion. Come and give Rowan some "pep." It was the good crowd which helped Rowan on Saturday afternoon. Remember there are only three or four more games left this season to be played at Rowan so don't lose these few chances this year. "When you're up against Rowan you're upside down." Come on lets go.

LOYALTY OF WOMEN OF SOUTH SHOWN IN "HELD BY THE ENEMY" JAN. 21, 1922

The loyalty and love of the women of the south during the American Civil War is admirably depicted in a new striking Paramount picturization of William Gillette's play, "Held by the enemy," which will be shown at the Star theatre on the above date.

The locale of the story is a Southern town newly captured by Northern troops. A young widow, who believes that her husband has been slain in battle, fall in love with a young Northern Colonel, who protects her from the loters. She is about to accept his proposal of marriage, when her husband, appears on spy duty. He is arrested by the Colonel, and throughout the remainder of the story, the dutiful litle wife makes many sacrifices in her atempt to save her husband from death. The culminating situation is one of the most dramatic ever presented on the silversheet.

WATCH FOR SERIAL TO START FEB. 8.

A leading farm paper says: "If you happen to have an obstinate calf that won't mind it's mother, don't swear. If the calf will not mind its own dam, how can you expect it to mind yours."

READ THE WANT ADS IN THE INDEPENDENT

Old Settler Passes Away At Home Of Son Friday.

Amanda Jane Wingnard was born in Carol Co., Indiana, Feb. 22nd 1854 and died in Blain Township January 13th 1922 at the age of 67 years, 10 months and 22days. She was the daughter of Martin and Eva Wingnard of Indiana. She was married to George W. Cupp in 1875. To this union were born three children, John L., who died several years ago, Harry, with whom she was living at the time of her death and Cora Noonan, who passed beyond a few years before her mother.

The greater part of her life was spent in and around Blain Township. She moved with her husband from Indiana in 1880 to Grundy Co., Iowa, and in 1891 they moved to Wright Co., where she resided until her death.

Her husband, George Cupp died in June 1899. She was the only one left of a large family.

Mrs. Cupp had been in poor health for the past year but she was releived of all suffering last Friday when the Finger of God touched her and she fell asleep. She was a woman of a quiet disposition and has made many friends in this vicinity during her life.

The news of her death came as a shock to all and the sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved family. The remains were laid to rest Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in the Graceland Cemetery after a short sevice held at the home of her son, Harry Cupp. Rev. W. H. Nye officiated at this service. Music was furnished by the Cong'l Choir.

Those left to mourn her loss are her son, Harry, and six grandchildren Reubon and LeRoy, Mable and Gladys of this place and James and Arley Noonan, of Nebraska.

Rowan Cong'l Church Notes

Sunday the 22nd, there will be joint services of the two church Sunday schools. The morning service will be held in the Cong'l church. Dr. Jamison, of Clarion, will be the speaker of the evening. Dr. Jamison is a good worker in Sunday school and we will receive great help from his message.

The morning service will be given to talks from our county afficers on the work of the Sunday school These will be interesting and helpful and let each one who can try to hear these discussions. It will be an inspiration for better work in our own Sunday schools for the coming year.

The Junior Endeavor will meet Wednesday afternoon at the church at 4:00 o'clock. We want all children to come.

The Mid week meeting at the church Wednesday evening at 7:30. Come.

The officers of the Young People's Christian Endeavor met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell last Thursday to select the chairman of committiees for the Society for the year. The young people are planning a good line of work for this year. The first event of the season will be an oyster supper Thursday night Jan. 26th. They will start serving at 5:30 and serve until all are filled.

Arrangements are being made for special services at the Cong'l church January 29th both morning an evening. Look for further notices.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. L W. Stevenson Wednesday January 18th. A good attendance is desired.

Adeline Dodge French Cole.

Mrs. Adeline Cole passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Tower, Brasher Falls, New York on Friday Dec. 30th 1921, aged 85 years 5 months and 15 days.

Mrs. Cole was born in Castile Village, her maiden name being Adeline Dodge. At the age of 12 she emigrated to Ohio with her parents.

She was united in marriage to Acton French and lived in Ohio until 1866 when they moved to Iowa Falls Iowa. In 1869 they moved to Wright Co. where she has lived until Aug. 1920 when because of failing health she went to make her home with her daughter. Mr. French died in 1894 and in 1909 Mrs. French was married to Edward Cole who died in 1914.

She was the mother of seven children all of whom are living except the oldest daughter, Mrs. Calhoun who passed away four years ago.

Those surviving are D. A. of Rowan Ferd, of Hopkinton, Ia., Mrs. Ola Dayton of Chicago, Ill., John, of Wallace, Kansas, Eugene, of Wodena Minn. and Mrs. Belle Tower, of Brasher Falls N. Y.

She was buried in Maple Grace the work of the Sunday school. These 1st 1922.

Her many friends around Rowan extend their heartfelt sympathy to the family for their loss. Mrs. Cole was the oldest of the old settlers left in this community.

Society Notes.

Last Tuesday night Rev. and Mrs. Harold Tomkinson entertained the M. E. Choir at a social evening. A large crowd attended this gathering and the evening was spent in games. Refreshments were served which were enjoyed by all and a fine time is reported by all present.

Last Thursday night about twenty old neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham surprised them by gathering at their home in the evening and spent a very pleasant evening together. The evening was spent in games and good times after which refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Mrs. Clint Kercheval gave her parents this pleasant evening.

The M. E. Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Theo. Hansen last week Thursday. A good crowd attended. They had a business meeting in which they made plans for the work of the year. The hostess served light refreshments.

The ladies of the Cong'l Aid Society served a 25 cent dinner at the parsonage last Thursday. They made $12.50 After the dinner they elected officers for the year of 1922 as follows: Mrs. J. H. Whitten, President; Mrs. Allen, Vice President; Mrs. Tice Streveler Secretary and Treasurer and Mrs. Charles Berger, Assistant.

Last Thursday night the young people enjoyed a good party at the Brooks Hall. The evening was spent in clean games. Mr. Brooks and daughter, Thelma furnished the music for the evening. The young people enjoyed the evening very much.

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion met in regular session Monday night for a business meeting. There was a good attendence. After the business meeting an oyster stew was served which was thoroly enjoyed by all.

Emergencies!

A MAN said, to us the other day, "I certainly had some sense when I opened up that Savings Account at the State Bank. It helped me out of a tight place a few days ago."

Have you not had a few of these emergencies yourself?

State Bank
of Belmond

The Bank for Everybody

Public Sale

As I have sub-rented part of the land I am farming, I will sell at public auction on my place, 5 miles southeast of Belmond, 3 miles north of Rowan, and 4 miles west of Alexander, the following described property, on

Thursday, Jan'y 26

COMMENCING AT 1:30 P. M. SHARP

4 - Head of Horses - 4

1 black mare, weight 1650, age 6 years.
1 black mare, weight 1400, age 6 years.
1 black mare, weight 1650, age 6 years.
1 black colt, coming 2 years old.

22 - Head of Cattle - 22

1 Shorthorn bull, coming 3 years old. Papers furnished.
3 young cows.
8 spring calves, consisting of 2 heifers and 6 steers.
2 steers, coming 2 years old.
6 heifers, to calve in spring.

A number of good Duroc Jersey Brood Sows.

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 log chain.
2 beet scoops.
1 52-gal. oil barrel.
1 harpoon hay fork.
1 Bailer beet cultivator.
1 Grain King shoveling board.
1 set Concord work harness, 1 1-2 inch.
1 3-section harrow.
1 Clover Leaf spreader.
1 8-ft. Rock Island disc.
1 John Deere corn plow.
1 wide tired wagon, complete.
1 P. & O. riding lifter, almost new.
1 9-ft. tandem attachment International disc.
1 set Concord work harness, 1 1-2 inch, almost new.
Numerous other articles.

TERMS: $10 and under, cash; over that amount ten months' time on approved security at 8 per cent. All property to be settled for on day of sale.

STATE BANK OF BELMOND, Clerk.
LOUIS HAUGE, Auctioneer.

L. V. Clark
Owner

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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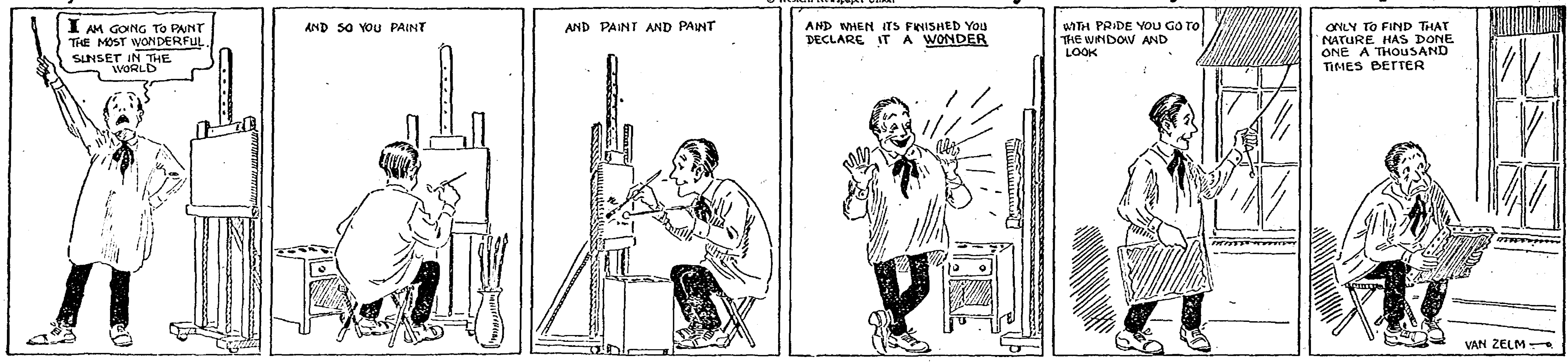
Try as You May You Can't Compete With Her


I AM GOING TO PAINT THE MOST WONDERFUL SUNSET IN THE WORLD
AND SO YOU PAINT
AND PAINT AND PAINT
AND WHEN ITS FINISHED YOU DECLARE IT A WONDER
WITH PRIDE YOU GO TO THE WINDOW AND LOOK
ONLY TO FIND THAT NATURE HAS DONE ONE A THOUSAND TIMES BETTER
VAN ZELM

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION BOND PROPOSITION MESERVEY IOWA

Public Notice is Hereby Given, That a special election of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, will be held on the 16th day of February, 1922 at the City Hall, Meservey, Iowa, from one o'clock P. M. until six o'clock P. M. and that at said election there will be submitted to the voters of the said Consolidated Independent School District to be by them voted upon, the following proposition:

Shall the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, issue bonds in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000), for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new school house?

At which time and place all of the voters of said Consolidated Independent School District are hereby notified to appear.

This notice is given by the order of Board of Directors of said Consolidated Independent School District, pursuant to the sufficient petition with the requisite signatures in accordance with the Section 2820-d I et seq. of the supplement to the Code of Iowa, 1913.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa, this 13th day of January 1922.

K. Clarence Ruigh
Secretary, Board of Directors.

ALIMONY COMES HIGH

Hampton Chronicle: W. H. McDowell, for a number of years in the grain and coal business at Alexander, is one of the unlucky fellows who was hit with the "high cost of living." His wife sued him for a divorce a few years ago, and the court granted her request, and also stuck her aforesaid husband for $125 a month for alimony, which Mr. McDowell was ordered to pay to his wife. The two children, a son and a daughter were also given to the mother.

Mrs. McDowell is a daughter of a former mayor of Iowa Falls, and is now residing with her father at that place, with her two children. Recently McDowell, who resides at Clarion, under the squeeze of the financial crash went before the court and asked that the order giving his former wife $125 a month be cancelled, putting up the claim that he was unable to pay it, and that his wife's father could well afford to care for her. He also asked the custody of his little son.

After hearing the evidence Judge Wright reduced the allowance to $50 a month, but refused to take the boy from his mother. The father is allowed to see the children each month, and to have the boy during the month of July.

C. G. W. R. R. TIME TABLE

J. J. Ruiter, agent.

Going North

No. 4 Motor	9:45 a. m.
No. 16	2:13 p. m.
No. 12*	1:24 a. m.

* stop for St. Paul passengers only.

Going South

No. 15	8:42 p. m.
No. 3 Motor	4:57 p. m.
No. 11*	12:26 a. m.

* stop for Omaha passengers only.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Regular Services:

Sunday School—9:45 a. m.

Preaching Services—10:45 a. m.

Y. P. A.—7:30 p. m., followed by preaching service at 8:00.

Wednesday Prayer Service—2:00 p. m.

Thursday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Brecher will preach Sunday night.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30.

German Service 10:30

Young Peoples meeting 7:15.

German Service 8:00.

Catechism classes on Saturday afternoon at the following hours:

Junior Class 1:30

Senior Class 3:00

All pupils should make it a practice to be present as much as possible.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

HARTFELDER—NISSEN.

On Thursday, January 12, 1922 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Nissen of Meservey, Ia., occured the marriage of their only daughter Erma and Mr. Wm. Hartfelder also of Meservey.

The bride and groom took their places under a beautifully decorated arch to the strains of the wedding march rendered by Mrs. Louis Foss. The Rev. Schlesselman read the service.

The bride was most beautiful in her gown of white satin and wore a corsage boquet of Russell roses. She was unattended.

At noontime a delicious four course dinner was served. The table decorations were in pink and white and the same color scheme was carried out in the dinner. The center of the table was occupied with a large boquet of narcisses and Russel roses.

The bride is well known in her home town and is considered a very good friend by all She was graduated from the public school and from the H. S. of Meservey after which time she became employed in serving the public as book-keeper in the Farmer's Savings Bank and in the Klemme lumber office. She also was a very efficient and capable saleslady in the Fischer store. She filled all of her positions with much earnestness and accomplished only the best results possible.

She is very active in the affairs of the Evangelical church of which she is a member.

The groom is a well known and successful farmer and he and his bride will reside on the Hartfelder farm southeast of Meservey. Their many friends wish them much happiness and success in all the years to come.

Miss Mattie Kiebler, of Dubuque, a cousin of the bride, was the only out of town guest present.

The Register and a large host of friends wish them much happiness and prosperity in their future life.

FOR SALE

10 Large Type Poland China bred gilts, to farrow in March and April. Cholera immune. Pedigrees furnished and satisfaction guaranteed. Price $25 to $35. C. H. Quandt, Meservey, Iowa.

MESERVEY SCHOOL ELECTION.

Proposition To Erect New And Better Building Loses By Majority Of 8 Votes.

The Bond election for a new school house failed by 8 votes and the election passed off rather quiet, there was very little personal feeling such as there usually is at elections where a large majority of the voters are called out.

Those interested in having the vote carry feel the the voters did not understand the conditions in which our school is situated and another petition has been circulated. The second election will be called for a date around the 17th of February. We also understand that the school board expects to have the bids for the new building opened the day before so at the next election the voter will know all about the proposed buiding, its demensions, and costs; this appears to be a new idea to most of us but we can see no harm in it, and rather favor the idea.

Some take the stand our State approval was taken away at the suggestion of people here which is not the case; special efforts have been made by the School Board and Secretary for the past six months and they have letters on file to show that these are the facts. We believe however that an injustice is being done the school by the state department in approving the school only to Jan. 1, 1922, nothing was known at the beginning of the school year that such would be the case. No doubt an effort will be made to have the school approved to the end of the school year.

There have been several mtings in the interests of the new building and so far as we have learned all those that attended these meetings agree that a new building is our only solution. Those that are most bitterly opposed to the new school are those that have not taken the trouble to come to these meetings or look up other facts.

We know of one farmer in particular who has secured tax receipts from four counties and had made up his mind to help defeat the proposition, but before the election time he was just as much in favor of having the issue carry; he changed his mind after he looked up the facts.

The interest on the bonds will put an extra tax on the farm land of 18 cents per acre per year. Under a proposed bond arrangement the interest would be all that would have to be paid for sixteen years; for the next four years the tax would be 46 cents per acre, and 19 cents per acre for the next 20 years, at the end of this time the debt would be paid. The proposed building is nearly fire proof and shoud be good for much over fifty years. Our present building has stood 28 years, so there should not be any hurry to pay off 5 per cent money where no one is able to borrow at such low rate now on any security we have to offer. In normal times the land owner is able to obtain this offer, so it is just as well to let some of those that follow pay part of the debt, insurance will protect it in case of fire or storm.

We are told that we do not need a new school that the building does not impart any knowledge, that Abraham Lincoln did not have any such facilities as our new building will provide. In the first place we do not have any Lincoln's at this time, things have changed, but education is necessary. Where Bolshevism and anarchy are strong they pay very little attention to education but Russia is now paying the price of the school they should have provided years ago.

The Meservey district receives $1000.00 per year from outside pupils in tuition; if the new building is not voted they would be obliged to pay the tuition of any high school pupil that wishes to attend any other approved school in the state. The amount so paid cannot exceed $12.00 per month under the present law. There are now around forty such pupils enrolled; suppose that only ten of them would go away this would make around $1000.00 to be paid out by the district. Many estimate that it would be much more than this. These two items and the state aid would amount to $2750.00. The bond issue interest is $3000.00, not to say anything about the repairs to the old building, and fire escapes that the State Fire Marshal has demanded for some time. These items are steady drain on the district In time the new building would have to be built anyway, so why spend more on the old building?

We would suggest that our voters look up all the facts carefully before making any decision; you cannot vote intelligently or talk with authority unless you know the facts.

A man became lost in the woods during a big storm. He sought shelter in a hollow log. The rain caused the log to swell and the man was unable to move and realized that he must starve. All the mean things that he had done during his life came back to him. One of the things he thought of was that he had never started a bank account and that as a result his family would suffer. After this he felt so small that he was able to get out of the log without difficulty. Moral—Start a bank account now.

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
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MESERVEY, IOWA

KEEP IOWA FIRST IN HEALTH

"Keep Iowa First in Health" is the slogan of a campaign for this extension of the teaching of health habits to all the schools of the state which is being planned by Miss Theresa Dansdill of the Iowa Tuberculosis Association, director of health education and the Modern Health Crusade.

Miss Dansdill has just compiled figures which show that each year since 1918 the number of school children practicing the "health chore" has steadily increased, the figures for the past three years being as follows: 221,000; 234,000; and 321,405. "Lets make it 400,000 before June" says Miss Dansdill. "This will be three fourths of the 547,000 school children enrolled."

"We couldn't say 'Make Iowa First," Miss Dansdill explained, "because Iowa has been first in health education. Two years ago the Iowa Tuberculosis Association became the custodian of the silver cup awarded by some anonymous New Yorker because our schools had the largest percentage of knights banneret, which means children that made a practically perfect score in observing the eleven health rules. Last year the cup passed into Idaho, whose percentage was greater, although the total school population of that state is less than the number of knights banneret in Iowa. There were year before last in Iowa 29,242 knights banneret, and last year 43,647. Let's make it 75,000. And lets get the cup back.

"For the past two years Iowa schools have won more than half of all the first and second prize banners and pennants awarder by the National Tuberculosis Association thruout the entire country for schools whose children practiced health habits. And for the past three years this state has lead the nation in the highest actual number of children enrolled in the Modern Health Crusade, and has been first in three out of five national health tournaments."

The Crusade has a system of teaching health habits as incorporated in the Citizenship Manual issued this year by the Department of Public Instruction and compiled by the special Committee of leading educators appointed by Supt. McClenahan in accordance with the law passed by the 38th General Assembly.

In recognition of Iowa's leadership in the teaching of health habits in the public schools, State Superintendent P. E McClenahan has been appointed chairman of a national advisory committee on health education by the National Tuberculosis Association, whose headquarters are at New York.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SCHOOL BUILDING-BIDS CLOSE FEB. 16 1922 AT 1 P. M. MESERVEY, IOWA.

Bids are desired on a school building, to be erected at Meservey, Iowa, by the Board of Education of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa. Bids will be received by the Secty. of The Board of Education Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh at his office in the Farmers Savings Bank at Meservey up to 1 p. m. Feb. 16 1922. Bids will be opened immediately and read publicly. Bids must be accompanied by certified checks or bid bonds in amount as follows:

General Construction, Check or bid bond, $1500.00.

Heating and Ventilating, Check or Bid Bond, $1000.00.

Plumbing, Check or Bid Bond, $400.00.

Seating, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00

Equipment, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00.

Certified checks or bid bonds must be made out unconditionally to Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh, Secty. Board of Education,, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract with the said School District and furnish a bond in the full amount of the contract in the form outlined in the specifications, guaranteeing the completion of the building and the payment of all leins and claims.

The plans and specifications will be on file after February 1, 1922 —one copy only— at the office of the secretary, one at the office of the architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., and one at 211 M. B. A. Building, Mason City Iowa. Also at the Builders exchanges of Des Moines, Iowa, St. Paul, Minn. and Minneapolis Minn.

Contractors may secure plans by application to the Architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., upon payment of a deposit of $10.00 to insure return of the plans and specifications. The entire amount will be forfeited if the contractor fails to bid. Sub contractors and material men will be charged the exact cost of preparing the blue prints and specifications for such drawings as they may require to figure the part of the work they are bidding on.

Contractors will be required to bid on the exact form of bid outlined in the bidders blanks, any deviation therefrom will invalidate the bid and same will not be considered.

Contractors may combine any part of the work or bid on the entire contract by furnishing with their bid the certified checks or bid bonds required above.

The Board of Education reserves the rigth to accept any or reject any or all bids.

Signed
Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa,
By K. CLARENCE RUIGH
Secty. Board of Education.

LEGION POST ELECTS

At the annual meeting of Post No. 171 American Legion the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Andrew Faaborg, Post Commander; Alvin L. Halfpap, Vice Commander; Ferdinand Lemke, Adjutant; Niels Faaborg, Finance Officer; K. Clarence Ruigh, Chaplain; Christian J. Wendel, Historian; Elmer Nissen, Sergeant at Arms.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Milk can be produced for 5cents and at a profit for 7 cents. At 10 cents we still have the — ? L. B. Hulsebus.

H. F. Reif was a caller at Mason City Wednesday attending the assessor's business meeting.

A. E. Muller and A. J. Nissen were callers at Mason City Friday on business matters.

Miss Jennie Meinderts returned home Thursday after a week's visit with relatives and friends at Klemme and Goodell.

Henie Rief, was a passenger to Belmond Thursday where he visited the Independent office.

Mrs. Hartley Blewitt of Thornton, was here Thursday to attend the wedding of her brother, Billie Hartfelder to Erma Nissen.

The election for a new school house which was held here Thursday in the City Hall was voted down by eight votes. 215 votes being cast in all. But we understand a new petition is being circuated and another election will be held as soon as possible.

Miss Grace Pals is assisting Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh with some work at present.

Mrs. Henry Proost and daughter, Vona left Saturday for Athenville, Ill., where Mrs. Proost was called by the serious illness of her father.

Dwelling House For Sale—Bids on the Noteboom home will be received by the undersigned up to February 1st. Right is reserved to reject any or all. Ben Gruis, A. J. Nissen.

Mrs. H. H. Meinderts. who has been visiting her daughters near Klemme and Goodell returned home last Saturday.

Christ Enabnit of Des Moines, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends. He returned to Manly Monday where he intends to spend several days also.

B. Stadtlander was a business caller at Belmond on Tuesday.

Mrs. Bert Laun and son, Harry of near Alexander were here Tuesday, visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Meinderts. Mrs. Meinderts returned home with them for a few day's visit.

Miss Lena Kuhlers returned home Sunday after having spent several days visiting with friends and relatives at and near Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm L. Pals and family of near Belmond spent Sunday at the Lambert Pals home.

Rev. Schlesselman returned home from Mason City Monday after having filled an appointment for Rev. Orth of that place, who has been very ill for nearly two months.

Mrs. A. E. Muller was a shopper at the county seat on Moinday.

FOR SALE—2 shares of theBelmond Telephone Co. L. B. Hulsebus, Meservey, Iowa.

Hanna Boelman is assisting her aunt, Mrs. John Koenen with the house work and taking care of the baby girl.

FOR SALE—About $800 worth of good new furniture. Will be sold at auction on Main street at Meservey, Saturday, January 21. W. F. Hogan.

Nick Johnson of Belmond was a caller here on business Friday.

Jim Russel of Clarion, was here attending to some business matters Friday.

Miss Mattie Kieber of Dubuque, who has been here the latter part of last week, to attend the wedding of her cousin, Erma Nissen, and visiting other relatives returned home Saturday.

Mrs. H. L. Ables and daughter, Greta returned home last week from a visit with her aunt, Mrs, Switzer and other relatives and friends at Hampton.

Virgil Sprau had the misfortune to be kicked by a horse Sunday, and one of his legs was badly bruised.

Miss Loats and Miss Jacobs spent Sunday with home folks near Belmond.

C. E. Brogan returned home Saturday after transacting some business matters at Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kriens left Monday for a week's visit with relatives near Latimer and Chapin.

Word was received from the former editor of the Register. Miss Wilson is at present at Lakin Kansas, where she is employed at her old work and enjoying the best of health.

A. Kooks was a passenger to Mason City, Tuesday, where he is taking treatment.

75 hens for sale. Must act quick. Hulsebus Muller Co.

Aid Society Meet.

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Wednesday afternoon at the church basement. A number of nearly 20 were present. Refreshments were served.

Cemetery Society Meets

The Cemetery Society met Tuesday P. M. at the home of Mrs. F. Hafferman. A goodly number were present. Refreshments were served and everybody reported a fine time.

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Choice of any Suit in the House at Half Price
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HERE'S ONE WOMAN'S RE-ACTIONS TO SERVICE ON JURY IN COURT

How one woman reacted after service for the first time on a jury in the district court is contained in this interesting desertation upon the onerous duties only lately devolved upon woman-kind.

Dear Globe-Gazette:—You are to be congratulated upon the explanation given to those who may be called upon to serve on the jury. We regret that the article was not written and published earlier; it would have saved us many sleepless nights and agonizing days for fear we might not do just the right thing, or be jailed for "contempt of court." After working a life time for the privilege of suffrage, it "sure was a grand and glorious feeling" to, at last in our declining year, have the blessed privilee of sitting, not only with but as one of the "twelve good men and true" during the last term of court. If you will premit us, we will be pleased to add a few suggestions, that may materially aid our sisters in discharging their duty to mankind.

Firstly—If you are short in stature, ask the Judge to request that the sheriff request the Clerk to insist that the bailiff order the janitor to procure a foot stool for you. (The whole court is very obliging, and won't mind a little request like that. Also be sure the court reporter has said request in his notes.) Secondly—Take along some crocheting, some tating or family mending—the senery gets tiresome. (During some of the grave deliberation, one could easily do the family ironing, if the county would not object to the electricity consumed.) Thirdly—Be ready to answer any questions known to the civilized world in the "challenge." For example: "Where do you live?" "How old are you?" (So far this question has only been asked the men, this is not fair to the women.) "What does your husband do?" "What did you have for breakfast?" Did you have cream or milk in your coffee?" After about seventeen similar to the above questions, you will be asked as a final proof of your alegibility, "Will you if chosen on this jury, to the best of your ability give a fair unprejudiced verdict," or words to that effect? (After this severe grilling, one feels as if he or she had gone through another marriage ceremony.) And the last question seems superflous to women at least, after they have sworn "so help me God" before being admitted to the seat in the jury, they are not likely to "lie" at least during the next few minutes. The matter seems, as the lawyer keeps saying all through the case "irrelevant," etc., to say the lease Oh, there's one thing we nearly forgot, "Do you know either of the lawyers on either side of the case, or are you acquainted with either the plaintiff or the defendant or any of their relatives back to the days of Noah? (Be careful about getting the "plaintiff" and the "defendant" located early in the trial—it sure helps a lot.

There is one thing that sure confuses the woman juror as the trial proceeds; namely, that both "sides" insist an entirely opposite conception of the matter in hand. For instance the plaintiff may say: "The defendant and myself talked this matter over on the 12 of last January when we were out at East Park, admiring the buffaloes.". Then the defendant says, "I never in my life went with the plaintiff on the 12th day of January to East Park or any other day. I never saw or had any desire to see those blamed buffaloes." "This last after being "short handed" by the ever obliging court reporter is struck out because of the plaintiff's attorney on some perfectly good ground, and the trial proceeds merrily on. Now what under the canopy of heven, is a Christian woman going to do in such a plight. To put it mildly, somebody has told a falsehood. Oh well when you get into the jury room, let your sixth sense be your guide, aided by the explanations and instructions set forth by the judge—he has been on the bench long enough to tell which is the greatest truth teller.

P. S.—Besides getting three dollars a day while serving on the jury, while on a case, the jury is fed at the expense of the county, also there is ten cents added to the sum total at the end of the term of court, we don't know why, some one said to pay car fare the first day to the court house. One gets enough rest after that walk to Court. That dime is beyond us. "Ask Ray Seney," or some one else. Yours in the service for justice—

CARRIE V. A. LUCAS

CURING GOOSE MEAT.

In the vicinity of Kellog, Jasper county, are a number of farmers of German decent. The have a custom of "curing" goose meat the same as hams and side meat are put up. The geese are full dressed and salted down whole with a sprinkling of saltpeter. After thoroughly pickled in brine they are suspended in the smoke house and given a thorough smoking just the same as hams. They are then put in paper bags and hung up like any cured meat. The meat is said to be fine for summer use.—Waukon Republican & Stanard.

Iowa is now shipping an average of four carloads of corn a week to the Near East, C. D. Reed, stated This is better average than that of any other state in the mid-west, relief officials declare. Practically all of the corn has been contributed by the farmers of the state direct to the Near East Reief movement and has been transported to the seaboard by railroads free of charge.

State head of farm organizations are making plans for a final effort to complete Iowa's quota of 309 carloads by the latter part of February as the free transportation privilege from the railroads expires on that date.

More than a dozen larger cities in the state will hold financial campaigns this month for the Near East Relief, State Director C. A. Montanus has announced. Des Moines is now conducting a drive for $20,000 for the purchase of food and clothing for the famine suffers.

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Every man knows that a woman can make a dollar go twice as far as he can, but will he admit it? He also knows that he ought to see to it that the wife has the ready money to buy the Groceries and Dry Goods, then her natural gift of driving a bargain will exert itself and she will buy the Dry Goods and Groceries where she can buy the best for the least---at this store, of course---where quality is unquestioned and prices are an incentive.
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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

MUHLENBRUCH--WESTABY

The marriage of Willie C. Westaby and Miss Etta Muhlenbruch, two well known young people of this place, took place last Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Muhlenbruch of Alexander. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. D. Mohr, pastor of the Congregational church, and only a few immediate relatives were present to witness the event. The ceremony took place at 6:00 o'clock and a sumpuous wedding dinner followed.

The bride was gowned in a dress of white peblett and wore a corsage bouquet of sweet peas. Miss Mary Westaby, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, and Arthur Muhlenbruch, brother of the bride was groomsman.

The wedding march was played by Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson, and Esther and Elsie Muhlenbruch, sisters of the bride were flower girls. The color scheme was green and white.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Westaby, well known residents of Alexander.

Both the bride and the groom have resided in the vicinity of Alexander practically their entire life and are well known and popular young people of this community. Both attended the Alexander Consolidated schools and have been active in the affairs of the younger people.

Mr. and Mrs. Westaby left that evening for a wedding trip to Madison, South Dak., and other points, and on their return home they expect to commence housekeeping on a farm near Alexander.

M. E. Church Notes

Services each Sunday afternoon. Sunday school at 2 o'clock. Preaching at 3 o'clock every one invited at these services.

We neglected to mention last week about a fine oyster stew which was given by Miss Cornwell at the Oscar Walsh home on Monday evening, for her Sunday school class, after having a fine sleigh ride.

The Dorcas Society will meet on January 25th with Mrs. Pepaıak at the Will Foughty home.

Congregational Church

We hear so many complaints about the poor attendance of Sunday evening services, but we have no reasons to complain, and we never shall if you have been coming out and will keep on coming. But there are still many people around here who never go to church, and we invite them especially. You need not come to our church unless you feel like it. Go to any church in our community and we asure you that you will not regret it. There are also some children who do not go to Sunday school. What about them? We feel that God holds their parents responsible for their spiritual welfare. Let us make this community a "Church going community." Do not say "What good will it do me?" but ask yourself the question "What harm will it do me?"

Sunday school 10 a. m.
Morning worship 11 a. m.
Senior and Junior C. E. 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service 7:30 p. m.

School Notes.

The fourth and last number of the high school lyceum course will be given next Friday night, Jan.,20. It will be a variety number principally music, given by the Columbus Entertainers. Better be safe than sorry, therefore attend this number

There was a double header basket ball game on our floor last Friday night. Latimer high school teams and Alexander highschool teams. Every minute of the game was full of interest and intense excitment. Very few fouls were called. The games were exceptionally free from roughness and "dirty work." The Latimer youngsters are mighty fine people. Alexander won both games.

"Here's my fifteen cents for admission, no one was at the door when I came in." Thus spoke a little youngster—a boy and a perfect gentleman too, after the games were over last Friday night, as he handed the doorkeeper his dime and nickle. A reels, two educational and one comic.

Our encyclopedia fund is slowly growing. It is at present about sixty dollars. We hope to increase it to about $150.00. This is onother undertaking on the part of our pupils by giving various programs. We had hoped to realize a profit on our lyceum course this year in order to add to the fund, but instead there will be a deficit amounting to about mighty little thing to do you say. You're mistaken it probably will be one of the most eventful things in the boys whole career although the doesn't realize it. He's getting started right.

Our first "movie" was well attended. So far we have heard no well founded adverse criticism. Remember they are given each Tuesday night. As the school children bought the machine and equipment, they are admitted free. Others will be charged just a mere trifle— just enough for running expenses and possible breakage. There are three five dollars for each signer.

Pupils in English will criticize the above paragraph, saying it contains two subjects. Well you're right. We sacrificed English in order to break the news as gently as we know how to the lyceum course signers.

Our school term is half over. The progress of the pupils as a whole has been very satisfactory to the teachers in charge. Last Thursday and Friday were given over to examinations. We will strive to do even better work during the second semester. One of our aims is to reduce the number in the anvil chorus whose favorite refrain is "I never had a chance."

Roy Veeder of Belmond spent several days last week with relatives at this place.

Glenn Klinefelter, of Garner came last week for a visit with friends and relatives at Alexander.

Miss Anna Beenen was a caller at Belmond on Friday.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson, spent the week end with their parents at Latimer.

Fred Greenfield was a business caller at Belmond last Friday.

Mrs. Will Aldinger of Hampton has spent the past week, visiting at the home of her son, W. P. Aldinger of this place.

Mrs. Clay Klinefelter was a caller at Belmond Monday.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen spent the last of the week with her sister at Hampton.

George Elder of Belmond was transacting business at Alexander last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy and son, Raymond visited with relatives at Hampton the last of the week.

Chester and Lee Luick of Belmond were business callers at this place Friday.

Joe Veeder, Alferd Anderson and Dick Stoffer were business callers at Eagle Grove, Tuesday.

Adolph Eden returned to Rochester Minn., last Tuesday, for further medical treatment. Mr. Eden has not improved to the extent as his many friends and relatives have hoped for.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Anderson are rejoicing over the arival of a pair of twins, a girl and a boy which came to make their home with them on Wednesday, Jan.,11th.

On Monday afternoon a miscellaneous shower was given at the Otto Kieslich home in honor of Miss Laura Stadtlander, who will be married next Wednesday to John Muhlenbruch.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine of Galt are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Myrtel Meyer, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Green attended the funeral services of Mrs. Shroyer at Hampton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrtel Meyers, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine of Galt, spent Saturday at the John Arends home.

William Reed, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks is reported to be about the same at this writing.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer is visiting at the Beenen home this week.

William Walsh and family of Hamp- spent part of last week with his parents here.

Ralph Reer and Wife of Swaledale spent a week visiting his sister, Mrs. C. O. Walsh.

A. L. Brewster and Wife of Geneva are visiting relatives and friends here a few days.

Christ Miller of near Latimer was a business caller at Alexander last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen and baby visited with relatives at Belmond on Friday.

Joe Veeder was a Belmond caller Saturday.

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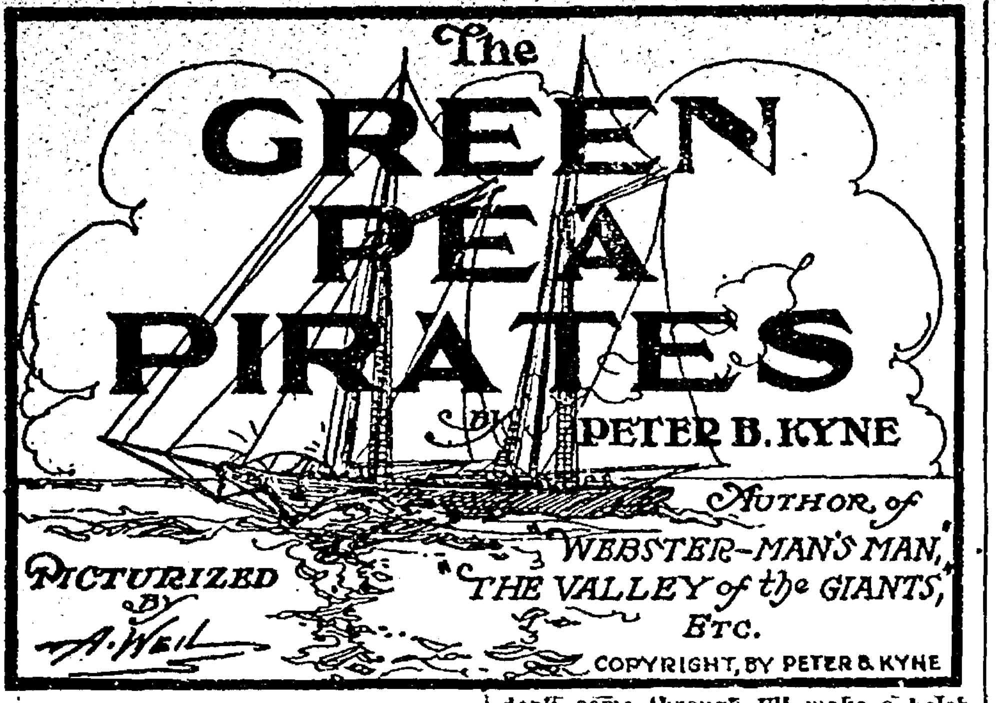

The GREEN PEA PIRATES

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Author of "WEBSTER—MAN'S MAN," "THE VALLEY of the GIANTS," Etc.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halversen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

gling Chinese into the United States, and while he had not received advice of this particular shipment, he decided to go with Captain Scraggs to Jackson street bulkhead and see if he could not be of some use to his countrymen.

As Captain Scraggs and his Chinese companion approached the wharf the skipper glanced warily about. He had small fear that either Gibney or McGuffey would show up for an hour, for he knew that Mr. Gibney had money in his possession. However, he decided to take no chances, and scouted the vicinity thoroughly before venturing aboard the Maggie. These actions served but to increase the respect of Gin Seng for the master of the Maggie and confirmed him in his belief that the Maggie was a smuggler.

Captain Scraggs took his visitor inside the little cabin, carefully locked and bolted the door, lifted the zinc flap back from the top of the crate of "Oriental goods" and displayed the face of the dead Chinaman. Also he pointed to the Chinese characters on the wooden lid of the crate.

"What does these hen scratches mean?" demanded Scraggs.

"This man is named Ah Ghow and he belongs to the Hop Sing tong."

"How about his pal here?"

"That man is evidently Ng Chong Yip. He is also a Hop Sing man."

Captain Scraggs wrote it down. "All right," he said cheerily; "much obliged. Now, what I want to know is what the Hop Sing tong means by shipping the departed brethren by freight? They go to work an' fix 'em up nice so's they'll keep, packs 'em away in a zinc coffin, inside a nice plain wood box, labels 'em 'Oriental goods,' an' consigns 'em to the Gin Seng company, 714 Dupont street, San Francisco. Now, why are these two countrymen o' yours shipped by freight —where, by the way, they goes astray, for some reason that I don't know nothin' about, an' I buys 'em up at a old horse sale?"

Gin Seng shrugged his shoulders and replied that he didn't understand.

"You lie," snarled Captain Scraggs. "You savey all right, you fat old idol, you! It's because if the railroad company knew these two boxes contained dead corpses they'd a-soaked the relatives, which is you, one full fare each from wherever these two dead ones comes from, just the same as though they was alive an' well. But you has 'em shipped by freight, an' aims to spend a dollar an' thirty cents each on 'em, by markin' 'em 'Oriental goods.' Helluva way to treat a relation. Now, looky here, you bloody heathen. It'll cost you just five hundred dollars to recover these two stiffs, an' close my mouth. If you don't come through I'll make a belch t' th' newspapers an' they'll keel haul an' skulldrag th' Chinese Six Companies an' the Hop Sing tong through the courts for evadin' th' laws o' th' interstate commerce commission, an' make 'em look like monkeys generally. An' then th' police'll get wind of it. Savey, policee-man, you fat old murderer? Th' price I'm askin' is cheap, Charley. How do I know but what these two poor boys has been murdered in cold blood? There's somethin' rotten in Denmark, my bully boy, an' you'll save time an' trouble an' money by diggin' up five hundred dollars."

Gin Seng said he would go back to Chinatown and consult with his company. For reasons of his own he was badly frightened.

Scarce had he departed before the watchful eye of Captain Scraggs observed Mr. Gibney and McGuffey in the offing, a block away. When they came aboard they found Captain Scraggs on top of the house, seated on an upturned fire bucket, smoking pensively and gazing across the bay with an assumption of lamblike innocence on his fox face.

He soon departed, but Mr. Gibney was suspicious. "He's got his lines fast somewhere—you can bank on that," was his comment. "While we was away he rigged up some kind of a deal, Bart. It stands to reason it was a mighty profitable deal, too. My imagination may be a bit off the course at times, Bart, but in general, if there's a dead whale floatin' around the ship I can smell it."

"What do you make out o' that fat Chinaman cruisin' down the bulkhead in an express wagon an' another Chinaman settin' up on the bridge with him?" McGuffey demanded. "Seems to me they're comin', bows on, for the Maggie."

"They tell me to deduct somethin', Bart. Wait a minute till we see if they're comin' aboard. If they are—"

"They're goin' to make a landin', Gib."

"—then I deduct that this body-snatchin' Scraggs—"

"They're boardin' us, Gib."

"—has arranged with yon fat Chinaman to relieve us o' the unwelcome presence of his defunct friends. He's gone an' hunted up the relatives an' made 'em come across—that's what he's done. The dirty, low, schemin' granddaddy of all the foxes in Christendom! I'll fish around an' see what figger Scraggs charged him," and Mr. Gibney stepped to the rail to meet Gin Seng, for it was indeed he.

"Sow-see, sow-see, hun-gay," Mr. Gibney saluted the Chinaman in a facetious attempt to talk the latter's language. "Hello, there, John Chinaman. How's your liver? Captain he alle same get tired; he no waitee. Wha's mallah, John. Too long time you no come. You heap lazy all time."

Gin Seng smiled his bland, inscrutable Chinese smile. "You ketchum two China boy in box?" he queried.

"We have," boomed McGuffey, "an' beautiful specimens they be."

"No money, no China boy," Gibney added firmly.

"Money have got. Too muchee money you wantee. No can do. Me pay two hundred dollah. Five hundred dollah heap muchee. No have got."

"Nothin' doin', John. Five hundred dollars an' not a penny less. Put up the dough or beat it."

Gin Seng expostulated, lied, evaded, and all but wept, but Mr. Gibney was obdurate and eventually the Chinaman paid over the money and departed with the remains of his countrymen. "I knew he'd come through, Bart," Mr. Gibney declared. "They got to ship them stiffs to China to rest alongside their ancestors or be in Dutch with the sperrits o' the departed forever after."

"Do we have to split this swag with that dirty Scraggs?" McGuffey wanted to know. "Seein' as how he tried to give us the double cross—"

"We'll fix Scraggsy—all ship-shape an' legal so's he won't have no come-back."

They had not long to wait. Upon his arrival at Gin Seng's place of business Captain Scraggs had been informed that Gin Seng had gone out twenty minutes before, and further inquiry revealed that he had departed in an express wagon. Consumed with misgivings of disaster, Scraggs returned to the Maggie as fast as the cable car and his legs could carry him. In the cabin he found Mr. Gibney and McGuffey playing cribbage. They laid down their hands as Scraggs entered.

Mr. Gibney began at once: "To show you what a funny world this is, while me an' Bart's settin' on deck a-waitin' for you to come back, along breezes a fat old Chinaman in an express wagon an' offers to buy them two cases of Oriental goods. He makes me an' Mac what we considers a fair offer. Lemme see, now," he continued, and got out a stub of lead pencil with which he commenced figuring on the white oilcloth table cover. "We paid twenty dollars for them two derelicts an' a dollar towage. That's twenty-one dollars, an' a third o' twenty-one is seven, an' seven dollars from twenty-five leaves eighteen dollars comin' to you. Here's your eighteen dollars. Scraggsy, you lucky old vagabond—all clear profit on a neat day's work, no expense, no investment, no back-breakin' interest charges or overhead, an' sold out at your own figger."

Captain Scraggs' face was a study in conflicting emotions as he raked in the eighteen dollars. "Thanks, Gib," he said frigidly.

"Me an' Gib's goin' ashore for lunch at the Marigold cafe," McGuffey announced presently, in order to break the horrible silence that followed Scraggsy's crushing defeat. "I'm willin' to spend some o' my profits on the deal an' blow you to a lunch with a small bottle o' Dago Red thrown in. How about it, Scraggs?"

"I'm on." Scraggs sought to throw off his gloom and appear sprightly. "What'd you peddle them two cadavers for, Gib?"

Mr. Gibney grinned broadly, but did not answer. In effect, his grin informed Scraggs that that was none of the latter's business—and Scraggs assimilated the hint. "Well, at any rate, Gib, whatever you soaked him, it was a mighty good sale an' I congratulate you. I think mebbe I might ha' done a little better myself, but then it ain't every day a feller can turn an eighteen-dollar trick on a corpse."

"Comin' to lunch with us?" McGuffey demanded.

"Sure. Wait a minute till I run forward an' see if the lines is all fast."

He stepped out of the cabin and presently Gibney and McGuffey were conscious of a rapid succession of thuds on the deck. Gibney winked at McGuffey.

"Nother new hat gone to h—l," murmured McGuffey.

CHAPTER IX.

Even after allowing for the expenditures on the engine weighing heavily on Captain Scraggs, that individual continued morose and more than ever inclined to be sarcastic. Mr. Gibney commented on the fact to Mr. McGuffey.

"He's troubled financially, Gib."

"Well, you know who troubled him, don't you, Bart?"

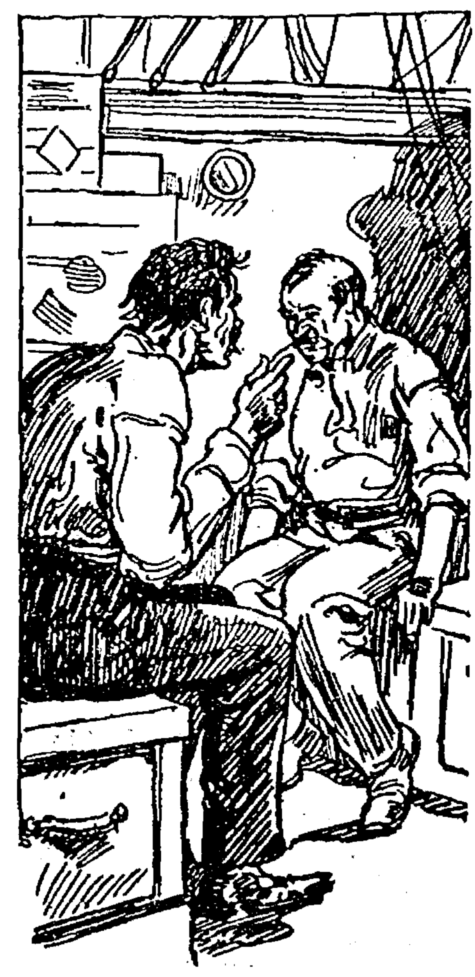
"I mean about the cost o' them repairs in the engine room. Unless he can come through in thirty days with the balance he owes, the boiler people are goin' to libel the Maggie to protect their claim."

Mr. Gibney arched his bushy eyebrows. "How do you know?" he demanded.

"He was a-tellin' me," Mr. McGuffey admitted weakly.

"Well, he wasn't a-tellin' me." Mr. Gibney's tones were ominous; he glared at his friend suspiciously as from the Maggie's cabin issued forth Scraggsy's voice raised in song.

"Hello! The old boy's thermometer's gone up, Bart. Listen at him. 'Ever o' thee he's fondly dreamin'.' Somethin's busted the spell an' I'll bet a cooky it was ready cash." He menaced Mr. McGuffey with a rigid index finger. "Bart," he demanded, "did you loan Scraggsy some money?"



"Bart," He Demanded, "Did You Loan Scraggsy Some Money?"

The honest McGuffey hung his head. "A little bit," he replied childishly.

"What d'ye call a little bit?"

"Three hundred dollars, Gib."

"Secured?"

"He gimme his note at eight per cent. The savin's bank only pays four."

"Is the note secured by endorsement or collateral?"

"No."

"Hum-m-m! Strange you didn't say nothin' to me about this till I had to pry it out o' you, Bart."

"Well, Scraggsy was feelin' so dog-goned blue——"

"The truth," Mr. Gibney insisted firmly, "the truth, Bart."

"Well, Scraggsy asked me not to say anythin to you about it."

"Sure. He knew I'd kill the deal. He knew better'n to try to nick me for three hundred bucks on his danged, worthless note. Bart, why'd you do it?"

"Oh, h—ll, Gib, be a good feller," poor McGuffey pleaded. "Don't be too hard on ol' Scraggsy."

(Continued Next Week)

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Belmond Local News

Miss Jean Haven went to Charles City Sunday afternoon where she will visit an aunt. She expects to remain there indefinitely.

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Fred Frohling is here from the west, spending a week or so at the homes of various relatives and friends.

The annual picnic of the M. E. church folks was held last week Friday evening and was attended by a goodly crowd, who unversally report a fine time enjoyed.

F. E. Christie and family expect to move this week to their new home on the farm.

A cut to ten cents for shaves and twenty-five cents for haircuts was announced last week by one of the barbers in the city.

Cato C. Griesy was reported as being numbered among those on the sick list a couple of days last week.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Mrs. Fred Luick has not been enjoying the best of health lately, but her friends will be glad to learn she is some better.

Supt. Prall, the speaker at the Good Fellowship club meeting last Friday night, was much enthused over the idea of the club, and plans to attempt the formation of a similar club at the county seat town.

FOR SALE—A goed hard coal heater, at your own price. Inquire at this office.

The Independent expects to start moving out its old linotype this week having sold it to a publisher in the southeast part of the state.

Phone the news to 115, please.

A deal was consumated Tuesday the Independent is informed, whereby G. F. Elder disposes of his farm about a mile west of Belmond, to C. G. Johnsn, a resident of the city, the consideration being $350 per acre. The deal was partly a trade. Mr. Elder and family expect to spend the summer in the west, and Mr. Johnson will move on the farm, the Elder family coming to the Johnson residence in town. Possession is to be given March 1.

Recently the Independent carried a district court item, regarding the divorce of Lena Ferguson from her husband, William, and stating the parties were from Rowan. Mr. Ferguson writes that it is a mistake, that it was a family of the same name who formerly lived in another county. The item was a clipping.

Mrs. Smith, from Waubon, Minn., was the guest of friends in Belmond last week Saturday. Mrs. Smith was formerly a resident of this place, and is now living with her son-in-law, J. R. Saatoff, at Waubon. She visited her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Dirksen, at Hampton, and also with relatives at Meservey, before returning home.

The Royal Neighbors lodge held their regular meeting Saturday afternon. Officers for the coming year were installed at this meeting, Mrs. F. E. Snyder acting as installing officer and Mrs. Rankins as Grand Marshal. No meeting of lodge will be held during the month of Feb.

Atty. J. M. Jensen was at the county seat last Saturday, looking after some legal affairs.

Your local ad in the Independent reaches twelve hundred families, and it brings results. Try it the next time you have something to sell.

Friends of Mrs. Pat Knoer, formerly Miss Clara Lee of this place were informed recently of the very serious illness of her husband, who is at the hospital at New Ulm, Minn.

Mrs. Charlie Peterson, of Hampton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Tomson, the greater part of last week, returning Saturday to her home in Hampton.

W. J. Pech and E. G. Miller were in Swaledale Wednesday making some repairs for the creamery there.

Last week the Independent carried an ad for Wm. Messelheiser, of Meservey, for a married man wanted on the farm by the year. An inquiry came to this office Saturday, and a phone call was put in to Mr. Messelheiser. Upon his answering, it was found that he had hired a man just ten minutes previously. The man answering the ad is still on the lookout for a similar job, and if any of the farmer readers of the Independent, who want such a man, will call at this office, we will be glad to bring the two together.

Wiliam Chase left Sunday afternoon for his duties at Coe College, at Cedar Rapids, after a week's vacation with the home folks.

Mr. Lockhart, who was the architect on the school building and library here, was in town Friday, looking after business interests. Mr. Lockhart is the architect on the proposed new school at Meservey.

R. W. Halfpop, of Goodell, was in town last Saturday attending to some business interests here.

H. F. Reif, of Meservey, was in town last Saturday attending to some business matters. Mr. Reif is the Meservey business manager for the Independent.

L. V. Clark is holding a public sale on the 26th of this month. See his ad in this week's paper for full details.

The firm of Polmateer and Silvey, who have been farming together dissolved partnership recently, and chose Chas. Haupt, C. C. Landon, and T. D. Rankins as appraisers, to appraise the livestock, grain, machinery, etc.

Mrs. May Thomas returned to Belmond, Saturday, from her trip to Waterloo and Cedar Rapids, where she spent the week visiting relatives. She left the first of the week for her home in Montana.

If you have a news item, you can be sure that it will be appreciated if you phone it to 115. We want the news, and need your help to get it Help us to make the Independent a better paper. Phone the news to 115. Thank you.

Ernest Stapley is improving his residence in south Belmond by erecting a new addition.

Mrs. M. C. Madson, assisted by the Mesdames Mortimer and Moe, will be hostess Thursday afternoon to the Aid Society of the M. E. church.

Mrs. Mabel Bobzein, of Iowa Falls, visited her aunt, Mrs. H. N. Hildebrand, last week.

FOR SALE—A beautiful piano, highly polished, Chickering & Son make. Cost $850 at factory. Just as nice as new. Will sell very reasonable. Phone 116. Mrs. M. J. Bensch at W. H. Galliger residence.

Mrs. Glen Thomas and baby returned Tuesday from Welcome, Minn., where they have been visiting since New Years at the home of her folks there.

Wm. Voiles was a business caller at Mason City on this week Wednesday.

Miss Cockrane was a visitor over the week end with her sister, one of the teachers in the Clarion schools.

Oscar Gartin left Tuesday for Minnesota, where he went to look after interests on his farm near Waseca.

Herman Turk, of the county seat, was a business caller in town this week Tuesday.

Miss Cockrane one of the local teachers, expects to leave this week for her home in Dodge Center, Minn., where her brother is seriously ill. He is a service man, who went thru most of the battles participated in by American troops in the war, and escaped without a scratch. Upon his return to this country, at one of the camps he was run over by one of the trucks and very badly injured, necessitating the amputation of one limb.

Dr. Steele was a professional caller at Meservey on Tuesday, and at Kanawha on Tuesday night, making both towns with his car.

Test your eyes on our Reel of Vision. Perfectly ground lenses and gold filled frames. Satisfaction guaranteed. $4.00 per pair. Schultz Drug Co.

WANTED—A girl for general housework. Mrs. M. A. Holtzbauer.

FOR SALE—Single driving harness, cheap. W. L. Wilson, Belmond.

Mrs. D. E. Harris of Rowan, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Townsan last week Friday.

FOR SALE—1 Old Trusty incubator 78 size. Mrs. Louise Veeder. 92

Friends in Belmond received word Tuesday of this week of the death in Oregon, recently, of Rev. Scarbro, father of P. J. Scarbro, our former Supt. of schools. The deceased spent some time in Belmond, where he made many friends who extend to the relatives their sincere sympathy.

M. V. Galbraith, residing between Belmond and Meservey, will hold a public sale in the near future. Watch the Independent for date and advertising.

Corn shelling, day or night. Am still in the business. Phone 3608.—Henry Eide.

Auto Side Curtains Repaired—Prices reasonable. Bring them in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Townsan are the proud parents of a fine baby boy who came to their home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Burk entertained their daughter, Mrs. Danielson and children the past week.

Miss Hazel Thomas takes possession March 1st of the Christ Rise residence, which she recently purchased.

Mrs. Clyde Jennings was hostess to the Priscilla club on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Trafford entertained the Rev. and Mrs. Burref, to dinner last Saturday. Rev. Burref was formerly pastor at Klemme but is now on charge at Goldfield.

J. E. Pfaltzgraff, of the variety Store, was a business caller at the Twin Cities a day or so last week; attending to some business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Snyder of Des Moines, were guests over night last Tuesday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Snyder. They were enroute to Minneapolis by auto. Expecting to make their future home at that place where Carl will be in the employ of the Holland Furnace Co., who are establishing a branch office at that place.

Mr. and Mrs Wm. Sheriff are the parents of a baby boy born Monday.

The Independent is in receipt of a bottle of "Sunshine" polish, a gift from the maker, Roy C. Hyde, of Rowan. The polish seems to be good stuff and cleans and polishes surface in nice style. We imagine the product should have a good sale.

The American Legion post of Belmond has some large plans for the future activities, and among them are three home talent plays, which it is understood, they plan to stage within the next couple of months. The boys have a great variety of talent, and will receive a hearty support of the public in their undertakings.

Mr. and Mrs. Duran Nagle, of Clarion were guests, Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kinney.

Rev. Wilkinson, of Mason City, was a guest of his brother, Rev. Wilkinson and family, of Belmond a couple days last week.

Large qualities of ice are being put up at Lake Cornelia, by various parties from Clarion and other points.

The Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion held their meetng at the Legion hall on Tuesday of this week.

Miss Nellie Delaney was a visitor, Tuesday of this week at Mason City.

Ole Thompson was a caller at the county seat on Friday of last week, looking after some business interests.

"Tom," of the Candy Oitchen, is spending a few days at Mason City, visiting with friends at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bailey are the parents of a fine baby boy, who arrived at their home, Wednesday morning of this week.

Otto Hanson and mother, Mrs. Hans Hanson, were Mason City callerson Tuesday, where Mrs. Hanson had her eyes treated.

The Epworth League, it is understood, are planning on putting on another of their popular home talent plays some time in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lee are rejoicing over the arrival at their home, Wednesday of this week of a fine baby boy.

Leo Dorr entertained a group of young people to a sleigh party the latter part of the week. In spite of the cold, equipped with robes and blankets, everyone enjoyed himself.

Mrs. Wm. Tyrrell entertained her Sunday school class of the Congregational church Saturday evening.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. F. Bailey The meeting was conducted by Mrs. J. S. White. Following the meeting a social hour was enjoyed, after which Mrs. Bailey served suitable refreshments. One of the most interesting features of the refreshments, was the tea sent the group from China by their own missionary, Rose Bartlett.

Several of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Luick, Jr., gathered at their home west of town, the occasion being a suprise party for Mrs. Luick in honor of her birthday. A very entertaining evening was spent.

The Progress Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Chester Luick. A very interesting meeting was held under the leadership of Mrs. C. I. Williams. The lesson under discussion being Mexico.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

School Notes.

The Klemme basket ball team will play at Goodell Friday night Jan. 20th.

Last Friday the Goodell teams went to Crystal Lake to play basket ball. It was a hard and tiresome ride there but the treatment received from the Crystal Lake school made the boys and girls forget the ride.

Crystal Lake has a splendid new school building and modern gymsium suitable for good atheletics.

The girls teams played first score; Crystal Lake 29, Goodell 3.

The boys game was much faster and closer. The first half was a very even game, it closed with a score 12 for Crystal Lake and 8 for Goodell. The last half the Crystal Lake boys pushed their score up to 28 and the Goodell boys boys pushed their's up to 12. The Goodell teams were much pleased with the treatment that they received while on the trip.

Crystal Lake will play a return game her on Friday Feb. 3.

The Goodell School Board met on Monday night and determined thd bounderies of the promised Consolidated School District.

Remember the address to be given on next Thursday night on consolidation at the school house.

A silent reading test was given the high school on Tuesday afternoon.

The eighth grade will take special music the last semester.

The eighth pupils having finished their geograghies and are beginning work on civics.

Forest Porn was excused from school on Monday afternoon on account of illness.

Verl McNutt has been out of school for four weeks because of illness.

Archie and Dale Conklin and Gage Laclore were absent the greater part of last week because of illness.

Wayne Wesenberg was absent from school on Monday due to sickness.

Esther Robbins is in again after two weeks absense.

Florance Mason is back in school after two weeks absence.

Doris Miller had been absent from school more than a week due to sickness.

Mrs. W. F. Beier went to Garner on Thursday to help take care of her mother who has an attact of pneumonia. She returned on Saturday. She reported that her mother is improving.

Mrs. T. R. Burgess had choir practice at her home on Thursday night. Light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Johnson returned to Spirit Lake on last Wednesday.

Howard Kepner and his mother remained in Goodell until Saturday visiting friends. On Saturday they left for Spirit Lake where they will visit relatives.

Mr. S. S Matson is improving rapidly; he is now able to come down stairs for his meals.

Mrs. Chris Dieger accompanied Mr. Dieger's mother to her home in Ill.

Mrs. Jack Zeilie has been suffering with a severe cold the past week.

Mrs. Earl Ruka is sick with bronchitis.

Mr. Frank Quigley Jr. is improving, but it will be some time before he can be out.

Mr. P. Quigley is reported to be getting along nicely.

A. O. Thompson, living south of town is planning on a farm sale some time next month, but has not yet chosen his date.

County Legion Meeting

Wednesday, Jan. 25th

Belmond, Iowa

At 2:30 p. m. there will be a meeting at our Club Room for Legion Men only.

At 7:15 there will be a mass meeting at the High School Auditorium, open to the public. We urge you to be present and hear the LIVE WIRE LEGION MEN OF THE STATE. Noted speakers will be here. Come and learn what the Legion is doing.

Supper

The Womens Auxiliary will serve supper to the public at the Congregational Church parlors. Support the Auxiliary. Everybody Invited.

Dance

After the Mass Meeting there will be a Public Dance at the Opera House for Legion Benefit. Music by the Hawkeye Orchestra Dance Tickets $1.10.

Wednesday, January 25th

Everybody Come!

Under Auspices of Embrink Post No. 35

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COUNTY LEGION MEETING HERE WEDNESDAY

Many Trials Lined Up for February Term

Cases From All Parts Of The County Are Being Listed For Trial Next Month.

FEW ARE FROM BELMOND

(From the Monitor.)

A. W. Christopher brings suit against J. O. and Ida Nelson to secure judgment on note for $374.21.

Mitchell Sales Co., of Clarion is suing W. L. Toppings on two notes aggregating $292.92. One note was orginally given to E. B. Robin and later became the property of the plaintiff. Defendant is alleged to have absconded.

W. K. Roosevelt of Clarion asks judgement against W. L. Toppings in the sum of $650.58 on account of groceries sold said defendant. An attachment was issued against four horses belonging to Toppings.

Frank Vanderskee brings two suits against E. E. Evans to recover the sum of $381.53 as balance due for labor and services performed.

J. O. Nelson is made defendant in a suit on note for $315.00 given to Sam Guddall and payable at the Farmers Savings bank of Thor.

An unpaid balance of $3226 on a promissory note is cause for suit filed by Martin Darkas vs. Frank McDaniels of Woolstock.

H. G. Tillinnghast vs. M. H. Thomas is a suit to recover $183.94 on a promissory note.

Wright county has begun suit to collect the sum of $1246 from Perry Busick of Belmond, who is now confindo in the state hospital for the insane at Cherokee. The sum asked is for money advanced to the hospital authorities for the care, keep and medical attendance for said Busick. The law provides that patients having means to do so shall pay their own expense.

Amos Thompson of Eagle Grove has confessed judgement in favor of the Kalo Brick & Tile Co., in the sum of $421 for hollow building tile.

Yepsen & Son of Kanawha bring suit against N. R. and Florence Tripp to recover $5421 on their note.

A suit for $431 on notes given for cash rent has been filed by Johnson Bros. vs. Chas and James Hall of Eagle Grove.

Perry Musk of Eagle Grove seeks judgement against J. C. Middleton in the sum of $700 on his promissory note given in payment for work performed in his behalf.

J. H. Martin & Son of Eagle Grove state that they sold Ed and Blanche Comstock et al merchandise in the sum of $146.21 and that defendants have disposed of their property for the purpose of placing the same beyond the reach of the creditors. A second suit by the same firm is brought against Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Comstock for the sum of $189.39.

Since the first of January the force at the treasurer's office has not been rushed so hard. Five regular and four extra clerks were needed during the last weeks of December to care for the auto license business. The office lobby was filled to overflowing on several occasions by people waiting their turn. In addition to this Treasurer Allen received a full box of mail every day when the last day for regristration came fully 500 letters were unanswered. It seems an imposition to shoulder the auto fee business onto the treasurer's office at a time of the year when regular tax matters require attention. Something over 3000 licenses for 1922 have been issued, but there are yet a few hundred delinquent.

A couple of weeks ago the court notes contained the mention of a divorce in which Lena Ferguson asked separation from her husband Wm. and that the parties were from Rowan. This was a mistake as we are imformed that they belong to another Ferguson family and formerly lived in Jasper county.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Regular prayer meeting service Thursday at 7:0 p. m.

Study, fifth chapter of Acts.

Regular Sunday services.

Sunday school 10 a. m.

Preaching service 11 a. m.

Epworth League 6:30 p. m.

Preaching service 7:30.

Miss Grace Meinders was a visitor with friends at Rowan several days last week.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens, of Rowan, was a guest last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard.

BOX SOCIAL IN PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Pleasant township center school was packed to overflowing on Friday night, January 20th, when about 150 farmers, their wives and children. gathered for a box social. The proceeds of which are to be laid aside for the financing of the Belmond short course.

An interesting school program arranged by Miss Grace Gartz, teacher of the local school, was enjoyed by everyone. The program consisted of dialogues, recitations, musical numbers and a pantomine. A short talk was given by the county agent in which he explained the few difficulties which have arisen in the ranks of the farm bureau.

The feature of the meeting was the box social which began at 11 o'clock and ran into the wee hours of the morning. The artistic decorations on the boxes showed that time and patience had been spent by the ladies in preparing for the occasion. The county agent acted as auctioneer in selling the boxes.

COMMUNITY CLUB MEETS

The Community Welfare Club meets Friday afternoon, January, 27, in the library basement. The program has been changed and will be on Robert Burns and Scotland. The chairman, Mrs. J. E. Wallace, will be glad if any of the members who have selections from Robrt Burns will give them or bring them to read, and if you know a good Scotch story tell it to the club Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Bert Anfinson is chairman of the serving committee.

Joe Sampson showed us a hen egg Friday, which, if laid every day, would put Joe in Henry Ford's income tax class. This example of hen fruit was three times the size of the ordinary egg, perfectly formed with a hard shell, and weighed over five ounces. Herman Schultz has the egg now. It ought to make Herman at least one good meal. We suppose Brother King, of the News will question this story. Brother King sorta doubts these "unusual" events.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP CO-WORKERS, NOTICE!

The Farm Bureau co-workers of Pleasant township are invited to be Present at the J. F. Henn home on Friday evening of this week, January 27th, to talk over the plans for the coming year in Farm Bureau work. Mr. and Mrs. Henn are inviting all the co-workers of the township to meet at their home on that evening for this purpose. The meeting will open about 7:30.

Local Students Win First Match Of the Season

Local Debating Team Defeats Eagle Grove In First Round Of State Contest.

WIN BASKET BALL GAMES

The three forensic heroes of Eagle Grove High School were outclassed in the tilt with Belmond debaters last Friday afternoon, the latter winning the decision 2 to 1.

Interest was high among the students when the rival teams took their places. Rev. S. U. Leinbach presided. The question was one to be used throughout the state this year: Resolved that the Phillippines should be given their independence within five years. Eagle Grove supported the affirmative, and the Belmond team consisting of Elaine Rierson, Lee Lowenberg and Teddy Johnson, upheld the negative. Each speaker was allowed ten minutes for his constructive argument and five minutes for rebuttal. Our team went after the visitors hard, convincing their listeners not only by the validity of their arguments, but by the force and vitality of their presentation.

The judges were J. A. Rogers from Clarion, Supt. Smylie of Dows, and Mr. Boehmler of Hampton.

We will now debate in the second round of the state series. On February 3 we debate Storm Lake here, and we still have the negative. We hope that everyone will be out to hear the debate.

Second semester started Monday, with a new program, and a new schedule for many pupils.

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Farm Bureau Work Reported By Agent Edwards

Events Of Farmer Organization Thruout County As Told By The County Leader.

FINE WORK BEING DONE

Federal Meeting in Des Moines

If the enthusiasm and unity of thought and purpose demonstrated in the Farm Bureau Federation convention held in Des Moines last week reflect the prevailing sentiment of that organization then it is indeed a virile going concern. For it was not only the largest convention yet held, measured by numbers, but the most earnest and forward-looking in its attitude and policy toward questions of the day.

The activities and accomplishments of the year 1921 were set forth at length in the report submitted by Secretary Cunningham. They covered a wide field, including practically all the problems current, and were of a character that must convince the sober-thinking element of the nation that the farm bureau movements as a whole is a distinct contribution of constructive energy.

The report summarized the work of the legislative committee in connection with the last session of legislature; explained what had been done to secure more adequate credit for farmers; of efforts contributed toward a solution of transportation problems; told of cost accounting projects livestock marketing and a long list of other activities carried on during the year. It showed the federation to be sound and flourishing financially, conquently in a position to go frward to still greater usefulness and achievement.

Among the recommendations made for the year ahead the secretary believed the federation should encourage and support the grain marketing and livestock marketing projects developed by the committee of seventeen and the livestock committee of fifteen. He recommended the appointment of a spcial committe to study the question of taxation upon a broad and comprehensive basis, and another committee to make a searching investigation of the good roads problem, with a view of evolving a satisfactory state-wide plan of farm-to-market roads, with special attention to the secondary road system.

President Hunt in his address took the stand that the solution of the farmers' difficulties rest wholly in a higher level of prices for farm products, and thought energy would better be directed to that end rather than in attempts to scale prices of other commodities down to the level of farm products. He pointed out the need of a special financial system or vehicle for the accommodation of agriculture before it would be possible to bring a consummation of hopes in the field of marketing, and he urged careful study and investigation by farmers in this field, as well as in the realm of production. He regretted the endeavors of certain interests to discredit the farm bureau movement and insisted that there is no real ground for such antagonism, other than personal jealousy, because the movement is wholly safe and sane in its policies seeking only those things which mean a square deal for all.

President Howard of the American federation addressed the convention during the afternoon of the first day. It was one of the most thoughtful and forceful presentations of the cause and needs of agriculture ever delivered in Iowa. He discussed problems of cooperative marketing, tansportation and legislation in detail, and his explanation of the "secret meeting" alleged by Senator La Follette to have been held with the representatives of big business made the accusations of the gentleman from Wisconsin look exceedingly cheap and baseless.

Governor Kendall addressed the convention Wednesday morning. He scored the railroads unmercifully for what he termed their "hocus pocus" claims in connection with the matter of valueation for taxation. He expressed emphatic disapproval of both the burning of corn and of corn acreage restriction. and after citing the interest arrears of foreign nations to this government insisted that at least half the amount of unpaid interest, which totals more than one billion dollars, should be paid and invested in corn and given to the starving peoples of Europe. He declared that freight rates could be reduced twenty-five per cent and still pay fair inerest on the valuation; a new classification is imperative he declared, and if the Interstate Commerce Commission refuses to give it, then we must have a new Interstate Commerce Commission.

Dr. Pearson of Ames was inclined to take a hopeful view of things; professed to see light ahead and believes we have passed the lowest point in the prevailing business stagnation. Among other thoughts he presented some very interesting figures showing the abnormal spread between the price of products when they leave the farm and the price when they return in edible form. He would remedy this particular brand of profiteering by a campaign of "plain, pitiless publicity" through the press, even the extent of using paid advertising to acquaint the consuming public with the truth.

Several other speakers addressed the convention during the two days, among them Mrs. Richardson of Pella; Dr. Studer of Ames; Howard Clark of Des Moines, and Frank Meyers of Chicago. Mr. Clark's talk had to do with railroad valuations and rate schedules. Mr. Meyers presented the grain marketing plan as developed by the committee of seventeen.

Present C. W. Hunt was the unanimous choice of the convention to head the organization another year. There was no other canidate mentioned. Two canidates were brought out of the office of vice-president, Chas. Hearst of Cedar Falls, and L. S. Fisher of Edgewood, the former winning the election by ten votes. Directors were elected to represent the Second, Fourth, Sixth, Eighth and Tenth districts. Only one upset occurred and that was in the Second, where John Hanson of Scott county was elected to succeed Chas. Coverdale of Clinton.

At a meeting of the executives committee held Wednesday evening following the convention E. H. Cunningham was unanimously chosen secretary for another year. The committee also took prompt steps to select a farm woman representative on the committee, naming Mrs. Richardson of Pella as an ex-offico member.

Shinn Coming to Wright

A. J. Shinn of Woodbine will conduct a series of farm bureau meetings in Wright county beginning Monday, January 30th, and continuing throughout the week.

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Interesting Items From Neighboring Town of Goodell

Many Items Of Interest From The Town As Told By The Independent Reporter.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES MANY

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Reed entertained the Ladies Aid at the Porsonage on Wednesday Jan. 25.

Dr. Long of Hampton was here on Monday to consult with Dr Snearly in regard to Mr. Hetland case.

On the morning of January 19 Mr. P. Quigley departed from this life. Father Eardly conducted the funeral services.

Mr. Quickley had come to Goodell to take care of his son, Frank who had pneumonia. He was taken away by the same disease.

Mr. Frank Quickley Jr., is improving fast.

Mr. E. T. Hetland is very sick with pneumonia.

The people who attended the third number of the Lecture Course enjoyed the best lecture that has ever been given in Goodell for some time. The lecture was not only instructive but Mr. Boblitt has wit and humor with serious and terrible facts. Mr. Boblitt has a pleasing delivery.

The Maitland Entertainers will give a musical number here on Feb. 2nd. They appeared at Klemme earlier in the season and gave satisfaction.

Mrs. Jack Zeilie is still confined to the house because of a severe cold.

Miss Hughes of Garner visited in Goodell last Sunday.

Mrs. John Ahrenkiel has been much indisposed lately because of a cold.

Jan. 27 the basket ball teams go to Klemme to play the return games.

Adolph Skovlin Elected Wright County Commander

Local Man Given High Honor By Comrades At County Convention Here Wednesday.

CHOOSE HIM UNANIMOUSLY

Adolph Skovlin, of Belmond, was elected County Commander of the American Legion at the meeting held yesterday afternoon at the local Legion hall.

Each Post appointed a man for the the nominating committee, and Mr. Skovlin was nominated and elected unanimously.

Dr. Tomkins, of Clarion, was eleced Vice Commander, and Fred Toyne, of Clarion, was chosen Adjutant, the elections being unanimous.

T. L. Roberts, the "Fighting Chaplin," Vice Commander of the district, was present, and explained the purpose of organizing the district.

Various other business matters were taken up and discussed.

In the evening, Attorney General Gibso, Chaplain Roberts, and Hon. B. M. Birdsall spoke at the mass meeting.

A more detailed account of the convention will be given in the Independent next week.

Jan. 20 the Goodell beat the Klemme girls here. The score was Goodell 12 and Klemme 8.

The Klemme boys team won over the, Goodell boys. Score—Klemme 11 Goodell 7.

Church Notes

We are peased to see the fathers bring their children to Sunday school on these cold Sundays. But father, why not come in and join the adult Bible class. Your Spirit needs food as well as the children.

The Sabbath Study of the Bible and fellowship with the make will put oil on the troubled waters.

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Preaching Services 11:00 A.M.

Preaching Services 7:30 P. M.

Prayer Meeting 7:00 Wednesday night. Bring your Bible and study the Scripture with us.

H. T. Miller, Pastor

Goodell School Notes.

Two well matched and interesting basket ball games were played on the Goodell floor between Klemme and Goodell Friday, Jan. 20. The girls played first defeating their opponents 12 to 8. From start to finish both teams showed exceptional pep and hard playing. The Klemme girls took the lead but it was soon covered when Edith Halfpop made three field baskets in close succession. The first half ended with Goodell ahead by 7 to 5. The second half guarding was closer and baskets were hard to make however the Goodell forwards made two baskets and a free throw. May Griggs did excepionally good work guarding her forward who was quite a little taller. The game was clean but marked with several fouls for both teams.

The boys played hard through the whole game. The Goodell boys had hard luck shooting baskets. Guarding was close on both sides which showed up the game a little but not enough to make it uninteresting. The first half ended wih a tie of 7-7. The second half showed still harder playing and no additional scores made until Klemme made two field baskets toward the ed of the half. This left the final score 11-7. Both games were clean and interesting. The return game will be played at Klemme on Jan. 27.

Garner plays here Jan. 31 and Crystal Lake Feb. 3. These games will conclude the season.

Last Thursday evening a very interesting and instructive lecture on consolidation was give by Prof. J. A. Woodruff, former sate inspecter of consolidated schools. His main object was to bring the facts before the people as it is no longer necessary to prove the value of consolidation, as this is shown by the thousands of consolidated schools over the state and United States. The attendance was good yet there were many who are opposed who could have been present but were not there.

The question of consolidation should be studied by everyone in the proposed consolidated district so that they will be able to vote intelligently.

Old-fashioned girls were afraid they would be critized and modern ones are afraid they won't.

READ THE ADS

OBITUARY

Minnie Nelson was born in Norway on April 16, 1865, being at the time of her death, 57 years, 9 months and 4 days. She came to the United States in 1867 with her parents, Henry and Carrie Nelson, who settled first in Wisconsin, later coming to Clear Lake, Iowa. The past fifty years of her life have been spent in Belmond and vicinity.

She was married in 1884 to Christian Furuseth, who passed beyond on April 2, 1917. To Mr. and Mrs. Furuseth were born three children, Clara Jacobson, Ella Luick, and Harold (deceased). Mrs. Furuseth is survived by her two daughters, four grandchildren, her aged father, Henry Nelson, three sisters, Mrs. Nettie Rierson of this city, Mrs. Annie Smith, of Ruthton, Minn., Mrs. Mattie Mooney of Jamestown, North Dakota, and a brother Mr. Edd. Nelson of Red Lake Falls, Minn. She united with the Lutheran church in girlhood and continued all her days a faithful and devoted adherent of her church. Such is a brief summary of a life of service and love which only those who knew her can appreciate.

Mrs. Furusch's protracted suffering was ended last Friday night when death released the gentle spirit from her tortured body. She has been a sufferer from a malignant internal growth, submitting to an operation some time ago for relief but it served to only temporarily stay the progress of disease. She has suffered very greatly for many weeks, but the sweet, gentle spirit bore the pain bravely and recognizing that life was drawing to a close, she, in perfect faith, longed to go that her release from suffering might also end the pain and grief of her loved ones in their own impotence and inability to help and restore her health. This community and the world is better because Mrs. Furuseth has lived her life of loving, self sacrificing adhorence to duty and the higher things of life, for altho entirely without ostentation or display, her devotion to her family and church, her loyalty to her friends, her pastor and her faith, were combined with a generous and loving disposition which endeared her to all with whom she mingled and caused her to unceasingly spend herself in service of love.

A gentle, loving faithful mother and friend has crossed to the other shore, there to join the father who had gone before. We mourn today, for great is our loss, but in spite of our mourning, our faith joins with hers in the triumphant knowledge that our God and Saviour has conquered death and we can look forward as did she, with untroubled faith to the time when we shall join her in he Land where all pain and suffering are wiped away and sorrow shall be no more.

"Sunset and evening bell
And after that the dark,
But may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark.
For tho from out this bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Trinity Lutheran church conducted by the pastor Rev. Jensen, and burial was in Belmond cemetery. A host of friends mourn with the bereaved family and feel for them a most sincere sympathy.

RED CROSS ELECTION

The annual electin of officers of the Belmond chapter of the American Red Cross will be held at the Belmond public library, Wednesday, February 1, from two to four p. m. At this time also the matter of changing the number required for quorum from nine to five will be acted upon.

The Independent has a copy of the petition being circulated about town, calling for radical cuts in the salaries of various county officials, and the abolishing of some offices, the stopping of much of the road work, and a number of radical ideas along the same lines. The writer has not taken time to go thru it thoroly, and is not prepared to render an pinion. It appears to be the work of D. M. Stephens of Goldfield, who gained much notoriety last summer by his stand on the road question. There seems, however, to be considerable pposition to it thruout the county.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

There was a good attendance at the services last Sunday even if the weather was cold. In Sunday school there was about a 85 per cent increase over the attendance of a year go.

The Ladies Missionary Society will hold their first meeting for the year next Thursday afternoon in the parlors of the church. Mrs. Hazel Case Berry will give a talk on Central America and we hope all who can possibly do so will be present to hear it.

The Bible study class will meet Thursday evening at 7:30. The regular services next Sunday to which all are invited. Miss Kathryn Thiltgen will be leader Sunday evening.

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SUGAR BEETS AS A FARM CROP

While the season just concluded has been in some respects a dispointing one to sugar beet growers, it is generally agreed by those from whom we have heard expressions of opinion that the beets have been the most profitable crop they have grown during the past year. In many localities we are told the pay checks distributed by the sugar companies have been the main factor in keeping business moving.

In judging the results of last year's sugar beet crop it should be compared, not with the years immediately preceding, but with the returns of the other crops during the same period. It must be borne in mind that 1921 was a year of acute agricultural depression. Sugar, like all other products of the soil, shared in this depression. The decline in the price of sugar was greater proportionately than in that of any other important staple. But while wheat and corn and other crops accumulated on the grower's hands, disposal of the sugar beet crop offered no marketing difficulties. It was promptly taken and promptly paid for, and as already stated, in many communities the cash received for it was almost the only currency in the general circulation.

This is one great advantage of sugar beets from the point of view of the grower. Within thirty days from the time he begins lifting his beets a large part of them has been paid for, and within ninety days practically all the proceeds of the season's work are to his credit in the bank or have been used to liquidate his outstanding obligations When the farmer puts his beet seed into the ground he knows that, whatever his output, he will receive a certain minimum price per ton for it and that, while his financial return will vary with the yield and possibly to a certain extent with the price of sugar, there is no possibility of the crop being left on his hands, or of his being compelled to sacrifice it at a price far below the actual cost of production.—Facts About Sugar Jan. 7, 1922.

Flattery wins more suits than argument.

A sick man knows the doctor doesn't realize how sick he is.

The dullest wit in the world can find a good excuse for not working.

No youth is hopeless unless he thinks he is a genius.

One who shirks responsibility soon finds responsibility shirking him.

Good resolutions won't take the place of bad actions.

Kindness doesn't always beget kindness. Sometimes it just makes 'em think you're easy.

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TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENATION

When, in the course of human events, it turns out that one people, or one locality, digs deep down into the far northeast corner of their pockets for the stray nickels and dimes which may have lodged therein, that they may pay unto the treasurer their portion of the revenues duly assigned and assessed against them, and yet they have nary a say, not a look-in, as to the affairs of the place wherein they dwell, is it not deer peepul, one great cause for which our forefathers fit, to wit: Taxation Without Representation?

It is. And does it not, deer peepul, look to you, in your calm moments of consideration, as tho Belmond had a pretty fair cause to start a Revolutionary War of its own? How come? Belmond is a dot on the map; maybe a little bigger dot than some; but just a dot; perchance but a bit of dust blown there by a summer wind; a place where they have money; where they are busy working and attending to their own business; but for anything else, forget it! We'll attend to the business of running this part of the Universe; never mind maybe they aren't capable. And we always have anyhow. And besides, we want to.

That seems to be about the way they reason it out, in some parts of the county, when it comes election time. And they elect their man— from some other part—and we say "yessir, yessir, verygoodsir!" and pay our taxes. Maybe we'll get a crumb, or a moldy crust, occasionally, just as a sort of recognition that there is such a thing as this end of the county.

Well, what do you think about it? Don't you think that it is not only about, but past time, when Belmond was represented in the County Councils? Good men, and true, are here; why not install a few of them in the seats of the mighty and have a little, at least, representation for the taxes we pay?

This year is election.

The primaries are this spring.

Why wait on the table any longer? Let's eat.

FORMING 88TH U. S. ARMY RESERVES

Organization of "Iowa's Own" 88th Division of the U. S. Army Reserves will be completed before the close of 1922, according to plans for a statewide recruiting campaign announced by Col. Leon W. Ainsworth, chief signal officer of the new reserve division.

Eleven cities in different parts of the state have been named as centers for the recruiting activity. The division will include 1,535 reserve officers and a full quota of enlisted men. Those enrolling will become members of the reguar organized reserves of the army, subject to call for duty in time of war. They will not have to do peace time training, unless they so desire, Col. Ainsworth said today.

Following are the cities and units to be located in them, as given out today by Col. Ainsworth: Davenport—Headquarters 45th Field Remount Depot; Lowa City—Headquarters 349th Infantry Brigade; Muscatine—Headquarters and Hq. Battery Field Artillery Brigade; Cedar Rapids—Headquarters 175th Infantry Brigade; Manchester—Headquarters 313th Ordinance Company; Clarksville—Headquarters 88th Light Tank Co; Council Bluffs—Headquarters Corps Surgeon; Corning—Headquarters 350th Infantry; Perry—Headquarters 365th Engineers; Des Moines—338th Infantry 313th Observation Squadron; 116th Communication Section; 320th Motor RepairBn; Special 7th Corps Troops; 313th Motorcycle Co.

The enlisted men for the division will be recruited from the areas surrounding the towns named above.

All men who had honorable service during the world war are eligible to enroll in the Eighty-eighth Division Reserves, Col. Ainsworth said. Application blanks are to be furnished through reular army recruiting stations or through the division reserve headquarters in Minneapolis.

Rev. Wilkinson, who is considered a fine speaker will assist with the meetings which are to be held at the M. E. church every evening next week.—Reporter.

CLIPPINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thayer and Mrs. Jim Thayer, of Belmond, were visiing in Klemme Monday between trains.—Times.

The Supervisors, in session Monday, decided to make reductions in wages for all road work this year, cutting patrolmen from $125 to $100 per month; men with teams to 50c per hour, and day labor to 35c per mile. Dragging is cut from $1 per mile for the round trip to $75c per mile for the round trip. This will govern all county and primary roads. —News.

The ice harvest in Clear Lake is proving quite a help to the laboring men. It comes at a time when all other lines of work are in least demand. Last week the Electric Line alone paid its men $1,800 for work done that week. Choate and Chisek and Martin Husband also had a large force of men at work, and no doubt their payroll amounted to about $800.—Clear Lake Reporter.

Miss Mary Parmelee, of Iowa Falls a former teacher in the Hampton schools, who has been in the canteen service in Coblenz, Germany, expects to sail for home January 31st. She has been in the service in Coblenz the past fifteen months with the exception of seven weeks spent in the same work at Antwerp, Belgium. She will sail from Marseilles, France, and will visit Italy and Switzerland enroute home.— Chronicle

Over at Belmond hair cuts and shaves are getting so cheap that they have to sell 'em in bunches to be able to make change.—Kanawha Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Barnes drove to Mason City Sunday, to meet Mrs. Barnes' mother, Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans, and Miss Catharine Pritchard who were returning from Rochester where Mrs. Rosecrans had been for an examination and to receive treatments.—Signal.

The band concert given at the Cosmo Theatre Monday evening by the Goldfield Concert Band drew a packed the house and many were turned away. Each number of the program was vigorously applauded, and especially the vocal numbers by Mr. Wallace of Reinbeck, who happened to be visiting a brother in Goldfield at the time.—Chronicle.

On Wednesday of last week Norman Schroeder of Wall Lake township mounted a trusty horse bareback and set out on an errand to one of his neighbors. When mounting for the return trip the horse evidently made nervous by the severe snow storm, began to rear and plunge, and Mr. Schroeder was quite severely injured.

He was taken in and cared for by the neighbor and was able to be moved to his home Sunday.—Monitor.

Mrs. Mat Crawford experienced a pecuriar accident this morning. She was sitting in a chair at her home, and in attempting to reach for a magazine on the floor, her feet slipped and she fell against the arm of the chair, but not out of it. In the fall two ribs were broken.—Forest City Summit.

All quarantines previously mentioned have been raised except the Harry Huntley home. Their little son has been very sick, but is now improving. New cases reported are John Morse and Martin Christianson in Clarion, Mrs. John Torpey at the home of her mother, Mrs. John O'Neill, south of town, and a baby at the Roy Mikelson home in Norway township.—Monitor.

Mrs. Wm. Trafford and children returned to their home in Bel[illegible] after a week's visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maitland who reside east of Klemme. —Times.

KILLED BY GAS FUMES

Eagle Grove Times: Andrew Langeland was found dead last Thursday morning, January 5th, after being missing since Christmas. His lifeless body was found beside his car in the garage of Matt Ramer, where Langeland kept his Ford. The supposition is that he was killed by fumes from the car while it was running. With the doors of the garage closed, the fumes became so strong that death resulted. The position of thq body and other evidence indicates that this was undoubtedly the cause of his death.

He was found lying in the rear of the car where he evidently had been putting on the new number plates, as the rear plate had been put on, and the front plate was lying beside the body. The car probably ran until the gasoline supply was exhausted as the tank was found to be drained dry and the ignition switch was still on.

He was last known to be alive Christmas Day, when he talked to his sister, Miss Martha Langeland. His sudden disappearance did not cause any undue anxiety, however, as he had been planning on going away for a few days and it was thought he had carried out his plans. When he failed to return later a search was made for him, but it was found he had not secured a pass from the railroad company, so an investigation was made to see if he had taken his car out of the garage. It was then that Mr. Ramer found him dead in the garage. An inquest was held and the decision reached that death had been due to gas fumes from the automobile.

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Rowan Local News

G. W. Whitten autoed to Goldfield last Tuesday and from there went to Des Moines with his brother-in-law, Clifford Snow, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle went to Goodell Friday to visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs.

William Baines, of Montgomery, came Wednesday to visit relatives here and at Dows.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum was on the sick list the first of the week.

D. W. Whitten was a Hampton caller Monday.

Grace Mienders returned to Belmond Monday morning after a week end visit with friends.

Peter Hansen was a Hampton visitor Friday. The family also spent Sunday in Hampton with their son, Arthur who is still in the hospital.

Mrs. Theo Hansen was a Coulter visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum spent Sunday in Meservey at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson.

Please phone your news items to No. 62. If you go out of town that's news, if you have a social gathering, that's news. We would appreciate your cooperation.

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion met in special meeting Monday night to complete plans for a Minstrel Show which will be given by the members of the Post Friday evening February 10th in the Brooks Theatre. This show will consist of three acts in which will be featured the serious and humorous sides of army life. Keep date in mind.

The Mission Study Club met at the home of Mrs. J. F. Howell Monday night. About twelve members were present. Ruth Emerson and Frances Farren were associate hostesses. Officers were elected for the coming year as follows; President, Mrs. J. F. Howell; Vice President, Mrs. D. W. Whitten; Sect'y and Treas., LaVonne Ballou; Chairman of Program Com., Laura McCallum; Chairman of Lierture Com. Refreshments were served.

Several of the young people of this community enjoyed a social time at a surprise party given in honor of Miss Mildred Duffy at her home Thursday night Jan. 19th. The young folks met at the Keith home at 7:30 and were taken out to Duffy's in a bob sled. Mildred was very surprised to see them all there. Emma Barker had charge of the entertainment, which consisted of "hypnotising the broom" "song charades" and several other interesting games. After one hour or two of good games a fine supper was served. The partners were obtained by ribbons placed in a closed door and the young people untangling the ribbons to find their partners. After supper one of the young ladies played and all of the young people sang. A little later the young folks bade goodbye to their hostess and were taken home. All enjoyed their social time.

Mrs. Ellen McCallum and children, of Thornton, spent Monday night at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. A. Emerson, returning home Tuesday.

Mrs. Ed. Ballou visited with friends at Belmond Wednesday.

Mrs. Clifford Snow, of Goldfield, came Monday to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Whitten, returning home Wednesday.

Mr. C. A. Church of Garner, visited relatives in town the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Reasoner, who visited at the Chester Bailey home last week, have moved to Dows where they will make their future home.

Mrs. George Whitten returned Thursday from Coulter where she spent a week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charley Peddle.

Mrs. Will Mollering was a Belmond caller Friday.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Mrs. J. I. Drury and children, of Highmore So. Dak., came last week to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler.

Kenneth Keith was a Fort Dodge visitor Saturday.

Miss Nora Shaffer was a Dows shopper Saturday.

Dean Fitz, of Des Moines came Friday to visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Gay Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Hansen, of Sheffield visited in Rowan Friday. They were enroute to Buffalo Center where they will visit Mr. Hansen's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bailey and family visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Casper Reasoner, at Dows Friday before leaving for their new home in Highmore S. Dak.

Mrs. Olnial Gates was a Belmond caller Saturday.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens visited Monday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard at Belmond.

Miss Mildred Duffy returned to Cedar Falls Saturday where she will resume her school duties after six weeks vacation.

Clifford Steffens was a Dows visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Jim Reasoner,, of Dows visited at the Chester Bailey home Monday.

Alfred Fletcher went to Dows Saturday to visit at the home of his brother, Harold and family.

Miss Mildred Azeltine spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Azeltine.

Mrs. D. E. Harris visited relatives in Belmond Saturday.

The Misses Osterhus and McCutcheon were week end visitors with friends in Fort Dodge.

Mrs. Sarah Moon was a Belmond caller Saturday.

R. E. Lee Aldrich was a Belmond caller between trains Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher and baby spent Sunday in Clarion at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fitz. Mrs. Fletcher remained for a few days visit.

Harvey Lineweaver was a Dows caller Monday.

S. A. Ferguson was a Clarion caller Monday.

Rev. W. J. Pettitt, of Fort Dodge delivered a fine address last Tuesday in the Brooks Hall. Mr. Pettitt spoke along the lines of the need of more cooperation between the farmers and the industrial classes of the country.

School Notes

A number of pupils are out of school from the lower grades on account of chicken pox.

Mrs. Will Bingham and Mrs. Joe Rowen visited the primary room one day last week.

The last three days of the last week were used for semester examinations.

Rowan won a double header game from the Clarion Basket Ball teams Friday night Jan. 20. The boys team won by a score of 23 to 1 in favor of Rowan. The first half ended in a score of 10-1 in Rowan's favor Rowan opened up the second half by putting two of Clarion's players out. This caused subsitution which gave Rowan a better chance for victory. The player who did the star work was Ralph Mollering, however Clarion's players saw most of the "stars." The girls game was hard fought from start to finish. This is the second game Rowan girls have played without two of the regular players. The visiting team was inclined to fight hard for what scores they got. In spite of all their hard playing Rowan defeated them 29-5.

The Domestic Science Class will start serving warm lunch at noon to the pupils, Wednesday Jan.,25th.

CHURCH NOTES

Methodist Church Notes.

Dr. Elliot will again preach in the Methodist church next Sunday morning. Those of us who heard him last Sunday will be glad to have him again. At the evening service the pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will preach on "The World's Nobodies." This should prove to be a helpful message.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet this week at the Methodist Parsonage.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes. Sunday Jan. 29th.

Morning Worship 11 A. M.
Sunday School 12 A. M.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 P. M.
Evening Service 7:30 P. M.

There will be services at the Cong'l church, morning and evening Sunday, and we would like to have you come, and bring the children and stay with them for the Sunday school. There will be special music and address. You cannot miss the Sabbath. Come and see for yourselves. Arrangements are being made for outside speakers.

The Junior Endeavor will meet at the church Wednesday at 4 p. m. "Children Come."

The Mid-week prayer meeting at the church Wednesday evening 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Nye. was at Dows for Sunday morning service at the Presbyterian church and had a very nice large attentive audience.

The Senior Endeavors will have an oyster supper in the basement of the church Thursday evening, Jan. 26th. 25 cents. Serving at 5:30. Lets go and enjoy this supper.

The Christian Endeavor will have their monthly meeting and social gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum on Thursday evening Feb. 2nd.

ID BENNETT HURT IN FILM COLLISION? NOT EVEN RUFFLED.

Enid Bennett was not injured, nor ruffled, nor in any way "forced into temporary retirement" when the dainty star was the central figure in a thrilling crash between a locomotive and an automobile, staged for one of the closing scenes in "Her Husband's Friend," which will be shown at the Star theatre on Jan 28.

The collision is the culmination of several stirring situations which lead to an unexpected climax. Miss Bennett, in the role of Judith Westover, is the target for the persistent wooing of Tom Chatterton, who, having "his mind off the wheel," proceeds to step on 'erand plundge head-on into a six-coach passenger special speeding at sixty miles an hour, more or less. The action of this particular scene demanded that the automobile be overturned and Miss Bennett and escort thrown headfirst down the embankment.

Sunday School Convention

The union services last Sunday in the interests of the Wright county Sunday School Association were a splendid success. Dr. Elliott, of Dows preached at the morning service in the Methodist church, his message being an inspiration to all. At the joint Sunday school session Mr. Edgar Bingham spoke on "An Ideal Sunday School." This was followed by a discussion. The choir sang an anhem, "Awake, Awake," and Mrs. A. O. Pelly and Miss LaVonne Ballou rendered a duet in a pleasing manner. Dr. J.Jamison, of Clarion, preached a fine sermon at the evening hour of worship, which was grealy enjoyed.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards.

(Continued from Page One.)

Mr. Shinn will come to the county as a representative of the Iowa State Farm Bureau Federation and will deal with the accomplishments of the state and national federations and will explain the attacks which have been made upon the organization and its officers.

Every farmer in Wright county should plan to attend one of these meetings and hear Mr. Shinn's discussion of the farm bureau work.

Meetings will held as follows:

Dows, Monday, Jan., 30, 2:00 p. m. Goldfield Tuesday, Jan., 31, 2:00 p. m. Belmond, Wednesday, Feb., 1, 2:00 p. m; Woolstock, Thursday, Feb., 2 2:00 p. m; Galt, Friday Feb 3, 2:00 p. m; Clarion Saturday, Feb. 4, 2:00 p. m.

Belmond May Have Short Corse.

A committee meeting of representatives from Grant, Pleasant and Belmond townships and representatives from the Belmond Commericial club met in the Belmond Savings bank, Saturday afternoon, January 7th, for the purpose of making plans for a short course to be held at Belmond this winter. Another committee meeting will be held at the same place Saturday afternoon, January 21st, at which time it will be definitely decided whether or not Belmond will put on a short course this year. In the meantime efforts will be made by the Belmond Commericial club also by the three townships concerned to raise the necessary funds for holding the course.

The Ladies' Department

In the absence of a home demonstration agent the county agent has carried on the demonstration work in the ladies department quite successfully. The program of work for the year included every kind of project available to the ladies department through the extension office. Through the efforts of the county agent the ladies of the county have had the advantage of specialized work even though Wright county has no demonstration agent. The ladies of Wright county have been very active in the work of the Farm Bureau during the past year and it will be noted that a keener interest is being devoloped in the different communities. This condition is as it should be because the Farm Bureau shoud be a family affair if it is functioning properly.

A Live Organization

The Wright County Farm Bureau is an organization which aims at all times to serve the farmers in the county in their effort to grow better crops, produce better livestock, build better homes and in all activities which have a tendancy to improve farm conditions and build toward a more permanent and prosperous agriculture. The organization has four executive officers and a board of directors made up of one lady director and one man director from each township in the county. In addition to this, each township has its separate organization with its executive officers and co-operators, one from each school district in the township. The executive board of directors is made up of four executive officers and three directors. The Wright County Farm Bureau varies from other county farm bureau organizations in that it has one lady director from each township on its board. During the year 1921 the executive board of directors happened to have three ladies on its list.

The farm bureau is an organization which is founded on the sound basis of "live and let live" and does not or never has made unreasonable demands upon other farm organizations. Its aim has always been to work in harmony with all other organizations which really and truly have the interests of the farmers at heart. The farm bureau does not believe in radicalism nor in the favoring of any special interest or industry but it does stand for a deal for the farmers in general at all times and under all circumstances. It does not wish to ask for anything but what it is perfectly willing that other organizations should have. It stands for a progressive development of agriculture in Wright county and believes that farmers should have at least the cost of production for the livestock and grain which they place on the market.

KINSETH STORE NEWS

Been pretty cold lately, hasn't it? Have a hard job to keep warm. We can help you out on this a little; just look over the children's hose we offer for 15c a pair, sizes 5 to 9 1-2.

And to help you keep warm at night, take a look at our Army Blankets, the real stuff, which we have at only $2.98. You've seen them priced as high as $7.00.

Dynamite is generally conceded to be powferful stuff—and our Dynamite Flour sure is: we guarantee it to be worth every single cent of what we ask—$1.95—and cheaper than a great many flours not so good.

What did you do last evening when unexpected company came? If you had had some of our rice—5 pounds for 25c—or a couple cans of our oil sardines—at 5c—it would have helped, wouldn't it? You can get Sunmaid seedless raisins for only 28c too.

J. P. Coates Thread per spool 5c.

WATCH—for the EXTRA specials we will have next week, don't forget the store on the corner—and remember that we are still selling sugar at 15 pounds for a dollar!

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Ladies' Hose	25c
Infants Wool Hose	19c
Children's Hose	18c-25c
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Dress Gingham	20c and 25c
Men's Fleeced Cotton Underwear, Shirts or Drawers	85c
Men's Work Shirts	75c
Men's Dress Shirts	$1.00
Men's Dress Pants	$1.50 to $2.00
Maple and Cane Syrup	20c
1-2 lb cans apricots or peaches	25c
Jell, per glass	10c
Quart jar cocoa	25c
Peaberry Coffee	25c
3 pkg. Macaroni or Spaghetti	25c
Lard, per lb	15c

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

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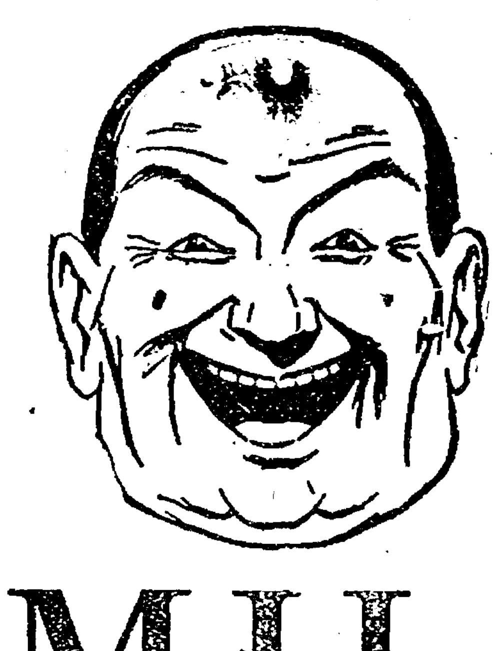

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Woodruff's Mammoth Shoe Sale Now Going On. High Grade Shoes Below Rock Bottom Prices.

GET YOUR SHARE OF THE SMILES!

WOODRUFF'S

26 Years of Good Shoes

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Public Sale!

PURE BRED DUROC JERSEY SOWS AND GILTS

At Case Livery Barn, Belmond, Iowa, at 2 p. m.

Thursday, Feb. 2, 1922

25 = Head = 25

Consisting of

Two tried sows of Orion breeding.

10 Fall Gilts sired by Aviation, a son of Aviator, a boar that was at the head of Lloyd Wellendorf's herd at Algona.

3 Gilts by Choice Wonder, 2nd, Iowa Jr. Champion, 1919, John Roskamp.

2 Gilts by Col. Trailfinder, A. E. Mallory.

8 Gilts by King Wonder I Am.

This is a very good bunch of Gilts and are in good condition to do you the most good and are bred to an outstanding son of Col. Trailfinder. He is the biggest Jr. pig I have seen this year.

A few are bred to a son of King Wonder I Am, another good boar.

TERMS---10 months time may be had on good securities.

Geo. Thompson

LEWIS HAUGE, Auctioneer State Bank, Clerk

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm

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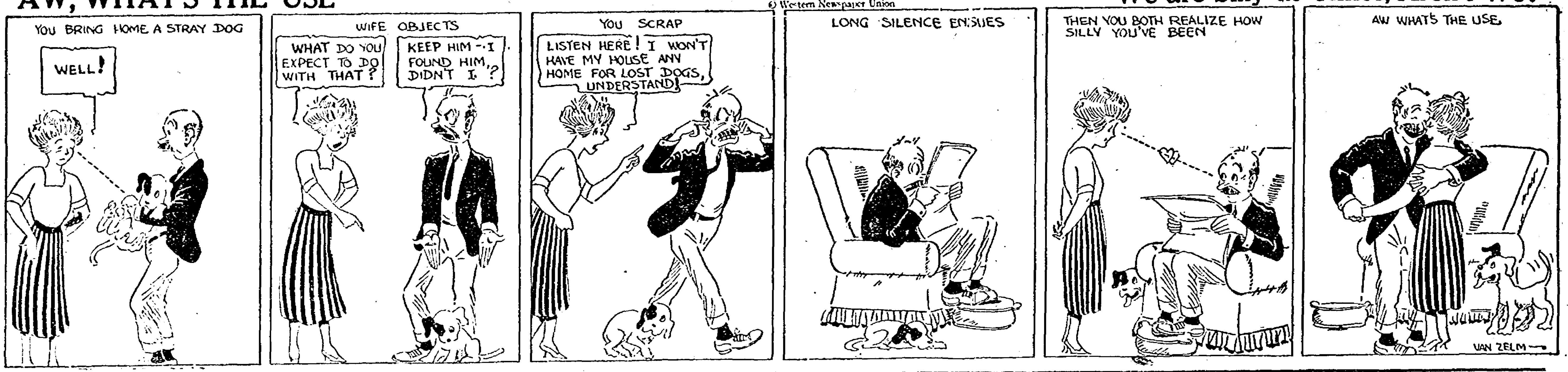
We are Silly at Times, Aren't We?


YOU BRING HOME A STRAY DOG
WELL!
WIFE OBJECTS
WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO DO WITH THAT?
KEEP HIM - I FOUND HIM, DIDN'T I?
YOU SCRAP
LISTEN HERE! I WON'T HAVE MY HOUSE ANY HOME FOR LOST DOGS, UNDERSTAND!
LONG SILENCE ENSUES
THEN YOU BOTH REALIZE HOW SILLY YOU'VE BEEN
AW WHATS THE USE.
VAN ZELM

ICE HARVESTORS MAKING RECORD AT CLEAR LAKE

One hundred and twentyone cars of ice, cut, loaded and shipped in two days is the record of the ice hervest here this year, which sets a record far beyond that established in previous years.

The record was broken Saturday when 59 cars were loaded and shipped. This was a record, officials declared, would stand for many moons to come, but Saturday with an ideal working day, the men broke the record by three cars, sending out a total of sixty two.

Harvesters are swinging along at the same record clip this week and the expectations are that last week's records will be smashed. Reports indicate that the ice is of the best quality in years and that harvestors would have to go long ways to equal its clarity and thickness.

Local companies have also been busy putting up ice, and it is said many of them have just about completed their work.—Clear Lake Mirror.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION BOND PROPOSITION MESERVEY IOWA

Public Notice is .Hereby .Given, That a special election of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, will be held on the 17th day of February, 1922, at the City Hall, Meservey, Iowa, from one o'clock P. M. until six o'clock P. M. and that at said election there will be submitted to the voters of the said Consolidated Independent School District to be by them voted upon, the following proposition:

Shall the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, issue bonds in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000), for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new school house?

At which time and place all of the voters of said Consolidated Independent School District are hereby notified to appear.

This notice is given by the order of Board of Directors of said Consolidated Independent School District, pursuant to the sufficient petition with the requisite signatures in accordance with the Section 2820-d I et seq. of the supplement to the Code of Iowa, 1913.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa, this 13th day of January 1922.

K. Clarence Ruigh
Secretary, Board of Directors.

Adam was tempted by the wagging tongue of a woman and thereby caused his downfall—we have a certain woman in this town who used her wagging ongue to slander; if she does not cut it out she will not only be asked to leave, but will have a slander suit on hand.

You have only one life to live, so if necessary you should die living it.

The New Years' Stationery

Should be of the very best in quality and workmanship. We are prepared to give you only the best, as every true business man demands.

Choose what you need and any style or class you wish and our workmen will fill your order in the least particular.

Look Over Our Stock

and let us figure with you on that next job of Catalogues, Posters, Statements, Letter Heads, Envelopes, Work Orders, Shipping Tags, Society Stationery, etc. We print every variety of stationery in our own shop, where you can look over the work if you wish before it is printed.

The Belmond Independent

Phone 115 Belmond, Iowa

STAGE RABBIT HUNT NORTHEAST OF GARNER

Last Saturday two teams composed of six men each of the Lutheran Young People's League held a competitive rabbit hunt, losers to set up an oyster stew to the league. The road running north and south by St. John's church was made the division line. Theo. Koch was captain of the team whose territory was east of the line and Ernest Jante captained the west team. At 9:45 the two teams started from the Alb. Jass. home, where they had assembled with the understanding that all hands were to report at the starting place not later than 3:30 p. m. Geo. Gruben drew first blood a few minutes from the start and from then on until about 3 o'clock a steady bombardment was kept up. Considering all the holes that were shot into the air, it's a wonder it didn't rain or snow long before night. At about 3 o'clock the weary nimrods began to report at the starting place. The east side after having covered between 10 and 12 miles through field and wood came in on their own power, but the west side, although not covering nearly as much ground and not having as many rabbits to carry had to send a man to get the team to haul them the last mile and a half. When all had reported Mrs. Jass had a lunch consisting of hot coffee, bread, butter, cheese and apples ready and it didn't take much urging to induce the hungry hunter to fall to. After the inner man had been satisified and the old pipe had been stuffed and lit the game was counted. The result was 33 cottontails for the west side and 35 for the east. Theo Boehnke was high man on the west side with 10 and Emil Ollenberg was runner-up with 9. On the east side W. H. Hinrichs was high and individual high man with 11 while Geo. Gruben was runner-up for the side with 9. Finally all started home feeling that they had put in several very strenuous but highly interesting hours.—Garner Signal.

LOST RESIDENT OF SHEFFIELD FOUND

Hampton Recorder: Casper Kleeman, a former resident of Sheffield, who has been wandering over the country for a period of several years under the illusion that he was a pauper and has been working at odd jobs for maintenance, arrived in Hampton Thursday morning and found that he had an estate of $6,000 at Sheffield and a 160 acre farm in Oklahoma awaiting him.

Kleeman, aged about sixty-five years, badly in need of clothing, soap and water, reached Hampton Thursday morning coming from the south via the Rock Island. railroad and went to the court house where he made application for admittance to the county farm. Clerk W. T. Webb immediately reconized Mr. Kleeman and gave him information concerning his true financial condition.

Kleeman disappeared from his home in this county three or four years ago, shortly after trouble had arisen over his property. It seems that he was under the impression that his brother in Oklahoma, who at that time was acting as his guardian, had swindled him out of his property. The trouble was settled and C. C. Storck, of Sheffield, appointed as guardian. During Kleeman's absence Mr. Storck kept up the diligent search for the missing man but was never able to locate him. Mr. Storck was notified of his appearance in Hampton and took him to Sheffield. Kleeman was divorced from his wife many years ago, and at the time of the separation he was given the custody of their son, and the wife took the daughter. The son died several years ago and the daughter is said to be living near Grundy Center.

Spending dream money is a good deal of fun and not so expensive as spending real money.

When a farmer sells his grain or stock, deposits his money in this bank and pays his bills by check, he doesn't need to pay the bill the second time. He has a record and a receipt.

If you have idle funds put them into our Certificates of Deposit, we will pay you 5 per cent interest

Seventeen years of successful banking.

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
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MESERVEY, IOWA

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SCHOOL BUILDING-BIDS CLOSE FEB. 16 1922 AT 1 P. M. MESERVEY, IOWA.

Bids are desired on a school building, to be erected at Meservey, Iowa, by the Board of Education of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa. Bids will be received by the Secty. of The Board of Education Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh at his office in the Farmers Savings Bank at Meservey up to 1 p. m. Feb. 16 1922. Bids will be opened immediately and read publicly. Bids must be accompanied by certified checks or bid bonds in amount as follows:

General Construction, Check or bid bond, $1500.00.

Heating and Ventilating, Check or Bid Bond, $1000.00.

Plumbing, Check or Bid Bond, $400.00.

Seating, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00

Equipment, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00.

Certified checks or bid bonds must be made out unconditionally to Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh, Secty. Board of Education,, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract with the said School District and furnish a bond in the full amount of the contract in the form outlined in the specifications, guaranteeing the completion of the building and the payment of all leins and claims.

The plans and specifications will be on file after February 1, 1922 —one copy only— at the office of the secretary, one at the office of the architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., and one at 211 M. B. A. Building, Mason City Iowa. Also at the Builders exchanges of Des Moines, Iowa, St. Paul, Minn. and Minneapolis Minn.

Contractors may secure plans by application to the Architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., upon payment of a deposit of $10.00 to insure return of the plans and specifications. The entire amount will be forfeited if the contractor fails to bid. Sub contractors and material men will be charged the exact cost of preparing the blue prints and specifications for such drawings as they may require to figure the part of the work they are bidding on.

Contractors will be required to bid on the exact form of bid outlined in the bidders blanks, any deviation therefrom will invalidate the bid and same will not be considered.

Contractors may combine any part of the work or bid on the entire contract by furnishing with their bid the certified checks or bid bonds required above.

The Board of Education reserves the rigth to accept any or reject any or all bids.

Signed
Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa,
By K. CLARENCE RUIGH
Secty. Board of Education.

Class Meeting.

The "Work to Win" class met last Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Braitor. The evening was spent in electing officers. and refreshments were served. Those present were; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendell, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herrmann, Mrs. H. F. Rief, Mrs. Henry Sprau and Mrs. A. J. Nissen. A splendid time is reported by those present

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

H. Fischer was a business caller at the county seat on Thursday.

Mrs Hartley Blewitt of Thornton, was here one day last week visiting at the parental home.

L. Jones and son were callers at Mason City on Thursday attending to business matters.

Miss Louise Jergeson of Thornton, came Thursday to visit her friend Jennie Mienderts. Miss Jergeson is chief telephone operator at Thornton.

Miss Dora Jacobs was a passenger to Belmond Friday where she spent the week end with home folks.

H. A. Kofoed was a caller at Thornton on Friday of last week.

Mrs. Fred Ralston was a passenger to Mason City, Tuesday to do some shopping.

Dr. Steele, of Belmond, was in town between trains Tuesday on business matters.

Herman Hulsebus returned home from Mason City Tuesday, after having spent several days there with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hartfelder returned home Wednesday from Des Moines where they spent their honeymoon visiting relatives and friends.

Passengers to Mason City, Friday. were J. D. Miners and A. Rooks.

Mrs. Carl Herrmann was a shopper at the county seat on Tuesday of last week.

G. E. Raecker left for Waverly, Saturday where he was called by the illness of his father.

Adam Kolb was called to Moline, Ill., on account of the serious illness of his brother.

The Hogan furniture sale was well attended last Saturday. Everything sold well.

U. J. Cooper, of Kanawha has rented the Kuhler 80 acres one mile north of town, from H. T. Swanson of Huxley, Iowa. Both parties were in town Saturday.

Some one said they do not like us any more. We don't care if we loose the love of a poker shark, and shirk. We could say more.

The Reformed church is planning on building an addition to the church the coming summer, their present building is getting much too small to hold the congregation which is growing fast.

One of the first questions usually asked by the prospective purchaser of a home or farm is what kind of churches and schools have you? We can answer right quick on the church question "very good."

Sheffield had a real fist fight over the telephone situation. We don't have any trouble here, everyone minds his own business or the other fellow's, and we get along just fine..

The Independent printed a article on the front page of its last issue signed "selected," which was sure well written and fits the present times. It belittled the man who at present tries to pay his debts thru the bankruptcy route, it shows a yellow streak that can never be blotted out; your reputation is pretty sure to follow you where ever you go.

The American Legion will meet on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. in the basement of the Farmers Savings bank building. All members are urged to be present.

Andrew Faaborg, Post Commander.

Frank Guth and Roy Halfpop left for Chicago, Ill., Saturday, where they are shipping a carload of cattle.

Miss Loats and Miss Gealow were passengers to Belmond, Saturday, to spend Sunday with the home folks.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and daughter, Lydia, were shoppers at Mason City on Monday.

The Misses Mary Smith and Esther Zieman were shoppers at Mason City on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Frey and little son, Wilbur, were callers at the county seat Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith are the happy parents of a baby girl, who came to their home on January 23rd. Granddad Harm is sure doing some high stepping.

Harm J. Pals and Albert Kuhlers Sr. were passengers to Mason City on Monday, attending to business matters.

K. K. Pals and daughter, Greona were shoppers at Mason City on Monday.

J. Groen and T. T. Lieuwen were business callers at the county seat on Monday.

Miss Janet Lauen, who for the past couple of weeks has been visiting at th home of her grandmother, Mrs. Meinders, returned to her home near Alexander on Saturday.

Mrs. C. Bier was a shopper at Mason City on Saturday.

Supt. Siefert was a Mason City business caller between train on Saturday.

Gearge Grosz was a business caller and shopper at Mason City on Saturday.

M. B. Camper, who has been taking treatments at the hospital at Mason City spent Sunday here at the C. W. Spaid home. Mr. Camper's home is in Buffalo Center.

Miss Alvina Vestweber, of Alexander spent Sunday at the home of her aunt, Mrs. B. Stadtlander, and family.

Pete Freeseman of St. Paul, is visiting this week at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Bert Stadtlander.

Dwelling House For Sale—Bids on the Noteboom home will be received by the undersigned up to February 1st. Right is reserved to reject any or all. Ben Gruis, A. J. Nissen.

C. G. W. R. R. TIME TABLE

J. J. Ruiter, agent.

Going North

No. 4 Motor	9:45 a. m.
No. 16	2:13 p. m.
No. 12*	1:24 a. m.

* stop for St. Paul passengers only.

Going South

No. 15	3:42 p. m.
No. 3 Motor	4:57 p. m.
No. 11*	12:26 a. m.

* stop for Omaha passengers only.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Regular Services:

Sunday School—9:45 a. m.

Preaching Services—10:45 a. m.

Y. P. A.—7:30 p. m., followed by preaching service at 8:00.

Wednesday Prayer Service—2:00 p. m.

Thursday Prayer Service 7:30 p. m.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30
Preaching Service (German) 10:30
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15
Preaching Service (English) 8:00
Catechism classes at the usual hours on Saturdty p. m.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

School Notes

A bookkeeping class of 13 has been organized. Mr. Sifert is the teacher.

The 11th and 12th grades have organized a class in citizenship with Mrs. Sifert as teacher.

The 9th grade has taken up civics for this semester. Miss King is the teacher.

Writing is being taught as a special effort. Mr. Klinker is teacher. We feel that writing is greatly needed.

In the comprehensive and speed test sent out by the State Univrsity the sixth grade had a perfect test all except three.

The 7th and 8th grades were a little below.

The high school was somewhat below.

There have been no entire failures for the first semester. Some were below the required standard in one or two subjects.

3rd and 4th Grades

The new policemen for the 3rd and 4th grades are Viota Koefed, La Bonna Brogan, Benjamin Boelman, and Naomi Schlesselman.

We are making an Eskimo village for our sand table.

The 4th grade are taking up long division in arithmetic. The 3rd grade think they are having a hard time trying to control the unruly fraction.

Virgil Sprau has been absent for one week, owing to the severe cut he received on his leg from a horse kick.

The 5th and 6th grades made new spelling note books.

Herman Meints, Vilheulm Winther, and Elizabeth Winther are absent on account of illness.

Lydia Pannkuk was a Mason City caller Monday.

The primary room has started work for Valentine's day.

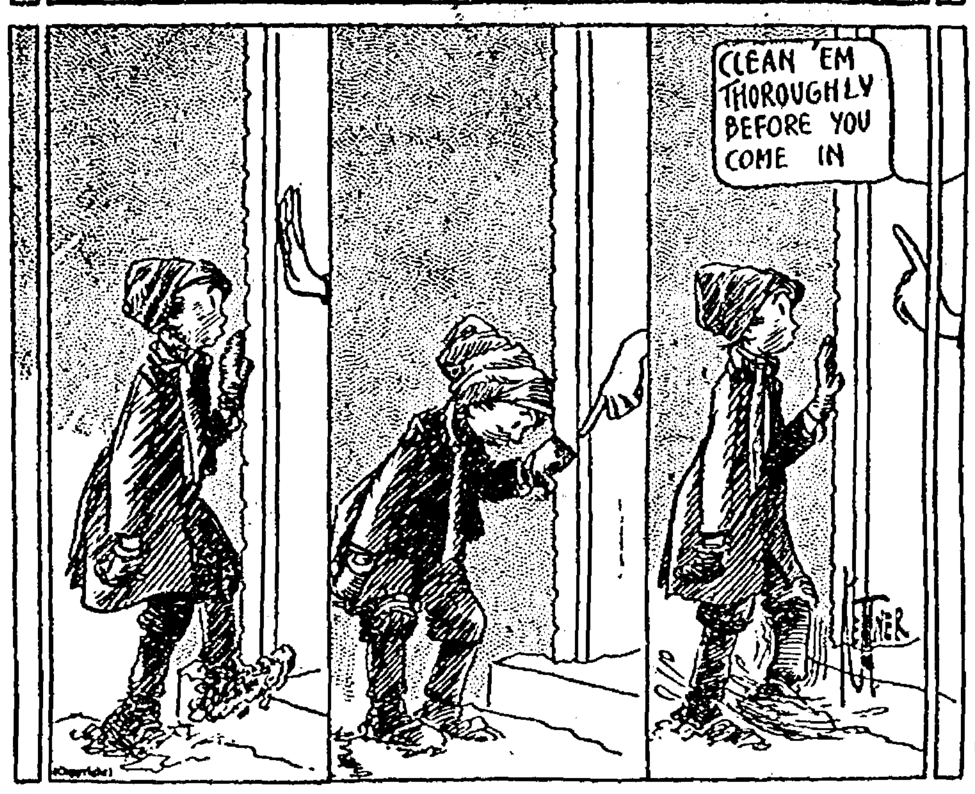
They are making valentines and singing valentine songs.

We hope to start on our raffia baskets very soon.

We had a birthday party Monday for Harold Pals. We enjoyed ourselves very much.

Rev. Pannkuk, instructor in German, gave the class a treat, as a reward for hard work. Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals the class enjoyed an oyster stew. Games were played and all had a good time.

Stop——Look——Listen


CLEAN 'EM THOROUGHLY BEFORE YOU COME IN

RECREATION FOR BOYS

Monitor: The library board, at the regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, decided to open the basement on two nights of each week for a public meeting place for boys of the high school and junior high age. Some man who is qualified will be present as supervisor or leader at each meeting, and such games and other recreation will be enjoyed as will not be noisy enough to disturb patrons of the library on the floor above. Mondays and Thursdays are the appointed evenings and the hours are from seven to nine. The opening night will be Thursday of next week, January 16th. E. O. Hansen and Rev. J. B. Walker are the committee men having this project in charge, and would be pleased to have volunteers for the service of leader of these open nights, and also the gift of suitable games to help out in the entertainment.

The whole plan is in the nature of an experiment and will be continued through the winter if the interest is good and sufficient help can be secured for the conduct of the meetings.

The idea is surely a good one. Clarion boys have no public place to congregate, but they like to get together, and they enjoy games and other indoor pastimes. Here's hoping that the "boys' nights" will be

Another cause of the high cost of living in the cities is club dues. The average business man belongs to so many things he no longer belongs to himself.

PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME

The publisher is always glad to receive communications expressing the viewpoint of the readers on any questions which may arise, but we must ask that any communications bear the writer's name. It is not essential that the name be printed, but in justice to the paper, and to our readers, we must know who is the author of the letter. Unsigned communications will postively NOT be printed.

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Harm J. Groen, Mgr.

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THINGS WE DON'T SEE

If we were to pass along the street with head high in the air you might step on a twenty dollar bill without seeing it, while the man with his eyes below the clouds would pick it up. In that simple statement there is a mighty sermon which it would profit us to learn and to heed.

There are none of us so great but what we can afford to be humble—none so far seeing but what we can profit by looking around us. Sucess is founded upon our ability to observe and take care of the little things of life, for it is from them the big ones grow.

The things we don't see are our chief obstructions in the world of affairs, yet to the man who keeps his mind high and his eyes upon the ground they are plain to be seen, and are but stepping stones to greater achievements.

Let us take the lesson home to ourselves in the beginning of the new year. There may be many little things in this town that need attention, but we can not see them if we dream only of the end and give no thought of the beginning.—Exchange.

If you want something done in the printing line, such as envelopes, or letter heads, or statements, hand or sale bills, see H. F. Reif, at Meservey, if you live near there. "Heinie" has charge of the Independent's business affairs there, and will be glad to quote you prices on the work. We guarantee our work, or no pay; and our prices are as low as consistant with quality printing. The next time you need stationery, try the Independent, and see Heinie.

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Grover Arends was a business caller at Dows last Friday.

A. C. Lieuwen was a caller at Belmond last Thursday.

Fred Dunn was a caller at Meservey last Sunday.

Mrs. Meinderts of Meservey, has been vistiing at the Bert Laun home the past week.

Mrs. Anna Bonte and daughter, Virginia of Meservey are visiting with friends and relatives at Alexander.

Dr. Martin, of Latimer was a professional call-er at Alexander on Monday.

Mrs. Otto Kieslich visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Douglas, at Hampton the first of the week.

Mrs. Grover Arends and baby left last Friday for a visit with her mother Mrs. Hackett at Iowa Falls.

F. D. Murphy, Joe Stoffer and Rev. A. D. Mohr were among the callers at Belmond Saturday.

Miss Lieshian Westenberger of Sheffield visited with her friend Miss Emma Eickmeyer on Sunday and Monday.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson visited with relatives at Belmond Saturday.

Theo. Beenen was a business caller at Sheffield Saturday.

Clarence Bohlen and Jack Kew were business callers at the county seat on Wednesday.

John F. Bell was a caller at Dows Wednesday.

Miss Anna Beenen and Mrs. Younglin were callers at Belmond one day last week.

The annual business meeting of the Helping Hand Society was held at the George Dunn home last Wednesday afternoon. The following officers were elected for the coming year; President, Mrs. Fred Dunn; Sec., Mrs. Lyle Hall; Treas., Mrs. Lloyd Green.

Oscar Hensel was a business caller at Jewel, Wednesday.

Arthur Wilhour of Coulter was a caller at Alexander last week Tuesday.

Rev. A. D. Mohr and Prof. F. D. Murphy were among the callers at Hampton on last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder were visitors at Belmond last Wednesday.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer is a guest of Miss Anna Beenen this week.

Fred L. Greenfield was a caller at Dows last Wedneaday.

Misses Marie Slagel and Henette Schulte were callers at Belmond between trains Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and children were callers at Dows last Wednesday.

C. S. Hamilton and P. G. Williams of Hampton were business callers here Friday.

Roy Veeder of Belmond was a visitor at this place Thursday.

Fred Greenfield was having dental work done at Belmond Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Johansen and Mr. and Mrs. John Muhlenbruch were callers at Belmond on Friday.

James Green of Hampton spent over Sunday with relatives and friends at Alexander.

Arthur and Louie Peters were business callers at Hampton last Saturday.

Lewis Green of Geneva was a visitor at Alexander the first of the week.

Henry Polmateer and family were at the Perry Phillis home last Saturday, at a shower given in honor of their daughter, Hattie Polmateer, who was united in marriage to Mr. Lloyd Davis, of Dows, during the holidays. They report a very enjoyable time. About 41 guests were present, and they showered the bride with many beautiful and useful gifts, as well as their congratlations. Afterwards a bountious supper was served and the friends departed to their homes with many good wishes to the couple.

Carl Grieman, our M. & St. L. agent spent Sunday with friends at Hampton.

Mrs. L. S. Reed and two children visited with relatives at Belmond last Saturday.

Jack Hill was a caller at Hampton one day last week.

Robert Johnson of Hampton spent Sunday with his friend, H. D. Walsh.

Heiko Phillphatt and wife of Hampton visited here Sunday.

Albert Larsen and Oscar Hensel were business callers at Latimer, Friday.

Ray Walsh of Hampton spent Sunday at home.

Clark and Harold Walsh transacted business in Hampton Saturday.

SCHOOL NOTES

Miss Lieschen Westernberger of Sheffield, Iowa, spent the week end with her friend Miss Emma Eickmeyer. Miss Westernberger visited school Monday forenoon and returned to her home in the afternoon.

The boy's high school basket ball team has purchased a new ball. Here's hoping that it passes through the rings as easily and readily as the old one did for them. We play Latimer a double header in the near future.

The box supper given last Tuesday night after the movie was a real success from the standpoint of the enjoyment and the shekels garnered within the fold. The highest priced box was $4.45. It was the creation of a local schoolma'am. We congratulate the young lady whose culinary art can demand the major portion of a five dollar bill. The purchaser one of our local bachelors, is t be congratulated upon his excellent taste and the cheerfulness that he displayed when being handed the twenty-five cents in change. We trust that he will be just as cheerful in paying $8.00 for shoes and $15.00 for hats for the young lady within a year from now.

Proceeds went to replenish our lyceum fund.

In the near future we plan on having several conventions and general elections for the benefit of the Civic and Constitution classes. In addition court procedure will be illustrated by one or two mock trials. An effort is being made to have Attorney A. M. Butler plead a case before Judge Whetstone. In other words, science with practice.

The next movie next Tuesday night will feature "Jupiters Thunder-Bolts," illustrating electrical developments; "At The Cross Roads," depicting prison scenes at Fort Leavenworth and a comedy, "Andy Falls In Love."

This year's lyceum course is now a matter of history. The last number was given by the Columbus Entertainers—two young ladies. The entertainment was a varied one and probably pleased more people than any entertainment on our course. Next year's lyceum will be directed by C. R. Clark and F. D. Rodemeyer, our local druggist and lumberman, respectively. These two men will buy the course and select the talent, therefore send all lyceum salesmen to these parties.

St. John's Evang. Church.

On next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, we will hold services in the German language. Come out and hear a fine sermon.

Rev. J. Barth, Pastor.

It may be difficult for a rich man to enter Heaven, but that doesn't mean that poor men will pass without examination.

Public opinion is like the wind—you know from what direction it is blowing today but you cannot foretell the direction tomorrow.

The man who complains of being constantly cheated is sure to be playing some kind of a cheating game himself.

Because a man in an argument lays his cards all on the table, it doesn't necessarily mean that the cards are worth laying on the table.

The world contains too many men who think that when all is lost save honor, they may as well make a clean sweep of it and allow honor to go, too.

Alarmists are always scared to death about how weak the "future generations" are going to be, but the fuure generations so far have been pretty fair.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ON THE LOCAL SCHOOL

Supt. Prall, of the Clarion schools, at the Good Fellowship club gave sme interesting facts on Belmond's schools.

Supt. Prall began his address by saying that he did not propose to settle the question of how long the present high cost of education would continue, as he felt that the solution of that problem was up to the local communities. He proposed, however, to review the causes for the increase in school taxes and to point the way by which economy could be effected without destroying some of the most valuable things that the schools were doing.

Analysis of the school tax situation showed that the school taxes in Belmnd had increased from $17,000 to $35,000 in six years, a total of 106 per cent. He presented the following reasons for this increase:

1. An increase of 41 per cent in enrollment of pupils being educated at the expense of the district.

2. The tendency for the high school enrollment of non-tuition pupils to nearly double itself during this period, the actual increase being from 54 to 97. Since high school education was always more than twice as expensive as grade school education this growth had been a particularly heavy factor in the incrase in school costs.

3. The introduction of a more expensive curriculum.

4. The employment of better teachers.

5. High prices for school supplies during the inflation period, and high salaries owing to the teacher shortage and the high cost of living.

Mr. Prall said that the Belmond situation was typical of that obtaining in most Iowa towns and cities In the last six years the grade school population has increased more rapidly in every case than the city population, or than the taxible valuation of each district. while high school populations have increased from five to ten times as fast as either city population or taxible valuation. This phenominal growth in the high school was due, in his opinion, to the liberalizing of the high school curriculum *and the instruction* in subjects of practical value. He called attention to the fact that the old subjects of rhetoric, Latin, German, botany, civil government, ancient history, and involved mathematics had given way to public speaking, business English, general science, manual training, and home economics, shorthand, typewriting, book-keeping, current history and citizenship. While these subjects took more teaching time, required more equipment, and necessitated a better type of teacher than the old curriculum, they had been introduced largely because the old curriculum had failed to keep pupils in school and was not considered of much value by the general public.

Continuing, Mr. Prall said that while the changed character of the high school had been the big contributing cause in rising school costs, it was still in the balance, having possibilities of becoming a big field for social service or a positive menace to our social and economic life. He felt that the fact that it had become the fashion to attend high school presented many problems that did not have to be met in the old days. Chief among the problems in his opinion, was the difficulty of developing habits of industry, ambition, and initiative in the present care free pleasure seeking period. In this work, weak and inefficient teachers were more or less of an experiment.

Touching upon citizenship, Supt. Prall described four contributions that the high schools could make towards better citizenship, but doubted if any of these could be accomplished if the present quality of the teaching force were allowed to deteriorate. He felt that if the high school was working as it should, any economy gained by giving up a good teacher for a cheaper one might be of doubtful value.

On the other hand,, he realized that school taxes would have to be reduced in the majority of Iowa towns and cities. He said that a great deal of money might be saved in most high schools by eliminating expensive subjects that failed to enroll a large number of pupils. Changes that would make larger classes and fewer teachers would be made without lessening the efficiency of the work. Prices for school supplies are already on the down grade. New teachers will be hired at somewhat reduced salaries and old teachers may expect less money than they are receiving this year. He did not feel like predicting the salary tendency for another year, but hoped that each town would form its policy with a view to keeping its best teachers and filling its vacancies with teachers who have had training and experience.

In conclusion two tables were presented showing the relative expense of the school systems of seven towns: Emmetsburg, Humboldt, Eagle Grove, Clarion, Dows, Hampton and Belmond. Belmond ranked lowest among these towns in the amount of the new school tax levy per pupil enrolled and it ranked third from the highest in the cost of high schooll instruction per pupil per month.

Then there are the happy moving pictures which are so moving that they move the audience to a desire to throw bricks at them.

GOING INTO BANKRUPTCY

Wright County News: Going into bankruptcy does not always mean that a debtor is taking the easiest way out of his financial difficulties. It may be that he is. Time alone can tell. There is more to it than the monetary relief which comes when the law intervenes and wipes away the debts that had commenced to harass and perplex.

It is a nice, convenient way, no doubt, to step around the obligations contracted in good faith. The credit bestowed upon a man is generally predicated upon his ability and wiliingness to pay—his "squareness. Being square and honest, tho it takes the hide off, is immeasurably richer than fine gold.

There is always a disposition to question the motives of the man who seeks the solace of a bankrupt's court. It frees him, legally, from the oligations which the law does not consider as superior to the man's own self interest.

But Mark Twain, an involuntary bankrupt, rose to a greater height paying off a half million dollar debt that the bankruptcy court had deccreed should never be legally collected.

No man shoud take the step that leads him into bankruptcy proceeding without first exhausting every honorable way of meeting his obligations. The creditor who has trusted him in good faith, who has relied on his pledged honor for payment *of the debt, loses* more *than* the dollars and cents which stand on his ledger; he has lost a part of his faith *in humanity*; his belief in the honor and integrty of his fellow men.

The man going into bankruptcy makes it harder for the man who honestly needs credit to get it. The merchant, or business man, does not know whom to trust. He becomes more suspicious. His own self interests demands that he harden his heart to the appeal for credit. Therefore, the act of occasional individual affects his neighbors and friends as well as his creditors.

Occasionally a bankrupt will be discharged from his obligations in easier circumstances than some of the men whose oblgations are cancelled. A law which premits this condition to exist needs correcting. *Too often the bankrupt* reserves for himself the finest of the assets and the creditors must be satisfied with the leavings, because the law is abused.

Any man contemplating going into bankruptcy should first consider whether the value of a good name, a reputation for paying honest debts for being "square," is not better than taking the easier way.

Then there is another angle than self-interest to the question. The man who has trusted the bankrupt with money, or merchandise, or for proffessional services, may have done so in belief that in due time the obligation would be met. It may be that their own honor and integrity, their own record of success or failure, is involved in the debtor meeting the obligation.

The News hopes that Wright county escapes more forunately than some of her neighbor counties are escaping, Folks, everywhere, should consider more carefully not only their own responsibilities but the responsibilities of their friends.

Keeping the faith; holding to the good will and respect of your fellow man; bravely facing the adversities of life; battling against odds rather than bowing their heads in defeat; taking no mean or unfair advantage of any one; doing a man's part in a man's way; holding fast to the rugged virtures of old fashioned honesty, where a man's word was considered as good as his bond—that is the way out—the hard way, perhaps, the long way, but the way that will add honor at the end.

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Schulte Grain Co.
Alexander, Iowa

WELL KNOWN ALEXANDER YOUNG PEOPLE WED

On January 18th 1922 at 2 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Stadtlander occurred the marriage of their daughter Laura to Mr. John D. Muhlenbruch the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Muhlenbruch.

These well known young people have grown to manhood and womenhood in this vicinity and have a very large circle of friends who love and hold them in high esteem and who wish them a long and happy wedded life. The cermony was preiormed by Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, pastor of the Methodist church at Alexander, while Mrs. Fred Bobst played the Wedding march the bridal party came foward and stood beneath a beautiful arch perpared for the occasion. Fred Stadtlander a brother of the bride acted as best man and Mrs. Fred Stadtlander a sister of the groom acted as bride's maid.

After the ceremony which joined this couple as man and wife, Rev. Wilkinson introduced to the relatives and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Muhlenbruch after which hearty congratulation were extended, when suddenly a shower of rice fell upon the newlyweds which caused much merriment for the dear ones present.

The bride wore a beautiful white dress of satin and georgette, and carried a boquet of white and pink sweetpeas, the groom wore the convential black. The house was perttily decorated with pink and white.

A very sumptous two course dinner was served. After a short time Mr. and Mrs. Muhlenbruch will start house keeping three miles south and two miles west of Alexander.

IOWA RANKS 8TH IN NEAR EAST RELIEF

Iowa ranks eighth among the states of the union in the extent of relief sent to the starving people of the Near East during the last six months of 1921, according to the official report for the last year given out by the State Director C. A. Montanus.

Iowa's contributions to the Near East Relief totaled $50,454 during the last six months as compared to $24,824 in the same period in 1920. The state is well on its way to raising the quota of $300,000 set for 1921-22, Mr. Montanus said. Farm organizations, churches and business men will co-operate in each county in Iowa in the relief drives to be launched during the coming winter and spring months.

Governor N. E. Kendall, state chairman of the Near East Relief in Iowa, has issued a special call to farmers of the state to contribute seed corn which will be shipped to the famine areas immediately and used in spring planting there under American supervision.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

Dishes for Brer Rabbit.

There are varieties of ways to serve rabbit as well as different ways to do everything else. You may transform Brer Rabbit in much the same way as you do any chicken. Among other suggestions are the following: canned rabbit (prepared like canned chicken); rabbit salad; rabbit rolled in bread crumbs, seasoned, browned and then put into the fireless cooker and cooked until tender; rabbit pie; and rabbit with dumplings.

Rabbit Pie.

Clean, dress and cut up the rabbit. Put in a stew pan with union, parsley, etc., cover with water and cook slowly until tender. When half done, add salt and pepper. Put a small cup in the center of baking dish, put the rabbit meat around it, with pie crust. Make incision in the crust around the pie. Bake in the oven until the crust rises and browns.

Dumplings.

The following recipe for dumplings should be followed to be used in combination with rabbit. Take 2 cups flour, 1-2 t. salt, 4 t. baking Mix and sift the dry ingredients. Mix ann sift the diy ingredients. Work in the butter with the finger tips and add milk gradually, mixing with a knife. Toss upon floured board, roll to 1-2 inch thickness, and with biscuit cutter. Place the dumplings in a buttered steamer, put over a kettle of boiling water and steam for about 12 minutes. If a steamer is not available, use a perforated pie tin.

Leland: While playing in a shed on the R. W. Branstad's place, some children found a box containing $500 in gold, and after making a search, Mr. Branstad disovered another box containing another $524, making in all $1024.00. The money is supposed to have belonged to Erick Davidson who, before his death, lived on the place with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Branstad, but there is no certainty in regard to the ownership.

GET MACHINERY REPAIRED

Iowa farmers can reduce the cost of operation on the farm if they will utilize machinery that is good, except for a few repairs. According to J. B. Davidson, of the agricultural engineering extension department of Iowa State College, the use of considerable machinery is lost each year because repairs cannot be gotten at the last minute.

Get the needed parts while there is plenty of time to put them on the machine, and see that the tractor and other implements are ready for use, so that when spring season opens everything is in readiness.

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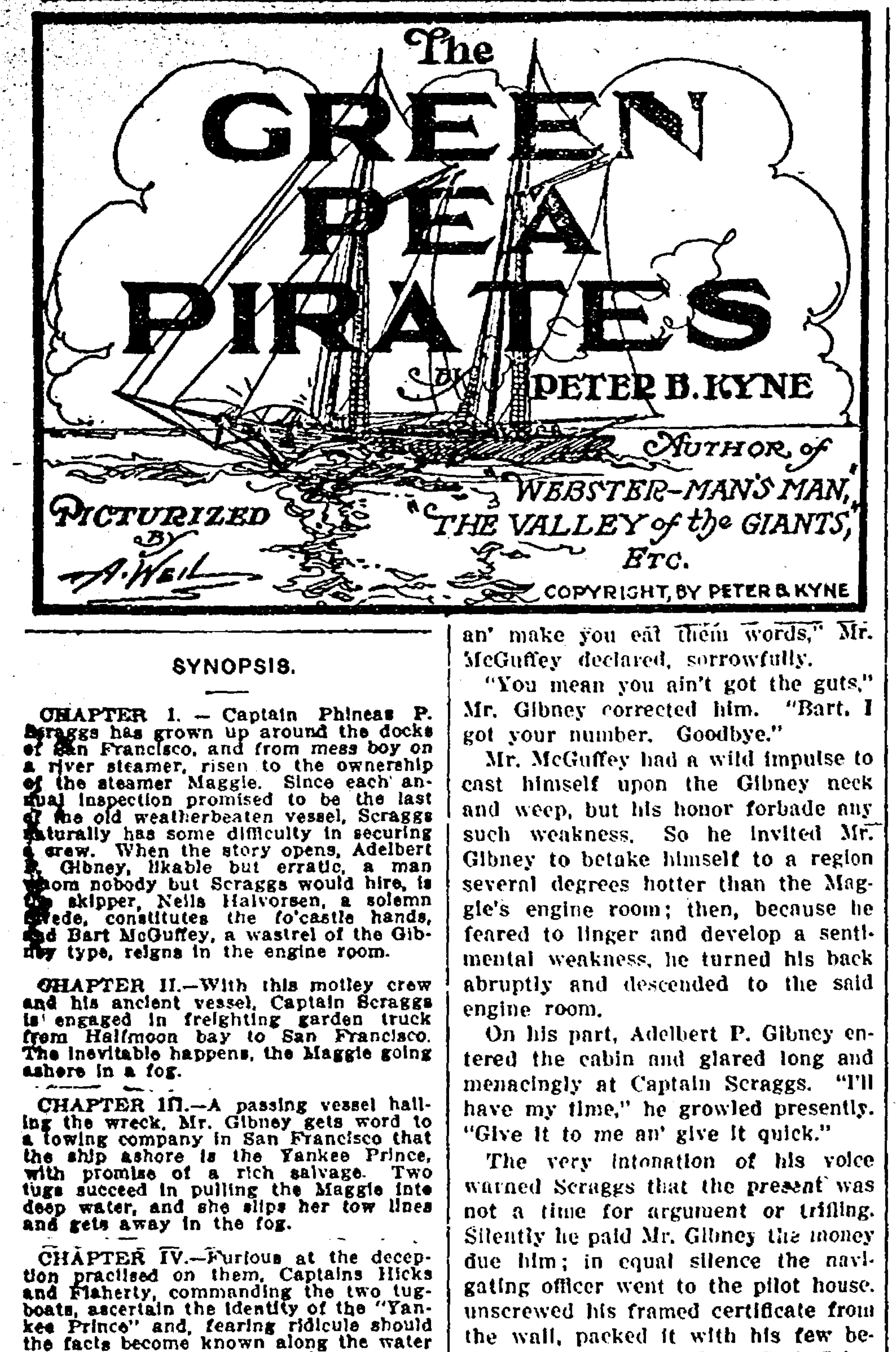


SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

"We're discussin' you, Bart. 'Pears to me you've sort o' lost confidence in your old shipmate, ain't you? 'Pears that way to me when you act sneaky like."

McGuffey bridled. "I ain't a sneak."

"A rose by any other name'd be just as sweet," Mr. Gibney quoted. "You poor, misguided simp. If you ever see that three hundred dollars again you'll be a lot older'n you are now. However, that ain't none o' my business. The fact remains, Bart, that you conspired with Scraggsy to keep things away from me, which shows you ain't the man I thought you were, so from now on you go your way an' I'll go mine."

"I got a right to do as I blasted please with my money," McGuffey defended hotly. "I ain't no child to be lectured to."

"Considerin' the fact that you wouldn't have had the money to lend if it hadn't been for me, I allow I'm insulted when you use the said money to give aid an' comfort to my enemy. I'm through."

McGuffey, smothered in guilt, felt nevertheless that he had to stand by his guns, so to speak. "Stay through, if you feel like it," he retorted. "Where d'ye get that chatter? Ain't I free, white, an' twenty-one year old?"

Mr. Gibney was really hurt. "You poor boob," he murmured. "It's the old game o' settin' a beggar on horseback an' seein' him ride to the devil, or slippin' a gold ring in a pig's nose. An' I figured you was my friend!"

"Well, ain't I?"

"Fooey! Fooey! Don't talk to me. You'd sell out your own mother."

"Gib, you tryin' to pick a fight with me?"

"No, but I would if I thought I wouldn't git a footrace instead," Gibney rejoined scathingly. "Cripes, what a double-crossin' I been handed! Honest, Bart, when it comes to that sort o' work Scraggs is in his infancy. You sure take the cake."

"I ain't got the heart to clout you an' make you eat them words," Mr. McGuffey declared, sorrowfully.

"You mean you ain't got the guts," Mr. Gibney corrected him. "Bart, I got your number. Goodbye."

Mr. McGuffey had a wild impulse to cast himself upon the Gibney neck and weep, but his honor forbade any such weakness. So he invited Mr. Gibney to betake himself to a region several degrees hotter than the Maggie's engine room; then, because he feared to linger and develop a sentimental weakness, he turned his back abruptly and descended to the said engine room.

On his part, Adelbert P. Gibney entered the cabin and glared long and menacingly at Captain Scraggs. "I'll have my time," he growled presently. "Give it to me an' give it quick."

The very intonation of his voice warned Scraggs that the present was not a time for argument or trifling. Silently he paid Mr. Gibney the money due him; in equal silence the navigating officer went to the pilot house, unscrewed his framed certificate from the wall, packed it with his few belongings, and departed for Scab Johnny's boarding house.

"Hello," Scab Johnny saluted him at his entrance. "Quit the Maggie?"

Mr. Gibney nodded.

"Want a trip to the dark blue?"

"Lead me to it," mumbled Mr. Gibney.

"It'll cost you twenty dollars, Gib. Chief mate on the Rose of Sharon, bound for the Galapagos islands sealing."

"I'll take it, Johnny." Mr. Gibney threw over a twenty-dollar bill, went to his room, packed all of his belongings, paid his bill to Scab Johnny, and within the hour was aboard the schooner Rose of Sharon. Two hours later they towed out with the tide.

Poor McGuffey was stunned when he heard the news that night from Scab Johnny. When he retailed the information to Scraggs next morning, Scraggs was equally perturbed. He guessed that McGuffey and Gibney had quarreled and he had the poor judgment to ask McGuffey the cause of the row. Instantly, McGuffey informed him that that was none of his dad-fetched business—and the incident was closed.

The three months that followed were the most harrowing of McGuffey's life. Captain Scraggs knew his engineer would not resign while he, Scraggs, owed him three hundred dollars; wherefore he was not too particular to put a bridle on his tongue when things appeared to go wrong. McGuffey longed to kill him, but dared not. When, eventually, the railroad had been extended sufficiently far down the coast to enable the farmers to haul their goods to the railroad in trucks, the Maggie automatically went out of the green-pea trade; simultaneously, Captain Scraggs' note to McGuffey fell due and the engineer demanded payment. Scraggs demurred, pleading poverty, but Mr. McGuffey assumed such a threatening attitude that reluctantly Scraggs paid him a hundred and fifty dollars on account, and McGuffey extended the balance one year—and quit.

"See that you got that hundred and fifty an' the interest in your jeans the next time we meet," he warned Scraggs as he went overside.

Time passed. For a month the Maggie plied regularly between Bodega bay and San Francisco in an endeavor to work up some business in farm and dairy produce, but a gasoline schooner cut in on the run and declared a rate war, whereupon the Maggie turned her blunt nose riverward and for a brief period essayed some towing and general freighting on the Sacramento and San Joaquin. It was unprofitable, however, and at last Captain Scraggs was forced to lay his darling little Maggie up and take a job as chief officer of the ferry steamer Encinal, plying between San Francisco and Oakland. In the meantime, Mr. McGuffey, after two barren months "on the beach," landed a job as second assistant on a Standard Oil tanker running to the west coast, while thrifty Neils Halvorsen invested the savings of ten years in a bay scow known as the Willie and Annie, arrogated to himself the title of captain, and proceeded to freight hay, grain and paving stones from Petaluma.

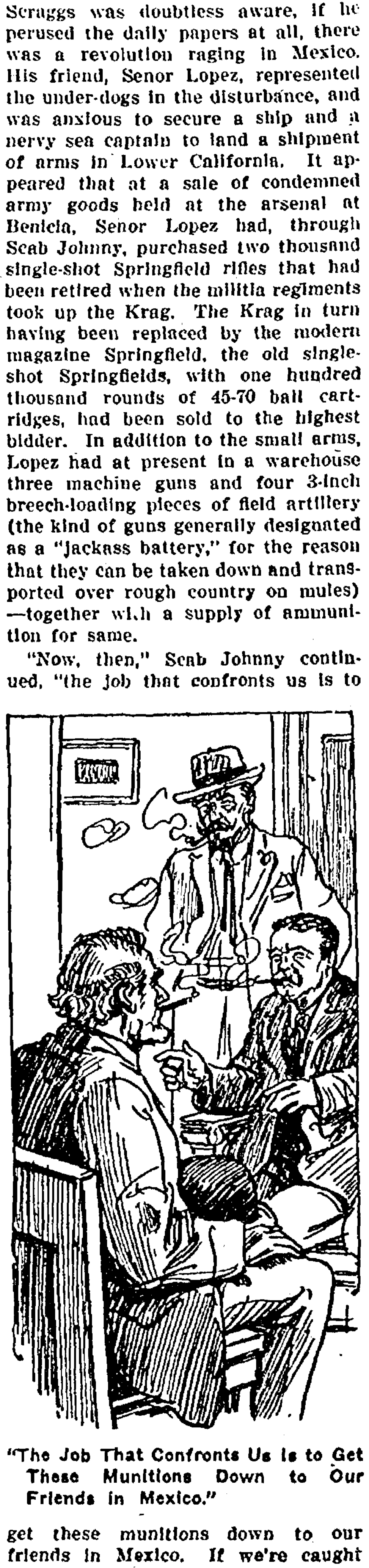
The old joyous days of the green-pea trade were gone forever, and many a night, as Captain Scraggs paced the deck of the ferryboat, watching the ferry tower loom into view, or the scattered lights along the Alameda shore, he thought longingly of the old Maggie, laid away, perhaps forever, and slowly rotting in the muddy waters of the Sacramento. And he thought of Mr. Gibney, too, away off under the tropic stars, leading the care-free life of a real sailor at last, and of Bartholomew McGuffey, imbibing "pulque" in the "cantina" of some disreputable cafe. Captain Scraggs never knew how badly he was going to miss them both until they were gone, and he had nobody to fight with except Mrs. Scraggs and when Mrs. Scraggs (to quote Captain Scraggs) "slipped her cable" in her forty-third year Captain Scraggs felt singularly lonesome and in a mood to accept eagerly any deviltry that might offer.

Upon a night, which happened to be Scraggs' night off, and when he was particularly lonely and inclined to drown his sorrows in the Bowhead saloon, he was approached by Scab Johnny, and invited to repair to the latter's dingy office for the purpose of discussing what Scab Johnny guardedly referred to as a "proposition."

Upon arrival at the office, Captain Scraggs was introduced to a small, fierce-looking gentleman of tropical appearance, who owned to the name of Don Manuel Garcia Lopez. Scab Johnny first pledged Captain Scraggs to absolute secrecy, and made him swear by the honor of his mother and the bones of his father not to divulge a word of what he was about to tell him.

Scab Johnny was short and to the point. He stated that, as Captain Scraggs was doubtless aware, if he perused the daily papers at all, there was a revolution raging in Mexico. His friend, Senor Lopez, represented the under-dogs in the disturbance, and was anxious to secure a ship and a nervy sea captain to land a shipment of arms in Lower California. It appeared that at a sale of condemned army goods held at the arsenal at Benicia, Senor Lopez had, through Scab Johnny, purchased two thousand single-shot Springfield rifles that had been retired when the militia regiments took up the Krag. The Krag in turn having been replaced by the modern magazine Springfield, the old single-shot Springfields, with one hundred thousand rounds of 45-70 ball cartridges, had been sold to the highest bidder. In addition to the small arms, Lopez had at present in a warehouse three machine guns and four 3-inch breech-loading pieces of field artillery (the kind of guns generally designated as a "jackass battery," for the reason that they can be taken down and transported over rough country on mules) —together with a supply of ammunition for same.

"Now, then," Scab Johnny continued, "the job that confronts us is to get these munitions down to our friends in Mexico. If we're caught sneakin' 'em into Mexico we'll spend the rest of our lives in a federal penitentiary for bustin' the neutrality laws. All them rifles an' the ammunition is cased an' in my basement at the present moment—and the government agents knows they're there. But that ain't troubling me. I rent the saloon next door an' I'll cut a hole through the wall from my cellar into the saloon cellar, carry 'em through the saloon into the backyard, an' out into the alley half a block away. I'm watched, but I got the watcher spotted—only he don't know it. Our only trouble is a ship. How about the Maggie?"



"The Job That Confronts Us Is to Get These Munitions Down to Our Friends in Mexico."

"I'd have to spend about two thousand dollars on her to put her in condition for the voyage," Scraggs replied.

"Can do," Scab Johnny answered him briefly, and Senor Lopez nodded acquiescence. "You discharge on a lighter at Descanso bay about twenty miles below Ensenada. What'll it cost us?"

"Ten thousand dollars, in addition to fixin' up the Maggie. Half down and half on delivery. I'm riskin' my hide an' my ticket an' I got to be well paid for it."

Again Senor Lopez nodded. What did he care? It wasn't his money.

"I'll furnish you with our own crew just before you sail," Scab Johnny continued. "Get busy."

"Gimme a thousand for preliminary expenses," Scraggs demanded. "After that Speed is my middle name."

The charming Senor Lopez produced the money in crisp new bills and, perfect gentleman that he was, demanded no receipt. As a matter of fact, Scraggs would not have given him one.

The two weeks that followed were busy ones for Captain Scraggs. The day after his interview with Scab Johnny and Don Manuel he engaged an engineer and a deck hand and went up the Sacramento to bring the Maggie down to San Francisco. Upon her arrival she was hauled out on the marine ways at Oakland creek, cleaned, caulked, and some new copper sheathing put on her bottom. She was also given a dash of black paint, had her engines and boilers thoroughly overhauled and repaired, and shipped a new propeller that would add at least a knot to her speed. Also, she had her stern rebuilt. And when everything was ready, she slipped down to the Black Diamond coal bunkers and took on enough fuel to carry her to San Pedro; after which she steamed across the bay to San Francisco and tied up at Fremont street wharf.

The cargo came down in boxes, variously labeled. There were "agricultural implements," a "cream separator," a "windmill," and half a dozen "sewing-machines," in addition to a considerable number of kegs alleged to contain nails. Most of it came down after five o'clock in the afternoon after the wharfinger had left the dock, and as nothing but a disordered brain would have suspected the steamer Maggie of an attempt to break the neutrality laws, the entire cargo was gotten aboard safely and without a jot of suspicion attaching to the vessel.

When all was in readiness, Captain Scraggs incontinently "fired" his deckhand and engineer and inducted aboard a new crew, carefully selected for their filibuster virtues by Scab Johnny himself. Then while the new engineer got up steam, Captain Scraggs went up to Scab Johnny's office for his final instructions and the balance of the first instalment due him.

Briefly, his instructions were as follows: Upon arrival off Point Dume on the southern California coast, he was to stand in close to Dume cove under cover of darkness and show two green lights on the masthead. A man would come alongside presently in a small boat, and climb aboard. This man would be the supercargo and the confidential envoy of the insurrecto junta in Los Angeles. Captain Scraggs was to look to this man for orders and to obey him implicitly, as upon this depended the success of the expedition. This agent of the insurrecto forces would pay him the balance of five thousand dollars due him immediately upon discharge of the cargo at Descanso bay. There was a body of insurrecto troops encamped at Megano rancho, a mile from the beach, and they would have a barge and small boats in readiness to lighter the cargo. Scab Johnny explained that he had promised the crew double wages and a bonus of a hundred dollars each for the trip. Don Manuel Garcia Lopez paid over the requisite amount of cash, and half an hour later the Maggie was steaming down the bay on her perilous mission.

The sun was setting as they passed out the Golden gate and swung down the south channel, and with the wind on her beam, the aged Maggie did nine knots. Late in the afternoon of the following day she was off the Santa Barbara channel, and about midnight she ran in under the lee of Point Dume and lay to. The mate hung out the green signal lights, and in about an hour Captain Scraggs heard the sound of oars grating in rowlocks. A few minutes later a stentorian voice hailed them out of the darkness. Captain Scraggs had a Jacob's ladder slung over the side and the mate and two deckhands hung over the rail with lanterns, lighting up the surrounding sea feebly for the benefit of the lone adventurer who sat muffled in a great coat in the stern of a small boat rowed by two men. There was a very slight sea running, and presently the men in the small boat, watching their opportunity by the ghostly light of the lanterns, ran their frail craft in under the lee of the Maggie. The figure in the stern sheets leaped on the instant, caught the Jacob's ladder, climbed nimbly over the side, and swore heartily in very good English as his feet struck the deck.

"What's the name of this floating coffin?" he demanded in a chain-locker voice. It was quite evident that even in the darkness, where her many defects were mercifully hidden, the Maggie did not suit the special envoy of the Mexican insurrectos.

"American steamer Maggie," said the skipper frigidly. "Scraggs is my name, sir. And if you don't like my vessel—"

"Scraggsy!" roared the special envoy. "Scraggsy, for a thousand! And the old Maggie of all boats! Scraggsy, old tarpot, your fin! Duke me, you doggoned old salamander!"

"Gib, my dear boy!" shrieked Captain Scraggs and cast himself into Mr. Gibney's arms in a transport of joy. Mr. Gibney, for it was indeed he, pounded Captain Scraggs on the back with one great hand while with the other he crushed the skipper's fingers to a pulp, the while he called on all the powers of darkness to witness that never in all his life had he received such a pleasant surprise.

It was indeed a happy moment. All the old animosities and differences were swallowed up in the glad handclasp with which Mr. Gibney greeted his old shipmate of the green-pea trade. Scraggs took him below at once and they pledged each other's health in a steaming kettle of grog, while the Maggie, once more on her course, rolled south toward Descanso bay.

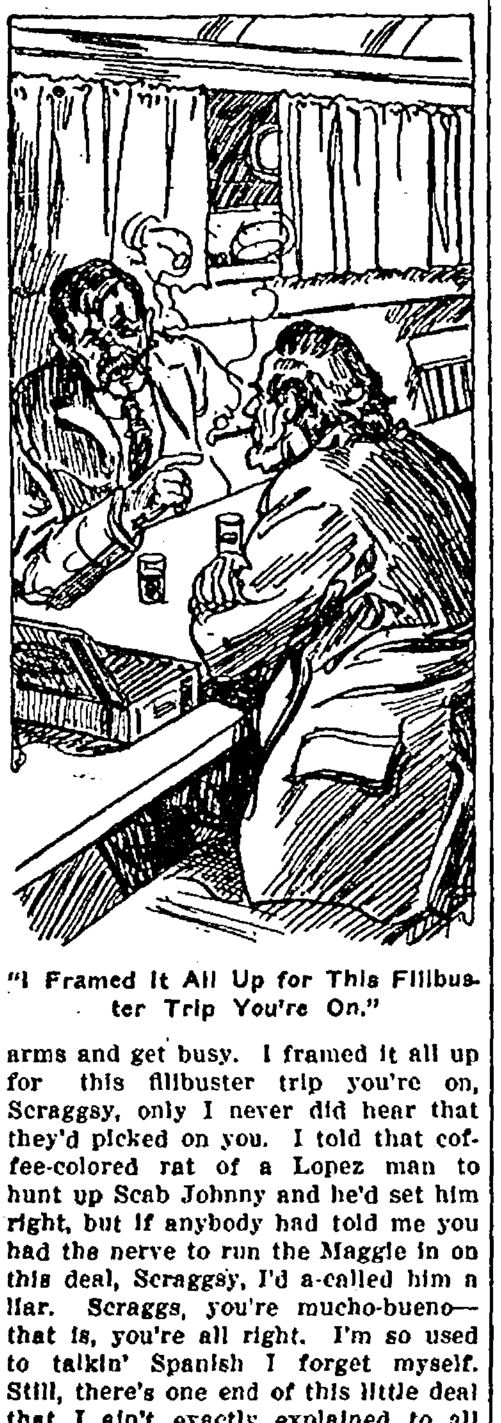
"Well, I'll be keel-hauled and skull-dragged!" said Captain Scraggs, producing a box of two-for-a-quarter cigars and handing it to Mr. Gibney. "Gib, my dear boy, wherever have you been these last three years?"

"Everywhere," replied Mr. Gibney. "I have been all over, mostly in Panama and the Gold coast. For two years I've been navigatin' officer on the Colombian gunboat Bogota. When I was a young feller I did a hitch in the navy and become a first-class gunner, and then I went to sea in the merchant marine, and got my mate's license, and when I flashed my credentials on the president of the United States of Colombia he give me a job at 'dos cienti pesos oro' per. That's Spanish for two hundred bucks gold a month. I've been through two wars and I got a medal for sinkin' a fishin' smack. I talk Spanish just like a native. I don't drink no more to speak of, and I've been savin' my money. Some day when I get the price together I'm goin' back to San Francisco, buy me a nice little schooner, and go tradin' in the South seas. How they been comin' with you, Scraggsy, old kiddo?"

"Lovely," replied Scraggs. "Just simply grand. I'll pull ten thousand out of this job."

Mr. Gibney whistled shrilly through his teeth.

"That's the ticket for soup," he said admiringly. "I tell you, Scraggs, this soldier of fortune business may be all right, but it don't amount to much compared to being a sailor of fortune, eh, Scraggsy? Just as soon as I heard there was a revolution in Mexico I quit my job in the Colombian navy and come north for the pickin's. . . . No, I ain't been in their rotten little army. . . . D'ye think I want to go around killin' people? . . . There ain't no pleasure gettin' killed in the mere shank of a bright and prosperous life . . . a dead hero don't gather no moss, Scraggsy. Reads all right in books, but it don't appeal none to me. I'm for peace every time, so right away as soon as I heard of the trouble, says I to myself: 'Things has been pretty quiet in Mexico for twenty years, and they're due to shift things around pretty much. What them peons need is a man with an imagination to help 'em out, and if they've got the money, Adelbert P. Gibney can supply the brains.' So I comes north to Los Angeles, shows the insurrecto junta my medal and my honorable discharges from every ship I'd ever been in, includin' the gunboat Bogota, and I talked big and swelled around and told 'em to run in some arms and get busy. I framed it all up for this filibuster trip you're on, Scraggsy, only I never did hear that they'd picked on you. I told that coffee-colored rat of a Lopez man to hunt up Scab Johnny and he'd set him right, but if anybody had told me you had the nerve to run the Maggie in on this deal, Scraggsy, I'd a-called him a liar. Scraggs, you're mucho-bueno—that is, you're all right. I'm so used to talkin' Spanish I forget myself. Still, there's one end of this little deal that I ain't exactly explained to all hands. If I'd a-known they was charterin' the Maggie, I'd have blocked the game."



"I Framed It All Up for This Filibuster Trip You're On."

"Why?" demanded Captain Scraggs, instantly on the defensive.

"Not that I'm holdin' any grudge agin you, Scraggsy," said Mr. Gibney affably, "but I wouldn't a-had you no more now than I would when we was runnin' in the green-pea trade. It's because you ain't got no imagination, and the Maggie ain't big enough for my purpose. Havin' the Maggie sort of puts a crimp in my plans."

"Rot," snapped Captain Scraggs. "I've had the Maggie overhauled and shipped a new wheel, and she's a mighty smart little boat, I'll tell you. I'll land them arms in Descanso bay all right."

"I know you will," said Mr. Gibney sadly. "That's just what hurts. You see, Scraggsy, I never intended 'em for Descanso bay in the first place. There's a nice healthy little revolution fomentin' down in the United States of Colombia, with Adelbert P. Gibney playin' both ends to the middle. And there's a dog-hole down on the Gold coast where I intended to land this cargo, but now that Scab Johnny's gone to work and sent me a bay scow instead of a sea-goin' steamer, I'm in the nine-hole instead o' dog-hole. I can never get as far as the Gold coast with the Maggie. She can't carry coal enough to last her."

"But I thought these guns and things was for the Mexicans," quavered Captain Scraggs. "Scab Johnny and Lopez told me they was."

Mr. Gibney groaned and hid his face in his hands. "Scraggsy," he said sadly, "it's a cinch you ain't used the past four years to stimulate that imagination of yours. Of course they was purchased for the Mexicans, but what was to prevent me from lettin' the Mexicans pay for them, help out on the charter of the boat, and then have me divert the cargo to the United States of Colombia, where I can sell 'em at a clear profit, the cost bein' nothin' to speak of? Now you got to come buttin' in with the Maggie, and what happens? Why, I got to be honest, of course. I got to make good on my bluff, and what's in it for me? Nothin' but glory. Can you hock a hunk of glory for ham and eggs, ... Scraggs? Not on your life. If it hadn't been for you buttin' in with your blasted, rotten hulk of a fresh-water skiff, I'd—"

Mr. Gibney paused ominously and savagely bit the end of his cigar. As for Captain Scraggs, every drop of blood in his body was boiling in defense of the ship he loved.

"You're a pirate," he shrilled.

"And you're just as big a hornet as you ever was," replied Mr. Gibney. "Always buzzin' around where you ain't wanted. But still, what's the use of bawlin' over spilt milk? We'll drop into San Diego for a couple of hours and take on coal, and about sunset we'll pull out and make the run down to Descanso bay in the dark. We might as well forget the past and put this thing through as per program. Only I saw visions of a schooner all my own, Scraggsy, and—well, what's the use? What's the use? Scraggsy, you're a natural-born mar-plot. Always buttin' in, buttin' in, fit for nothin' but the green-pea trade. However, I guess I can turn into my old berth and get some sleep. Put the old girl under a slow bell and save your coal. We'll have to fool away four or five hours in San Diego anyhow and there ain't no sense in crowdin' the old hulk."

"Gib," said Captain Scraggs, "was that really your lay—to steal the cargo, double-cross the insurrecto junta, and sell out to a furrin' country?"

"Of course it was," said Mr. Gibney pettishly. "They all do such things in the banana republics. Why should I be an exception? There's half a dozen different gangs fightin' each other and the government in Mexico, and if I don't deliver these arms, just see all the lives I'll be savin'. And after I got the cargo into Colombia and sold it, I could have peached on the rebels there, and got a reward for it, and saved a lot more lives, and come away rich and respected."

"By the Lord Harry," said Captain Scraggs, "but you've got an imagination, Gib. I'll swear to that. Gib, I take off my hat to you. You're all tight and shipshape and no loose ends bobbin' around you. Don't tell me th' scheme's got t' fall through, Gib. Great snakes, don't tell me that. Ain't there some way o' gettin' around it? There must be. Why, Gib, my dear boy, I never heard of such a grand lay in my life. It's a absolute winner. Don't give up, Gib. Oil up your imagination and find a way out. Let's get together, Gib, and make a little money. Dang it all, Gib, I been lonesome ever since I seen you last."

"Well," replied Mr. Gibney, "I'll turn in and try to scheme a way out, but I don't hold out no hope. Not a ray of it. I'm afraid, Scraggsy, we've got to be honest."

Saying which, Mr. Gibney hopped up into his berth, stretched his huge legs, and fell asleep with his clothes on. Captain Scraggs looked him over with the closest approach to affection that had ever lightened his cold gray eye, and sighing heavily, presently went on deck. As he passed up the companionway, the first mate heard him murmur:

"Gib's a fine lad. I'll be dad burned if he ain't."

At six o'clock next morning the Maggie was rounding Point Loma, heading in for San Diego bay, and Captain Scraggs went below and awakened Mr. Gibney.

"What's for breakfast, Scraggsy, old kid?" asked Mr. Gibney.

"Fried eggs," said Captain Scraggs, remembering Mr. Gibney's partiality for that form of nutriment in the vanished days of the green-pea trade. "Ham an' fried eggs an' a sizzlin' pot o' coffee. Thought a way out o' our mess, Gib?"

"Not yet," replied Mr. Gibney as he rolled out of bed, "but eggs is always stimulatin', and I don't give up hope on a full stomach."

An hour later they were tied up under the coal bunkers, and at Mr. Gibney's suggestion some twenty tons of sacked coal were piled on top of the fo'castle head and on the main deck for'd, in case of emergency. They lay in the harbor all day until about four o'clock, when Mr. Gibney, by virtue of his authority as supercargo, ordered the lines cast off and the Maggie steamed out of the harbor. Off Point Loma they veered to the south, leaving the Coronado islands on the starboard quarter, ten miles to the west. Mr. Gibney was below with Captain Scraggs, battling with the problem that confronted them, when the mate stuck his head down the companionway to report a large power schooner coming out from the lee of the Coronados and standing off on a course calculated to intercept the Maggie in an hour or two.

Captain Scraggs and Mr. Gibney sprang up on the bridge at once, the latter with Scraggs' long glass up to his eye.

"She was hove to under the lee of the island, and the minute we came out of the harbor and turned south she come nosin' after us," said the mate.

"Hum!" muttered Mr. Gibney. "Gasoline schooner. Two masts and baldheaded. About a hundred and twenty ton, I should say, and showin' a pretty pair of heels. There's somethin' up for'd—yes—let me see—ye-es, there's two more—holy sailor! It's a gunboat! One of those doggoned gasoline coast patrol boats, and there's the federal flag flyin' at the fore."

(Continued Next Week)

Belmond Local News

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

E. G. Miller, of the Belmond Welding Company, was a business visitor at Swaledale on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Clyde, "Lefty" Ray, who will be remembered by the base ball fans here, where he played last season, with the Belmond team, was in town last week greeting old friends. He has accepted a position as out-fielder for this coming season with the Coffeeville, Kansas, team, and reports soon for duty. His Belmond friends wish him much success.

The Senior Class of the High School are planning on a High School Annual again this year and are beginning work toward that end. They have not yet decided just what kind of an annual they will publish but there is no doubt but what it will be a good one.

Relatives in Belmond recenty received word that Axel Enger, who is in army service over seas, is ill in a hospital in France. Latest reports state that he s improving nicely.

Corn shelling, day or night. Am still in the business. Phone 3608.—Henry Eide.

Know some news? Phone 115 and tell us. Thank you.

FOR SALE—1 Old Trusty incubator 70 egg size. Mrs. Louise Veeder.

Farm sales are being held in this vicinity and are all going nicely and unusually high prices, considering the times, are being received for both stock and machinery. Farm sales will not be very plentiful this winter.

FOR SALE—Single driving harness, cheap. W. L. Wilson, Belmond.

Auto Side Curtains Repaired—Prices reasonable. Bring them in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

Wanted to Buy—Good Shephard Dog—Mrs Bertha Faulhaber. 9tf

An epidemic of colds seems to have struck the community and "stuffed up" noses are much in evidence.

FOR SALE—A good hard coal heater, at your own price. Inquire at this office.

E. F. Bailey has his three ice houses filled and has stored some ice besides. It is understood that he will supply Goodell as well as Belmond this summer. The ice is of good quality.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bullis were visitors recently with friends and relatives at Dows and Clarion.

REDUCED PRICES on all-wool suits and overcoats. W. L. Wilson, Star Cleaner. 72c

Rev. Wilkinson, of the Methodist church, is assisting with a series of special meetings being held this week at Kanawha.

Test your eyes on our Reel of Vision. Perfectly ground lenses and gold filled frames. Satisfaction guaranteed. $4.00 per pair. Schultz Drug Co.

Administratrix's Notice

Public Notice Is Hereby Given, that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Administratrix of the Estate of William H. White, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 6th day of January, 1922.

Phoebe A. White,
Administratrix
W. E. Bullard, Attorney for Estate.

FOR SALE—Shorthorn bull, four years old. Will furnish papers. Baker Bros. Phone 3515, Belmond.

Latest styles in dog collars. Prices reasonable. Townsan Hardware.

Whether we do your printing or not, we will appreciate it if you will list your farm sale date with us. The Independent desires to give its rural readers dates on all sales in this vicinity.

Phone the news to 115, please.

FOR SALE—A typewriter, Standard make. A bargain. Address inquiry by mail to 84. Care Independent.

Oscar Hensen, of Alexander, prominent land man of that place, was in town Tuesday of this week.

Have you got your dog license yet? Better get the tag and a collar before Fido goes to the hoosgow.

Base ball talk for a team this summer is beginning to be heard. Rumor has it that our friend Tommy Finn will be solicited to take the managing end of the team. Tommy will make a good man for the job, and will give Belmond a team that the town can be proud of.

Rev. Wilkinson officiated at the Stadtlander—Muhlenbruch wedding, at Alexander. He was accompanied by Mrs. Wilkinson.

Mrs. C. I. Williams has been reported as being on the sick list the past week, being quite ill.

Mrs. Eugene Kinney will be hostess next week Wednesday to the Priscilla Club, which meets at her home then.

The Chain of Ten will meet next week Monday at the home of Mrs. I. H. Benson.

Miss Shirley Thompson expects to leave this week for Cedar Rapids, where she will take a business course at the college there.

Ben Hogenson underwent an operation at the local hospital last Friday, for appendicitis, and is reported as doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh have moved back to Belmond, from Clarion, moving last week, and will make their home here in the future.

News seems to be a rather scarce article this week, the cold weather evidently keeping folks from traveling around much.

Mrs. Adolph Thompson was a week end visitor at the home of relatives in Fort Dodge.

Miss Carol Tyrrell is reported as recovering nicely from the accident she suffered last Friday night, while playing basket ball.

How cold was it Tuesday morning? The Independent editor asked five different people, that morning, and every one of 'em had a different degree of coldness, from 17 to 25 below. Anyway it was plenty cold. No one can truthfully say, however, that we have had a very hard winter—so far Of course February is yet to come.

Mrs. Alice Sorensen has been numbered on the list of sick folks the past week.

Jim Easton is suffering from a broken arm, the result of being kicked by a cow recently.

The Independent shipped out its old linotype last week Saturday, the new owner being the News, at Stockport, Iowa.

The Lecture course number given last week was pronounced very good, one of the best that has ever been given in Belmond. The school is to be congratulated upon its progressiveness in maintaining the lecture course, and in securing such excellent talent.

The Belmond teams completely wiped the map with the Dows basket ball team last Friday night, winning both of the games by good margins. It was just a case of too much speed, the Belmond teams, both girls and boys, being too fast for the neighboring town. Both games were excellent exhibitions of the sport, clean and exciting, and were attended by a large crowd of fans.

The Local school added another feather to its cap last Friday when the debating team defeated Eagle Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and little daughter, from Dubuque, have been guests the past week at the home of Mike Kenefick, Mrs. Bennett being a daughter of Mr. Kenefick. Mr. Bennett is in the undertaking business at Dubuque. He was a resident of Belmond about 27 years ago.

R. E. Lee Aldrich, of near Rowan, was a caller in town last week Saturday, attending to some business affairs.

Mrs. Marshall, of Fort Dodge, was a guest over the week end at the home of her cousin, W. H. Galliger, and his mother, Mrs. Bensch.

J. Goldberg, of Chicago, will be in town Monday to buy horses. Watch for bills telling all about it.

Call at the new shop when you need any shoe repairing. Prices are right. J. C. Atherton. 101*

Mrs. Ormal Gates of Rowan was a shopper in town on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Sarah Moon, of Rowan, was a business caller in town on last Saturday.

Mrs. Leslie Reed, of Alexander visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn, on Saturday of last week.

Fred Greenfield, of Alexander, was a business caller here one day last week.

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

J. U. Johnson, one of the merchants at Kanaha was a visitor in town the first of the week, looking after some business interests.

J. R. Saatoff writes from Waubon, Minn., to friends here that they have had an open winter there, and that they are enjoying the best of health.

For Sale—Fresh cow, a good one, priced to sell.—Sheriff Bros. 102*

Mrs. John Athershaw and son, Kenneth, of Swea City, are visiting at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wendell.

Mrs. Gates, of Rowan, was a visitor in town on Saturday of last week, doing some shopping here.

W. O. Butterfield, who has been working at Klemme, has returned to Belmond.

Julius Johnson will hold a farm sale on Wednesday, February 8th' See his ad in next week's Independent.

Wm. Whittaker left Monday of this week on a business trip to Albert Lea, Minnesota, and other points in that state.

LOCAL STUDENTS WIN FIRST MATCH OF THE SEASON

(Continued from page one.)

Division 2 of the Literary Society will give a program Friday afternoon at 2:30.

Friday was a big day for Belmond, as she had three victories to her credit.

Last Friday evening our fast quintet defeated the Dows High School Huskies to the tune of 22 to 11. No time during the game were our boys in danger of loosing the game, the half ending 16 to 4. Altho our boys all played star basket-ball, Madsen was the feature of the contest, making difficult shots from every angle. The Belmond girls defeated the Dows girls in an easy game of basket ball Friday night. The Dows girls sent the ball through the ring first, but made only five more points during the game. The Belmond girls played good team work throughout. Jumping Center Rierson missed only 3 tip-offs during the entire game. Although Leavy was much smaller than the Dows running center, she continually out jumped her. H. Haven played a defensive game entirely, making but few scores, but protecting M. Hauge, and at times guarding both. The guards, K. Thiltgen and C. Tyrrell cannot be given too much credit for keeping down the Dows score. They guarded well and evaded the visiting forwards, easily making some good catches which could have resulted in scores.

Monday evening the team played their return game at Swaledale, winning by 34 to 14, the first half ending 26 to 6. During the last half our boys spent most of their time practicing passing rather than shooting baskets. By using these tactics, we received some valuable practice for the hard games to be played within the coming months. They are: Clarion, Garner, Nashua and Hampton, all played on our home floor.

Mrs. T. C. Johnson, of Latimer, and Mrs. Henry Schultz were Kindergarten visitors the past week.

We need your help to give you all the news. We get some, but not all the happenings, and if, when you know some news, you will call 115 it will be very much appreciated. Thank You!

The short course for this winter has been abandoned, and will be held, according to present plans, next winter some time.

A good many boys who have been advised by their elder to be quick, seem to think that means to be "fast."

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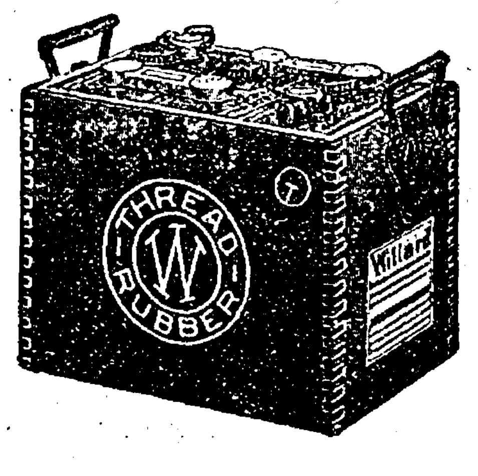
Through Service We Grow



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STORM LAKE AND BELMOND DEBATE FRIDAY

Creamery Holds Annual Meeting Last Saturday

Officers Elected For The Coming Year And Many Questions Are Discussed.

TO HOLD CREAMERY DAY

The local creamery held its annual meeting last week Saturday, at the Belmond township hall, and elected the following officers:

Geo. Elder, Secretary; Ole Thompson, Treasurer; A. C. Hinman, Frank Barry and Will Boelman, directors, the first named being re-elected to succeed himself.

Everything was found clear and the creamery free from debt. Much more butter was made this year than last, which goes to show that the farmers are getting back to the good old regular cream check.

The total poundage of butter made the past year was 167,373. The year before it was 145,617. Compare this to 1916 with 166,804, 1914 with a total of 207,484, and the banner year, 1913, with 222,841. In the large years named, however, the company was buying cream from outside stations, whereas now they buy only locally. It all points to the fact that the farmers are milking more.

It was the hope of the meeting that a tariff sufficiently high would be placed on foreign butter to keep from having the influx of the foreign product ruin the home market.

Thirteen carloads of butter from Australia and New Zealand recently went thru Iowa on the way to the New York market. Denmark recently shipped a great quantity which had its effect on the market.

Freight rates are so high that the creamery, which sold almost exclusively to New York, now has to ship to Chicago.

Among the questions taken up and discussed was the holding of a Creamery Day here, probably, if conditions are favorable, in the early fall. It was decided too to keep open during the summer months two evenings a week

MRS. N. A. DAVENPORT

Nancie A. Christie was born at Heath, Mass., Aug 1, 1835, and died at her home south of Belmond Jan. 30, 1922.

She was married to Truair J. Davenport July 4, 1858, by "Mark Twain." They moved to Madison, Wis., and in the spring of 1863 to Belmond and settled on the farm south of town. Mr. Davenport was killed by lightning on June 12, 1868, which left the whole care of bringing up her family upon her, which was no small task when we remember that the nearest railroad was miles away. She was mother and father to her children.

She professed faith in Christ and was baptised in the Charlment river, at the same time that her father and mother were baptised and was received into the membership of the M. E. church at the age of 14 years.

Mrs. Davenport leaves five children, Terrance A, Jason C, Abbie J, wife of J. W. Sheriff, Frank J. and Truair N., all of Belmond, also ten grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren, besides many other relatives and friends who mourn her departure. She rests from her labor and her works do follow her.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church, Rev. Leinbach preaching the sermon, Rev. Wilkinson in charge, and interment was made in Franklin Grove cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We thank our friends and neighbors for the sympathy and kindness shown us at the time of the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. We are also grateful for the many flowers and spiritual bouquets.

Mrs. Pat Quigley and Children.

The Good Fellowship meeting to be held Friday night of this week, was put ahead to last evening, Wednesday, owing to the fact that the debate between the Belmond and the Storm Lake schools is scheduled for Friday.

The weather was anything but favorable, and consequently there were few farmers in from the country. A report of the meeting will be given in the Independent next week.

According to present plans, Judge Fry will be the speaker at a meeting of the club about the first of March, or late in this month. Judge Fry is an able speaker and his address will be well worth hearing. Plan to be there and have a good time with the "Good Fellows."

THINGS DOING IN THE DISTRICT COURT

Monitor.—W. W. Frakes, of Woolstock is defendant in suit brought by Clinton Furnace Stove Company, on account for $215.77.

Unpaid merchandise to the value $111 is the cause of suit brought by South Bend Chilled Plow Co., vs. W. W. Frakes.

Mrs. W. B. Ebbing asks judgment in the sum of $589 from George and T. F. Moore, of Eagle Grove, on their promissory note.

Three unpaid notes held by the Farmers' Saving Bank of Woolstock, aggregating $4,601 are the basis of suit against Frank McDaniels.

C. W. Gadd, trustee of Hanson & Tyler Co., of Webster City, bankrupts, brings suit against W. N. Bump to recover $30 on account.

Renwick Auto Company asks the foreclosure of a mortgage for $525.84 given by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Frakes on Buick touring car, binder, etc

Another suit against W. W. Frakes of Woolstock is that of the Waterloo Saddlery Co., who want judgement for $161.30 for harness sold defendant.

A $55 suit of clothes and a $90 overcoat which McCarty and Coe of Eagle Grove claim have never received payment for is cause of a suit against Loshus Norris.

H. B. Cole, assignee for the Peoples' Co-operative store of Eagle Grove, has begun suit against W. H. Anderson to collect the sum of $223.60.

Julia Teigland, guardian, has petitioned the court for authority to renew a mortgage n a cerain real estate of her ward in order to obtain a 10.000.00 loan.

Jennie Sporaa, of Belmond, is suing Bert Lowan of a balance of $758 as amount due for the rent of a 160 acre farm. The two-year lease called for $1260 and the renter had paid but $502.

So far the auditor's office has issued 580 dog tags. From a hasty glance over the assessor's books, it is estimated that the above number represents about one-half the Fidos usually found in Wright county.

Miller-Lampert Co., of Iowa Falls ask the foreclosure of a mechanic's lien against the Curtis Floral Co., of Dows. The amount due is $342, being balance for lumber, etc., entering into a construction of a barn.

G. & D. Mfg. Co. allege the Frakes Hardwarer Co. gave them a check for $169 on account and when same was presented to the bank for payment was refused and they had to pay protest charges. They now seek satisfaction.

The alleged non-payment of a promisory note in the aggregate sum of $1072 is cause of action in the case of John Dorenkamp vs J. P. and M. B. Courtney of Belmond. The same parties are also concerned in a note and mortgage in the sum of $362.

"Jack and Jennie" are the parties over which Harold McBeth of Eagle Grove and J. E. Beck of Clarion are about to go law. The above named "parties" are described as two flea bitten mules, aged 11 years. The aforesaid animals are covered with a blanket mortgage and note for $170.

Judge Fry has rendered a decision in the drainage case of DeMaris et al vs the board of supervisors. The case as submitted at the December term of court and taken under advisement. In his opinion the judge says the appellants have shown that the assessments in each case were excessive as compared with other assessments in the district and are entitled to substantial reductions in the same. It appeared to the court that most of the lands through which drains run had an adequate outlet. It is quite apparent that the drainage system was constructed primarily for the purpose of taking care of the exceedingly swampy and marshy lands at the head of the old districts. These comprise several thousand acres and are largely reclaimed. After considering the matter pro and con the following reductions were made:

Demaris estate, seven tracts, from $791. 64 to $554; $709.20 to $568; $564 to $423; $451 to $350; $413.38 to $335; $265.68 to $200; $311.50 to $250.

Mrs. Chas. Brandis, three tracts, $700.50 to $512.50; $1354.26 to $1150; $423.77 to $300.

D. M. Whitten, five tracts, $1407.46 to $450; $439.52 to $300; $123 to $100; $891.10 to $800; $541.20 to $475.

H. J. Peddle, four tracts, $1407.78 to $1025; $759.75 to $650; $1270.10 to $1050; $539.11 to $450.

Mary Whitten, $256.50 to $200.

All costs are taxed against the drainage district, which is officially known as joint No. 7-146 Franklin and Wright counties.

Tuesday the board of supervisors let the contract of graveling the south Clarion road to C. Sorenson of Nevada, whose bid was 39.9 cents for the first mile and 9 cents for each additional half mile. There were six other bidders the next lowest being [illegible]5, cents and 12 for each half mile. The gravel will be taken from the Sheffield pit.

A marriage license was issued to Harry L. Martin and Lizetta Norris on January 21.

J. W. Kahney vs. Chas and Geo. Babcock is a suit to collect on three notes aggregating $1484.

Clifton Campbell of Clarion expects to be a canidate for sheriff of Wright county.. His nomination papers are being circulated.

G. D. Bates, trustee for Portage Tire & Rubber Co. brings suit against Frakes & Kahl Hardware Co. to recover on an account the sum of $112.16.

The Farmers Elevator Co., of Gold field claims the sum of $347. 62 due from Homer Kennedy for grain and other feed sold him and has petitioned the court for a judgement in that amount. The same plaintiff is suing W. H. Ellsworth on a similar account, the amount due is alleged to be $1327.81.

Johnson & Rosecrans of Belmond rented a certain tract of land to John Groh for the sum of $720. Defendant raised sugar beets thereon and later is alleged to have sold the crop to the Northern Sugar Corp., without paying the sum due for rent, hence the suit. Under similar conditions this plaintiff hopes to recover $225 from Robt. Maitland.

Cap. Tyrrell Celebrates His 75th Birthday

Former Belmond Resident Has Enjoyable Time Greeting Many Old Friends.

OLDEST BROTHER PRESENT

Beaumont Enterprise: Hale and hearty and with all the activities of a man in the prime of life, Capt. W. C. Tyrrell greeted in person approximately 75 friends at his home, 1347 Calder avenue yesterday, who had called to pay their respects on his 75th birthday. Captain Tyrrell came to Beaumont 22 years ago, but in the intervening years' time has dealt with him gently and few of his old busiess associates and friends could tell a change from the time when he first became a factor in the development of the great southwest.

In addition to the large number of local callers and relatives from various sections of the country, Captain Tyrrell received many letters and telegrams of congratulations. He received them placidly for his health and activity father many returns of the day. Refreshments were served from 3:00 to 5:00 to all of his local friends by his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Garth, assisted by Miss Tassie Polk and Miss Ara Brooks.

Brother Is Guest

The dining room and reception hall were decorated with roses given to Captain Tyrrell by his friends. One of the pleasing features of the event to Captain Tyrrell was to have as his guest his elder brother, Perry Tyrrell, of Iowa, who is now 79 years of age. This was his first visit to Texas. Perry practically all his life has made a business of raising thorobred cattle, and at this time has one of the finest herds in the country.

Relatives present were Harry C. Tyrrell, of Tulsa and Will C. Tyrrell Jr., of Belmond, Iowa, sons of Captain Tyrrell; G. P. Tyrrell and wife, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the former, aged 79, being Captain Tyrrell's oldest brother; C. H. Tyrrell, Captain Tyrrell's youngest brother, and son, Clarence, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; C. Field, a nephew of Captain Tyrrell and wife, of Beaumont, Tyrrell Garth grandson of Captain Tyrrell, and wife, of course, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Garth, son-in-law and daughter of Captain Tyrrell, who make their home with him.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

We are still running considerable ahead of last year in our attendance at the Sabbath school but we have plenty of room for a good many more. The men of the Bible class invite all men who are not in Sunday school to come and join.

The services next Sunday will be as usual, Sabbath school at 10 a. m., the morning worship at 11, at which time the pastor will speak in Young Peoples Christian Endeavor. The young peoples' meeting at 7:30 to which all are invited.

A week from Sunday night the choir will give a special praise program which will be worth any effort that it may take to hear. It will consist of solos, duets, quartetts, and choruses.

We invite you to our services and would be glad to have you meet with us in our Bible study on Thursday night at 7:30. The trustees will meet at the close of the Bible study on Thursday night.

Foresters to Hold Their Big Annual Ball on Feb. 8th

Big Time Is Scheduled For Next Wednesday When Annual Event Comes Off.

BIG CROWD ANTICIPATED

The Foresters will hold their big annual ball next week Wednesday, Feb. 8, in the opera house, and plans are being made for a rousing good time. Gates orchestra is to furnish the music for the dance. The Catholic ladies will serve a supper from five o'clock until all are served, and a midnight supper is to be served from 11 o'clock on.

The Foresters' ball is always one of the best occasions of its kind in the winter season and this one will be no exception to the rule.

They are inviting everyone to be present and have a good time with them on next Wedesday.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

Chronicle—One Hampton enterprise at least is doing its part to make business normal, and that is the Earl Ferris Nursery. Not only have prices on all lines of Nursery stock been cut to the bottom, but the management is making every effort to continue its gross business on the upward trend. The Earl Ferris Nursery is probably the largest employer of labor of any concern in Hampton, and also furnishes employment indirectly to many people, who are employed by others who furnish supplies to the nursery.

Just now the nursery is sending out one batch of printed supplies which will cost more money than the total gross year's business of many of the smaller business institutions of Hampton. It means business for the Hampton Post-office, too, and it was largely through the postal business of the Earl Ferris Nursery that Hampton was able to secure city mail delivery service a few years ago. The batch of advertising matter being sent out this week by the nursery would greatly surprise most people in Hampton. Over 200,000 pieces of mail are being sent to various parts of the country. In each enclosure is a special color work catalogue, a four page special price list folder, an order blank, and in many of them special circular letters are enclosed. A large force of girls have been at work the past two weeks, addressing, folding and enclosing the printed matter. The 200,000 envelopes required for the job take a postage bill of $2,000, which is more than some of the Hampton merchants spend in a whle year for advertising alone.

WILLIAM DOMINY

William Sherman Dominy was born in Freeden, LaSalle county, Illinois, Oct. 12, 1878, and died at the home off his brother John Dominy, at Goodell, Iowa, Jan. 27, 1922. A short service was held at the home on Monday afternoon by Rev. Leinbach, after which the body was taken to Windsor, Mo., for burial. Mr. Dominy had been in poor health for a number of years as a result of a sunstroke and this winter he had been very poorly and his brother John went to Missouri and brought him back with him so as to be able to give him the necessary care but death relieved him from his suffering. He leaves four children, his aged mother, three sisters and three brothers.

RECEIPE FOR KISSES

(Editors Note—A reader handed this in, and its so good we pass it along. Read directions carefully before using.)

To one piece of dark piazza, add a little moonlight, take for granted two people, press in two strong hands one small soft one, sift lightly two ounces of romance one of attraction, add a large measure of folding, stir in a floating muffle and one or two whispers, dissolve half a dozen glances in a well of silence, dust in a small quantity of hesitation, one ounce of resistance, two of yielding. Press the kisses on a flushed cheek or two lips, flavor with screams and set aside to cool. This will be extremely successful in any cimate and will keep for years if directions are carefully followed.

Care must be taken in measuring the ingredients as an over amount is apt to sour on the stomach and affect the heart.

Timothy and wild hay for sale, in good condition. Prices reasonable. Inquire M. Halfwassen, Palsville.

NEW POSTMASTER TO TAKE OFFICE SOON

The Independent is informed that R. C. Morse, our present popular and efficient postmaster, will be relieved of the duties of the office within a week or two, and the new Nasby, Wallace Ramsay, editor of the Herald-Press, will assume the charge. Mr. Ramsay, it is stated, has received his commission.

It is with sincere regret that the Independent sees Mr. Morse leave the office, and we believe that we express sentiment of the vast majority of the public. "Rufe" has given Belmond one of the best administrations of the office that the town has ever had; he has earnestly and patiently devoted his time and efforts, along with that of his office force, toward giving Belmond efficient and speedy service, and, in the language of the day, "he sure delivered the goods." The new postmaster is welcomed to the office with the assurance that the public generally will be willing to co-operate and help to keep for Belmond one of the best mail services that exist in the country. Mr Morse has not decided as yet what his future intentions are to be. The present office force will remain we are informed.

SUGAR CO. AFTER ACREAGE

The Iowa Valley Sugar Company is making efforts to secure additional working funds so that it may operate the factory at Belmond this fall; and as a necessary step in such efforts is trying to find out what acreage it could secure for 1922 if an acceptable beet contract was put into the field.

Owing to the still unsettled conditions in the sugar industry and in business generally, it is not possible to state absolutely, now, what prices will apply to the beet crop itself and to the supplies, etc., the company have to furnish. Only a few sugar companies in the country have come out with actual beet and labor contracts, because they hesitate to make definite offers until labor and material markets become more stable. Prices at which hand labor and seed can be furnished, and the cost of fertilizer that the company must buy from dealers, are still indifinite. The few factories that have put out a contract may have to alter some of their terms if other factories' figures prove to be quite different.

The element of tariff on imported sugar is a very significant one; and if the present rate is lowered it is probable that some companies will not attempt to run in 1922. This tariff matter is still pending at Washington, and sugar beet representatives are still urging Congress to protect the domestic industry at least as much as it has been the past few years.

Farmers in the Belmond's factory's territory have had two years of rather unfavorable conditions to combat: in 1920 with exceptional rains and an inadequate supply of hand labor, in 1921 with dry weather hindering the development of all crops. With normal weather conditions prevailing in 1922, with lower prices for seed, fertilizer and labor, this year's crop should show a worth-while profit.

It should be remembered that although 1921 did not bring much profit to beet raisers, its returns should not be compared with those from the same crop in other years, but with other crops grown last year. Almost without exception, the country over, beets were the only cash crop; and likewise they were about the only one that assured the farmer a definite price from the very day he planted his seed. In numerous cases, other crops were "held for a raise" (notably corn for two years); and were sold eventually for less than they cost to produce. With many crops it was true that prices were changing frequently—and usually were falling.

The raising of several thousand acres of beets within a radius of forty miles from Belmond, with its attendant disbursements for the crop, labor and merchandise; the larger number of people who will live in and around the several towns; and the general impetus that factory operations invariably give to town business: these influnces will materially benefit the communities that participate. There have been some merchantile losses, due to indiscreet extensions of credit, as well as misunderstandings; these were controllable and need not occur again. There have been losses on the part of farmers who expected to grow a crop of beets without using suitable ground, and without reasonable attention to preparation, hand-work, cultivation and harvesting. But these losses to merchants and farmers can be avoided by the exercise of diligence, by not undertaking too large an acreage, and by proper co-operation with the officials.

The company is circularizing farmers living within hauling distance of its dumps: to ascertain as early as possible the acreage it can write in case a definite contract is offered. The outcome of its efforts to run in 1922 wll very largely depend on the acreage showing made in the very near future. Farmers are urged to carefully consider their plans for 1922, whether they be owners or tenants, and let the company know how much of their land they will put into beets. The sooner these figures are known, the sooner will the company be able to say whether it can undertake another campaign.

With this situation before them, it is believed that business men in the several towns will realize the community of interest existing between general business as they represent it, and that of the sugar company in its special field.

Two Teams to Battle For Forensic Honors

Belmond To Meet School That Won From Them In Debate Last Year.

HAVE THE NEGATIVE SIDE

On Friday night, February 3 at eight o'clock the debating team from Storm Lake will meet our team. We have the negative side again, and that will make it easier for our team. Plan on hearing this debate. You will find it worth your while, and the school needs your support. The high school orchestra will play so you will hear some good music as well as the debate.

Thursday night of this week at 8 o'clock the Belmond basket ball teams will meet the Clarion boys and girls on the local floor. This game promises to be one of the fastest games of the season, for Clarion is out to win and will fight to the finish because Belmond defeated Clarion on their own floor Dec. 17.

We need boosters and backers. Come out and help us win the hardest game of the season.

There will be no Community Night this week, because of the Clarion-Belmond basket ball game on Thursday night.

Friday afternoon each high school in the county sent a representative here to decide on arrangements for the County Declamatory. It will be held at Eagle Grove on February 24. The following people were here: Supt. Prall, of Clarion Supt. Smyie, of Dows; Supt. Halliday, of Rowan; Miss Camp, H. S. Principal of Eagle Grove.

Division II of the Literary gave a program Friday afternoon. A very clever farce was given. The Literary also elected officers for the second semester, as follows:

Lee Lowenberg	President
Raphael Kernan	Vice President
Leona Smith	Secretary
Everett Parsons	Treasurer
Lewis Parsons	Sargeant at Arms
Mr. Christie	Critic

The Rowan girls met the Belmond girls on the home floor and were defeated by a score of 20 to 8. Rowan has a good girls team. They have a neat system of play which is not easy to break up. Their centers worried the Belmond girls considerably. The Rowan forwards gave the Belmond guards a good stiff workout and the visiting guards caused the home girls more work than just basket shooting. The Belmond girls put more pep and fight into this game than into any yet played. We are proud that Rowan complimented us on a good clean game. We can say the same of them and wish them all good luck and only one more defeat, and that when we play them at Rowan.

Monday night our boys defeated Rowan by a 32 to 13 score. The game was fast, but ragged. Our boys showed exceptional team work but lacked the punch to carry the ball thru for a basket. Frequent fumbles might be excused due to several sprained fingers among our boys. However, we hope to be in tip top condition for our big battle Thursday night with Clarion. Come and Boost.

The grade teachers ask the co-operation of parents in securing perfect attendance. It does not seem necessary that pupils should come to school five or ten minutes tardy practically every morning as is the case with a number of the pupils

Gay Bohning and Anna Steenblock visited the fifth grade Friday afteroon.

Miss Mary Barry visited First grade last Wednesday.

The Legion supper last Wednesday by the ladies of the Auxiliary was very successful, and netted the ladies about $85. Many compliments were heard of the "fine feed.

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CLIPPINGS

The annual meeting of the Norway Rural Telephone Company was held last Saturday afternoon. The officers and directors were all re-elected. The financial conditions of the company is reported very good, considering the fact that the lines have been rebuilt during the past year and they start the new year with very good prospects.—Kanawha Reporter.

A wedding in which the cordial interest of a wide circle of acquaintances centered took place in Hampton Friday evening when Mrs. Mary L. Gillett, widow, became the bride of Mr. O. G. Reeve, widower. The marriage was a surprise to all but the closest friends of the couple. Rev. W. G. Crowder preformed the ceremony at the bride's home on West Seventh street at 6:30 o'clock in the presence of a few relatives and friends.

The contracting parties are pioneer residents of Franklin county and their families have always been the closest of friends. The news o theh mating is sure to please acquaintances of this estimable couple.—Recorder.

At a number of places thruout the central states, merchants are paying five cents over the market price for corn, taking it as cash in the purchase of all kinds of merchanise. It looks like this might be a good thing to try out in Hampton. The plan is to sell the corn at one of the elevators, and a creditslip is issued which is honored by any merchant. —Chronicle.

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ago the Republican made a semi-weekly issue for several months, though this paper never stated that the change was a permanent one. It was dropped here because it did not pay. A canvass of the business houses of Humboldt showed just one—the Peoples State Bank—that felt able to spend any money in a semi-weekly paper. This paper later dropped the issue, and we believe the News will also drop it after a thorough trial. Semi-weekly papers are usually Jonahs.—Humboldt Republican.

The Wright County News, published at Clarion, Iowa, has changed its issue to twice a week, and will hereafter come out as a semi-weekly. It will be remembered that two years

On Friday evening Dows bowed to a double defeat at the hands of the Belmond teams aided and abetted by said refree. The girls game proved to be a one-sided affair with Mr. T., calling five times as many fouls on Dows as Belmond. The first half was closely contested until the last few minutes of play when our captain was removed becuse of an injury. In the second half the Belmond girls insisted on pushing and over-guarding while Mr. Official rested his loins, and the victors ran up a large score as a result. The second game proved to be an even-up battle until the last five minutes of the first half when the home team ran wild and increased their margin. Dows seemed to be waiting for the Belmond team to stop scoring rather than trying to make them stop and the half ended 16-4 for Belmond. In the second period Belmond was outplayed and Dows managed to win the half by a small margin, much too small to make the game close. The game promised to be interesting until the refree vowed that our players would be called right and left. Final score 22-11.—Advocate.

Oliver Brager was in yesterday and incidentally happened to tell us what the farmers out in his part of the country hve been doing the past two months to get their roads graveled. First he made a deal with the trustees of Concord Township and the townships just across the county line in Cerro Gordo County to pay half the expense of graveling the county line from the paved road north. Then he got the farmers to do the work for half price, with the understanding that every farmer who would go on the job and stay until it was finished was to have the road graveled in his driveway. This covers the county line from the pavement straighe north for three miles and some of the side roads, and they are all graveled in fine shape. Clifford Brager alone hauled 182 loads, and some others hauled nearly as much. The haulers were able to make about $2.00 per day with a team, the counties got the work done for about 35 cents a yard, and we have some more good roads. A good scheme the whole thing, we think.—Garner Signal.

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years.
W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

GOODELL NEWS

U. B. Church Notes.

The Women's Missionary association will hold their annual Thank offering Friday, Feb. 3, at 2 p. m. at the parsonage. Each member is requested to be present and bring their thank offering box as they will be opened at that time

Next Sunday will be educational day in the U. B. church thruout the U. S.

All are invited to join in the study of the Bible on the Sabbath at 9:45. The study of the Bible will fit you for life here and the life to come. You cannot afford to neglect so great an opportunity of fitting your life for the highest joy.

We are pleased to see so many people in from the country. Many more could be at Sunday and worship if they would make a little extra effort.

What will it profit a man if he gain all the hogs, cattle and land in Hancock county and miss heaven at the end of life's journey?

Mrs. O. Nelson left Saturday for Decorah where she will visit with her parents.

E. T. Hetland is still a very sick man, but is reported some better at this writing.

Monday Miss Mamie White was at Klemme.

Mrs. Monroe Graeber is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jenison visited at the home of O. Sandberg on Sunday last.

Many in and around Goodell are suffering from severe colds in the head and throat

Monday night the body of Mr. Wm. Dominy, who died at the home of his brother, John, was taken to his home in Missouri for burial.

Goodell School Notes.

Omi Byellland, Pearl Engeseth and Mildred Remer received the quarter holiday Friday.

In the semester exams Omi Byelland received the highest average in the eighth grade and Mildred Remer in the seventh.

The Klemme basket ball teams defeated the Goodell teams on the former's floor last Friday evening. The final score in the girls' game, which was very close and interesting, was 17 to 15. The boys' game was a little onesided, partly because of the Goodell team two boys could not play, and partly on account of the greasy and slippery floor. The game ended with a score of 33 to 20.

Monroes silent reading test which was given to the high slhool pupils two weeks ago gave some interesting results. John Miller received the highest mark in comprehension and Harold Savogue the highest in rate reading. Others that had good scores were Eddie Boller, Louise Mason, Carl Sandberg, Dorothy Allaben, Helma Burgess.

The basket ball game between Goodell and Garner was called off. Remember the game between Cyrstal Lake and Goodell on Friday night, Feb. 3.

Florence Mason has the highest average in the primary room for the last month.

The following were neither absent nor tardy the past month: Walter Boller, Carrol Cordes, and Naida Wesenberg.

The contest in the first three grades for drinking more milk and no tea or coffee was ended last Friday. The children who had given up tea and coffee for the past month received a toy cow.

The county nurse visited our school last week and many underweights showed a marked gain.

Eunice Wesenberg, Cholm Houghton and Lucile Boller received the quarter holiday in the grades.

Those receiving the highest average in the Intermediate room were Lucile Boller, Cholmondley Houghton and Daphne Houghton.

Hygiene is being taught in the sixth grade this semester instead of history.

HAMPTON HAS $70,000 FIRE LAST THURSDAY

The citizens of Hampton were rudely awakened from their slumbers at 3:45 this morning by the wail of the fire siren. Fire had been discovered in the basement of the American Railway Express Company's office on Reeve street, and by the time the alarm was turned in had made considerable headway. When the fire company arrived smoke was pouring forth from every door and window in the buiding and also from the openings in the adjoining buildings occupied by the Hampton Mercantile Co., and it was some time before the seat of the fire could be located. By five o'clock it seemed that all the actual fire had been extinguished, altho the smoke was still rooling out of the windos and the majority of the large crowd of sleepy-eyed citizens, who had assembled returned to their beds. However, the members of the fire department remained on the job to guard against any possible second breaking out of the flames.

About 6:00 o'clock the alarm was souded again. This time there was no trouble in locating the flames as practically the whole building was in flames, as well as the building of the mercantile store. Altho the firemen worked faithfully in their efforts to check the flames it was of no avail as the start the fire had made in the walls of the building was too great to be stopped.

The building was completely gutted in less than half an hour and about 6:30 the walls began to fall in and it was not long before the building was completely demolished.

The department store stock of the Hampton Mercantile Company was entirely lost and practically the only thing saved from either of the buildings was the ledgers of the Mercantile Company. The stock of the Mercantile Company was valued at approximately $40,000 and was covered by $26,500 insurance.

The local lodge of the I. O. O. F. which had its lodge rooms on the second floor of the Mercantile Building suffered a loss on all of its parts phernalia, most of which had only recently been purchased. However they had most of their loss covered by $1,400 insurance.

The building occupied by the express company was owned by J. E. Coonley and Dr. L. E. Haecker, and was covered by only $2,000 insurance. The two big rooms occupied by the Mercantile Company were owned by W. L. Robinson and S. A. McDowell, and were covered by about $4,000 insurance. Altogether the total loss on the stock and buildings will aggregate about $70,000.

The fire started from a bad flue in the furnace of the express office and as it was a veneered building the fire spread so rapidly fter it was once started that there was no possible way of checking it. When the fire made its second appearnce it was in the second story between the two buildings, which shos how the flames crept along the walls for some time before breaking out.---Hampton Chronicle.

PERK UP!

Your nose may be battered, your jawbone nicked,
Your visage may be a sight,
But always remember you're never licked
While you can stand and fight.
No matter how badly they mess your map,
It won't be beyond repair.
And there is still a chance that you ll win the scrap,
As long as the punch is there.

You'll make mistakes and you'll do things wrong,
The best of them always do;
But as soon as you get to going strong,
Your grit will see you through.
They smashed Paul Jones to a fare-you-well
But he didn't observe "good-night."
He merely paused in his tracks to yell
That he'd just begun to fight.

There'll be plenty of folks to peddle gloom,
There'll be plenty of folks to say
That they see the terrible day of doom
Hurrying on its way.
But the fellow who knows that the fight is hard,
And still has the nerve to grin,
And never gets rattled ad drops his guard,
Is the fellow that is going to win!
—James F. Montague.

READ THE ADS

ROBINSON'S

SPECIAL THIS WEEK

½ LB. MAPLE SUGAR WITH EACH PACKAGE OF PANCAKE FLOUR AT	40c
2 LB. CAN APPLE BUTTER	25c
2 LB. PEANUT BUTTER	29c
2 LB. SOAP CHIPS	25c
4 BARS P. & G. SOAP	25c
27 BARS SWIFT'S SOAP	$1.00
6 PKG. HIPPO WASHING POWDER	25c
25c PKG. GOLDEN ROD WASHING POWDER	15c

OUR PRICES ON TEA, COFFEE AND FLOUR HAVE NOT CHANGED. SUGAR 25c HIGHER PER 100 THIS WEEK.

FOR SALE

Eighteen Head of Pure Bred Big Type Poland China Gilts

Out of dams sired by Long Half Ton, Big Bone Hadley, A. L's. Big Bone, Bon Holme Jumbo, and Mamoth Ben, and sired by Rex Again, he by Rex Americus. Some are bred to the old boar Bob Wonder sired by Believue Bob a grandson of old Big Bob and out of a Wonder Joe dam.

A few are bred to the young boar a son of The Yank.

These gilts will weigh from 250 to 300 pounds, have big bone, long bodies and good arched backs. They have been raised on common farm feeds and not stuffed on commercial feeds. Therefore they will keep on growing for you just as they have for me.

THEY ARE PRICED TO SELL.
12 head sold already—18 head left
FIRST COME FIRST SERVED.

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"If the Fish Don't Bite Change your Bait. If they Don't Bite Then, Change your Fishing Hole."

Sounds Reasonable Does it Not?

Let's Have Some of Your

Cream, Eggs, Express

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Phone 272 Belmond, Iowa

Ye Olden Times

Were marked by habits of Thrift and careful saving by our fore-fathers, who built up a republic with a sound financial base.

Their habits of thrift and industry might well be followed by the generation of today.

Begin now and establish your habit of saving by opening a bank account.

Belmond Savings Bank

Horses Wanted

Attention Farmers!

I WILL BE IN

GOODELL

Wednesday, February 8th

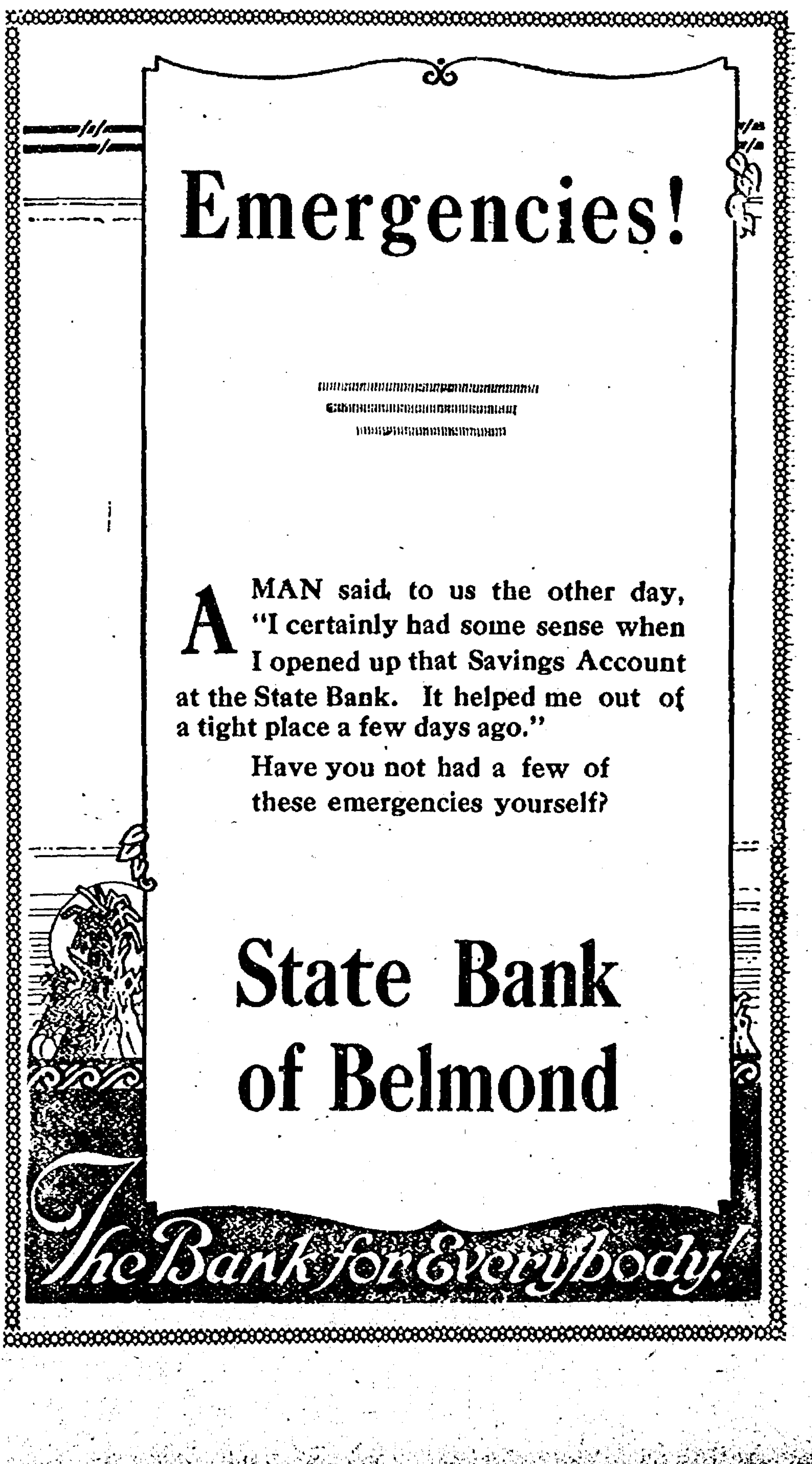
and will buy Horses and Mares from 1100 to 1900 pounds, 4 to 10 years old. I want these horses to be in extra good market condition; don't bring leggy or thin ones. Do not object to a slight blemish.

I want good, marketable Horses. If you have a good one, bring him in and I will give you all he is worth. I am shipping my horses east and I want them FAT.

Will also buy good, fat young Mules from 4 to 8 years old.

A. GOLDBERG

Chicago Horse Buyer


The Bank for Everybody!

Emergencies!

A MAN said to us the other day, "I certainly had some sense when I opened up that Savings Account at the State Bank. It helped me out of a tight place a few days ago."

Have you not had a few of these emergencies yourself?

State Bank of Belmond

Rowan Local News

Mrs. Henry Hansen was a Dows caller Saturday.

Claire Waite, of Bristow, was a Rowan business caller between trains Tuesday.

Mrs. Sarah Moon went to Hampton Thursday for a visit with friends.

Laura McCallum spent the week end in Goldfield with Miss Edna McCutcheon.

C. W. Berger was a Hampton caller between trains Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph were Dows shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs Earl Jacobs, of Goodell, visited in Rowan the first of the week

Miss Carol Hoke went to Clarion to visit for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan McBurney, of Popejoy, spent Tuesday at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Tice Streveler.

Joe Hansen was a Dows caller Saturday.

Miss Dolly Riley went to Clarion Wednesday to take teacher's examinations.

J. A. Whitten was a Clarion caller Friday.

Mrs. Elsie Allen and Mrs. R. R. Duffy were Belmond shoppers Friday.

Mrs. Will Tressidder went to Clarion Tuesday to help care for their son Howard. who has been suffering with quinsey. Mr. Tresidder visited there Wednesday. They also went again Saturday as the small daughter of Mr and Mrs. Howard Tresidder had an operation for tonsils and adnoids.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Meservey, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph Thursday. They returned home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden accompanied them home to spend a short time.

V. E Munson was a Dows shopper Saturday.

Mrs. L. A.McCallum visited Wednesday in Clarion at the home of their daughter Mrs. Glen Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs Fred Kercheval were Belmond callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azetine visited friends in Galt the first of the week.

LIKE RAPID-FIRE COMEDY?

If So, See Bryant Washburn's New Picture, "A Full House."

All who like a comedy drama that is rapid-fire in its actions and filled with limitless laugh possibilities, should find "A Full House," which comes to the Star theatre Feb. 4th, a photoplay fully up to their expectations.

Take a married couple still in the ecstasies of a honeymoon, mix in another man's love letters, stolen jewels, and a would-be vampire and you have the recipe for the joyous evening's entertainment afforded by this play.

Serial starts Feb. 8—Hurricane Hutch—The thrill a minute king.

Ed Azeltine as a Dows caller Saturday.

Mr. Will Bingham and son, Duane were Dows business callers Saturday.

Miss Dorthy Ramey who has been assisting at the Mrs. J. D. Brooks home went to her home in Latimer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Andrews are the proud parents of an 8 1-2 pound baby boy born January 25th. They named the young lad Ryle Arnold.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Nelson and Mrs. John Richards were Dows callers Thursday.

Mrs. Arthur Hansen visited her husband at the Hampton hospital Thusday. Mr. Hansen is improving slowly. They have taken an Xray of his limb and think it is healing nicely now. He expects to be home in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten went to Geneva Saturday to visit the son Floyd and wife who recently moved from Thornton to that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lineweaver and baby spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milt Ramsey at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ormal Gates and daughter spent Sunday in Clarion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jennings.

Mrs. Leonard McCallum was a dental caller at Belmond Monday of this week.

Miss Mildred Duffy returned to Cedar Falls this last week as she was too late entering the term to make her credits. She was obliged to take a six weeks vacation on account of a nervous break down.

Dr. C. O. Ring Chiropractor, Rowan,

Society.

Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Brooks entertained at a two course luncheon in compliment to their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle, whose marriage took place during the Christmas season. The invited guests were as follows: Mrs. M. M. Snyder, Mrs. J. D. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller and daughter Blanche, Mr. Gordon Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gates, and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph and children, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, of Clarion, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brooks, of Cornelia, Miss Fannie Reed, Frank Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley.

Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. Mantle were the honored guests at a post nuptial shower given in the M. E. church parlors. Over a hundred guests enjoyed this social evening. The evening was spent in pleasant games after which lovely refreshments were served. This was the gentlemens debut at showers and they seemed to enjoy themselves very much. The method of securing partners for supper caused much merriment as the ladies were obliged to place their hands thru a curtain for the gentlemen to choose. We think the gentlemen better study their wives hands in the future so fewer mistakes will be made. The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and beautiful presents. The hostess of the evening were Mesdames Ed Miller, Bert Pelly, Theo Hansen, S. B. Stout, Harold Gates, Guy Stumph, W. R. McCallum, George Aldrich and Miss Laura McCallum. Mr. and Mrs. Mantie have rented the Jim Langdon farm and expect to move on it in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett entertained at a 12:00 o'clock dinner Tuesday in honor of their daughter, Mrs. O. F. Braden the occasion being her birthday. Covers were laid for twelve and the day was enjoyed very much by all present.

The Y. P. S. C. E: gave an oyster supper at the Cong'l church dinner room Thursday night. This supper was well attended the amount taken in being $23.00.

Last Wednesday a number of the boys from the local legion post attended the county meeting at Belmond They report good speakers and a fine supper. The Belmond Post and their auxiliary are to be congratulated for their hospitality in entertaining the different posts of the county. The members attending from the Rowan post are as follows; Rev. Tomkinson, O. F. Braden, Abe Johnson, Ed Underdahl, Guy Toyne, Ormal Gates, Frank Retliff, Jim Rowen, John Rave, R. E. Lee Aldrich, Jr., Albert Moellering, and J. F. Howell. Guy Toyne was honored with a place in the county Cabinet as County Adjutent.

Last Friday night the young people enjoyed another party at the Brooks Hall. About thirty young people were present and they report a good clean evening of fun.

Last Saturday afternoon fifteen friends of Mrs. R. R. Duffy gave her a pleasant surprise by gathering at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Whitten, in honor of her birthday. The afternoon was spent in delightful past times one feature of which was answering questions concerning a penny after which each guest received a favor containing a new penny. Dainty refreshments were served Mrs. Whitten was assist by her daughter, Mrs. Will Rietz. Mrs. Duffy received many remembrances and the guests departed wishing her many more happy birthdays.

School Notes.

Florence Lent was a visitor at the High school Wednesday January 25th.

The hot lunches are being served now. Send your children to the hot meal now that they have to bring cold lunches to school.

Mrs. J. F. Howell visited the Primary room Wednesday afternoon.

A change has been made in the method of the seventh and eighth grades reciting. The eighth grade now stays in the assembly during studies and has classes under the High school teachers. This change has proved very successful thus far.

Many of the Children in the lower grades have suffered with the chicken pox. There has been quite an epidemic in Rowan. The children are recovering splendidly and the school record will soon be recovered again.

The Andrew Whitten Post is putting on a musical performance in the Brooks Hall on Thursday and Friday evenings of February 9 and 10. This promises to be one of the most enjoyable performances ever put on in Rowan. There will be a large number of "LOCAL HITS" that the Rowan folk cannot afford to miss. It will be a regular jollification from beginning to end—songs, banjo, solos, repartees, etc. The charge will be 30 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. Get your ticket early, and patronize the boys. The proceeds will be given to the legion.

Mr. T. K. Holliday was over to Belmond last Friday in connection with the county Declamatory contest. The school is getting in line for this important event.

Mrs. Milton Brown, of Marengo, came Tuesday to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. I. Drury, of Highmore So. Dak. who arrived last week to visit relatives here.

CHURCH NOTES

Methodist Church Services For February 5th.

Pastor, Rev. Harold Tmokinson

10:30 Public Worship.
11:30 Bible School in Sunday School
6:30 Epworth League.
7:30 Subject:—"The Conquering Jew."

The pastor of the Methodist church will speak on an important subject next Sunday evening, namely, "The Conquering Jew." There is no more facinating study in all the world

(Continued on page Six.)

Still Smiling!

OUR BIGGEST
SHOE SALE
STILL GOING STRONG. "GOOD SHOES" AT BELOW NORMALCY PRICES.
GET IN LINE AND "SMILE."

WOODRUFF'S

115 North Federal Ave. Mason City, Iowa

Bad Colds
QUICKLY CURED

"Last winter I caught a cold that settled on my lungs and in my bronchial tubes. Two bottles of

CHAMBERLAIN'S
Cough Remedy

cured me," writes Mrs. Charles Harrold, Vandergrift, Pa.

35 cts. per bottle, large size 60cts. For sale by druggists everywhere.

Battery Dope

There are a lot of places offering to give your battery a fresh start in life by putting "dope" in it.

As a matter of fact there isn't any kind of dope made that will take the place of recharging and proper care.

If your battery does really need acid it is far cheaper and safer to come to Battery Headquarters to have it put in. Whether your battery is a Willard or not, bring it to us—if it can be done at a saving to you, we'll set it on its feet in the quickest possible time.

Belmond Storage
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Representing Willard
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PUBLIC SALE

As I have sold my farm and will move to Rowan, Iowa, I will sell at public auction on the farm, two miles north and one-half mile east of Rowan, seven miles southeast of Belmond, and five miles southwest of Alexander, known as the Haupt farm, on

Wednesday, February 8

Commencing at one o'clock sharp, the following described property:

8 - Head of Horses - 8

One Black team of geldings, six and seven years old, weight 3,000.

One Gray mare, 9 years old, weight 1,550.

One team of matched bay mares coming six years old, weight 3,400.

One black team age 8 and 10 years, weight 3,000.

One Gray gelding three years old, weight 1,100.

22 - Head of Cattle - 22

13 milch cows, one fresh with calf by her side, balance to be fresh soon.

Two heifers two years old. Four spring calves.

One Short Horn bull, coming two years old.

One white faced bull, coming two years old.

17 - Head of Hogs - 17

Nine Duroc Jersey brood sows

Seven Black Poland China brood sows.

One Thoroughbred Duroc Jersey boar.

11 SHEEP 11

Consisting of 10 bred ewes and 1 buck.

100 CHICKENS 100

Consisting of 100 Buff Orpington Hens.

FARM MACHINERY

1 hay rack
1 disc harrow
1 2-row cultivator
1 iron truck wagon
1 high wheel wagon
1 LaCross corn plow
1 Emerson gang plow
1 New Endgate seeder
1 4-section wood drag
1 Defiance sulky plow
1 churn
2 saddles
1 bob sleigh
1 self hog feeder
1 John Deere gang plow
1 McCormick mower, good as new
1 Hayes corn planter, with 120 rods of wire.
1 New Sun Light range, used two months
1 Penninsular heater
1 long chicken coop
100 rods of barb wire
1 Galoway gas engine
1 8-foot McCormick binder
1 DeLaval separator No. 17.
1 Corn King Manure spreader
40 rods of woven wire 26 inches high
2 Sets breeching harness

Free Lunch to be Served at the Noon Hour.

TERMS—All sums of $10.00, and under, cash; all sums over that amount 11 months time will be given on bankable notes drawing 8 per cent interest from date of sale. No property to be removed until settled for.

COWLEY & MUNNIS, Auctioneers.
STATE BANK OF ROWAN, Clerk.

James Langdon, Owner

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1922

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SCHOOL BUILDING-BIDS CLOSE FEB. 16 1922 AT 1 P. M. MESERVEY, IOWA.

Bids are desired on a school building, to be erected at Meservey, Iowa, by the Board of Education of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa. Bids will be received by the Secty. of The Board of Education Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh at his office in the Farmers Savings Bank at Meservey up to 1 p. m. Feb. 16 1922. Bids will be opened immediately and read publicly. Bids must be accompanied by certified checks or bid bonds in amount as follows:

General Construction, Check or bid bond, $1500.00.

Heating and Ventilating, Check or Bid Bond, $1000.00.

Plumbing, Check or Bid Bond, $400.00.

Seating, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00

Equipment, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00.

Certified checks or bid bonds must be made out unconditionally to Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh, Secty. Board of Education,, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract with the said School District and furnish a bond in the full amount of the contract in the form outlined in the specifications, guaranteeing the completion of the building and the payment of all leins and claims.

The plans and specifications will be on file after February 1, 1922 —one copy only— at the office of the secretary, one at the office of the architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., and one at 211 M. B. A. Building, Mason City Iowa. Also at the Builders exchanges of Des Moines, Iowa, St. Paul, Minn. and Minneapolis Minn.

Contractors may secure plans by application to the Architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., upon payment of a deposit of $10.00 to insure return of the plans and specifications. The entire amount will be forfeited if the contractor fails to bid. Sub contractors and material men will be charged the exact cost of preparing the blue prints and specifications for such drawings as they may require to figure the part of the work they are bidding on.

Contractors will be required to bid on the exact form of bid outlined in the bidders blanks, any deviation therefrom will invalidate the bid and same will not be considered.

Contractors may combine any part of the work or bid on the entire contract by furnishing with their bid the certified checks or bid bonds required above.

The Board of Education reserves the rigth to accept any or reject any or all bids.

Signed
Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa,
By K. CLARENCE RUIGH
Secty. Board of Education.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION
BOND PROPOSITION
MESERVEY IOWA

Public Notice is .Hereby .Given, That a special election of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, will be held on the 17th day of February, 1922, at the City Hall, Meservey, Iowa, from one o'clock P. M. until six o'clock P. M. and that at said election there will be submitted to the voters of the said Consolidated Independent School District to be by them voted upon, the following proposition:

Shall the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, issue bonds in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000), for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new school house?

At which time and place all of the voters of said Consolidated Independent School District are hereby notified to appear.

This notice is given by the order of Board of Directors of said Consolidated Independent School District, pursuant to the sufficient petition with the requisite signatures in accordance with the Section 2820-d I et seq. of the supplement to the Code of Iowa, 1913.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa, this 13th day of January 1922.

K. Clarence Ruigh
Secretary, Board of Directors.

PUBLIC SALE

As I am going to quit farming, I will sell at Public Auction, at my place, 8 miles northeast of Belmond, 3 1-2 miles south of Meservey, and 3 1-2 miles north of Alexander, on

Friday, Feb. 10

The following described property, commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. Sharp

4 Horses 4

One Brown Gelding, age 9, wt. 1400
One Brown Mare, age 7, wt. 1000
One Bay Horse, age 8, wt. 1000
One Yearling Colt

20 Cattle 20

9 milk cows, 5 fresh, others soon
1 Shorthorn Bull, coming 2 years old.
5 yearling heifers
5 Fall calves

15 SHEEP---12 Ewes, 1 Buck, 2 Lambs
18 SHOATS

Machinery

One top buggy
2 wagons, 1 with box, I rack
1 water tank
1 Hoosier 11 ft. Seeder
1 John Deere 10 ft. Disc
1 4-section drag and cart
1 Hayes corn planter, 120 rods wire
1 New Century Cultivator
1 La Crosse Cultivator
1 hand corn sheller
3 stubble plows, one 16 in. Moline, one gang 14 in. Moline, one 14 in. walking plow.
1 McCormick 5 ft. cut mower
1 McCormick 10ft. rake
1 McCormick binder, 8 ft.
2 gas engines, 1 1-2 h. p. Gage; 5 h. p. Galloway
1 Galloway Cream Separator
2 set work harness, 1 1-2 in.,
1 set driving harness
And other articles too numerous to mention

Usual Terms Announced at Sale.

M. V. GALBRAITH

State Savings Bank, Goodell, Clerk
Lewis Hauge, Auctioneer

MANY OUT FOR PATENTS

Meservey's inventors are busy, but the question just now is, who peeked; that is what is puzzling L. Jones and son and J. J. Reickens. They both have applied for a patent on a steel post. Both posts resemble each other in some respects; the result is that both parties have samples of their posts on the way to the patent office. The result is watched with interest. Each claim to have originated the idea and neither of the parties claim to have any knowledge of the other's affairs.

But the question of who peeked is still unsettled and unless some of our ameteur lawyers and judges are able to settle the question and fasten the guilt on the party that peeked— no doubt our district court will be asked to settle matters.

Henry H. Pals, a farmer living 3 miles south of Meservey has word from Washington that his patent on a swinging hog door has been allowed. Mr. Pals has had this door in use on his farm for some time and has found it to be of great value in keeping the draft out of his hog house. The door always remains closed except when a hog is passing thru, and is so arranged that it can be opened by a small hog and there is no danger of hurting the hog that may be following. The invention no doubt will find a ready sale as anything that will increase the health of the hog is worth looking into. He has had several offers from manufacturers but so far as we have learned he has not made any contract but is waiting for his final papers from Wshington. We have a cement block building that is vacant on the south side that could be used;; why not start the factory in Meservey?

Melvin Smith, our rural carrier, has applied for a patent on a coin holder for rural mail boxes. That looks as tho he was thru carrying mail if this is approved by the postal department.

Four patents being asked for at the same time from a small town is something unusual and here is hoping that they win out.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30
Preaching Service (German) 10:30
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15
Preaching Service (German) 8:00
Catechism classes at the usual hours on Saturdty p. m.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

The trustees and stewards of the Evangelical church met for their annual business and Jacob Nissen was elected President, Fred Sprau Vice Pres., Theo. Wendel Sec.-Treas. Aug. Guth Representative of trustees at Quarterly Conference

Miss Irene Stauffacher was a caller at Rev Schlesselman's on her way to her home at Renwick. Miss Stauffacher is a teacher in the public schools at Adel, which are closed indefinitely on account of the breaking out of diptheria in the school.

LOOKING BACKWARD ON IOWA'S HISTORY

[illegible] note—The following was given us by F. T. Meacham, and we believe it will interest many of our readers.)

"In 1846 probably nine-tenths of people lived in log cabins. The other fraction had houses of sawed native lumber, brick or stone. The cabin that had two rooms or an attic was regarded as an aristocratic residence. Thatched roofs still leaked and snow was driven through the crevices in the walls. There were no stoves, but open fire places, with chimneys built out of sticks plastered with mud.

"Doors had wooden hinges and they were locked with wooden latches inside. Pioneer hospitality, was proverbial and was expressed in the phrase which still endures, "The latch string hangs outside." The lat string was a cord which was passed through a hole in the door. At night it was pulled in and then the door was locked.

"Many plows still had wooden mole boards, and the cradle and the scythe were the reaping and mowing machines, except when oxen were used to tramp out the grain, after the manner of the ancients. Much corn was eaten parched. Flour and meal were sometimes made with a pestle or a coffee mill; but water mills were being built. Rye, parched and ground, was a substitute for coffee. Wild game was plentiful, but for their every day diet the people preferred pork. Corn bread and pork and rye coffee were long staples.

"All prices were low, due largely to lack of outside markets and transportation. Hogs were killed in the winter time and hauled to river ports in a frozen state. A dollar and a half a hundred pounds was a common price. Sheep were quoted at a dollar or so per head and cattle at eight and ten dollars. All transportation was by wagon, or boats. Stage lines were opened all over the state. Schools were few and poor and the preachers were pioneer circuit riders.

"The pioneers danced a great deal and one judge of the supreme court had a reputation as a fiddler for such occasions. Whiskey was common and cheap, often as low as thirty cents per gallon. A grocery store was a place where whiskey was sold at retail. Clothing was home spun and cotton goods were dyed in native preparatins, such as walnut, sumac and so on.

"Life was full of hardships, but the people were hardy and most of them lived happy lives. Now, with ten thousand miles of railroads, telegraph and telephone lines and a half a million automobiles the people are, perhaps, no happier. The golden age is still either in the past or in the future. The hope that things will be better is forever new. The discontent and the hope, both ages old, are the things that spell progress.

"The seventy-five years of statehood are a rich inheritance to all Iowans. They are proud in achievements and records. Iowa has furnished her share of great statesmen to the nation, Grimes and Kirkwood, Harlan and Allison, an outstanding national orator, Dolliver, and the man who created the national department of agriculture, James (Tama Jim) Wilson. The state took a glorious part in the Civil War and played her part well in the Spanish and World wars.

"The three hundred miles between the two great rivers of the continent, and balanced so equitably between the cold of the north, and the heat of the south, constitute the richest and most productive part of the United States. The state is still in her agricultural and industrial infancy. In the future even more than in the past Iowa ought to be an empire of wealth and prosperity and may it also be the seat of human achievements and human happiness.

CHAPIN FARMER TOPS CHICAGO MARKET

Sylvester A. Deam, of Chapin, brought home the record sale for cattle at the Chicago market last monday. He was there with a load of choice Herefords, which he has been feeding, a large part of the time on rough feed. He purchased the cattle one year ago at ten cents a pound, and at one time it looked like he was to get his "trimming" with most every other cattle feeder. However the cattle brought $9.50 in Chicago last Monday, topping the market over all other sales by thirty-five cents, and as a result Mr. Deam did not have to put the returns from that car load of cattle on the red side of the ledger.

The average weight was 1,650, a good gain made during the year, and besides this gain Mr. Deam cashed in on a fine drove of hogs which have been running with cattle.—Hamptn Chronicle.

C. G. W. R. R. TIME TABLE

J. J. Ruiter, agent.

Going North

No. 4 Motor	9:45 a. m.
No. 16	2:13 p. m.
No. 12*	1:24 a. m.

* stop for St. Paul passengers only.

Going South

No. 15	8:42 p. m.
No. 3 Motor	4:57 p. m.
No. 11*	12:26 a. m.

* stop for Omaha passengers only.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Milk cows for sale. Your choice from 16 young cows, aged three to six years, some fresh and some will be very soon. For particulars phone 106 or see H. K. Pals, Meservey, Iowa.

Mr. Stratton of Mason City was here last week, *contracting for a* new addition of the Reformed church.

Miss Bertha Thorman of Belmond was here on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week giving her regular music lessons.

The Young Womens' Missionary Ciarcle met on Tuesday evening, January 24th, at the home of Agnes Fischer. A goodly number were present and the evening was spent in playing games etc. Dainty refreshments were served and a splendid time is reported by all present.

The King's Daughters were entertained on Wednesday evening by the Misses Ankeny and King, at the Adam Kolb home. The evening was spent in playing various games and a dainty luncheon was served, to which all did full justice. A grand time is reported by those present.

L. B. Hulsebus was a passenger to Mason City on Tuesday, where he attended to some business.

Clair and Clint Dutton, of near Klemme, were here on Tuesday on business, and visiting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Karfens, of Bradford, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born on Tuesday, Jan. 24.

Art Peters, of Alexander, was in town Tuesday, visiting at the home of relatives.

B. Ahrenholtz, at the Fred Loats residence, Harness Maker and repair work. Prompt attention and good workmanship guaranteed. 112*

L. Jones and J. F. Hartfelder were callers at Mason City Wednesday pertaining to some business matters.

H. W. Hulebus of Mason City came Wednesday to spend several days at the home of relatives here.

Henry Wendell spent several days last week visiting friends and relatives at the Lake.

Dr. Reuber of Klemme was here one day last week giving medical aid.

The motor passengers to Mason City Friday morning were: Fred Sprau, O. Strasburg, Albert Rooks, Lou Jones, Joe Smith and Henry Grosz.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thayer of Belmond are the new people living in the Messelheiser tennant house.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and daughter Elanore spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Muller of Harlan Iowa. They returned home Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Jones and baby left Wednesday for a visit with her parents, G. Walton at Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson of near Klemme were visitors at the home of Mrs. Meinderts on Thursday.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Kuhlers has been very ill the past week with the stomach flu.

Ralph Studor of Waseka Minn. is here visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Albert Wendell.

Miss Reka Kuhlers spent the week end visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. Schroeder at Clear Lake.

FOR SALE

Large type Poland China brood sows and gilts, bred to farrow March and April. Cholera immune.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey. 11tfc

Mrs. F. A. Strasburg and daughter Jennie were shoppers at Mason City on Monday.

Mrs Olson and children were at the county seat on Monday doing some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dirks are the happy parents of a baby girl, born last week.

Mildred and Viota Koefed spent the day Saturday at the Thos. Koefed home at Thornton.

Mrs. Harvy Boller, of Mason City, visited at the John Langlitz home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Wendell and daughter Minnie were shoppers at Mason City on Tuesday.

W. R Prillip was a passenger to Mason City on Tuesday morning

Bert Ketland, of Belmond, was here Friday attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Eimbrink and daughter Zelda, and Miss Anna Sandry, of Goodell, were the visitors at the Langlitz and Reif homes on Sunday.

A. A. Sifert was a business caller at Mason City on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Koefed and son returned home Monday after a week end visit at the L. O. Kimball home at Clear Lake.

C. Barkema and family of near Belmond spent Sunday at the H. Barkema home.

Conrad Bier was a motor passenger Monday evening for Belmond, from where he went to Swea City to visit his son Charles and family.

L. B. Hulsebus attended the Business Mens Credit association at Belmond on Monday evening.

O. B. Walters, of Council Bluffs, was a business visitor here Monday. Tony Boelman is his tenant.

Two cars of ice arrived Monday from Lake Cornelia for L. B Hulsebus.

Adam Kolb returned from Moline, last Thursday, where he has been visiting a sick brother. He reports no improvement.

C. J. Quandt and Al Book were the motor passengers to Mason City on Friday morning

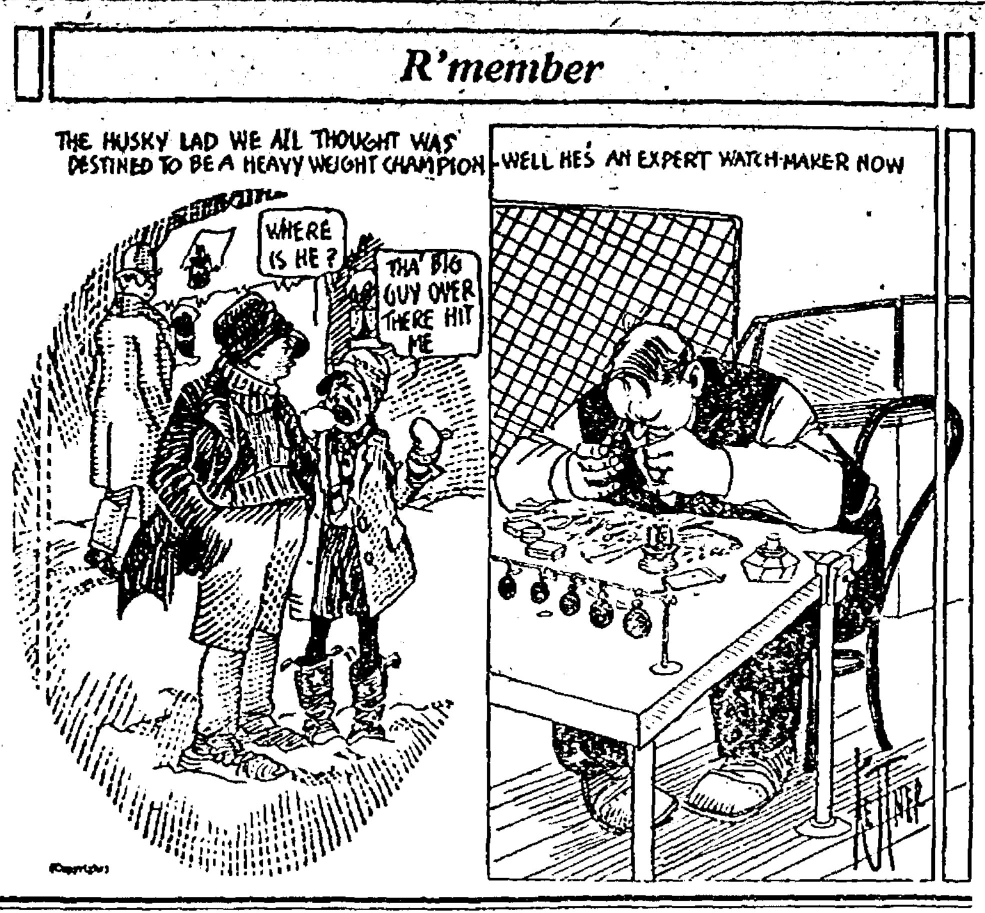
H. A. Moore, of Belmond, was a business caller here last Thursday.

Herman Zieman, of Thornton was a Meservey visitor last Thursday.

The M. B. A. held its annual meeting on Tuesday night, at which the following officers were elected:

Rudy Quandt, Pres.
John Meinderts, V. P.
H. F. Reif, Sec.-Treas

Afterwards an oyster stew was enjoyed at the City restaurant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WHERE IS HE?
THA' BIG GUY OVER THERE HIT ME
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Special Notice

Business session of the Young Peoples Alliance will be held Tuesday Feb. 7 at the home of Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus.

SCHOOL NOTES

Primary Notes—The 1st and 2nd grades will celebrate Barbara Bragas' birthday this afternoon.

We expect to have a Valentine box the 14th, probably some little entertainment also.

We wish the parents would save up a collection of magazines. Anything of a use for their pictures. The Red Cross nurse would like to have us make health posters. Please send them to school with the children.

The mothers are invited to our good time Valentine's day.

3rd and 4th Grades—The 4th grade is beginning to read the classic "The Story of Lincoln."

We are making Valentines in handwork. We will have a Valentine box on Valentine's day.

Each grade is planning a surprise on the other grade, which will be given during the month of Feb.

Mrs. Albert Wendelll and Mrs. E. G. Thomas were visitors in our room last week. We hope to have many more. Come and see our sand table which will be completed this week.

5th and 6th Grades—Henry Pals had the misfortune to break his right arm Sunday, making it impossible for him to attend school.

Mabel Paul visited the 5th and 6th grade rooms Friday.

The 5th and 6th grades are taking up physiology the second semester.

Reports cards will be handed out th's week

Mildred Koefed spent the week end with relatives at Thornton.

The Philomathean high school society will give a program next Friday evening. The program will consist of songs, music, recitations, addresses, debates and topics. After the program the new preident will give her address and conduct the business of the evening.

We extend a cordial welcome to everyone to attend and to visit our schools. You who visit the school have the right to judge and to pass judgement.

The new officers of society are: Pres. Orpha Smith; Vice Pres. Geo. Brater; Sec. Herman Witt; Assistant Sec Viola Lauster,; Treas. Clyde Smith.

A pleasant tea party was held at the home of the Supt. and principal, Mr. and Mrs. Sifert at 5 o'clock, Miss King and her domestic science class preparing the reception. It was a surprise on Mrs. Sifert

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Alexander Local News

Mr. and Mrs Benson, of Belmond visited at the Will Foughty home last week.

Grant Smith left Sunday for Illinois where he was called by the death of Mrs. Smith's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peters and children returned home after spending a few weeks with relatives at New Burnside, Illinois.

W. F. Scully of St. Louis Mo., was transacting business at Alexander last week.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson visited with relatives at Belmond last Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Winwood spent several days last week with relatives at Iowa Falls.

Rev. A. D. Mohr and family and Prof. Murphy and family were callers at Mason City last Saturday afternoon.

Jesse Lathham was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Will Vestweber of Belmond was a visitor at Alexander a few days last week.

Henry, Arthur and Louie Peters attended the funeral services of their aunt, Mrs. Peters at Thornton last Saturday.

Bert Kieslich was a visitor at Hampton the last of the week.

Miss Alma Greenfield of Belmond visited at the Fred Greenfield and Henry Stoffer homes a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Skipper mourn the loss of their infant daughter who died last Wednesday.

W. H. McDoweil of Clarion was transacting business at Alexander several days last week.

School Notes.

Last week there was an epidemic of colds among us and consequently our absent marks were increased.

We commend the parents for keeping children at home, when they are suffering from colds. Nothing among children is more treacherous thro bad colds. Remember the prolonged seige that little George Polmateer has recently passed through as a result of a cold at the beginning. By the way little George has again re-entered school.

Please do not think that we are a war like, when you observe the number of soldier uniforms being worn by our school boys. Like a bomb from an unknown source, a catalog from a mail order house in Pennsylvania, dropped into our midst—hence the epidemic of soldier suits. A few of the boys discarded the uniforms when the French Cabinet resigned and war talk became pretty loud.

Our next picture show will be Tuesday Feb. 7. The films are entitled "Hooping Up", showing process in barrel manufacturing; "Romance of Glass," manufacturing of glass from the early times to the present and a comedy, "Too Young to Marry."

Last Monday night Miss Wilma Foughty entertained her high school friends by giving a party at her home. Those present report an unusually good time. The time for gohome and Alva's father came all too soon.

We play Latimer next Saturday night at Latimer. We are sorry that we were unable to play Rowan last Friday night on account of one or two of our players on each team being unable to play.

Mr. Jerry Beenen a former Alexander high school student, has disposed of his interest in the T. C. Johnson general store at Latimer. We understand that Mr. Bohlen takes Jerry's place. By the way, Mr. Bohlen is one of our former pupils. It does us good to see our boys taking their places in the social and business world.

Last Saturday, Mrs. A. D. Mohr our mathametic teacher took cursory observation of the schools at Chapin, Sheffield, Rockwell and Mason City.

Last Friday afternoon the 7th 8th and high school pupils held their first convention for the nomination of officers. They acquitted themselves just like real voters and ran true to voting for the canidate whose name appears first on the list.

"What can you tell us about Davenport? asked one of our geography teachers, directing the question to a bright faced boy whom we call Johnie for convenience. "Well, I can tell you what papa says but I hate to say some of the words." It is well enough that the quick wit of the teacher grasped the situaion and excused the pupil from reciting. The chances are we could not have printed what papa said. The teacher of course meant Davenport, Iowa. The youngster had in mind Davenport of telephone fame. Teaching school is not such a dry job after all.

OBITUARY

William Reed was born on October 1st, 1850 at Woodbine, Ill. He was joined in marriage to Carrie Buss on December, 15, 1880. After their marriage they lived in Woodbine, Ill. seven years, and from there they moved to Lena, Illinois, where they lived 11 years. It was in the year of 1900 that they came to Axelander, Iowa.

To Mr. and Mrs. Reed were born eight children, five of whom have already gone before to meet him on Yonder shore.

Three died in infancy, Stella at the age of 18 years and Lottie Schomburg at the age of 25 years.

Mr. Reed joined the Methodist church at Holly Grove, Ill., in 1895 and after he came to Alexander united with the Congregational church to which he has been faithful unto death.

Mr. Reed's health had been failing for some time, while however he tried to be faithful to his duties and never was heard to complain much, yet his friends and those who knew him could see that he was suffering. His sickness was heart trouble and was three weeks ago that he was confined to his bed and after much patient suffering he passed away on January 25th at the age of 71 years, 3 months and 24 days.

He leaves to mourn his death his wife and three children; Lee, Leslie and Mrs. Fred Dunn, besides these, those who share their grief are six grand-children and three brothers Amos of Stockton, Ill., Bian of Elizabeth, Ill., and Lee of Bird Island Minnesota, who at this time is also seriourly ill.

Thus one of Alexander's foremost citizens has gone beyond; who is willing to step into line and take his place? He is one who will be missed in this community, we will miss him among his friends, e will miss his cheerful words and we will miss him in the House of the Lorl. The whole community shares the sorrow of his loved ones and extend their sympathy to them.

Out there where the winds are blowing we have committed his body to Mother Earth with the assurance that his soul has gone home to Him that gave it home to that city of which the Book tells us, home to that place for which we are all longing.

"I am going to a city where the living never die, where no sickness and no sorrow can molest, From this body to release me, He is speeding from on high, He will greet me and escort me to my rest.

The funeral services were held at the Congregational church and conducted by Rev, A. D. Mohr. The text was taken from, Rev. 22:14.

CHURCH NOTES

M. E. Church

Were you out last Sunday afternoon? If not you missed a fine sermon, given by Mr. Velthouse from Kanawha. He gave us many facts which we all as individuals can apply for our own good. We had a large crowd out. Rev. Wilkinson is still at Kanawha assisting with the revival at that place.

We had a large attendance at Sunday school and class No. 4 showed a great interest you are missing something if you lose out on one lesson. Come next Sunday.

Sunday School at 2 oclock.
Preaching at 3 o'clock.

The Dorcas Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Karl Johnson next Wednesday afternoon, February 8th. A large attendance is desired.

Congregational Church.

Those who were out to church Sunday morning enjoyed a good sermon, delivered by Rev Nye of Rowan who exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mohr. Watch the paper for any other change in the future. It will do us all good to have a change once in a while. Come to church on Sundays and you will hear something that will interest you.

The Helping Hand Society meet with Mrs. Nels Larsen Wednesday afternoon.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mr. Geo. Dunn.

Sunday School at 10 A. M.
Morning Service at 11 A. M.
Junior and Senior C. E. at 6:30 P. M.
Evening Service at 7:30 P. M.
Theme: "Leaking Cisterns."

Last week two items were given the Alexander correspondent for publication, which were left out. Lack of space and late arrival were the reasons therefor. We appreciate the help given us, at this end and thru Miss Bell, and we assure our readers that we will always be glad to have any items that may be handed us.

ROWAN LOCAL NEWS

Continued from page Three.)

than the study of the Jew. The Jews have been criticized and persecuted in all ages, and yet somehow they live and thrive in every department of life. There are those in the world who think that the Jews are aiming at world conquest and domination. Mr. Henry Ford is one of those people. The Methodist pastor extends hearty invitation to all who are interested in this subject.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes
February 5th.
Pastor, Rev. Wm. Herbert Nye.
Morning Worship 11 A. M.
Sunday School 12 A. M.
We invite you all to come.
Christain Endeavor 3:30 P. M.
Evening Service 7:30 P. M.

There was a change of pulpits last Sunday, and come this Sunday, and we will have something special, and it will be of interest to all. Come and see for yourselves.

The Junior Endeavor will meet at the church Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m.

The Mid-week meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

There were good attendances at the Rowan Congregational Sunday morning and evening, and the Rev. Mohr delivered a very interesting address at the morning service.

The Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Hoke Thursday February 2nd. Leader, Mrs. Lem Rowen. Be able to answer at the Roll call with a current event.

The Senior Christian Endeavor had a large dining room full of folks last Thursday evening at their oyster supper.

There was a good attendance at the home of Mrs. J. D Brooks, last Thursday afternoon, and the Cong'l Ladies Aid done some fine work on their quilts.

Young folks be sure and come to the Christian Endeavor social and free gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum, Thursday evening February 2nd. at 8 p m. Come—"Don't Miss."

The Rev. Nye, was at Alexander Sunday morning, and preached at the Cong'l church to a very large and attentive audience. Mr. L. A. McCallum and his father accompanied Rev. Nye and after the morning service they all three had a fine dinner served them by Mr. and Mrs. McCallum of Alexander.

Notice.

Sealed bids will be received at my office until 1 o'clock p. m. Monday February 6. 1922, for Road Superintendent of Iowa Township.

The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Geo. O. Pratchett
Iowa Township Clerk.

The Rev. H. Tomkinson delivered the sermon last Sunday morning at the Union service at Dows, speaking from the subject of "The Three V's of Sunday School work."

Tayler Reed, of Eddyville, an old time Rowanite, visited at the C. W. Fowler and R. R. Duffy homes last week. He lived around Rowan years ago working for Robert Rowan Sr., and other of the old settlers. His friends were very glad to renew their acquaintance.

Sunday Joe Hansen, Ed Underdahl, Rev. Tomkinson, Frank Retliff, J. F. Howell and D. W. Whitten attended the Military funeral of Amos Nelson at Dows. Rev. Tomkinson preached the sermon for the service. Mr. Nelson died of tuberculosis contracted in the service.

The Belmond business men gave a large patronage to the Rowan post by means of ads for the coming Minstrel Performance. The Post Commander, Rev. H. Tomkinson. along with Lee Aldrich anl Albert Moallering waited on the Belmond people.

Mrs. F. B. Sheldon was a Dows caller between trains Saturday.

Ira and Alfred Fletcher visited a couple of days the latter part of the week at the home of their sister, Mrs. Clifford Steffens. They went to Dows Saturday to visit at the homes of their brother, Harold and wife and sister, Mrs. Oscar Johnson. They were accompanied by Clifford Steffens who spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fletcher.

Mrs. Pete Eson has been very sick the past week but is reported as better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Treese, of Belmond, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aldrich.

J. A. Whitten was a Hampton caller Saturday.

HARD TIMES IN THE PAST

(Monitor.)

Newspaper files make interesting reading and furnish the only complete history of the community. The Monitor is entering on its fifty third year, and practically all of its files are intact. It has been our purpose to reprint items this winter which would be of interest. A review of the file of 1897, January to March inclusive, is particularly pat just now, as conditions then were very similar to those prevailing at the present time. A stormy presidential campaign the fall previous retired Cleveland from the presidency, and resulted in the victory of McKinley, republican, over Bryan, candidate of the free silver wing of the democratic party.

Financial conditions were very unstable and bank failures numerous. The farmers of this section had also troubles of their own that year, since the country was full of corn whose market price in Chicago was 22 1-2 cents. Worse than that much of it was soft and unfit for shipping. A Rowan buyer took 3000 bushels one Saturday in February at ten cents. Chicago quotions for butter were: creamery, 14 to 20 cents; dairy, 9 to 17 cents; fresh eggs, 16 to 17; hogs, $3.20 to $3.55; cattle, $3 to $5 potatoes per bushel, 17 to 27 cents; wheat, 72, oats 16. One advantage the consumer of a quarter century ago enjoyed, was lower prices for most commodities than we pay at present. The shoe store advertised its best wares at $3.19; in view of hard times the restaurant reduced the prices of meals from 25 to 20 cents. Coal operators in the Des Moines district engaged in a price war which reduced that commodity from $2 to $1.50 and $1.25 at the mines.

The farmers met and passed resolutions. There were local meetings at Rowan and Cornelia and a county meeting at Clarion. At the latter J. G. Mechem presided, and T. P. Harrington acted as secretary. It was the sentiment of these meetings that the farmer was not enjoying the profits of his labor. That he was being plundered by organized greed and legalized robbery. The resolutions protested against high freight rates, against code revision by the legislature against trusts and combines, against the landlord collecting rent to exceed one-half the market price of the renter's crp. The meetings are favored tax revision, reduction of officials' salaries, the taxation of real estate mortgages and exemption of corresponding indebtedness.

At that time J. D. Rowen of Clarion, was state senator, and S. N. Hinman of Belmond representative. The latter was present at the county meeting of the farmers, and explained the progress being made in the legislature in the enactment of laws in which farmers were especially interested. There was an extra session that year to accomplish a code revision, and many complaints were made about this added expense, although it was generally conceeded the resulting reforms and economies were mainly acceptable.

Legislators and other public officials were called upon then, as now, to do a deal of explaining, especially in matters of finance. As one editorial expresses it. "The harder the times, the more interest in the question of taxation. When one's income is boomy, and a profitable rush of business is demanding constant attention, there is little time for disposition to grumble about taxes. The money to pay them comes easy and it goes easy, but when a man has nothing to do but sit and figure how much he is losing every day he groans internally, infernally and enternally and insists on some reform which will give relief."

POOL HALL AT KLEMME ROBBED

Times—While the proprietor,John Etchen, of the pool hall, was at supper Saturday evening betwween six and seven o'clock, a thief, or thieves, entered his place of business through a window and rifled the cash register of $15.00 in bills and silver. They did not take the small change or checks, but overlooked some bills which were among the checks in the cash drawer.

They left the building through a rear door. This is the first instance of petty robbery reported here for several years.

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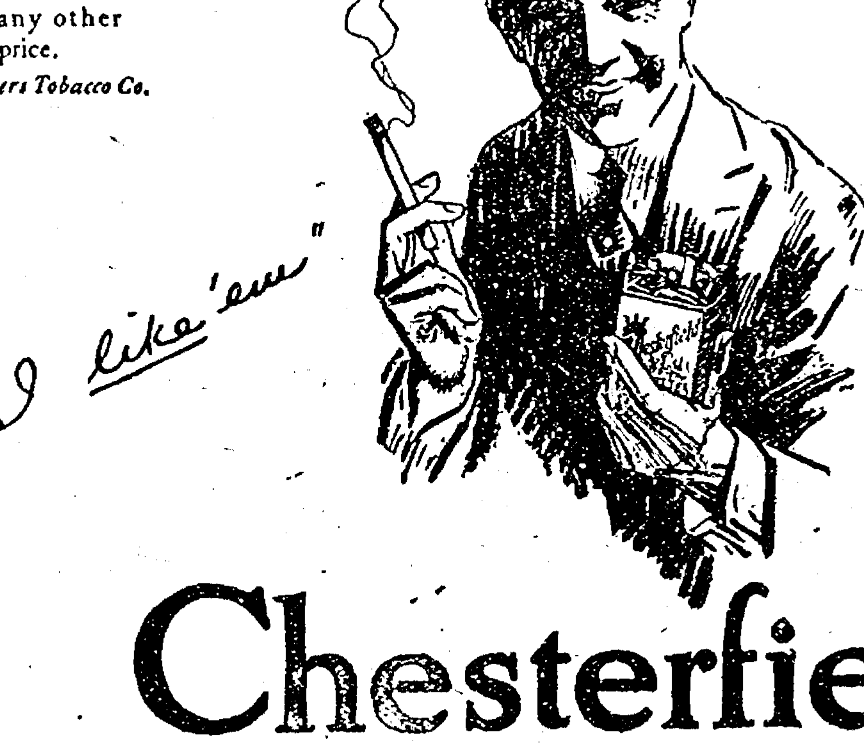

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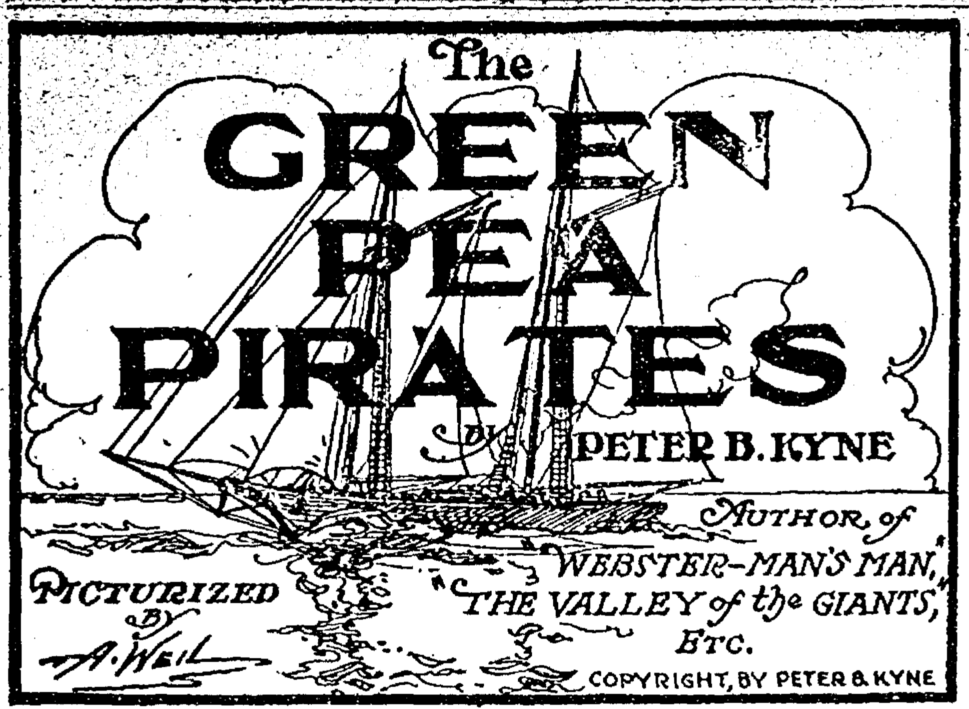
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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. – Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.–With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.–A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.–Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.–Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.–The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.–Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. – Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.–Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.–Our three adventurers form a "syndicate," with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

"Let's put back to San Diego bay," quavered Captain Scraggs. "I'll be durned if I relish the idee o' losin' the Maggie."

"Too late," said the philosophical Gibney. "We're in Mexican waters now, and she can cut us off from the bay. The only thing we can do is to run for it and try to lose her after dark. Tell the engineer to crowd her to the limit. There ain't much wind to speak of, so I guess we can manage to hold our own for a while. Nevertheless, I've got a hunch that we'll be overhauled. Of course, you ain't got no papers to show, Scraggs, and they'll search the cargo, and confiscate us, and shoot the whole bloomin' crowd of us. I bet a dollar to a doughnut that fellow Lopez sold us out, after the fashion of the country. I can't help thinkin' that that gunboat was there just a-waitin' for us to show up."

For several minutes Mr. Gibney continued to study the gunboat until there could no longer be any doubt that she intended to overhaul them. He made out that she had a long gun for'd, with a battery of two one-pounders on top of her house and something on her port quarter that looked like a Maxim rapid-fire gun. About twenty men, dressed in white cloth, could be seen on her decks.

Presently Mr. Gibney was interrupted by Captain Scraggs pulling at his sleeve.

"You was a gunner once, wasn't you, Gib?" said Captain Scraggs in a trembling voice.

"You bet I was," replied Mr. Gibney. "My shootin' won the trophy three times in succession when I was on the old Kearsarge. If I had one good gun and a half-decent crew, I'd knock that gunboat silly before she knew what had hit her."

"Gib, I've got an idee," said Captain Scraggs.

"Out with it," said Mr. Gibney cheerfully.

"There was four little cannon lowered into the hold the last thing before we put on the main hatch, and the ammunition to load 'em with is stowed in the after hold and very easy to get at."

Mr. Gibney turned a beaming face to the skipper, reached out his arms, and folded Captain Scraggs in an embrace that would have done credit to a grizzly bear. There were genuine tears of admiration in his eyes and in his voice when he could master his emotions sufficiently to speak.

"Scraggsy, old tarpot, you've been a long time comin' through on the imagination, but you've sure arrived with all sail set. I always thought you had about as much nerve as an oyster, but I take it all back. We'll get out them two little jackass guns and fight a naval battle, and if I don't sink that Mexican gunboat, and save the Maggie, feed me to the sharks, for I won't be worthy of the blood that's in me. Pipe all hands and lift off that main hatch. Reeve a block and tackle through that cargo gaff and stand by to heave out the guns."

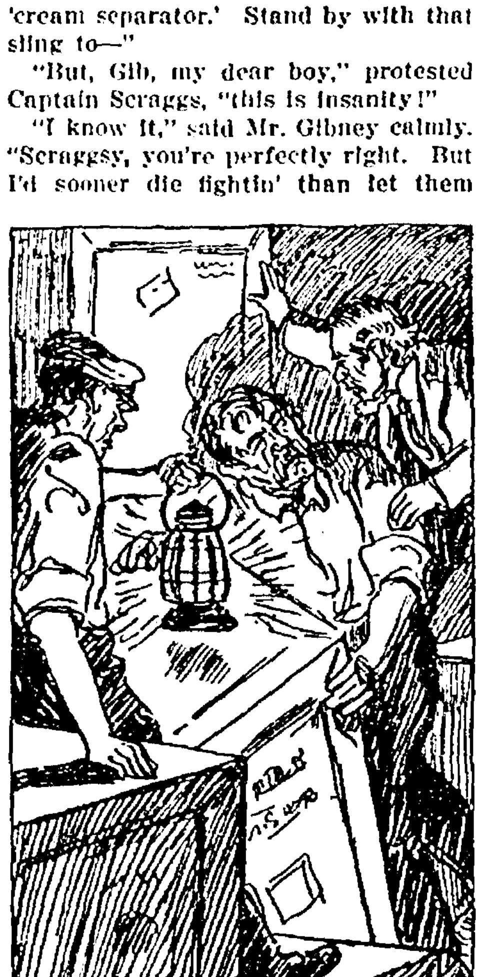
But Captain Scraggs had repented of his rash suggestion almost the moment he made it. Only the dire necessity of desperate measures to save the Maggie had prompted him to put the idea into Mr. Gibney's head, and when he saw the avidity with which the latter set to work clearing for action, his terror knew no bounds.

"Oh, Gib," he wailed, "I'm afraid we better not try to lick that gunboat after all. They might sink us with all hands."

"Rats!" said Mr. Gibney, as he leaped into the hold. "Bear a light here until I can root out the wheels of these guns. Here they are, labeled 'cream separator.' Stand by with that sling to—"

"But, Gib, my dear boy," protested Captain Scraggs, "this is insanity!"

"I know it," said Mr. Gibney calmly. "Scraggsy, you're perfectly right. But I'd sooner die fightin' than let them stand me up agin a wall in Ensenada. We're filibusters, Scraggsy, and we're caught with the goods. I, for one, am goin' down with the steamer Maggie, but I'm goin' down fightin' like a bear."



"I'd Sooner Die Fightin' Than Let Them Stand Me Up Agin a Wall in Ensenada."

"Maybe—maybe we can outrun her, Gib," half sobbed Captain Scraggs.

"No hope," replied Mr. Gibney. "Fight and die is the last resort. She's eight miles astern and gainin' every minute, and when she's within two miles she'll open fire. Of course, we won't be hit unless they've got a Yankee gunner aboard."

"Let's run up the Stars and Stripes and dare 'em to fire on us," said Captain Scraggs.

"No," said Mr. Gibney firmly, "my old man died for the flag an' I've sailed under it too long to hide behind it when I'm in Dutch. We'll fight. If you was ever navigatin' officer on a Colombian gunboat, Scraggs, you'd realize what it means to run from a Mexican."

Captain Scraggs said nothing further. Perhaps he was a little ashamed of himself in the face of Mr. Gibney's simple faith in his own ability; perhaps in his veins, all unknown, there flowed a taint of the heroic blood of some forgotten sea-dog. Be that as it may, something did swell in his breast when Mr. Gibney spoke of the flag and his scorning to hide behind it, and Scraggs' snaggle teeth came together with a snap.

"All right, Gib, my boy," he said solemnly, "I'm with you. Mrs. Scraggs has slipped her cable and there ain't nobody to mourn for me. But if we can't fight under the Stars and Stripes, by the tail of the Great Sacred Bull, we'll have a flag of our own," and leaving Mr. Gibney and the crew to get the guns on deck, Captain Scraggs ran below. He appeared on deck presently with a long blue burgee on which was emblazoned in white letters the single word Maggie. It was his own houseflag, and with trembling hands he ran it to the fore and cast its wrinkled folds to the breeze of heaven.

"Good old dishcloth!" shrieked Mr. Gibney. "She never comes down."

"D—d if she does," said Captain Scraggs profanely.

While all this was going on, a deckhand had reeved a block and tackle through the end of the cargo gaff and passed it to the winch. The two guns came out of the hold in jig time, and while Scraggs and one deckhand opened the after hold and got out ammunition for the guns, Mr. Gibney, assisted by the other deckhand, proceeded to put one of the guns together. He was shrewd enough to realize that he would have to do practically all of the work of serving the gun himself, in view of which condition one gun would have to defend the Maggie. He had never seen a mountain gun before, but he did not find it difficult to put the simple mechanism together.

"Now, then, Scraggsy," he announced cheerfully when the gun was finally assembled on the carriage, "get a sizeable timber an' spike it to the center o' the deck. I'll run the trail spade up against that cleat an' that'll keep the recoil from lettin' the gun go backward, clean through the opposite rail and overboard. Gimme a coupler gallons o' distillate an' some waste, somebody. This cosmoline's got to come out o' the tube an' out o' the breech mechanism before we commence shootin'."

The enemy had approached within three miles by the time the piece was ready for action. Under Mr. Gibney's instructions Captain Scraggs held the fuse setter in case it should be necessary to adjust with shrapnel. Mr. Gibney inserted his sights and took a preliminary squint. "A little different from gun-pointin' in the navy, but about the same principle," he declared. "In the army I believe they call this kind o' shootin' direct fire, because you sight direct on the target." He scratched his ingenious head and examined the ammunition. "Not a high explosive shell in the lot," he mourned. "I'll have to use percussion fire to get the range; then I'll drop back a little an' spray her with shrapnel. Seems a pity to smash up a fine schooner like that one with percussion fire. I'd rather tickle 'em up a bit with shrapnel an' scare 'em into runnin' away."

He got out the lanyard, slipped a cartridge in the breech, paused, and scratched his head again. His calm deliberation was driving Scraggs crazy. He reminded Mr. Gibney with some asperity that they were not attending a strawberry festival and for the love of heaven to get busy.

"I'm estimatin' the range, you snipe," Gibney retorted. "Looks to be about three miles to me. A little long, maebbe, for this gun, but—there's nothin' like tryin'," and he sighted carefully. "Fire," he bawled as the Maggie rested an instant in the trough of the sea—and a deckhand jerked the lanyard. Instantly Mr. Gibney clapped the long glass to his eye.

"Good direction—over," he murmured. "I'll lay on her waterline next time." He jerked open the breech, ejected the cartridge case, and rammed another cartridge home. This shot struck the water directly under the schooner's bow and threw water over her forecastle head. Mr. Gibney smiled, spat overboard, and winked confidently at Captain Scraggs. "Like spearin' fish in a bath tub," he declared. He bent over the fuse setter. "Corrector three zero," he intoned, "four eight hundred." He thrust a cartridge in the fuse setter, twisted it, slammed it in the gun, and fired again. "Over," he growled.

Something whined over the Maggie and threw up a waterspout half a mile beyond her.

"Dubs," jeered Mr. Gibney, and sighted again. This time his shrapnel burst neatly on the schooner. Almost simultaneously a shell from the schooner dropped into the sacked coal on the forecastle head of the Maggie and enveloped her in a black pall of smoke and coal dust. Captain Scraggs screamed.

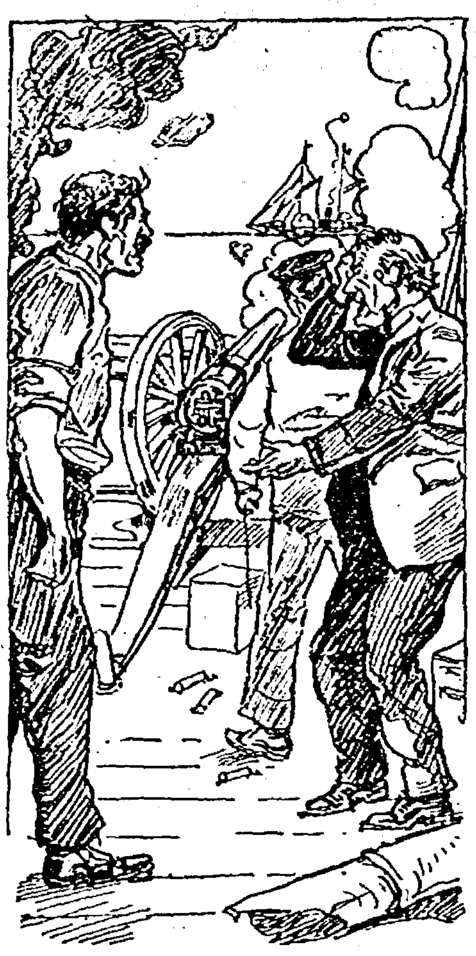
"Tit for tat," the philosophical Gibney reminded him. "We can't expect to get away with everything, Scraggsy, old kiddo." The words were scarcely out of his mouth before the Maggie's mainmast and about ten feet of her ancient railing were trailing alongside. Mr. Gibney whistled softly through his teeth and successfully sprayed the Mexican again. "It breaks my heart to ruin that craft's canvas," he declared, and let her have it once more.

"My Maggie's tail is shot away," Captain Scraggs wailed, "an' I only rebuilt it a week ago." Three more shots from the long gun missed them but the fourth carried away the cabin, leaving the wreck of the pilot house, with the helmsman unscathed, sticking up like a sore thumb.

"Turn her around and head straight for them," the gallant Gibney roared. "She's a smaller target comin' bows on. We're broadside to her now."

"Gib, will you ever sink that Greaser?" Captain Scraggs sobbed hysterically.

"Don't want to sink her," the supercargo retorted. "She's a nice little schooner. I'd rather capture her. Maybe we can use her in our business, Scraggsy," and he continued to shower the enemy with high bursting shrapnel.



"My Maggie's Tail Is Shot Away."

When the two vessels were less than two miles apart the one-pounders came into action. It was pretty shooting and the wicked little shells ripped through the old Maggie like buckshot through a roll of butter. Mr. Gibney slid flat on the deck beside his gun and Captain Scraggs sprawled beside him.

"A feller," Mr. Gibney announced, "has got to take a beatin' while lookin' for an openin' to put over the knockout blow. If the old Maggie holds together till we're within a cable length o' that schooner an' we ain't all killed by that time, I bet I'll make them skunks sing soft an' low."

"How?" Captain Scraggs chattered.

"With muzzle bursts," Mr. Gibney replied. "I'll set my fuse at zero, an' at point-blank range I'll just rake everything off that schooner's decks. Guess I'll get half a dozen cartridges set an' ready for the big scene. Up with you, Admiral Scraggs, an' hold the fuse setter steady."

"I'm agin war," Scraggs quavered. "Gib, it's sure h—ll."

"Rats! It's invigoratin', Scraggsy. There ain't nothin' wrong with war, Scraggsy, unless you happen to get killed. Then it's like cholera. You can cure every case except the first one."

They had come inside the minimum range of the Mexican's long gun now, so that only the one-pounders continued to peck at the Maggie. Evidently the Mexican was as eager to get to close quarters as Mr. Gibney, for he held steadily on his course.

"Well, it's time to put over the big stuff," Mr. Gibney remarked presently. "Here's hopin' they don't pot me with rifle fire while I'm extendin' my compliments."

As the first muzzle burst raked the Mexican Captain Scraggs saw that most of the terrible blast of lead had gone too high. Nevertheless, it was effective, for to a man the crews of the one-pounders deserted their posts and tumbled below; seeing which the individual in command lost his nerve. He was satisfied now that the infernal Maggie purposed ramming him; he had marveled that the filibuster should use shrapnel, after she had ranged with shell (he did not know it was percussion shrapnel) and in sudden panic he decided that the Maggie, mortally wounded, purposed getting close enough to sink him with shell-fire if she failed to ram him; whereupon the yellow streak came through and he waved his arms frantically above his head in token of surrender.

"She's hauled down her rag," shrieked Scraggs. "Be merciful, Gib. There's men dyin' on that boat."

"Lay alongside that craft," Mr. Gibney shouted to the helmsman. The schooner had hove to and when the Maggie also hove to some thirty yards to windward of her Mr. Gibney informed the Mexican, in atrocious Spanish well mixed with English, that if the latter so much as lifted his little finger he might expect to be sunk like a dog. "Down below, everybody but the helmsman, or I'll sweep your decks with another muzzle burst," he thundered.

The Mexican obeyed and Captain Scraggs went up in the pilot house and laid the terribly battered Maggie alongside the schooner. The instant she touched, Mr. Gibney sprang aboard, quickly followed by Captain Scraggs, who had relinquished the helm to his first mate.

Suddenly Captain Scraggs shouted, "Look, Gib, for the love of the Lord, look!" and pointed with his finger. At the head of the little iron-railed companion-way leading down into the engine room a man was standing. He had a monkey wrench in one hand and a greasy rag in the other.

Mr. Gibney turned and looked at the man.

"McGuffey, for a thousand!" he bellowed, and ran forward with outstretched hand. Captain Scraggs was at Gibney's heels, and between them they came very nearly dislocating Bartholomew McGuffey's arm.

"McGuffey, my dear boy," said Captain Scraggs. "Whatever are you a-doin' on this heathen battleship?"

"Me!" ejaculated Mr. McGuffey, with his old-time deliberation. "Why, I'm the chief engineer of this craft. I had a good job, too, but I guess it's all off now, and the Mexican government'll fire me. Say, who chucked that buckshot down into my engine room?"

(Continued Next Week)

A Few Happenings That Took Place In 1921 As Shown By Independent Files.

(Editor's Note—This article was compiled by a friend, who thought it would be interesting to some of our readers. We do not claim that there are all the interesting items of the year, but we hope that some of them will prove of interest.)

January.

1. T. B. Wallace have family reunion here, all relatives being present.
2. G. L. Cutler dies at the Sams Hospital in Clarion following an operation.
5. Mr. Cutler brought to Belmond and burial services held at Franklin Grove cemetery.
6. Elmer Spears, is arrested in Mitchell S. Dak. by his uncle.
7. Shower held for Edith Forristal now, Mrs. Boller.
8. John Kiplinger accidently killed near Sugar Factory by falling from horse he was riding.
13. Roy Lee, son of Tom Lee accidently shot thro lip by rifle.
20. Jessie Shurson and Oscar Hanson married.
24. Mrs. Arthur Nelson dies suddenly of scarlet fever after short illness.
24. R. M. Cameron dies suddenly of Appolexy.
26. F. C. Veeder dies after short illness.
26. A baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Con. Nissen.

February.

3. T. A. N. Allen has big farm sale.
9-10. Belmond has short course and tractor show.
17. Carl Daniels has farm sale on the Luick farm.
22. Herman Frohling has farm sale.
23. Sugar company has banquet in library basement.
25. Chas. Roe, former Belmond resident, dies in Hampton Hospital.

March.

1. Elmer Spears, has trail at Garner.
2-3. American Legion Home Talent "Nevada."
3. A daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Barkema.
8. Combination sale at Livery barn.
4. Carol Tyrrell wins Sub-district contest at Britt.
6. A son, Robert Kendall, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White.
7. A daughter, Clara Jane, born to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Townsan.
7. A son, Henry, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson.
10. Credit Ass'n formed by business men.
10. L. Tokman and Geo Heginger form the Ford Sales Co.
15. The "Spinster's Convention" M. E. Ladies Aid Home Talent at Opera House.
15. Night trains on C. G. W. start carrying express for Belmond.
17. Fireman's Annual Ball and auction sale
17. Merold Galloway burned by gasolene explosion.
19. Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Benson dies.
21. New school board holds its first meeting after election.
24. Chas. Buchanan has serious accident at dredge ditch by nearly having head crushed.
30. Henry Christ returns from Honolulu where he spent the winter.
30. Howard Moore and Ada Golden married at Cedar Rapids.

April.

5. Selma Chapman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Chapman, dies.
6. Base ball meeting called to determine whether to have team or not.
10. American Legion has movie at Lyric for legion benefit.
10. Bert Fisher, Co. sheriff dies at Rochester.
10. Mayor Barry reports eight people fined for speeding etc.
10. D. L. Cuppett, Pioneer resident dies.
12. G. H. Richardson, another long time resident, dies in California.
13. A daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kalvig.
14. A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Bernold Kinseth.
18. C. O. Fitts' little boy drinks lye water.
28. Twin boys born to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chamberlin.

May.

3. J. R. Christie's cow gives birth to four real calves.
4. Townsan Hardware open for business.
4. The Belmond band an assured fact.
4. Irene Campbell dies at hospital following an operation.
4. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stienlicht.
5. Richard Timby dies at home of his daughter, Mrs. T. N. Davenport.
6. Cho-Cho the health clown entertains the kids at school house.
7. Tom Ersland, arrested.
8. Belmond ball team loses to Mason City 4 to 2, first game of the year.
9. St. Olaf Band gives concert in school house.
14. Formal opening of State Bank.
15. Belmond ball team beats Luverne 9 to 1.
15. Ole Holm loses finger in sawing machine.
18. The B. H. S. have their annuals out for distribution.
20. "Nothing but the Truth" Senior class play at school house.
20. C. M. Morse's infant child dies.
22. Belmond beats Ft. Dodge ball team 5 to 2.
22. Mrs. Henry Kruse dies at her home in Hickory Grove.
24. Candy Kitchen opened in the old State bank building.
26-27. The D. S. S. girls put on the "Japanese Girl" at opera house.

June.

2. Frank Christie Sr. dies at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell Jr.
3. Iowa Valley Sugar Company hold stockholders meeting.
3. B. H. S. class of 1916 holds reunion at Morse Lake.
3. Belmond beats West Bend 12 to 0.
5. Tom Ersland, makes get-a-way from county jail.
6. The hunt for Ersland and his capture west of town.
9. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slining.
17. Legion Pavement dance and giving away of Ford Coupe.
19. Belmond beats Kanawha 6 to 5.
19. The Carnaval holding forth in Belmond all week moves stakes.
23. Belmond goes to Kanawha for creamery day celebratin.
23. Epworth League holds picnic at Morse Lake.
24. Variety store robbed of about $500. worth of goods.
25. Geo. P. Hardwick has narrow escape when car turns turtle.
26. Belmond beats Kanawha 8 to 3.
28. Spruce St. renamed to Main St.
30. Wright Co. Rebekah convention held here.

July.

4. Belmond goes to Clarion to celebrate. Kanawha beats Belmond 4 to 2.
10. Howard Luick dies from result of auto accident at Waverly.
11. Mrs. Lyle E. Wickham dies.
11. "Pug" Obrecht marries Mabel De Wolf of Spirit Lake.
12. John D. Walton celebrates his 76th birthday.
14. Legion harvests crop of Elmer Larson who is called awway by death of his mother.
18. Fire Co. called to put out praire fire near Skouge residence.
20. Harry L. Webb accepts pastorate at Wallingford Iowa.
23. A. C. Myers has accident at C. G. W. crossing.
25. Dick Kenefick opens carpenter shop near Belmond Lumber Co.
30. First good rain for ten weeks.

August.

1. City Council passes Milk Ordance.
2. W. A. Thompson sells cafe to L. M. Foster.
3. 180 gallons of hootch captured west of town.
4. Epworth Leaguers hold District Cabinet meeting here.
5. M. E. Sunday School holds picnic in Franklin Grove.
10. Henrietta Jenison and Ben Hoganson married.
16. Pleasant township holds Farm Bureau picnic.
16. Mrs. Ole M. Nelson lies at her home.
17. Edith Trees and Louis Kastler married.
21. Rev. Insko of India delivers address at M. E. Church.
22. Stanford Trees Sarber, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sarber, dies.
24. Pleasant, Belmond and Belmond townships hold Farm Bureau picnic on Tyrrell farm.
25. Thornton has big day drawing many Belmonders.
28. Belmond—Kanawha ball game and riot.
30. T. B. Wallace and Mrs. M. A. Legge married at Des Moines.

September.

3. Earl L. Haupt and May Schanke married.
6. E. A. Ely breaks leg by falling down cellar steps.
6. Otis Nelson and Mary Thompson married at Albert Lee.
8. H. L. Purcell and Mrs. Esque married.
10. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Niels Jenson. (Mrs. Jenson formerly Vivian Pierce.)
10. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. James Finn.
11. Eddie Rierson dies from result of auto accident near Humboldt.
12. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Baker.
14. Ralph Forristal and Hannah Rikansrud married.
16. M. R. Case dies after lingering illness.
20. Independent buys Meservey Register.
23. The American Legion Auxillary formed.
27. A girl born to M. and Mrs. A. B. Landon.
28. A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ahlstrom.

October.

2. Epworth League holds Rally at Franklin Grove.
7. Wm. Starnes dies after a short siege of sickness.
10. Farewell party to the Edges who are leaving for Spirit Lake.
14. Reception held for the Wilkinson family, new pastor of the M. E. church.
14. Empire Construction Co. of Des Moines repairs the pavement.
20. Mrs. M. H. Hanson operated on at hospital.
26. Lewis Wendell dies at his home in Nora Springs.
28. Cheerful Liar, Community Club Home Talent at opera house.
28. Wallace Ramsay's mother dies at Garner.
28. Mrs. J. R. Christie and Chris Sorenson have auto collison.
30. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Larsen.
31. Hallowe'en party at Clarmond Country club.

November.

8. The Independent PUP is lost.
8. A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wheelan.
21. Wm. Rosecrans dies suddenly at Garner.
24. "Cap" Tyrrell gives the town a park of ten acres in Franklin Grove.
25. Chas. McNamara is robbed by highwaymen south of town.
26. The Independent PUP is found.
26. Mrs. Fol Mennenga dies at hospital.

December.

1. Roscoe Norem home burns after mid-night.
5. A son born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Barry.
7. A. C. Myers has hand cut in wood saw.
12. Hero Frehling and wife celebrate Golden wedding.
17. Donald Charles born to Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rathbun.
21. Declamatory Contest held at school house.
23. Good Fellowship club reorganizes with Rev. Leinbach as chairman.
24. W. H. White dies at the home of his son at Ft. Dodge after short illness.
25. The Smith Pool Hall has a fire.
26. The Elite Cafe has a fire.
28. Funeral of W. H. White.

Belmond Local News

Latest styles in dog collars. Prices reasonable. Townsan Hardware.

Seth R. Huntington came up from Dinsdale, Iowa, last week to accompany his mother, Mrs. L. R. Huntington to So. Dak., where she will make her future home with her daughter, Corinne, at Vermillion. Seth is an old Belmond boy who is achieving a notable success in the ministry at Dinsdale. He has been attending Coe College during the week and preaching on Sundays, but says he is going to drop school work for awhile and rest up.

There was no meeting last Friday night of the Good Fellowship Club, as was planned, but about fifty men more or less, met at the library and had a good social visit and time together. But don't forget, however, that there will be a regular meeting of the club this Friday night at the library. Rev. Drake, of Fort Dodge, will be the speaker.

Try a local ad in the Independent. It brings the buyers.

FOR SALE

R. C. Rhode Island Red Cockerels. High Class birds.$2.00 each. Geo. T. Johnson, Route 2, Belmond, Iowa.

It is a good thing that Jiggs does not live in Clarion, otherwise, his dome would undoubtedly have had several deep dents in it. The Variety Store at that place, in a page ad in the news, was giving away 100 stone rolling pins.

FOR SALE—A typewriter, Standard make. A bargain. Address inquiry by mail to 84. Care Independent,

The Hampton Chronicle last week, in a column length article reviews the situation in that county between the Belmond Telephone Company and its patrons in Franklin County. The article quotes at length one of the farmers of that vicinity who states the stand of the Franklin County subscribers to the Belmond Telephone Company's service.

Auto Side Curtains Repaired—Prices reasonable. Bring them in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

Mr. and Mrs R. D. Kenefick received word from their son, Leo, last [illegible] he is now started on the way to training and has been sent to Ft. Collins, Colo., his address being 327 Plum Street, that city. Leo writes that he is intending to take up Forestry as a vocation. His host of friends in Belmond will rejoice that "Kenny" is coming through in such nice shape and wish him the best of success in his chosen work.

FOR SALE—Shorthorn bull, four years old. Will furnish papers. Baker Bros. Phone 3515, Belmond.

Have you had a look at the new "peace dollar" yet? So far as we are informed that lovely bird has yet to to make its appearance in Belmond. Most of us will be more than satisfied to get a glimpse at the Eagle on the old fashioned dollar anyway.

R. H. Klemme, returned last week from California, where he was called recently by the death of his mother. Glenn arrived home the first of this week.

Osborne Young has started on his rounds of the city on the work of assessor. Mr. Young has been assessor here for several years and has given the best of satisfaction.

E. L. Madsen left last week Thursday for Iowa City to undergo an examination at the hospital there. He has been troubled considerably with stomach trouble and it is hoped that he may gain relief there. He was accompained by his wife.

FOR SALE—A good hard coal heater, at your own price. Inquire at this office.

The trustees of Belmond township are advertising for bids on the job of road superintendent in that township, also for a man to operate road grader and tractor to pull it. The ad will be found in this issue of the Independent.

The weather took a turn for the better last week and Saturday was a mild, sunshiny day, which brought a large crowd from the country to town.

The Legion post of Belmond will give a play on February 10th it is reported. The title being "The Banker's daughter.

The Sugar Co. last week sent out a number of letters to farmers in this territory, inquiring as to how many acres of sugar beets the farmer would consider raising for the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. in case the factory at Belmond is operated this year.

Mrs. Frank Case and granddaughter Pauline, were guests on Sunday of this week at the home of relatives in Clarion.

W. C. Tyrrell returned on this week Monday from his trip to Texas. He was present and helped his father observe his 76th birthday, at Beaumont.

Because some bald headed gink in Des Moines said all canines should were stiff collars, we had to get our Independent pup one last week. Then we went to the bank for a license tag. The fellow behind the counter pulled out a blank, sharpened his pencil, looked wise and fired 732 questions; to wit: what kind of a dawg? how old? Pedigree? Racial Peculiarities? Politics? Family Tree? Health?, Number of fleas? etc. We swore at—that is to said statement, he took our dollar—the only one we had—and two days later we get a paper from the county auditor which starts out "Know All Men by These Presents," and states that we are entitled to have and to hold, keep in our possession, feed and look after one Independent pup, per specifications attached hereto for the period of one year from date. What a relief! Got yours yet?

Phone the news to 115, please.

Last Friday evening about 75 of the friends and neighbors met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Groen, as a farewell to them before they leave for their future home at Latimer. The evening was spent in playing games and a social time. Refreshments were served. An enjoyable time is reported by all those in attendance.

Miss Celia Finn was a visitor several days last week at the home of friends in Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson, of Fort Dodge, were guests of relatives here last week.

Miss Pauline Bohning, from Herold, South Dakota, is a guest this week at the home of relatives in this vicinity,

FOUND—White long-haired female pup. Owner can have same by calling phone 210.

Mr. and Mrs. Knuteson, of Eagle Grove, were in attendance last week at the funeral of Mrs. Furuseth.

Miss Jane Ramsay spent the week end in Garner at the home of relative there.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Benson were at Alexander last week, attending the funeral of an old friend, Mr. Reed,

Herma Schultz was in attendance last week at the Victor dealers convention, held at Mason City.

Mrs. Harry Bamford suffered a severe and painful accident last week, when she slipped and fractured the knee cap on one limb. She was carrying a couple pails of water at the time, and in slipping fell on the knee. Medical aid was immediately summoned, but owing to the swelling, it has been unable to set the bone, and she is reported suffering intensely from the pain.

REDUCED PRICES on all-wool suits and overcoats. W. L. Wilson, Star Cleaner. 72c

Wallace Ramsay was a caller at Garner on Friday of last week.

M. C. Madsen went to Garner recently to attend the double funeral of relatives. A father and daughter were buried.

Miss Gladys Barry, who is teaching at Williams, was a week end guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Barry.

Second Hand Store.

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adams Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furinture. Herb Harberts.

Friends here received word last week of the death at Canon City, Colorado, of Gene Curtis, a former resident of Belmond and remembered by many local people. Walt Schlieffarth, a brother-in-law, left last Saturday to attend the funeral. Death was caused by pneumonia.

Notice.

Bids will received on Monday, February 6th, 1922, at the Belmond Township Hall, for a man with tractor to pull road grader and also for man to opeprate grader. The trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Ralph Christie,
Belmond Township Clerk.

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Belmond Township Clerk.

Special Notice.

My prices on shoe repairing are as low as the lowest, priced according to quality and all work is guranteed. To the family or party having the most work for the next 30 days a pair of half soles put on free. Courteous treatment to all. Bring us your work.

J. C. Atherton.

FOR RENT—A completely modern house, with 2 acres of ground or without ground. See L. O. Skovlin.

Cato C. Griesy was a business caller several days last week at Des Moines.

About 50 people of the Christian Endeavor of the Congregational church had a sleigh party to the home of Ralph Christie last Tuesday evening. The old as well as the young members enjoyed the evening and entertainment as well as the oyster supper which was served at mid-night All departed in the wee sma' hours, hoping that such events would be more occasional.

Please phone the news to 115 Thank you!

Mrs. L. R. Huntington left last Friday for Vermillion S. Dak., to make her home with her daughter there. Mrs. Huntington has not been at all well this winter and her children have urged her to make a change. She was accompanied by her son,Seth of Dinsdale.

Know some news? Phone 115 and tell us. Thank you.

Miss Agnes Dillon was a visitor last week at the home of Henry Thomas, in Clarion, while she attended the teachers study center held there.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Dorr are the happy parents of a baby girl, which came to their home the first of the week.

Corn shelling, day or night. Am still in the business. Phone 3608.—Henry Eide.

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it. Thank you!

B. T. Benson, of near Kanawha, was in town last week Saturday attending to some business affairs.

Gunder Gunderson living just west of town, is planning on a sale sometime in February, we are informed.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

D. Lobdell accompained a car load of cattle to Chicago last week, going Monday and returning home on Saturday.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Mrs. Stanley, mother of Mrs. H. N. Hill, is reported as being on the sick list.

Test your eyes on our Reel of Vision. Perfectly ground lenses and gold filled frames. Satisfaction guaranteed. $4.00 per pair. Schultz Drug Co.

Hampton suffered a $75,000 fire loss early last Thursday morning. Several of the business houses being about wrecked in the blaze.

Geo. Elder expects to have his closing out sale on the 16th of the month, according to present plans.

Administratrix's Notice

Public Notice Is Hereby Given, that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Administratrix of the Estate of William H. White, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 6th day of January, 1922.

Phoebe A. White,
Administratrix
W. E. Bullard, Attorney for Estate.

A very pleasant surprise party was held on the Oscar Jenison family last Friday night, when their north neighbors dropped in all unexpected, for a good time. The evening was spent in games, dancing and music, the friends brought the eats along with them, and a rousing good time is reported.

David Luick gave a party last week Friday evening, to which some 18 or so guests were invited. Dancing and music was the order of the evening. Guests from out of town were Hortense Hartsock, Warren Lineberger, and Win Tomkins, of Clarion.

Word was received here yesterday that Earl Madsen, who is at Iowa City, is very seriously ill, his trouble be diagnosed as kidney trouble. His father left yesterday.

For Sale—Medium sized refrigerator. Also 9 x 12 rug.—Mrs. Rosecrans. 112c

Mrs. M. C. Barry left yesterday for Iowa City, where she was called by the death of her grandfather.

TO MY OLD AND NEW PATRONS

On ccount of the Belmond Produce parties vacating my building, I will carry on the business. I will give you prompt and efficient service in handling your poultry, eggs, cream, hides, furs, wool, etc., and assure you a correct count, weight and test and top market prices. I will appreciate your business.—E. M. Lathrop, first door south of State Bank.

Axe handles for 15c at Townsan Hardware.

I have had many years of experience in crying sales, and parties contemplating holding public sales will profit by calling or writing T. D. Rankins. Belmond, for prices and dates. Phone 115 or 196.

PUBLIC SALE DATES

Geo Thompson holds his big Duroc Jersey hog sale today, in the Case livery barn in Belmond. Some fine specimens arer being offered.

M. V. Galbraith residing northeast of Belmond, will have a closing out sale on February 10th. See his ad in this issue of the Independent.

James Langdon, living northeast of Rowan, is holding a closing out public sale on February 8th. His announcement appears in this issue of the Independent.

A O. Thompson will hold a public sale at his place two and a half miles southeast of Belmond, on the 14th of the month. Watch for his ad next week.

Edward Nelson, living on the old Sampson farm southeast of town, is planning a public sale to be held about the 15th.

KINSETH STORE NEWS

SPECIALS
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Flour

Seal of Minnesota	$2.40
White Swan	2.30
White Rock	2.25
Dynamite	1.95
Gooch's	2.20
5c Less In 3-sack Lots	
Black Tea, 5 lbs. for	$2.00
Prunes, 2 lbs. for	25c
Post Toasties, pkg.	10c
Oyster Shells	1.65
Syrup--Karo, Penick	45c
Men's Shirts and Shoes.	
Overalls	1.50
Men's Socks	15c
Children's Hose	15c
Oranges, doz.	28c

Pre-War Prices

On Everything in Our Cleaning & Pressing Line

Tailoring, Altering and Repairing. Suits Cleaned and Pressed, $1.50. All Fancy Dry Cleaning Reduced.

You Cannot Afford to Wear Soiled Clothing at Our New Low Prices.

Bring in Your Work. We Treat You Right.

Remember, we make Tailor Made Skirts to Order.

F. J. TUFFREE
NEW BELMOND TAILOR SHOP

Pump Repairing, Heating, Plumbing, Furnace, Roofing, Guttering and Tin Work

LEAVE ORDERS AT JOHNSON & WRIGHT'S HARDWARE STORE

W. J. PECH
Res. Phone 229

Forester's Annual Ball

AT THE BELMOND OPERA HOUSE
Music by Gates Orchestra
Dance Tickets, $1.00

Wed., Feb. 8th

SUPPER

Will be served by the Catholic ladies from 5:00 p. m. until all are served. A midnight lunch from 11:00 o'clock on.

You are Cordially Invited. Come and Have a Good Time.

THE $10,000 CASH DRIVE

Now in full swing, full particulars which were in the double page spread offers worthy merchandise at unusual prices.

Oil CLOTH—Table, 35c yd.

OVERSHOE SALE—Men's six-buckle at $2.98; Men's 4-buckle, large sizes, $1.75; Men's 1-buckle, $1.55; Boy's 2-buckle red rubber, $2.49.

SHOE SALE—At $2.98, seven styles of women's and 5 styles of mens. A real shoe bargain.

UNDERMUSLIN SALE—Sample gowns, chemise, few skirts, corset covers, 50c, 75 and $1.00.

DRESSES—$14.75 to $19.95,exclusive spring styles.

BLANKET SALE—Soiled ones around ½; Nashua plaids, $5 ones at $3.45; 64x76 plaids, $2.45; comforts $2.75.

SHEETING SALE—9-4 bleached 57c; Pequot 9-4 75c; 8-4, 65c.

SALE DRAPERIES, $1.50 ones $1.29; 98c at 87c;blue bird 29c; lace edge 39c; scrim 12c yard.

RUG SALE—Congoleum, Gold Seal, 6x9 at $7.50 and $8; 9x12 at $14.50 and $15; 9x12 wool fibres, $7; 9x12 Tapestry $17; Axminster $34.

DISHES—Sale: $16.50, 42 piece sets, $10; $7.90 English sets $5; white dishes 10c each.

SWEATER COATS—Men's $5.98 to $8.50 at $3.95.

FLANNEL shirts—$2.98 wool, men going at $1.98. Flannelette $1.75 for $1.19.

Blouses—Sale of $3.98 to $4.45 at $2.90. About 100. Also one lot at 89c.

HANDBAGS—Finest in the house, $3 to $6 at $1.98.

DRESSES—$1, children's one lot that sold to $1.98; $1.49 and $1.98 for dresses that sold at almost double.,

SILKS—Finest in the house, $1.59.

WORK SHOES—Men's $1.98 better ones $2.45.

OUTING—White 10 yds. $1.39 22c to 25c darks or light 17c

50c SALE—Children's gowns' women's knit skirts, flannelette skirts, etc.

HOSIERY, black sateen.

SHOE SALE—$1.98, over 700 pair of men's shoes, boys' and girls' shoes and women's oxfords slippers and shoes, all $1.98 pair. Some seconds.

PETER'S SHOES—all leather, bargains, $2.95 and $3.95; finest $5.98.

SILK UNDERTHINGS—Sale $1 and $198. Remarkable values.

DRESS SALE—$6.95, $9.95 and $11.95 offers high grade silk and wool dresses at very very low prices.

SHEETS and Cases—Cases 4 for $1; cases to $1. at 59c; Sheets 95c; Tape edge 81x90 sheets $1.49; Pequot cases 49c; sheets $1.49 to $1.98.

MUSLIN SALE—Berkeley 60 at 24c; good muslin 14c; Longcloth 10 yards $1.45. Brown muslin, sale, 12½c and 14c.

UNDERWEAR NEWS—boys' heavy fleeced 93c; men's 98c; men's heavy fleeced $1.19; men's $4 to $7.50 wool suits $2.45; women's union $1.39; fine summer 75c; girls' and boys' wool $1.59 suits.

SHIRTS—Men's 80 square percale, madras, mohair and soisette, $1.19 to $2.50 regular $1.

SKIRTS—women's, a sale at $2.98, $4.95 and $9.95.

GINGHAM—Double fold 17c; wide 32 inch latest 32c also at 24c.

PERCALES—9c, 18c yard and 24c. ½ Price sale of Jewelry, fancy combs, neckwear and boudoir caps.

CORSET SALE—$1, better ones at $1.49.

HOSIERY—Boys', girls', 3 lots, 15c, 19c and 29c.

TROUSERS—men's $2.98 and $3.95; boys' $1 and $1.95.

OVERALLS—Men! $1.00, a better one $1.29. Jackets 75c & $1.29.

FELT SLIPPERS—boys', girls', 55c pair;women's 69c and 89c; better ones $1.19; men's leather soles $1.69.

See special prices on TOWELS, DRESS GOODS, TOWELING,

FLOUR Pillsbury Best, $1.98; I. H. $1.98
Occident $2.25; Gold Medal $1.85

MILK—Carnation, tall 11c; Monarch 10c; Borden's Eagle 20c.

NATIONAL CRACKERS—salted 15c lb; plain 13c lb.

KARO—Syrup, dark 9c; 5lbs, 22c; 10 lbs. 47c; light 5 lbs. 25c; 10 lbs. 49c; 10 lbs. Domino 47c.

STARCH—Argo 3 for 25c.

COCOA—2lbs. 19c.

SOAP—P. and G. 10 bars 49c; Palmolive, 3 bars 25c.

COFFEE — guaranteed 29c; Chocolate cream 43c; Chase and Sanborn's 45c; Monarch 3lbs 87c.

MACARONI and Spaghetti, 4 for 25c.

APRICOTS, 25c lb; PRUNES 2—lbs 25c; 25 lb boxes 11 1-2c.

BEANS—navy, 3 lbs. 19c; RICE 3 lbs. 20c.

DEL MONTE CANNED Fruits 24c can for apricots, grapes, pineapple, egg and De Luxe, plums; sliced and cling peaches. No. 2½ cans 23c of peaches or apricots.

GALLON FRUITS—69c, 85c, 95c.

PEANUT BUTTER—1lb. 19c.

THE C. and C. is located close to the new 7-story Carver building.

We Pay
Top Prices
For Eggs

C. & C.

Fort
Dodge,
Iowa

C. and C., Busiest, Biggest, Little Store Grown Bigger---Harry and Herbert, the men behind it. Business is great. There's a reason. Come and See.

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BELMOND ADDS ANOTHER VICTORY TO ITS LIST

American Legion Play To Be Next Week's Feature

"The Banker's Daughter" Is Title Of Play To Be Given On Two Nights.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

"The Banker's Daughter," to be staged by the American Legion post of Belmond, will be the main attraction next week Thursday and Friday, Feb. 15 and 16, at the opera house.

The play is a comedy drama in four acts, and will be presented by the members of the local post. The "lay out" is as follows:

Act. 1—Home of Lawrence Westbrook in New York. Time, afternoon.

Act 2.—John Stiebelow's residence in Paris.

Act 3.—The American Embassy at Paris.

(Two minute wait.)

Duel scene. Open spot near Embassy.

Act 4.—Same as Act 1. John Westbrook's home in New York.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Lillian, the Banker's Daughter .... Mrs. C. M. Morse
Lawrence Westbrook, the Banker ,, ... A. H. Skovlin
Mr. Babbage .... C. M. Morse
Count De Carojac .. C. R. Townsan
Fanny Holcombe .. Mrs. G. W. Goelz
Florence St. Vincent, afterward Mrs. Brown--ee .. Mrs. Amy C. Peterson
John Strebelow .... Cato C. Griesy
Mons. Montvillais, a French Art Critic .... M. V. Mikesell
Harold Routledge .. W. A. Parker
Dr. Watson ...... Ray P. Morris
Mr. Brown .... C. M. Morse
George Washington Phipps .... Louis Foss
Natalie Strebelow .. Pauline Peterson
Jerrold the Servant .... Ray P. Morris

The play is being given under the personal supervision of Josephine Friel McAlpine.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Conwell were Mason City callers on Sunday.

The Maitland Entertainers gave the last number of the Lyceum Course on February 2. Their musical program was enjoyed by all who heard them.

The Redpath Vawter System put on a good program this winter but it was poorly patronized by the community. The sale of tickets lacked more than $100 of meeting the expense of the course.

The extra number by John B. Ratto will be given on Feb. 25. Half the proceed will go to pay for the use of the church.

Mr. E. T. Hetland is improving nicely under the care of Dr. Snearly.

Henry Boller, Elmer Kienberger, and Ivin Lowenberg are hauling ice for the ice packers of Goodell. I guess we keep cool next summer.

Last Saturday Misses Thelma Carpenter and Alma Ruka were Belmond callers.

Mrs. Monroe Graeber and Mrs. Geo. Ruka entertained the Ladies Aid on Wednesday at the parsonage.

The Goodell girls' basket ball team defeated the Crystal Lake girls on the home floor Feb. 3rd. Score 14-9.

The Crystal Lake boys on the same date defeated the Goodell boys. Score 18-37.

The game closed the basket ball season. We understand that the door receipts were sufficent to pay the expenses of the teams.

Supt. Nelson is to be congratulated on his successful management. The basket ball has done much for the boys and girls who participated in the games.

ALICE JOHNSTON CROWDER

Alice Johnston was born near Belmond, April 22, 1879 and died at Webster City, Feb. 5, 1922. aged 42 years 10 months and 13 days.

She was married March 12, 1898 to Chester Devereaux and to this union four children were born, three of whom survive their mother, Sara, William, and Chester, all of whom live in North Dakota.

After the death of her first husband she was married again to Lester Crowder and to this union one child was born, Florence, who lives in North Dakota.

Mrs. Crowder leaves besides her four children. her father, Henry Johnson. two sisters and five brothers.

The body was shipped to Belmond on Monday and a short funeral service was held at the Klemme Undertaking parlors on Tuesday afternoon, in charge of Rev. Leinbach, after which the body was laid to rest in Franklin Grove cemetery.

FARM BUREAU ITEMS OF INTEREST

Shipment of Several Dozen Of Woolen Blankets Has Been Received

A shipment of woolen blankets consisting of several dozen high quality blankets, has just arrived at the county agents office and is being distributed to those farmers who placed orders after shipping their 1921 crop of wool. Arrangements were made with the Iowa Fleece wool Grower's Association through the county agents office for having the virgin wool made into woolen blankets and those who have made use of their wool in this way are highly pleased with the quality of the blankets which have arrived. This method of having wool made into such articles which are useful to the home has been very practical, especially since the price of wool was at such a low mark last fall. This is one method of having a low priced product converted into something which is useful to the farmer and producer.

Successful Meetings Held.

A series of meetings covering the entire week with two meetings per day, one in the afternoon and one in the evening, was completed Saturday night, February 4th, when the last meeting was held in Vernon township.

A. J. Shinn, of Woodbine, Harrison county, a practical farmer who owns and operates a six hundred acre farm near Logan was the speaker at these meetings. Mr. Shinn came to Wright county as an authorized speaker of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation and succeeding in giving out information which was very convincing as the accomplishments of the State and National Farm Bureau Federations. Mr. Shinn's practical experience as a farmer and his convincing manner held the attention of his listeners in every meeting which was held. Mr. Shinn is not an orator but simply a farmer who knows the work of the farm bureau federation from a practical standpoint and who has made a study of it from A. to Z.

According to Mr. Shinn the criticisms which are being made against the farm bureau and its activities are the result of one of three things: 1. Lack of information. 2. Misinformation. 3. Lack of interest. He made an urgent plea to every farm bureau member who heard him to be sane and sensible in forming his opinions in regard to the farm bureau federation and not be led astray by radicalism which is presenting itself in many different forms and through many sources.

Clarion had quite a bit of excitement last week, when blood hounds were secured to trail some would-be robbers, who were scared away before they could steal a lot of valuable furs. The hounds trailed them to the railroad tracks, where they lost the scent, the would-be thieves probably taking the rear end of a freight out of town.

GOOD FELLOWSHIP CLUB HOLDS BIG MEETING

Despite Stormy Weather Over Sixty Are Present To Enjoy The Evening.

The meeting last Friday evening of the good fellowship club was very well attended, over fifty of the local citizens being present. This, considering, the blizzard that was raging was an exceptional attendance, and no one who was present had cause to regret it. A short program was given before the address, Albert Chamberlin and O. L. Varland rendering two very much appreciated solos. Following this, the address of the evening was given by Rev. F. E. Drake, pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal church, Fort Dodge. Rev. Drake fully lived up to the expectations of the audience, and to the record made at his former visit. His address was pronounced one of the best yet, and he kept the crowd in an uproar from start to finish. While those present knew Rev. Drake had a limitless fund of stories, he seemed to have gathered another large store in addition, and he entertained his audience with some sound, substantial facts and reasoning which he drove home with the humor. The usual "feed" was enjoyed and an hour or more spent in a social smoker. Altogether the meeting was pronounced a huge success..

The next meeting of the club will be held on February 15th at which time it is expected that Clarence H. Hanson, of Fort Dodge, candidate to succeed Judge Wright in the district court, will speak. Mr. Hanson is pronounced an able and forceful speaker, and the evening will be worth attending.

March 1st Judge Fry will be the speaker, according to present plans.

HAVE LIVING COSTS DECREASED?

The Independent recently made a canvass of a number of the stores in Belmond, and obtained some interesting figures regarding the reduction in various commodities in Belmond during the past year. The figures given are those at which the respective articles were sold at retail in January 1921, and January 1922, and show the reduction made in the retail price in the twelve months. Prices given are the average, being arrived at from several different prices on each article. Next week we will present an article giving the prices received by farmers last January and this, on the various farm products.

Article	One Year Ago	This Year
Flour	$ 3.50	$ 2.40
Potatoes	1.50	1.75
Post Toasties	.22½	.15
Sugar	11.50	6.50
Eggs	.71	.30
Butter	.60	.32½
Ham (Smoked)	.50	.35
Bacon	.50	.32½
Beefsteak	.32½	.25
Lard	.25	.16½
Suit of Men's Clothes	65.00	45.00
Men's Dress Shoes	9.50	6.50
Silk Ties	3.50	1.50
Work Shoes	4.50	3.00
Gingham	.25	.25
Percales	.30	.20
Muslin	.20	.15
Tennis Flannel	.25	.15
Washing Machines	108.00	70.00
Heating Stoves	45.00	30.00
Cook Stoves	130.00	100.00

The above prices are per pound, yard, etc., and the hardware the average on electric washers, ranges and best grade heaters. In furniture, clothing, hardware, the percentage of reduction locally is, taking the lines straight thru:

Furniture	37 1-2
Clothing	33 1-3
Hardware	30

Groceries, on the average, were hard to figure, as there are many "wildcat" varieties on the market which fluctuate the prices, but generally taken the average drop is from 30 to 35 per cent. Everyday commodities were taken from each line, and a fair idea can be gained of the reduction in living costs in Belmond from the figures given.

Clarion Cagers Go Down to Defeat Before Belmond

Two Local Teams Take Two Games Thru Speed And Better Team Work.

BOYS WIN 32-18; GIRLS 17-2

Last Friday evening the Belmond high school basket ball teams, boys' and girls, took the county seat cagers into camp in two fast and exciting, but easy, games. It was simply a case of too much speed, the home teams moved too fast and passed the ball too quick for their opponents, who, however, put up a hard fight

The girls' game, played first, was too one-sided to be interesting, the Belmond girls taking the game 17 to 2, the two points for Clarion being made on free throws. Speed, team work and caging ability was the whole story. The boys' game was a whiz of speed from start to finish, and the local boys had the speed. While the final result was 32 to 18, the 14 points difference in the score does not tell the hard fight the Clarion boys put up, especially in the second half. The two games were decidedly interesting and worth while, and the good sized crowd present had the worth while of their money. The Belmond teams are a couple of fast outfits, and are making a record the school and town can be proud of.

The next hard fight will be on next Tuesday, when the two teams from Garner come down after the scalps of the Belmonders. Do they get it?

FORESTER'S HOLD ANNUAL BALL WEDNESDAY EVE.

The Foresters held their Annual ball last evening, and while the Independent goes to press too early to give an account of the affair, we do not hestitate to say that it was undoubtedly a success as these affairs are always of interest to the entire community and are largely attended. The ladies of the St. Francis church served a supper at five o'clock, and at 11 p. m. on a midnight supper was served. The dance was held during the evening, and we venture to say was well attended. A more detailed report of the affair will be give in the next issue of the Indeptndent.

WEDDING

Goldie Evelyn Christie was married to Elmer A. Johnson, son of Chas. J. Johnson, on Tuesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Christie. The groom's parents and the parents and brother of the bride were present. The couple will reside on a farm near Renwick, and are on a short honeymoon to Des Moines.

How About Band For Belmond This Summer?

Some Move Should Be Made At Once If Belmond Plans On Summer Concerts.

MUST CUT AMOUNT IN HALF

What about a band for Belmond this coming summer? Are we going to have one? If we are, is it not about time that some move was being made to line up one, or to at least see whether the band boys who have been favoring us for several years are willing to play again? The Independent is inclined to think that every business man in Belmond wants the band, but it is the almost universal sentiment that they will not put up the same amount of money as they did last year. In fact, we are inclined to believe that the amount will be just about half of last year's quota. Will the band boys play? And will they play for this sum? Belmond cannot afford to be without the band; there is no question of that. The municipal tax is the only logical solution of financing a band; the business man cannot be expected to carry the burden always; but this tax, should it be called and passed will not help us with a band this year. We need one; need to get busy NOW, unless Belmond is to be so dead this summer that every depot will be a tombstone and every road lead to the cemetery. What about it? The business men will put up $1,000; will the band play? Lets hear from both sides before it is too late.

INTERESTING ITEMS OF PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Rev. Koop, who was a visitor at the Rev. A. H. Waalkes home the past week, occupied the pulpit last Sunday.

The Ladies Aid Society meets today at the home of Mrs. F. Frohling in town.

The teachers were busy last week conducting the Eighth Grade Wright County Examinations. The pupils are now anxiously awaiting returns.

Mrs. H. B. Dorenkamp spent part of last week taking care of a new granddaughter at the Edward Gruis home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halfpop were Sunday visitors at the parental home.

Wilhelmine Loats. who is clerking in the Hulsebus—Muller store in Meservey, spent Sunday with her parents near Belmond.

Watch for a Basket Social advertisment in the next issue in the of this paper.

About seventy neighbors and friends held a social gathering at the E. Traeger home last Monday evening. The Traeger family will soon occupy the place recently vacated by Geo. Groens.

SOME BIG DOINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT

Great Many Cases Are Being Tried For the February Term of Court

Martin & Co. vs.. Patton & Lindsey is a suit to recover $161 on account.

Detroit Vapor Stove Co. vs. Frakes & Kahl in an action to collect $193 on account.

Rosa Schultz vs. McElhinney & Blackwell is a suit to collect on a $2000 note..

H. M. Halsey is suing E. W. Peters to recover $1412 and asks the foreclosure of a certain mortgage.

F. J. Roberts vs. R. W. Frank and R. W. Plummer is a suit to recover on a promissory note for $2639.

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W. H. A. Davidson vs. John and Frank Shoenhair is a suit to collect under a lease the sum of $115.

Meyer Mfg. Co., of Morton, Ill., ask judgement against Iowa Valley Sugar Co., on account for $1604.

W. H. McDougald of Kanawha seeks to collect $399 under terms of a lease from Geo. Moore, a tenant.

Bernstein Co. wants judgment against G. H. Vivian for $669 and the return of jewelery valued at $164.

Three promisory notes aggregating $700 is the cause for suit filed by J. W. Kahney vs Chas and Geo. Babcock.

R. Thompson is defendant in a suit to collect $48 alleged to be due on the purchase of an American calculator.

C. W. Comstock of Eagle Grove is asking damages in the sum of $10,000 for alleged slanderous statements.

Ethel Beach of Dows asks for a divorce from her husband Frank Beach, whom she claims is cruel and inhuman.

M. Armbruster of Eagle Grove asks judgment against E. J. Thompson et al on account of a past due note for $4000.

Friends of Will Dunn of Clarion are circulating his nomination papers as domocratic canidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county.

E. J. Thompson of Eagle Grove asks that a special execution be issued against Geo. Trotter et al to secure payment on a $4000 note.

Eliza Torpey vs. J. W. Etienne et al is a suit to collect $980. J. E. Beck and Mrs. C. J. Beck now have possession of the mortgaged property.

The county eighth grade examinations will be held February 2, and 3, in their respective schools, and not in the office of county superintendent as first announced.

Marriage licenses for the past week: Everett F. Bruhl and Clara Jergenson, Clarence Meinke and Ruth Waddell, Joseph Peterson and Ida June Kelley, Jens Jenson and Myrtle McConigle.

Five promissory notes aggregat-

(Continued on page eight.)

GARNER AGITATING A LOWER LIGHT RATE

Article Printed In The Signal Brings Three Column Reply By Electric Company.

Up at Garner they seem to be having more or less of a dispute over the rates that shall be paid for electric service. Garner, like Belmond, is supplied from the Iowa Falls Electric Company, and the Signal in a recent article gave figures on rates paid in various towns, for service, which brought back a three-column reply in the way of paid advertisement from the company, in which the company states that they offered Garner the Belmond rate, which it appears is lower and as we get it, it was not accepted, this offer being made some time ago. The company gives towns who pay a higher rate than Garner. The Belmond rate is the first 20 K. W. H. at 16c, the next 20 at 13c, and all over 40 at 9c.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

The Ladies Aid society will meet for business and a social afternoon on Thursday in the parlors of the church.

The Bible school Sunday morning at 10. Morning worship at 11, and the evening young peoples meeting at 7:30. Miss Nettie Groen will be the leader. The sacred concert which was announced for next Sunday night will be given one week from Sunday night instead. The choir is working hard to make this service a real inspiration to all who come. The house ought to be filled for this meeting. Plan to come and bring as many as possible with you.

Belmond High Wins Debate From Storm Lake Friday

Local School Wins Another Round In Battle For State Championship.

DECISION IS UNANIMOUS

B. H. S. added another victory to the list for the year when on last Friday evening our debating team defeated the Storm Lake team by a 3 to 0 decision. Both teams were well prepared and displayed ability in the art of debating. The interest and enthusiasm of the Belmond team was one of the outstanding features throughout the debate. The same question will be debated by our team February 17, when we meet the Harris H. S. team at Harris.

Tuesday night February 14, the Garner High School will send its boys and girls basket ball teams to Belmond to play our teams.

The Garner Girls Team is one of the fastest teams in this part of the state, having entered and won eleven games. Our girls have lost but one game, hence a "Battle Royal" is promised.

Our boys won on the Garner floor two weeks ago, but Garner's star player, Kris, was not in the game. Garner won from Kanawha by a good margin last Friday. Hence, the boys game will not be slow. Only three more games this year. Don't miss it.

Belmond girls won from the Clarion girls in an easy game last Thursday night. Through the game Clarion forwards failed to make a single field basket. Their two points were made from the foul line. Martin of Goldfield refereed. He sees too many fouls to permit as fast a game as has been played by the girls, but it is hoped our team will soon be playing the kind of basket ball which will premit a fast game. We like this work. It makes for clean ball.

Last Thursday night the Belmond basket ball fans had a chance to see the best basket ball game ever played on the local floor. Clarion, having spent the entire week at stiff practice, was in her prime and ready to fight and win. The Belmond boys altho suffering from slight injuries received in the Garner and Rowan games were full of fight and determined to take the game from Clarion.

The game opened at lightning speed, Clarion scoring first on Scott's long basket from the center of the floor. In rapid succession, Madsen dribbled through Hill, Clarion's Center, pivoted Crabtree, Clarion's right guard, and shot a beautiful basket, drawing two free throws from Crabtree in his fruitless attempt to stop our speedy forward. T. Johnson, throwing one of the two attempts at the free throw line, gave Belmond the lead which was never overcome.

Every player on our team played a steller brand of ball, both on defense and offense. Madsen was by far the outstanding pointgetter, but the guarding of Vestweber and Christie, along with Tyrrel's and Johnson's ability to follow the ball and feed Madsen, made it possible for Belmond to win 32-18.

Line up as follows:

Belmond		Clarion
Madsen	RF	Scott
Tyrrell	LF	Shupe
Vestweber	C	Hill
Christie	RG	Crabtree
T. Johnson	LG	Crabtree

Substitutes: L. Parsons for Tyrrell, Shupe for Crabtree, Tyrrell for L. Parsons, E. Parsons for Christie, L. Parsons for Vestweber.

Field Goals: Madsen 7, Scott 3, Tyrrell 2, Christie 2, Hill 2. Johnson; L. Parsons: E. Parsons; Shupe, free throws, Johnson 8 out of 12, Scott 6 out of 17.

The second teams play their return game at Klemme on Wednesday afternoon Feb. 8.

Mrs. Bert Anfinson, Mrs. H. F. Luick and Mr. Herman Schultz were kindergarten visitors the past week.

Mrs. W. H. Ramsay of Garner visited the First grade last Thursday morning.

Mrs. H. F. Luick and son Wilbur were fourth grade visitors Friday morning.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society met last week Thursday at the home of Mrs. Gowdy. A very interesting lesson was conducted by Mrs. Pullin, the subject being "Problems of India." Mrs. Ray Morris conducted the Mystery Box, which was "If every letter stood for one of the black-skinned pagans of Africa, how many Bibles would it take to represent these people?" The problem was worked on the blackboard by answers to 27 questions of the Mystery Box.

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BLOOD HOUNDS TRAIL ROBBERS AT CLARION

Monitor—Between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock Monday night a bold attempt was made to gain an entrance to the basement at the H. H. Fritze residence in which was stored $2000 th of furs.

The would be thieves first entered the Fritze garage and from there were able to watch the movements of the family within the house. Soon after the hired man went to the stock yards to care for some hogs Mr. Fritze had occasion to go down town. Armed with a brace and bit the thieves entered the cellar way and proceeded to bore a series of holes in a circle just above the sliding bolt on the inside. When completed this circle would have admitted a man's hand and the rest of the trick would have been easy. The mink and other valuable furs were in piles and it would not have taken five minutes to clean out the whole lot.

Luckily Mr. Fritze came home at thise time. Mrs. Fritze was much frightened and told her husband of having heard noises coming from the direction of the basement for some time previous. Mr. Fritze turned on the lights in the cellar and proceeded to investigate. He found the door in the above condition and figures that if he had remained down town ten or fifteen minutes longer it would have proved an expensive stay.

He telephoned Sheriff Lang and had him send to Waterloo for the bloodhounds, which arrived on the early morning train. They were placed on the scent at the cellar door and immediately started for the street. The hunt ended in the Great Western yards near the round house at a point where one of the cabooses had stood all night. The car was attached to its regular north bound run a short time before the dogs arrived. The dogs were again placed on the trail and this time they followed the wagon road west to Holmes where they entered the Rock Island depot and seemed to lose the scent.

It was one of the most daring attempts at robbery in Clarion for many years and is generally believed to be the work of home talent.

PRICES TO CHANGE SOME

Farmers will benefit a little thru the decline of commodity prices in 1922, according to E. G. Nourse, agricultural economist at Iowa State College. However, Mr. Nourse says that he does not want to place too much faith in this fact. With purchasing power reduced both at home and abroad, no possible marketing system, co-operative or private, could perform the miracle of getting prices to a satisfactory level.

"The farmer, to get the best of his labors, will have to follow a program of efficient labor and keep production costs down so that low priced products will return a profit," says Mr. Nourse. "Study the management of the farm and reduce the unprofitable ventures. Do not experiment in crops at this time, but be sure of a fair return for labors expended.

"In marketing get the support of a local cooperative association and cut all needless and wasteful expenditures in selling."

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CIGARET TAX BRINGING IN RETURNS

Tax payers of Iowa generally, and especially the members of the 9th General Assembly, will be interested to know the workings of the cigaret law, since July 4th, when it went into effect.

It has produced a good revenue and I think has resulted in prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors most thoroughly. When a report comes to us that a person or firm is thought to be evading the law, we immediately investigate and usually have a conviction within a week. The following figures and data will be interesting.

The total revenue received from sale of stamps, July 4th to January 1, is $324,074.00, from which we estimate that there will be at least a clear revenue of $50.000 per month or $600,000 a year, which will go into the General Revenue, along with ordinary taxes.

There are 3200 permit holders, and they have paid about $225,000 to the cities and towns for permits or licenses. We have under way or completed thirty-one prosecutions, and have failed of conviction in one case only. This does not include prosecutions brought without our knowledge by local parties.

This office collects a like amount in the Inheritance tax department.

In 1920 there was collected $680,-839,,00, and in 1921 there was $626,-633.00 collected, and owing to the falling off in this revenue, we are considering a re-organization of this work. We expect to put new men and energy into this department, and hope to make a showing of increased receipts.—W. J. Burbank, Treasurer of State.

GARNER KICKS ON RATES

The franchise of the Iowa Falls Electric Co., in Garner expires March 22, and there has been much talk recently of organizing a new company and installing a new plant. Last Wednesday afternoon representative of the three companis of farmers who own lines extending out of Garner met with the Garner city council and discussed the matter. A committee was appointed to take up the matter, find out what it would cost to install a new plant, etc., and report at a meeting that will be held soon.

There has been much dissatisfaction for some time over the rates in effect here, and from what we learn, the rates are higher than the franchise called for. But when you are in the clutches of some big concern you just about have to pay what they say. The rates charged in Garner are the highest we have been able to learn of in the state. A year or so ago, we met a representative of the big electric company at Humboldt, and told him what the rates were in Garner. He said we were mistaken, as there was not a town in the state that had raes that high.

The franchise as now in effect calls for a rate not to exceed the average rate paid by towns similarly located within radius of 50 miles of Garner.

The rate that is being charged is as follows: Users of 10 K. W. H. or less are charged 18c; users of 10 to 25 K. W. H. 16c; 25 to 35 K. W. H. 15c; 35 to 50 K. W. H. 13c; 50 to 60 K. W. H. 12c; 60 K. W. H. and up 10c. In comparison with the rates of other towns it may be seen that the heavy user is getting a rate that is not so far out of reason, but the small user is getting a rate higher than any other company is asking. Also that in most towns a cash discount is allowed, which is not allowed here, and that many towns have lower minimum charge than we have and none are higher.—Leader.

FOREST CITY GIRL IS FOUND HANGING

The fatal step may end the most happy life. The most cultured, refined, beautiful and best loved are no exception to the same fact. A father's devotion, a mother's fond care and love, or a brother's or sister's companionship will not shield them whom they decide to take the step,

Such was the illustration last evening, when one of the highest educated, most refined, vivacious girls was found in the home parlor, surrounded by all the luxuries that should go to make up a happy life.

Late in the evening she was missed and a careful search failed to reveal her whereabouts. The telephone was used without results. Her friends were called in to help search for her, but no one was able to locate her. Finally the almost heartbroken mother returned to the parlor and there, to her surprise, she found her beloved girl hanging. How must that mother been affected by the sight that met her gaze! There was that daughter hanging to her sweetheart's neck, begging him to buy her a pound box of chocolates.—Summit.

CLIPPINGS

It is stated that Dick Hines, formerly of Livermore, has struct oil on some of his holdings in Texas, and that he is now in possession of a real gusher. The Livermore Gazette hopes that he will use his influence in having the price of oil reduced.—Humboldt Republican.

At the University of Iowa at Iowa City a girl not engaged wears her overshoes unbuckled. If she is engaged, she buttons them up tight. If married but still willing to talk things over she wears one overshoe unbuckled. If divorced, she turns them down and buckles them at the back.—Eagle.

The carnival and dance given by the Auxiliary ladies of the American Legion last Tuesday evening was one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever attempted in Clarion. The various schemes for obtaining money from the large crowd present would put the famous P. T. Barnum to shame, were he alive today. There was no end of stands, booths, etc., upon which to lavish one's nickels and dimes. Then there was the picture gallery and the bathing beauties to attract the unsophisticated. The latter hoax proved to be two kewpie dolls and other make believes were along similar lines. Stewart's orchestra furnished music for the dance which was enjoyed by many. The ladies realized $382 from their entertainment and wish to thank all who contributed to its success.—Monitor.

One night last week an auto containing several bottles of corn wiskey about two gallons in all, was located on Main street by Policeman Fred Johnson. He called Sheriff Lang to his assistance and they took possession of the car, which was later claimed by Ed. Holmes and Earl Ewing. They were placed under arrest and later released on $500 bonds. Each bottle of booze had a corn cob in it for a stopper.—Monitor.

The Clarion Commericial club had a nice little balance left over from the Fourth of July celebration fund, and recently a petition was circulated around town asking the donors to sign it over to the sportsmen who are looking after protecting the fish in Cornelia. Practically every one signed it and we understand a pump has been ordered to keep the air circulating through the lake waters during the time the ice covers the lake. But there is now a twenty-inch covering of ice and Dunc Eley, who is going to look after the pumping, said it was sure going to be hard on the fish unless the pump arrives pretty quick. However, it was expected to get here this week. Sportsmen interested in the fishing there are hoping that there will not be a repetition of the hard luck of two winters ago, when many of the fish were killed during the winter.—News.

Not as a matter of news, for the announcement appeared in the dailies some weeks back, but just as an agreeable duty, the Monitor mentions the reappointment of Miss Eva Keith as postmistress at Goldfield. Miss Keith entered Uncle Sam's employ in January, 1900, and has been postmistress continuously since, twenty-two years. She has given her patrons exceptional service, and has fine support in her home town. Her appointment covers four years, beginning January 17th. Congratulations.—Monitor.

CHICAGO GREATWESTERN RAILROAD STATISTICS

Notwithstanding you ride half as many more times now, half again farther each trip and doubtless spent half as much more time in railway travel, yet the danger to your life is less than half as great as it use to be

If you have ridden once in the last 33 years, your chance of being killed were one in 91,000,000. Or,if you have taken one trip each year during that period, you came as near losing your life as one is near to 2,760,000. One ride taken last year imposed a hazard on your life of only one in 5,673,000, and on your twelve customary journeys you are as far from jeopardy as 473,000 is greater than one.

Altogether, the railways of the United States carried in 1920 about 1,300,000,000 passengers, with one killed for each group of 5,673.000 carried, while a total of 472,000,00 people carried in 1889 the death rate was 1,523,000. The danger to life of railway travelers in 1920 was therefore less than one-third of what it was in 1889, most of the reduction accruing since 1907. To be sure there have been very bad years, but the general trend throughout the whole period has been decidedly towards the increasing safety of the traveling public.

At their meeting Wednesday evening of this week, the building committee of the American Legion decided to complete their building this year, and took steps to arrange for the necessaries for the move. Notice was served on the occupants of the present buildings to vacate within thirty days, and the balance of the money subscribed will be called in and everything done to rush the movement.—Humboldt Republican.

ROBINSON'S

Rolled Oats, 6 lbs. -	25c
Peanut Butter, per pound,	15c
Prunes, per pound, -	10c
Tea, black, - - -	40c
Tea, Green, - -	40c
Coffee, pr lb.,25c, 30c, 35c, 45c,	
Fine Aluminum Ware	
P. & G. Soap, 4 bars -	25c
Swifts Soap, 6 bars -	25c
2 lbs. Soap Chips -	25c
Bacon, per lb.	25c
Picnic Ham, per lb. -	18c
A good Broom - -	60c

Parson's Specials

White Naptha Soap 4 Bars	25c
Large Post Tosties or Corn Flakes	15c
2½ lb. can Peaches or Apricots	25c
String Beans	10c
Lard per lb.	15c
Mustard Sardines	10c
1lb. Calumet Baking Powder	30c
Three 5c tablets	10c
Men's hose per pair, Black	15c
Infants hose	19c
Ladies hose	25c
Men's heavy fleeced underwear	$1.50
Men's Overalls	$1.00
Boy's Overalls, 14-15 yrs.	$1.00
Outing Flannel, light color	15c
Bread, large loaf	.07c

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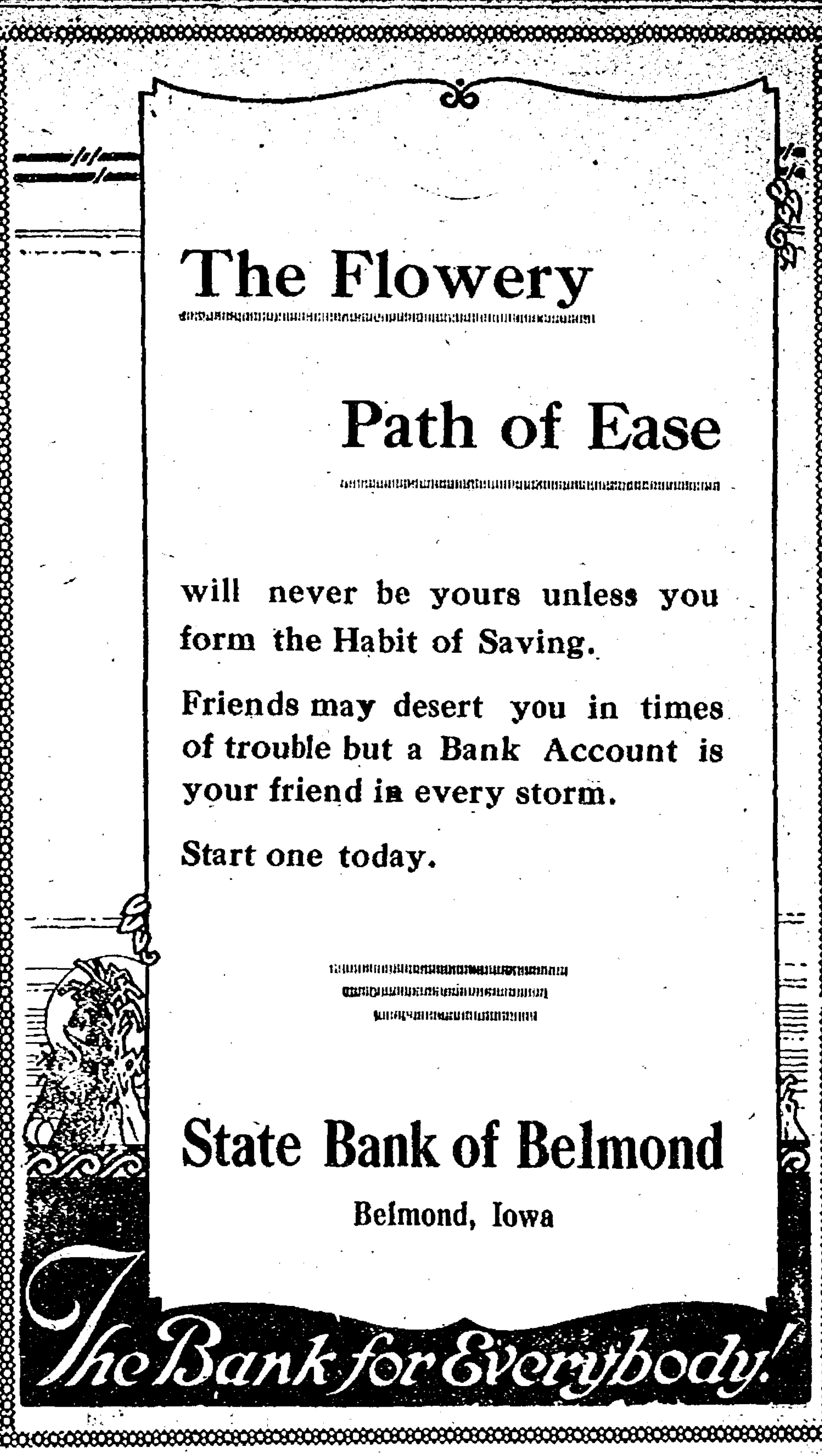
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1 Rock Island 18-wheel disc
1 crate White Rock roosters
2 sets work harness, 1 of them nearly new
10 bushels of seed corn, picked before frost
1 Advance John Deere end gate seeder, with grass seed attachment
1 crate Single Comb White Leghorn roosters, Tom Barron strain
1 triple box
1 bob sleigh
1 truck wagon
1 hay rack, Larsen patent
1 McCormick mower, 5-ft. cut.
1 4-section harrow, John Deere
1 John Deere 14-in. gang plow
1 2-row John Deere cultivator, in good condition
1 Hayes Corn Planter, nearly new, with 120 rods of wire
1 Newton high wheel wagon, with triple box, in good shape

Many other articles

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Rowan Local News

Mrs. F. H. Fowler and daughter, Esther, were Dows shoppers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas, of Des Moines came Thursday to spend several days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas.

O. F. Braden was a Hampton caller Thursday where he had dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley were Dows shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stout, of Thompson, spent several days at the home of his brother, S. B. Stout and wife.

Mrs. Ed. Miller and daughter, Blanche Jennings have been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Arthur Hansen spent Friday in Hampton with her husband at the hospital. She reports him as doing well.

Jim Rowen was a Clarion visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Ryder was a Clarion visitor Tuesday.

Miss Vinnie Whitten was an over Sunday visitor at Mason City.

Mr. Campbell, the second tick man at the C. G. W. spent several days the first of the week in Chicago.

Rev. Tomkinson and James Rowen were Clarion business callers Tuesday.

Frank Carr, who has been visiting relatives at Latimer, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens was a Belmond visitor Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. C. E. Johnson has been quite seriously ill the past week.

George Wessels and Roy Ryder were Belmond calers Tuesday afternoon.

Edward Wessels, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wessels had the misfortune to fall while playing and break his arm at the elbow.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

We would appreciate it very much if you would phone your news items to No. 62.

Don't forget the Legion Minstrel Show Thursday and Friday nights at the Brooks Hall. This will be well worth your money. Come and have a big laugh.

Mrs. E. Bingham has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. William Tresidder went to Clarion Friday to visit at the home of her son, Howard and to see her granddaughter, Ruth who is not doing as well as her friends would wish since her recent operation for tonsils.

Mrs. Will Azeltine, Mrs. Guy Sheldon and Mrs. Tomkinson were Dows callers Friday.

Mr. Joe Miller, of Chadwick, Ill., and Mr. George Miller, of Bradford, Iowa visited at the Ed Miller home the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn, and family spent Sunday at the parental Fletcher home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lineweaver and baby returned Friday from Latimer. where they have been spending a week with relatives.

Don't forget the W. C. T. U. Institute which will be held Wednesday February 22. There will be out of town speakers at this meeting.

Miss Elfrieda Whitten came home from Meservey to spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitten.

Mr. Budlong was a business caller in Rowan Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Francomb received word from their daughter, Mrs. Claud Allit, who is in the hospital at Rochester, that she had her operation for appendicitis and was doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Thornton were Sunday visitors at the Guy Stumph home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris and son, of Thornton were Sunday visitors at the parental Stevenson home.

John Nelson, of Denison, Minn., came Saturday for a visit with his son, Mr. Edwin Nelson.

Charlie Ball was a visitor at Clarion Sunday with his daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley spent Sunday in Dows at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Bert Truesdale.

Miss Mabel Azeltine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Azeltine, has completed her work as a graduate nurse at the Des Moines hospital and has taken her State Examination. Her many friends in Rowan and vicinity offer her hearty congratulations.

Joe Ingraham was a Clarion caller Monday.

Mr. Jacobs, of West Bend, is staying in town for the next few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burt went to Clarion one day last week to attend the funeral of a cousin.

Miss Elsie Keith, formerly of Goldfield, visited at the home of her brother, R. H. Kieth and family. She left last Monday for Traer where she will visit a short time, going from there to Chicago for a short visit, and from there to her future home in Montreal, Canada.

Mrs. R. H. Kieth has been on the sick list.

Frank Toyne went to Chicago Saturday night with two cars of stock.

Mrs. W. W. Bailey has been very sick the past week. Dr. George was called on the case.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten was a Clarion business caller last Friday.

Erdene Unger, of Dows, spent several days the last of the week with her Grandma, Mrs. Mary Braden.

Leroy, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emerson has been very sick since last Thursday threatened with pneumonia. He is some better at the present writing.

One of Rowan's early settlers passes away at Huron So. Dak.

Word received by relatives and friends at Rowan this past week states that M. T. Andrews passed away at his home in Huron, S. Dak., Jan., 19. Myron Tracy Andrws was born at Warren Ill., July 22, 1856, one of a family of twelve children. When a young boy his parents moved to Wright Co., where they lived about ten years. Mr. Andrews was married to Martha McClement December 31, 1878, they making their home on a farm near Rowan for five years. In 1883 Mr. Andrews drove in a covered wagon to Iroquois, So. Dak., and filed on a homestead near there bringing his wife and children there the following spring. They resided there for nine years when Mr. Andrews purchased the farm near Huron which he owned at the time of his death. For the last eleven years he made his home in Huron.

Mr. Andrews was always a man of rugged health until about four years ago when he suffered a stroke of apoplexy another stroke coming about ten days before his death.

He leaves to mourn his death a widow, eight children, eleven grandchildren, a brother and a sister.

4 LEADING MEN SEEN IN ONE PICTURE

SATURDAY FEB. 11, 1922

Four handsome leading men all in one picture! That is enough to create unlimited skepticism among motion picture fans. Just to convince them, all they need to do is go to the Star Theatre next Saturday to see Billie Burke in the Paramount picturization of the Clyde Fitch play, "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson."

Synopsis—Episode Two

"THE CYCLE BULLET"

WEDNESDAY FEB. 15, 1922

Hutch dives off the cliff and drags Nancy from the whirlpool to the bank, where Big Bill Hogan, a friend of Tigerly's knocks Hutch out and carries Nancy off. Hutch, in pursuit, gains time by crossing a chasm over the river, walking on a trolley rope used to convey buckets. With more daring risks, he rescues Nancy and takes her home.

The successful operation of the paper mills worries Marlow. Nancy has refused to marry him; he has failed to obtain the scarf and a big contract for paper is offered Nancy that, unless she can be prevented from signing it, will mean that Marlow cannot foreclose his mortgage.

Nancy goes to New York to sign the contract. Marlow and Ann Haviland accompany her—Ann hoping to secure the scarf; Marlow to prevent the signing of the contract. Bella learns of Marlow's scheme and tells Hutch. He grabs a motorcycle and starts after the train. After crossing a trestle, leaping a broken bridge over the train, and dashing in front of it at several crossings, he secures a handhold, but not a foot hold on the rear car. The speeding train drags his feet along the ground.

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School Notes.

The declamatory contest will be held Friday afternoon and evening of the 17th of February. This is an unusually large class. The selections that have been chosen are especially good. The class is being coached by Miss Neuenschwander of the Upper Iowa University. Owing to the largeness of the class, it will be necessary to give the oratorical and dramatic selections in the afternoon, and the humorous at night. A small admission will be charged. The students taking part in the contest and subjects of their selections are as follows:

Oratorical Class.

James Kercheval—Americanism.
Henry Williams—The unknown Rider.
Ralph Moellering—American, Roose-Velt.
Laurel Hill—The Common People.
Edward Campbell—A Perfect Tribute
Fred Moellering—Not Guilty.

This class consists of 1 senior, 3 1 junior, 1 sophomore, and 2 freshmen.

Dramatic Class.

Bernice Hansen—Night Run of the Overland.
Laura McCallum—The Last Leaf.
Marie Hinkley—Cigarett's Last Ride.
Cleo Duffy—A Few Bars from the Key of G.
Mabel Aldinger—The Death Disc.
Amy Azeltine—The Gipsy Flower Girl.

This class consists of 1 Senior, 1 junior, 4 sophomores, and 1 freshman.

Humorous Class.

Ina Combs—Penrod's Letter.
Clessant Azeltine—Formality at Siwash.
Harold Moellering—Christopher Columbo.
Frances Farren—Billy and Jimmie.
Roy Fanselow—A Boy's Story.
Kenneth Kieth—Johnnie Graham does his home work.
Vera Hill—Here comes the Bride.
Ruby LaGue—Aunt Elnora's Hero.
Donald Fortner—Towser.
Hazel Wilson—Who's Afraid.
Vey Ketchum—A Pleasant Half hour at the Beach.
Duane Bingham—Bear Story.
Clara Azeltine—Two Late for the Train.
Gladys Smith—Aunt Sophronia at the Opera.
Eddie Ketchim—Dad says so Anyhow.

This calss consists of 1 senior, 3 sophomores and 11 freshmen.

Society.

Last Monday night the Junior C. E's., met at the home of Mrs. A. E. Emerson for a business meeting and a social time afterward. The following officers were elected; President. Margeret Kieth; Vice President, Evelyn Whitten; Sect'y, Harry Steffens; Asst., Luceile Nye; Treas; Lowell Hoke; Asst. Linden Whitten; Chairmen of Committees, Lookout, Dyrl Farren; Flower, Pearl Hiams; Social, Linden Whitten. After the business meeting the evening was spent in games after which dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

Thursday night the Young People's Endeavor met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum for a business meeting and social time. It was planned at this meeting for the young people to give a program in the evening March 5th. It was also planned to have a Valentine party in the church parlors. After the business meeting the evening was spent in games. Refreshments of cocoa and doughnuts were served. The evening was very much enjoyed by all present.

A large number of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitten last Friday evening in honor of the 25th anniversary of their wedding. The hostess of the evening were Mrs. R. R. Duffy, Mrs. Will Rietz, Mrs. Charles Huber and Mrs. Will Whitten. The evening was whiled away in music and other items. An address of congratulation was read by Rev. Tomkinson to Mr. and Mrs. Whitten. The house was

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Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

PUBLIC SALE!

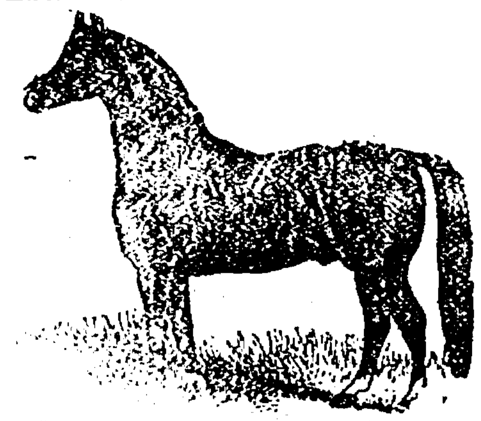
As I am going to quit farming, I will hold a closing out sale on the Sampson place known as the old Darby farm, 3 miles southeast of Belmond, 5 miles north and 1 mile west of Rowan, 5 miles west and 1 mile north of Alexander, on

Wed., Feb. 15th

Commencing at 11:30 o'clock a. m. Sharp. Free Lunch Served at Noon.

9 Head of Horses

1 roan gelding 6 yrs. old wt. 1400
1 spotted roan gelding 9 yrs. old, wt. 1350
1 roan gelding 8 yrs. old wt. 1400
1 bay mare 9 yrs. old wt. 1500
1 bay mare 8 yrs. old wt. 1200
1 bay horse 10 yrs. old wt. 1200
1 black mare 4 yrs. old wt. 1400
1 team of black geldings, coming 4 and 6 yrs. old

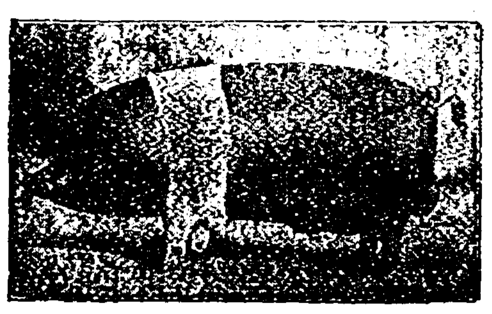


16 Head of Cattle

8 milch cows, 2 fresh now, some fresh soon, balance fresh in spring
2 heifers 2 yrs. old 1 yearling Short Horn bull 1 steer 2 yrs. old
1 milch cow, to be fresh soon 3 coming yearling steer calves

12 Head of Hogs

Consisting of 10 fall pigs and two sows, bred.



CHICKENS

Mostly Rhode Island Red Pullets, fine layers

Machinery

1 hay rack
1 Dain mower
1 single buggy
3 shovling boards
1 iron truck wagon
1 Ohio shovel cultivator
1 T. G. Mandt, bob sled
1 John Deere gang plow
1 10-ft. McCormick rake
1 grind stone, good as new
1 "Good Enough" single plow
1 John Deere shovel cultivator
1 single Tower surface cultivator
1 heater
1 set of fly nets
1 cabinnet table
3 sets of harness
1 manure spreador
1 high wheel wagon
1 long chicken netter
1 John Deere 10-ft. disc
8 individual hog troughs
1 high wheel wagon, complete
1 John Deere flexible steel harrow
1 Chatham fanning mill, with attachment for engine
1 John Deere drag cart, nearly new
1 DeLaval separator, No. 15, in good running order
1 end gate seeder, Hoosier, complete with grass seed attachment
1 John Deere 8-ft. grain binder, good as new
2-row Tower surface cultivator, good as new
1 John Deere corn planter, with 160 rods of wire

Some white seed corn

Numerous other articles

This Machinery is all in Good Shape and Worth Your Attention.

TERMS---$10 and Under, Cash; over that 10 months time on approved Security at 8 per cent.

EDWARD NELSON, Owner

Lewis Hauge, Auctioneer State Bank of Belmond, Clerk

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, FEBR UARY 9, 1922

Dr. F. S. Agler

Physician & Surgeon

Meservey - - Iowa

Anyone who will aptly quote at a dinner party a verse from a popular song of forty years ago will make a bigger hit than if he quoted from John Milton.

Read the Belmond Independent for the news of your home town. Ask Heinie.

When a farmer sells his grain or stock, deposits his money in this bank and pays his bills by check, he doesn't need to pay the bill the second time. He has a record and a receipt.

If you have idle funds put them into our Certificates of Deposit, we will pay you 5 per cent interest

Seventeen years of successful banking.

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FARMERS SAVINGS BANK

MESERVEY, IOWA

NEW PRICE

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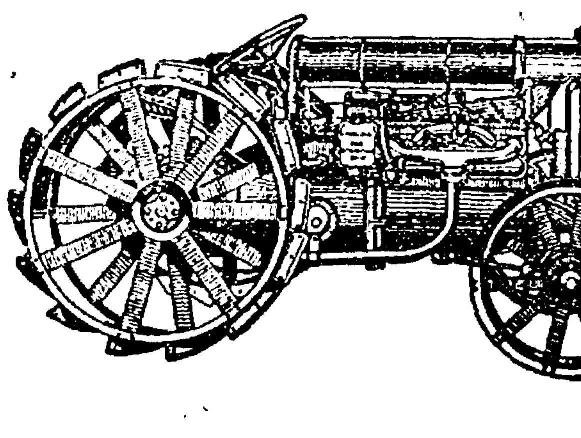

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$230 Cut

No Farmer can afford to be without a Fordson at this price. The demand for Fordson Tractors will be great. Place your order today. We are able to make quick delivery at present. Call, Write or Phone.

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DON'T READ THESE ECHOS OF ELECTION

As they may hurt you. The schoolhouse bond election of $60,000.00 of Meservey, Ia., closed at 6 p. m. Jan. 12, 1922, with the result of the majority against the issuing of bonds, but those that thought the matter was now settled got fooled. As the old truth: "There is no rest for the wicked" was readiy in evidence, as immediately there was a second petition circulated for a new election 5 weeks hence they boast of that it was only 20 or 30 minutes, that shows good. But now, let us analyze that petition a miunte and see who signed it, and we find, over one-half of the required number were not freeholders.

But dear farmer brothers, it would be unfair and greatly unjust to those signers if you put put all the blame on them, of having the gall and taking the right, not to abide by a good majority of election and force you to a second election, then if the case should be that the second election majority voted bonds, then you freeholders out on the farm should have the same right to call another election to undo the second one.

But we must dig a little deeper and there you find "the powers to be behind the curtains," none of the real drivers will appear on the petition, but by supple action pushed these noncombatants to the front, to avoid the brunt of the battle, and they stand hiding and grinning behind the screen, but—Oh, consistency thou art a jewel!

There is much said and written of a thorough investigation on the subject, and then vote intelligently, and by doing so we find, that there was not any dissatisfaction about the schoolhouse in Meservey among pupils and patrons of the community. But the disturbance was made by two former employees of the Meservey school the one drew $2800.00 for 180 days into his household, and the other drew at the squandering rate of $2125.00 for himself alone. But under their management we finished teachers which are getting now $100 for 20 days work or play, and as long as we can do that, I think we are doing remarkable well, and ought to be well pleased with results. And they all were too!

So we see all the disturbance is made and instigated by other authorities, those who sucked the life blood out of the community and had a one-half dozen farmers and their wives work for them as slaves or the equivalent of one-half dozen farmers incomes so they could live on the top shelves, or them State officials or inspectors who live on the high salaries of the fat of the land. Even those inspector reports admit that the equipment of the manual training department was more than necessary, the little lack in school equipment was supplied, and their hope that the gas plant in the near future would be in perfect condition was complied with for Domestic science, to boil the water for dishwashing scientifically, for cold packing fruits of all kinds, and frying sugar, eggs, cream, butter, etc., together.

All their complaint boiled down is mainly: the building is of wood, and the seats are not attractive enough for pupils to take hold of learning. Right there we might say: that a child can not learn any more in an upholstered quarter sawed oak or a mahogany seat as in an ordinary seat that was good enough for their honorable and loving parents, as a person can have as much brain in a common $3.00 rocking chair as many that sit in $12, $25 or $147.00 rockers, as has often been proven.

Apparently as salaries increased, efficience decreases. There is much written late years by high authorities in state papers, that about one half of the teachers of the state are incompetent to teach, therefore the boards of education should raise the wages to get good teachers. But we find on the examination that the teachers of 5 or 6 years before the war for $35, $40 or $45. per month taught their pupils the art of arithmatic in school and they are excellent business men or ladies of today, but after increasing the salaries to three or four fold of the former, this new kind of teachers shifts that burden of art to the pupil's parents, to work with them all evenings to learn a little arithmatic, even under crying of the dear children, that their mother don't know nothing of these newfangled frills and frizzles,, that these progressive (?) teachers want them to do, any fool can look over the examples after the pupil has them made right or wrong, but it takes labor, brain and duty to instruct them the art of doing.

Further I would suggest to those who have not taken part in the election, to make up your mind which way you want it. Do you want to make or save all these thousands which they have so clever arrayed before your eyes, and this legacy? Of $60,000 with which you shall inherit your children for 40 years without any effect of their own only hold up their hand in a strawvote in the schoolhouse if they want it. But they were sly enough not to tell you that on these figures and terms, without any interest on the investment (as some believe should be figured) or compounding interest, yes this simple bagatelle of $60,000 will be the enormous fortune of say, and write it down $138,000 when paid up. Then vote yes. But if you are carring all you can at present and not any more, with your second years income from the farm on prewar level, and all the suckers around you with 3 or 4 fold salaries of your income, and if you believe that turning out able teachers as fast and good as we have done in the past is sufficient, then vote no. But you can not stay at home, but must come to the polls and make it known.

And I would give you the exhortation of men of old thus: Be strong and steadfast as men (Oh ye Philistines) that you be not servants (or slaves) unto these taskmasters, be men and fight" these words may not be exact translation, but it is the sense and meaning of it. They fought with the sword and felled 30,000 men, I only wish to fight with the ballot so they may see "the handwriting on the wall" like the Democratic party did at the last election, and abided by it.

Extravagance and squandering of school money knows no bounds.

Some years ago we were asked to vote $50,000 for a court house from the whole county and many considered it a burden but now they ask $60,000 from a little over one half of a township, and no wonder the majority of the tax payers said no! But some county or state officials have published a book with compiled figures of total expenditures of different schools which is amusing for disinteresting parties. We find Meservey school expenditures for 1917-18, $11,539.73, alone for teachers $4,361.20, total expenditure for year 1919-20, $15,622.57, alone for teachers $8,035.00. Venturas total expense for 1917-18, $4,374.10. Venura's total expense for 1920-21, $27,554.25. These are only a few of the many they have represented, and only then they go on to compare the increase of expenditures of the different schools in percentage to their gain in expense and they find that Meservey has only increased it expense to 178 per cent of former while Plymouth stands at 220 per cent and beats them all.

According to all reading it appears that they fully put their approval upon the most extravagence, where really a penalty should be affixed to it strict. As our great McAdoo advocated during war time, any one should not be considered a loyal American if he would not wear half soled pants, as they had to pay and be pinched until it would hurt, and quit extravagance and learn economy, even in government, state and individual life. Therefore let us ponder a little and get light, as we started our consolidated school in 1915-16 we had an able professor paid him $1000 for the season and a full set of teachers for $2745 total $3,745 in 1916-17 same professor and a full set of teachers for $5945 now notice the difference in three years from figures above for $8,035 or an excess of $4,090 in a year paid more than 3 years ago which they get cause of war bonus.

Even the drivers felt jubilant of war bonus and drew the mere bagatelle of $5,494.00 for 1920-21. But as some of them had to help pay it, they come to their senses and 1921-22 the same faithful workers are glad and do the same work for $2930 or a difference in saving of $2564 which would be if teachers were giving up their differece, 4,090 a total of $6654 a year.

A Plain Sensible Plan. Come now, and let us reason together—though your iniquitiees be as scarlet, "they shall be as white as snow" and all be forgotten. We have seen the excess of teachers from before the war and the extras for drivers after the war amount to $6,654 a year. Now brother farmer you have paid a tax of 70 mills in 1918 and your brother across the road in the township chool district 48.9, in 1919, 43 mills and you paid 105.28 mills in 1920 or an increase of a little over 50 per cent Well done! And you will pay 102.77 mills in 1922. "Its all in getting used to it," they say. If that be so and you possible can carry that load, keep on paying it for five years as you have done for 3 years past as my plan is very simple and very practical: viz: If our corps of teachers will agree to work at prewar and beginning of the war salaries $55 $60 and $75 and professor of 1915-16 of $1000 for 990 hours not like the breadeater of 1920-21 of $2125 for season or $2.14½ cent per hour, then we can take above $6,000 excess money every year and put it in a sinking fund for 5 years and the accumulation of interest will bring another $4,500 without compounding and we have the sum of $34,500 ready to build Struggle 5 years more and you have capital and interest all paid up, and you can point with pride to your own nice school house.

May the good Lord open your eyes that you see clearly what you are going into, and be not all doughheads and I hope the staff of teachers will cooperate with you in this plan of a new school house with suitable working conditions and all say: "Amen, it shall be so!" that would be real cooperation as they all know perfectly well that they have not any more brain now, as they had before the war. And you have sold your grain already of years crops with two-thirds and three-fourth and some four fifths off of former prices.

Now let everybody think this plan over, and get together. What do you say about such or a similar plan?

Yours for progress and economy,

J. C. Janssen.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION BOND PROPOSITION MESERVEY IOWA

Public Notice is .Hereby .Given, That a special election of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, will be held on the 17th day of February, 1922, at the City Hall, Meservey, Iowa, from one o'clock P. M. until six o'clock P. M. and that at said election there will be submitted to the voters of the said Consolidated Independent School District to be by them voted upon, the following proposition:

Shall the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, issue bonds in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000), for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new school house?

At which time and place all of the voters of said Consolidated Independent School, District are hereby notified to appear.

This notice is given by the order of Board of Directors of said Consolidated Independent School District, pursuant to the sufficient petition with the requisite signatures in accordance with the Section 2820-d I et seq. of the supplement to the Code of Iowa, 1913.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa, this 13th day of January 1922.

K. Clarence Ruigh
Secretary, Board ofDirectors.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SCHOOL BUILDING-BIDS CLOSE FEB. 16 1922 AT 1 P. M. MESERVEY, IOWA.

Bids are desired on a school building, to be erected at Meservey, Iowa, by the Board of Education of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa. Bids will be received by the Secty. of The Board of Education Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh at his office in the Farmers Savings Bank at Meservey up to 1 p. m. Feb. 16 1922. Bids will be opened immediately and read publicly. Bids must be accompanied by certified checks or bid bonds in amount as follows:

General Construction, Check or bid bond, $1500.00.

Heating and Ventilating, Check or Bid Bond, $1000.00.

Plumbing, Check or Bid Bond, $400.00.

Seating, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00

Equipment, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00.

Certified checks or bid bonds must be made out unconditionally to Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh, Secty. Board of Education,, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract with the said School District and furnish a bond in the full amount of the contract in the form outlined in the specifications, guaranteeing the completion of the building and the payment of all leins and claims.

The plans and specifications will be on file after February 1, 1922 —one copy only— at the office of the secretary, one at the office of the architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., and one at 211 M. B. A. Building, Mason City Iowa. Also at the Builders exchanges of Des Moines, Iowa, St. Paul, Minn. and Minneapolis Minn.

Contractors may secure plans by application to the Architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., upon payment of a deposit of $10.00 to insure return of the plans and specifications. The entire amount will be forfeited if the contractor fails to bid. Sub contractors and material men will be charged the exact cost of preparing the blue prints and specifications for such drawings as they may require to figure the part of the work they are bidding on.

Contractors will be required to bid on the exact form of bid outlined in the bidders blanks, any deviation therefrom will invalidate the bid and same will not be considered.

Contractors may combine any part of the work or bid on the entire contract by furnishing with their bid the certified checks or bid bonds required above.

The Board of Education reserves the rigth to accept any or reject any or all bids.

Signed
Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa,
By K. CLARENCE RUIGH
Secty. Board of Education.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schleasselman, Pastor.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30
Preaching services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15.
Preaching Service (English) 8:00
Catechism at the usual hours on Saturday afternoon.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ore Braden of Rowan spent the week end at the R. L. Robinson home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph and children of Rowan spent the evening last Sunday here at the R. L. Robinson home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Robinson and son, Melcom autoed over to Dows on Monday of last week to spend the evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson, parents of Mrs. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and daughter, Elanore returned home Thursday after spending a week of pleasure and business matter at Harlan, Defiance, Omaha and Council Bluffs.

For Sale—Fine Duroc Jersey sows, March and April farrow.—L. Foss.

Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Pals and daughter, Greona were shoppers at Mason City on Friday.

Al Rooks was a motor passenger to Mason City Friday.

Carl Stadtlander was a business caller at Mason City on Friday.

Mrs. W. E. Jones who has been visiting at the home of her parents, G. Walton at Thornton returned home Friday.

Mrs. J. F. Hartfelder left Friday to spend several days with her daughter, Hazel, at Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendell are the happy parents of an 8 pound baby girl born on Friday of last week.

Miss Pauline Bohning, of S. Dak., visited at the H. J. Groen home last week. She left for Belmond on Friday to visit at the Henry Groen home and leaves for her home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Miller were shoppers at Mason City on Saturday.

Peter H. Pals and son Henry were motor passengers to Mason City Saturday.

Dr. Agler was a business caller at the county seat on Saturday.

The Misses King and Ankeny were shoppers Mason City on Saturday.

Mrs. M. Galbraith was a passenger to Mason City on Saturday.

Watch the fellow that tries to tell you how honest he is and how corrupt the other fellow is.

Miss Loats spent Sunday at the parental home near Belmond.

Conrad Bier was a passenger to Mason City Monday attending to business matters.

Miss Rosie Lieuwen who has been helping with the work at the Dan Smith home returned to her home near Belmond on Saturday.

Mrs Henry Dirks is slowly improving, and her many friends are hoping she will soon be able to be around again.

The telephone company has come down with rates at a difference of 25 cents per month if paid six months in advance, all telephones taken out will be put in free of charge. We are hoping that this will settle all the disagreements.

Mrs. Bonte and little daughter, who have for the past week been visiting at the homes of relatives near Alexander returned home Sunday.

Jake Ostendorf and family of Alexander were Sunday visitors at the B. Gruis home.

The Blizzard we had last week made us think of olden times.

Mrs. Albert Wendell has been on the sick list the past week.

The Cemetery Society will meet at the home of Mrs. H. K. Pals on Tuesday afternoon February 14.

Eko Beeker was a motor passenger to Mason City Tuesday morning.

Doc Agler and Lou Jones motored to Mason City on Monday.

Miss Mabel Eggers of Thornton spent the week end at the Charlie Halfpap home.

B. Ahrenholtz, at the Fred Loats residence, Harness Maker and Shoe Repair. Prompt attention and good workmanship guaranteed. 112*

C. G. W. R. R. TIME TABLE

J. J. Ruiter, agent.

Going North

No. 4 Motor	9:45 a. m.
No. 16	2:13 p. m.
No. 12*	1:24 a. m.

* stop for St. Paul passengers only.

Going South

No. 15	3:42 p. m.
No. 8 Motor	4:57 p. m.
No. 11*	12:26 a. m

* stop for Omaha passengers only.

MR. and MRS. HULSEBUS WRITE

Obersprockhovel
1-5-22

Dear All:

Greetings. We arrived here 12-13 at Barmen where Br. Beims, sister Anna and daughters met us, and this sure was a meeting; had not seen each other for 40 years.

From Barme we took electric railway to Hasslinghausen, about 3 miles and then walked to Obersprockhovel, about 1 mile. Barmen and Elberfeld are two large cities in the Wupper Valley about 400,000 inhabitants. This is in Rheinland. Here are all factories and very large houses for exports of silk, ribbon, iron, etc.

The river Wupper runs thru both cities and over this river hangs suspended the Schwebebahn, the only only railway in the world where the rails hang suspended by pillars from each side of the river; on these run the wheels which are held by arms. The cars hang and run below. Br. Beims and I took a ride last week from Barmen to Elberfeld.

Now about our staying here at Beins. We are having a fine visit and they certainly do all they can to make it homelike for us. Mr. is Headteacher here, also two other teachers. This is a large school buildig, each teacher has 7 living rooms. Below are the school rooms. This country is all industry, many hills, coal mines all over; houses are built of quarry stone. Br. Beins one son Hans came home from the hospital where he was four years. Doctors were trying to save his leg but it had to be taken off after all. This was six weeks ago, after his 12 operation. He returned to the hospital today.

We leave for Steinfelde again Saturday. In the spring we want to go to Eisenact to see the Wartburg, where Dr. Luther was in the time of Reformation, also to see the Coln and other wonderful places on the Rhine.

Glad to say that we are well and hope same of you. Give all people our best wishes and regards. Write soon. Love to you all. We are lovingly your Father and Mother.

NEW KIND OF HOLDUP

One of our farmers drove his Lizzie to Mason City some time ago. When he was on his return trip home just south of the Mercy Hospital he noticed that he was short on water, and not thinking of holdups, he went to the nearest house south of the road and asked for some water. The man of the house appeared very kind and volunteered to carry the pail; when the radiator was full the farmer turned to thank the obliging man, but was informed that the charges were 50 cents. The request came so sudden and unexpected that nothing was said for some time—but finally some one in the car suggested that 25c would be a good price. The obliging man insisted that water was 50c a pail the Clear Lake road—the bill was paid in full but no receipt was taken. Some day a party of Meservey people may accompany this farmer to see his friend on the Clear Lake road, and it may cost him more than 50 cents to get his face patched up.

The sooner that we all learn that we cannot live for ourselves alone—the sooner will the present discontent be a thing of the past. We must learn that no one can build his own business by tearing down the other man's, whether it be the farm, laborer or other business.

What we need most in times of depression like these is a sane policy of right thinking, right living and the application of the golden rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." Conditions are largely what we make them. Nothing would ever be accomplished if all the people would say, "It can't be done."

Did you ever stop to think that it requires no special gifts to be a "knocker?" Anyone can try to belittle the good work another is doing. The most ignorant can criticise the President, or Congress or others who are in authority through the greatest and best form of government ever devised by man, a Democratic form of government. Can they do better? Have they accomplished anything worth while or must their life be summed up as having done nothing constructive and all things destructive? Verily, "By their fruits you shall know them."

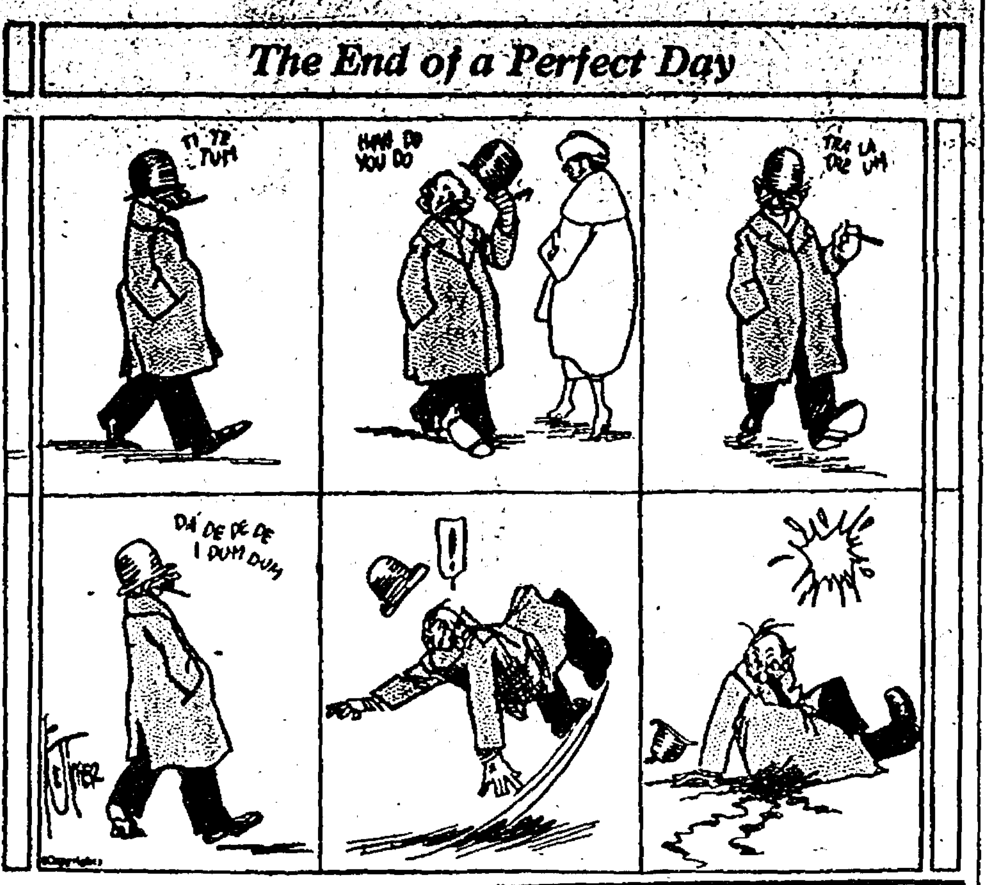
FOR SALE

Large type Poland China brood sows and gilts, bred to farrow March and April. Cholera immune.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey. 11tfc

STEAL FOUR PUREBREDS

John L. Reeve, southeast of Hampton, lost four good hogs one night about ten days ago. They did not stray away, either, as some fellow who evidently knew Mr. Reeve was not to be at home took advantage of the opportunity and got away with the four porkers which weighed about 250 pounds each. The Reeve family were in Hampton and no one was at home that night. The "mystery thief" of that vicinity remains unsolved, as several robberies of late remained unsolved as to who is doing the "thieving" around here.—Chronice.

If some 2,700 out of 3,100 doctors announce that they have never found it necessary to use radium in their practice, isn't a statute against its use justified?



SCHOOL NOTES

3rd. and 4th Grades

The percent of attendance for our room for the month of January was 93.7.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend our Valentine-Lincoln program given by the third grade at 2:30 on Feb. 14.

The 4th grade are making Lincoln booklets.

Lydia Pals re-entered school Tuesday after being absent for several days because of illness.

5th and 6th Grades.

The 5th and 6th grades plan to have a Valentine box and Lincoln program Feb. 10 at 2:45 p. m.

Marie Pals has been absent on account of sickness.

The 6th grade began percentage on Monday.

Virgil Sprau re-entered school on Monday after an absence of three weeks

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The Seniors have received their class rings.

The Philomathean Literary society will give a program Friday afternoon in the high school. Everybody is cordially invited.

The 11th and 12th grades are taking up Bible stories as a classic in English.

Vern Schulter was absent yesterday.

Theodore Roosevelt Dirks has been absent for about a week.

Gerald Jansen was hurt last week by falling from a horse.

Aid Society.

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Thursday p. m. at the church basement, regardless of the stormy weather, the goodly number of nine were present. Refreshments wre served by Mrs. Frank Ostendorf.

Your Work and Your Worry!

WE TAKE THEM ALL

You no doubt understand the season for Cleaning and Dyeing garments is here.

We dry clean your garments by the most modern and sanitary methods, restoring old and worn clothing to equal new.

We have the facilities of turning out high grade work, assuring quality and service.

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PUBLISHER APOLOGISES FOR MAILING STATEMENTS

Over in Belmond the Independent sent out statements of subscription accounts, and last weeks issue contained an apology, stating that the books were badly balled up and the publisher was simply trying to straighten things out. Woudn't that jar you?

We never did have a wholesale house apologise for sending us a statement, and never expect to. We have been doing all the apologising for many years, and were mighty glad to have a chance to make the apology if we let accounts over-run their limit.

And then, why shouldn't a man send a statement to another man who owes him? The man who gets insulted at being reminded of an account he owes is a good man to have trade with the other fellow.—Humboldt Republican.

(Glad you told us that it was an apology, brother; first we knew of it.)

"Prosperity is coming," says Postmaster General Hays. But judging from the size of that movie contract of his we are inclined to suspect that he copped it all for himself.

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Beil, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Johnnie Schulte has been on the sick list the past week.

A. L. Nelson and son, Theodore were having dental work done at Belmond last Saturday.

Cornelious Stoffer was a caller at Mason City Sunday.

Mrs. B. K. Kinseth of Belmond visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Bohlen several days the past week.

Mrs. Frank Bonte and daughter, Virginia of Meservey visited with friends and relatives at Alexander the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Meno Frohling and children of near Belmond spent Sunday at the Peter Pals home.

Ben Arends and son Bernard made a business trip to Chicago last week and while there visited with Leonard Arends who is attending college.

Dr. Steele of Belmond was a professional caller at Alexander last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blau and baby were Sunday visitors at the Fred H. Frohling home near Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy and daughter, Bernadine were visitors with relatives at Aredale the past week.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer spent the last of the week with her parents at Sheffield.

Arthur Peters was a caller at Meservey last Saturdey.

Miss Jesse Bernard spent Saturday and Sunday at her respective home at Eagle Grove.

Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson were week end guests with friends at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and children were callers at Belmond last Saturday.

William Winwood was a business caller at Hampton Monday.

Theodore Beenen was a Belmond Caller on Monday evening.

Miss Eva Whetstone principle of our schools, was a guest at a six o'clock dinner at the Attorney A. M. Butler's home Sunday evening.

Leslie Reed and Mrs. Fred Dunn wre business callers at Hampton last Monday.

J. C. Arends and family were callers at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen were shoppers at Hampton last Saturday.

Miss Henrietta Pastour visited with her friend Miss Hannetta Schulte on Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Lloyd Green was a Hampton caller one day last week.

Bennie Dorenkamp was a Belmond caller last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks and children were Belmond callers Saturday.

M. E. Church Notes.

Did you say you were out last Sunday to church services? Good! Well it was sure worth coming out for.To hear the powerful sermon Rev. A. C. Calkins of Crystal Lake delivered for us from the 53 chapter of Isaah. A great warming for each one, God bless Brother Calkins in his good work. There were a few who were absent last Sunday in Sabbath School. Let class No. 4 all be present next Sunday or you are going to miss out.

St. John, Evang. Church.

Divine worship at the St. John's church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the services will be in the English language. Try our welcome and come and worship with us next Sunday.

In this actual world a churchless community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs, is a community on the rapid down grade.

Rev. J. Barth, Pastor.

Congregational Church

What would happen to your body if you neglected to portake of food regularly? We all know what the consequences would be Did you ever ask yourself the question: "What will happen to my soul if I neglect to partake of the spiritual food? Come to church next Sunday and worship with us if you are not in the habit of going to any other church. We believe that if those persons, who relieved some of our friends of their chickens last Sunday had been to church they could not have been so mean and do a thing like that. We are sorry that there are such people living around here, for in our estimation a man who steals chickens has sunk very low. It all goes to show that there are yet many around us who need to come under the influence of the great friend of mankind, the Saviour of men. The Book tells us "That righteousness exaltath a nation." Shall we not help to exalt our nation?

Sunday School—10:00 a. m.
Morning Service—11:00 a. m.
Junior and Senior C. E.—6:30 p. m.
Evening Service—7:30 p. m.

Helping Hand Society meets next Wednesday, February 15th with Mrs. Ed Richards.

School Notes

Last Thursday and Friday the eighth grade county examination was held here for the benefit of the eighth graders from rural districts. Only two pupils appeared for the examination. They were Kenneth Myers and Ruby Myers from District No. 7, Wisner township.

The monthly weighing of school children resulted in the following brief summary: 13 per cent showed a loss; 20 per cent showed no gains; 67 per cent showed substantial gains. The children are weighed each month.

Last Friday night our high school played the Latimer high school a double header basket ball game. Honors were divided. The Alexander boys won and the Latimer girls successfully carried away the wreath of victory. The games were played on the Latimer floor.

Our next movie program to be given next Tuesday night, February 14th will consist of three reels: "Made Game," manufacturing of athletic goods; "Fable of the Olive and the Orange," showing these industries from the beginning up to the eating of the olive by people who pretend to be fond of them. The comedy is "Jerry Beenen takes Gas."

Several of the rooms are taking extra pains in decorating for St. Valentine's Day. Little Dan Cupid will have no cause for feeling slighted this year. It makes a big difference when the teachers take a heartfelt interest in paying him homage.

Th Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson spent the week-end at their home in Latimer. Miss Emma Eickmeyer also was a week-end visitor at her home in Sheffield.

IOWA HAS 90 PER CENT OF CORN QUOTA TO RAISE

Governor N. E. Kendall, state chairman of the Near East Relief, has issued a reminder that Iowa has 90 per cent of her 300,000 bushel quota of gift corn to raise within the next five weeks.

Free transportation on gift corn expires February 28, Gov. Kendall says. This leaves only three week for Iowa to make up the remainder of her quota.

Approximately 21,000 bushels of corn have been shipped from Iowa, acerding to C. A. Montanus, state director. Ten thousand additional bushels are ready to ship within the next few days. The past few weeks have been witnessed a boom in responses to the call of the Near East Montanus said. Council Bluffs began Sunday January 22 a drive for five carloads of corn to match five carloads already pledged by the farmers of Pottawattamie county.

Story County, Cear Lake and Mason City are in the second week of campaigning. Other cities in various parts of the state are expected to take up the movement within the next few weeks.

ROWAN LOCAL NEWS

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decorated in silver with a large bouquet of silver flowers for a center piece on the table. Partners were secured for a lovely two course lunch by the matching of silver hearts Each guest received a silvered favor. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Duffy, Mr. and Mrs. Will Duffy, Mr. and Mrs. Will Reitz, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Azeltine, Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine, Mr. Ray Azeltine, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Rowen, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huber, Dan Whitten, Miss Elfreida Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten, Rev. Harold Tomkinson and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sheldon.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitten received several very lovely gifts.

The guests report a very pleasant evening.

Methodist Church Notes

Pastor, Rev. H. Tomkinson

10:30 Public Worship.
11:30 Sunday School.
6:30 Epworth League.
7:30 Evensong.
A hearty welcome for all.

Congregational Church Notes.

February 12th.

Pastor, Wm. Herbert Nye.

Morning Service 11 A. M.
Sunday School 12 A. M.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 P. M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.

We invite you all come and bring your friends and children with you for the morning service, and stay for the Suday school. We need you, and you need us.

There will be special efforts put forth to make these services attractive, and we invite you to "COME and SEE."

The Junior Endeavor Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m. "Children Come."

Mid-week meeting Wednesday evening 7:30.

The Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Hoke last Thursday afternoon and there was a good attendance.

Be sure to attend church Sunday, as there will be something that will interest you, and you cannot afford to miss these services. Bring your friends with you.

We had a good Sunday School, and the church and Sabbath School as usual was well attended last Sabbath Day.

RED CROSS PAGEANT TO BE GIVEN

Picturing the whole story of the development of humanitarian work throughout the world, from the time of the good Sanaritan to the preent, roles. The big spectacle will open a great pageant and historical spectacle will be presented here the week of March 7 as a special feature of the Central Division convention of the American Red Cross.

It will be one of the largest pageants or spectacles ever presented west of the Mississippi, according to national officers of the Red Cross who arrived in Des Moines from Washington D. C., to begin preparations for the event. More than 3,500 persons will participate in the acting. There will be a mammoth chorus of 1,000 voices and an orchestra of 50.

State officials, men and women who won honors and citatins during the world war, will assume the leading roles. The big spectacle will open with events which took place before the time of Christ and will trace the humanitarian work which has been symbolized by the Red Cross from that date until this. The Knights of the Round Table, the Sisters of Mercy, war service, home service, rehabilitation work will be depicted.

Mrs. Ruth Mougey Worrell of Washington, D. C., author of the pageant, has come to Iowa to take personal charge of the staging. H. B. Dickson, national director of enrollment for the Red Cross, and producer of the recent big pageant of "The Wayfarer" has also been brought to Des Moines to direct the work of preparation.

Plans are now under way whereby special delegations may be brought to Des Moines from all parts of the state to witness the pageant the week of March 7.

FOLKS NOW LIVE A YEAR LONGER

That a year has been added to the averge of humn lifetime within the past five years and that thousands of dollars have been saved to the citizens of Iowa within the past year by the reduction of the sickness rate through public health work to a greater extent than ever before is the claim which will be made when health workers from all over the state gather at the Hotel Savery, Des Moines, on Wednesday, February eighth for the annual meeting of the Iowa Tuberculosis Association.

Plans will be made at that time for further inroads upon tuberculosis and other preventable diseases thru public health education and community organization, the scope of the work being based upon the results of the recent Christmas seal sale, which is almost the sole means of financing the state and county voluntary associations.

Iowa's health record will be reviewed. For three years this state has led the nation in the teaching of health habits in the public schools. The annual report to be presented by President John H. Peck will mention the fact that 361,405 school children were enrolled in the Modern Health Crusade, 30 county tuberculosis and child welfare clinics were held, pubic heath nursing service was promoted in 61 counties, a milion and a half pieces of health literature were distributed, a monthly health magazine was published, several hundred public meetings including 44 teachers institutes were addressed, health legislation was successfully promoted, and local health agencies were established or assisted in many ways.

The Housing Bureau (formerly State Housing Association) and the Iowa Trudeau Society will meet jointly with the Tuberculosis Assciation; the Des Moines Council of Social Agencies and Polk County Medical Society are invited to special sessions, and the State Conference of Social Work will consider the entire day's program as a regional conference of its own organiztion with special reference to health.

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4 cans wrapped keyed Oil Sardines	25c
Lipton Red Label Tea	85c lb.

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Rudolph Beenen
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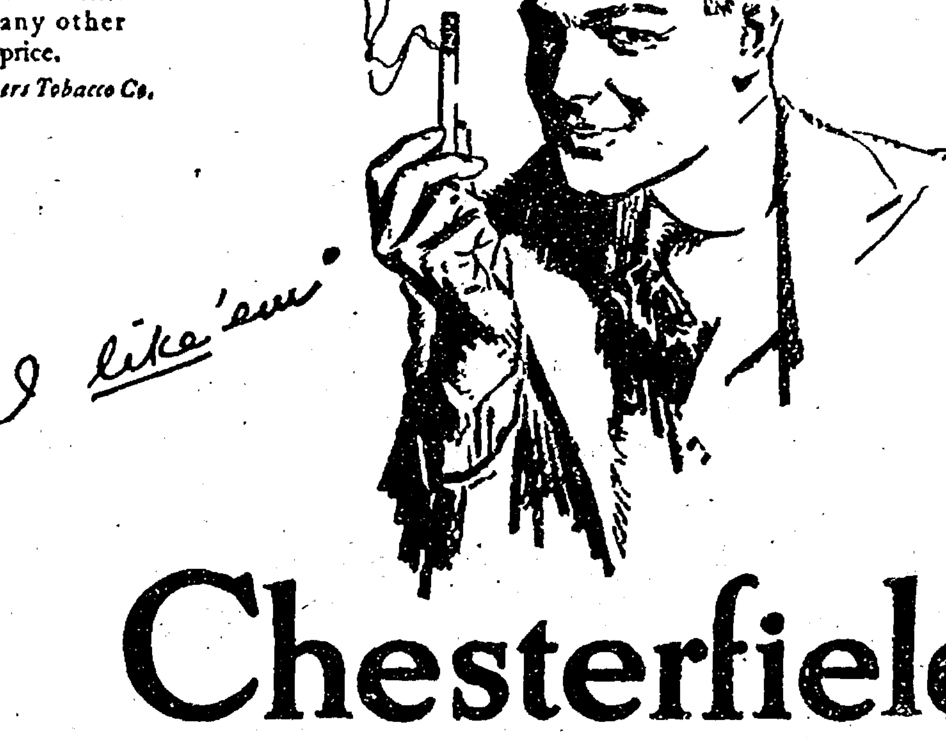

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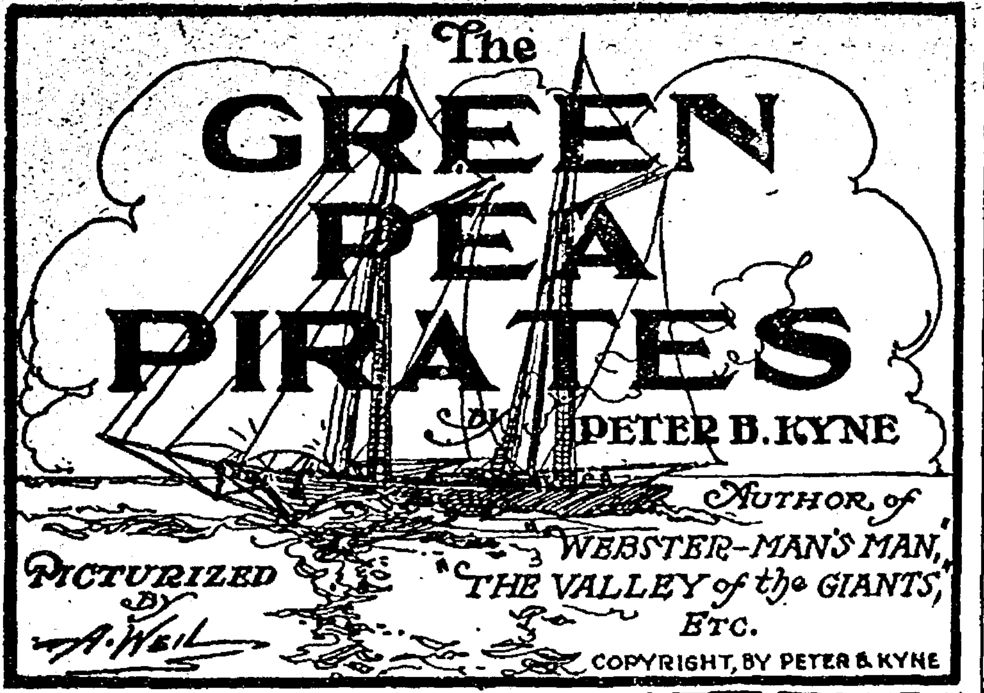


SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate,' with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

"Admiral Gibney did it," said Scraggs. "The old Maggie's alongside and me and Gib's filibusters. Bear a hand, Mac, and help us clap the hatches on our prisoners."

"Thank God," said Mr. Gibney piously, "I didn't kill you. Come to look into the matter, I didn't kill anybody, though I see half a dozen Mexicans around decks more or less cut up. Where you been all these years, Mac?"

"I been chief engineer in the Mexican navy," replied McGuffey. "Have you captured us in the name of the United States or what?"

"We've captured you in the name of Adelbert P. Gibney," was the reply. "I been huntin' all *my life for* a ship of my own, and now I've got her. Lord, Mac, she's a beauty, ain't she? All hardwood finish, teak rail, well found, and just the ticket for the island trade. Well, well, well! I'm Captain Gibney at last."

"Where do I come in, Gib?" asked Captain Scraggs modestly.

"Well, seein' as the Maggie has two holes through her hull below the waterline, and is generally nicked to pieces, you might quit askin' questions and get back aboard and put the pumps on her. You're lucky if she don't sink on you before we get to Descanso bay. If she sinks, don't worry. I'll give you a job as my first mate. Mac, you're my *engineer*, but not at no fancy Mexican price. I'll pay you the union scale and not a blasted cent more or less. Is that fair?"

McGuffey said it was, and went below to tune up his engine. Mr. Gibney took the wheel of the gunboat, and sent Captain Scraggs back aboard the Maggie, and in a few minutes both vessels were bowling along toward Descanso bay. They were off the bay at midnight, and while with Mr. Gibney in command of the federal gunboat Captain Scraggs had nothing to fear, the rapid rise of water in the hold of the Maggie was sadly disconcerting. About daylight he made up his mind that she would sink within two hours, and without pausing to whine over his predicament, he promptly beached her. She drove far up the beach, with the slack water breaking around her scarred stern, and when the tide ebbed she lay high and dry. And the rebel soldiers came trooping down from the Megano rancho and falling upon her carcass like so many ants, quickly distributed her cargo amongst them, and disappeared.

Captain Scraggs sent his crew out aboard the captured gunboat to assist Mr. Gibney in rowing his prisoners ashore, and when finally he stood alone beside the wreck of the brave old Maggie, piled up at last in the port of missing ships, something snapped within his breast and the big tears rolled in quick succession down his sun-tanned cheeks. The old hulk looked peculiarly pathetic as she lay there, *listed over on her beam ends.* She had served him well, but she had finished her last voyage, and with some vague idea of saving her old bones from vandal hands, Captain Scraggs, sobbing audibly, scattered the contents of half a dozen cans of kerosene over her decks and in the cabin, lighted fires in three different sections of the wreck, and left her to the consuming flames. Half an hour later he stood on the battered decks of the gunboat beside Gibney and McGuffey and watched the dense clouds of smoke that heralded the passing of the Maggie.

"She was a good old hulk," said Mr. Gibney. "And now, as the special envoy of the Liberal army of Mexico, here's a draft on Los Angeles for five thousand bucks, Scraggsy, which constitutes the balance due you on this here filibuster trip. Of course, I needn't remind you, Scraggsy, that you'd never have earned this money if it hadn't been for Adelbert P. Gibney workin' his imagination overtime. I've made you a chunk of money, and while I couldn't save your ship, I did save your life. As a reward for all this, I don't claim one cent of the money due you, as I could if I wanted to be rotten mean. I'm *goin' to keep* this fine little power schooner for my share of the loot. She's nicked up some, but that only bears evidence to what a bully good shot I am, and it won't take much to fix her up all shipshape again. Usin' high bursts shrapnel ain't very destructive. All them bumps an' scratches can be planed down. But we'll have to do some *mendin' on* her canvas—I'll tell the world. She's called the Reina Maria, but I'm going to run her to Panama and change her name. She'll be known as Maggie II, out of respect for the old girl that's burnin' up there on the beach."

Captain Scraggs was so touched at this delicate little tribute that he turned away and burst into tears.

"Aw, shut up, Scraggsy, old hunks," said McGuffey consolingly. "You ain't got nothin' to cry about. You're a rich man. Look at me. I ain't a-bawlin', am I? And I don't get so much as a bean out of this mix-up, all on account of me bein' tied up *with a lot of hounds that quits fightin'* before they're half licked."

"That's so." said Captain Scraggs, wiping his eyes with his grimy fists. "*I declare you're out in the cold*, McGuffey, and it ain't right. Gib, my boy, us three has had some stirrin' times together and we've had our differences, but I ain't a-goin' to think of them past griefs. The sight o' you, single-handed, meetin' and annihilatin' the pride of the Mexican navy, calm in th' moment o' despair, generous in victory and delicate as blazes to a fallen shipmate, goin' to work an' namin' your vessel after him that way, is somethin' that wipes away all sorrer and welds a friendship that's bound to endoor till death us do part. If McGuffey'd been on our side, we know from past performances that he'd a fit like a tiger, wouldn't you, Mac?" (Here Mr. McGuffey coughed slightly, as much as to say that he would have fought like ten tigers had he only been given the opportunity.)

Captain Scraggs continued: "I should say that a fair valuation of this schooner as she stands is ten thousand dollars. That belongs to Gib. Now I'm willin' to chuck five thousand dollars into the deal, we'll form a close corporation and as a compliment to McGuffey, elect him chief engineer in his own ship and give him, say, a *quarter interest in our layout*, as a little testimonial to an old friend, tried and true."

"Scraggsy," said Mr. Gibney, "your fin. We've fought, but we'll let that go. We wipe the slate clean and start in all over agoin on the Maggie II, and I'm free to state, without fear of contradiction, that in the last embroglio you showed up like four aces and a king with the entire company standin' pat. Scraggsy, you're a hero, and what you propose proves that you're considerable of a singed cat—better'n you look. We'll go freebootin' down on the Gold coast. There's war, red war, breakin' loose down there, and we'll shy in our horseshoe with the strongest side and pry loose a fortune somewhere. I'm *for* a life of wild adventure, and now that we've got the ship and the funds and the crew, let's go to it. There's a *deal of* fine liquor in the wardroom, and I suggest that we nominate Phineas Scraggs, late master of the battleship Maggie, now second in command of the Maggie II, to brew a kettle o' hot grog to celebrate our victory. Mac—Scraggsy—your fins. I'm proud of you both. Shake."

They shook and as Captain Gibney's eye wandered aloft, First Mate Scraggs and Chief Engineer McGuffey looked up also. From the main topmast of the Maggie II floated a long blue burgee, with white lettering on it, and as it whipped out into the breeze the old familiar name *stood out against* the noonday sun.

"Good old dishcloth!" murmured Mr. Gibney. "She never comes down."

"The Maggie forever!" shrieked Scraggs.

"Hooray!" bellowed McGuffey. "An' now, Scraggsy, if you've got all the enthusiasm out of your blood, kick in with a hundred an' fifty dollars an' interest to date. An' don't tell me that note's outlawed, or I'll feed you to the fishes."

Captain Scraggs looked crestfallen, but produced the money.

CHAPTER X.

"Well, Scraggsy, old hunks, this is pleasant, ain't it?" said Mr. Gibney, and spat on the deck of the Maggie II.

"Right-o," replied Captain Scraggs cheerily, "though when I was a young feller and first went to sea, it wasn't considered no pleasantry to spit on a nice clean deck. You might cut that out, Gib. It's vulgar."

"Passin' over the fact, Scraggs, that you ain't got no call to jerk me up on sea ettycat, more particular since I'm the master and managin' owner of this here schooner, I'm *free to confess*. Scraggsy, that your observation does you credit. I just did that to see if you was goin' to take as big an interest in the new Maggie as you did in the old Maggie, and the fact that you object to me expectoratin' on the deck proves to me that you're leavin' behind you all them bay scow tendencies of the green-pea trade. It leads me to believe that you'll rise to high rank and distinction in the Colombian navy. Your fin, Scraggsy. Expectoratin' on the decks is barred, and the Maggie II goes under navy discipline from now on. Am I right?"

"Right as a right whale," said Captain Scraggs. "And now that you've given that old mate of mine the course, and we've temporarily plugged up the holes in this here Mexican gunboat, and everything points to a safe and profitable voyage from now on, suppose you delegate me as a committee of one to brew a scuttle of grog, after which the syndicate holds a mettin' and lays out a course for its future *conduct. There's a few questions of* rank and privileges that ought to be settled once and for all, so there can't be no come-back."

"The point is well taken and it is so ordered," said Mr. Gibney, who had once held office in Harbor 15, Master and Pilots Association of America, and knew a fragment or two of parliamentary law. "Rustle up the grog, call McGuffey up out of the engine room, and we'll hold the meetin'."

Twenty minutes later Scraggs came on deck to announce the successful concoction of a kettle of whisky punch; whereupon the three adventurers went below and sat down at the cabin table *for a conference.*

"I move that Gib be appointed president of the syndicate," said Captain Scraggs.

"Second the motion," rumbled McGuffey.

"The motion's carried," said Mr. Gibney, and banged the table with his horny fist. "The meetin' will please come to order. The chair hereby appoints Phineas Scraggs secretary of the syndicate, to keep a record of this and all future meetin's of the board. I will now entertain propositions of any and all natures, and I invite the members of the board to knock the stopper out of their jaw tackle and go to it."

"I move," said Captain Scraggs, "that B. McGuffey, Esquire, be, and he is hereby appointed, chief engineer of the Maggie II at a salary not to exceed the wage schedule of the Marine Engineers' Association of the Pacific coast, and that he be voted a one-fourth interest in the vessel and all subsequent profits."

"Second the motion," said Mr. Gibney, "and not to hamper the business of the meetin', we'll just consider that motion carried unanimous."

B. McGuffey, Esquire, rose, bowed his thanks, and sat down again, apparently very much confused. It was evident that he had something to say, but was having difficulty framing his thoughts in parliamentary language.

"Heave away, Mac," said Mr. Gibney.

"Cast off your lines, McGuffey," chirped Scraggs.

Thus encouraged, McGuffey rose, bowed his thanks once more, moistened his larnyx with a gulp of the punch, and spoke:

"Feller members and brothers of the syndicate: In the management of the deck department of this new craft of ourn, my previous knowledge of the worthy president and the unworthy secretary leads me to believe that there's goin' to be trouble. A ship divided agin herself must surely go on her beam ends. Now, Scraggsy here has been master so long that the juice of authority has sorter soaked into his marrer bones. For twenty years it's been 'Howdy do, Captain Scraggs,' 'Have a drink, Captain Scraggs.' 'Captain Scraggs this an' Captain Scraggs that.' I don't mean no offense, gentlemen, when I state that you can't teach an old dog new *tricks*. No man that's ever been a master makes a good mate. On the other hand, I realize that Gib here has been a-pantin' and a-bellyachin' all his life to get a ship of his own an' have folks call him 'Captain Gibney.' Now that he's gone an' done it, I say he's entitled to it. But the fact of the whole thing is, Gib's the natural leader of the expedition or whatever it's goin' to be, and he can't have his peace of mind wrecked and his plans disturbed a-chasin' sailors around the deck of the Maggie II. Gib is sorter what the feller calls the power behind the throne. He's *too big a figger for the grade of captain.* Therefore, I move you, gentlemen, that Adelbert P. Gibney be, and is hereby nominated and appointed to the grade of commodore, in full command and supervision of all of the property of the syndicate. And I also move that Phineas Scraggs be appointed chief navigatin' officer of this packet, to retain his title of captain, and to be obeyed and respected as such by every man aboard with the exception of me and Gib. The present mate'll do the navigatin' while Scraggsy's learnin' the deep sea stuff."

"Second the motion," said Captain Scraggs briskly. "McGuffey, your argument does you a heap of credit It's—it's—dog my cats, McGuffey, it's masterly. It shows a keen appreciation of an old skipper's feelin's, and if the move is agreeable to Gib, I'm willin' to hail him as commodore and fight to maintain his office. I—I dunno, Gib, what I'd do if I didn't have a mate to order around."

"Gentlemen," said Mr. Gibney, beaming, "the motion's carried unanimous. Captain—chief—your fins. Dook me. I'm honored by the handshake. Now, regarding that crew you brought down from San Francisco on the old Maggie, Scraggs, they're a likely lot and will come in handy if times is as lively in Colombia as I figger they will be when we arrive there. Captain Scraggs, *you will have your mate pipe* the crew to muster and ascertain their feelin's on the subject of takin' a chance with Commodore Gibney. If they object to goin' further, we'll land 'em in Panama an' pay 'em off as agreed. If they feel like followin' the Jolly Roger we'll give 'em the coast seaman's scale for a deep-water cruise and a five per cent bonus in case we turn a big trick."

Captain Scraggs went at once on deck. Ten minutes later he returned to report that the mate and the four seamen elected to stick by the ship.

"Bully boys," said the commodore "bully boys. I like that mate. He's a smart man and handles a gun well. While I should hesitate to take advantage of my prerogative as commodore to interfere with the normal workin's of the deck department, I trust that on this special occasion our esteemed navigatin' officer, Captain Scraggs, will not consider it beneath his dignity or an attack on his office if I suggest to him that he brew an*other kettle of grog for the crew.*"

"Second the motion," replied McGuffey.

"Carried," said Scraggs, and proceeded to heat some water.

"Anything further?" stated the president.

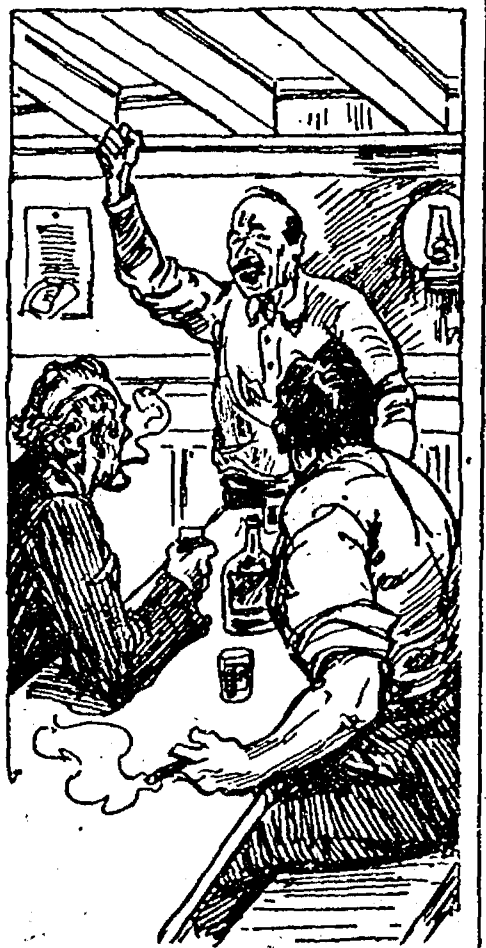
"How about uniforms?" This from Captain Scraggs.

"We'll leave that to Gib," suggested McGuffey. "He's been in the Colombian navy and he'll know just what to get us."

"Well, there's another thing that's got to be settled," continued Captain Scraggs. "If I'm to be navigatin' officer on the flagship of a furrin' fleet, strike me pink if I'll do more cookin' in the galley. It's degradin'. I move that we engage some enterprisin' Oriental for that job."

"Carried," said Mr. Gibney. "Any further business?"

Once more McGuffey stood up. "Gentlemen and brothers of the syndicate," he began, "I'm satisfied that the back-



"Gentlemen and Brothers of the Syndicate," He Began.

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Corn represents 55 per cent of the total value of our grain products and is grown in every state in the Union. To produce that much of our Country's raw food material at a loss to the producer cuts deeply into the buying power of the whole nation.

See that one food produced from corn is on your table at least once each day. Eat delicious food, cheap in price, but rich in food value, and create a demand for America's food staple which will bring its price to a fair value.

See Our Corn Window Display this Week

On Thursday we will have on display foods made from corn prepared by the Domestic Science Department of our Public Schools. Recipes for the various dishes may also be obtained.

Belmond Savings Bank

Belmond Local News

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Dr. J. J. Bushnell will speak at 11 a. m. Let us give him a large crowd as this is his first visit this year on Sunday.

Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

Evening service, pastor in charge, 7:30 o'clock.

Quarterly Conference meets on the 14th in the evening. All officers are requested to be present. Dr. Bushnell will be in the chair.

WANTED

1,000 pounds of hides next Saturday. And, by the way, you are going to get more for them than you have been getting. And while we are talking about hides, how about sending in a hide for a good robe, or tanned into harness leather or whang leather? I can get you the best and it won't cost you very much. Come in and talk it over. First door south of State Bank. —E. M. Lathrop.

For Sale—One left over suit, at a big discount.—Belmond Tailor Shop.

Do you wear a truss? We sell Chase's Reversible, Smithsonian, and Honest John. Let us fit you. Satisfaction guaranteed.—Schultz Drug Co.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thayer, a girl, January the 27. The new arrival has been named Irene Elizabeth.

FOR SALE—My spotted Poland China herd boar, weight about 275 pounds. Price $19.—Herman Meinders, Palsville, Ia.

Ollie Tomson will hold a public sale at his place on February 22. Watch for his announcement in next week's Independent.

LOST—New cattle whip, between Barney Buschman's and the Klemme lumber yard. Finder return to this office. Reward.

Mrs. C. I. Williams left on Monday of this week for Rochester, Minnesota, where she will undergo an operation for appendicitis. She was accompanied on the trip by Mr. Williams and Miss Marjorie.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Thompson, of near Kanawha, were callers in town the first of the week, shopping and attending to some business matters.

F. E. Christie has moved to the farm he recently purchased near Goodell, and Frank will now try farming.

L. B. Hulsebus, of Meservey, was a caller in town the first of the week, attending to some business matters here. Mr. Hulsebus is one of the prominent business men of Meservey.

Harm Groen, of Meservey, was in town the first of the week, looking after business interests. Mr. Groen is manager at Meservey for the Klemme Lumber Company.

Lem Rowen, from Rowan, was in town on Tuesday of this week, looking after some business affairs.

Some of the members of the American Legion were in townw Tuesday, distributing bills for the home talent Minstrel show being given at Rowan by the Legion this week Thursday and Friday.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

The County Agent, R. E. Edwards, was in town one day last week, looking after some interests of the Farm Bureau in this vicinity.

NOTICE

For Sale—Pure bred Poland China bred sows.—O. D. Jenison, Belmond. Iowa. 12tfc

V. E. Mikesell was a caller at Mason City on Friday of last week, attending to business interests.

J. C. Janssen, of Merervey, was a visitor here one day last week.

Ed Lathrop has assumed the produce business formerly conducted by the Belmond Produce Company.

The icy walks the past week have had everybody very carefully "watching their step." The result has been but few tumbles and only one or two cass of injury. Considering the slipperyness of the walks, however, it is rather remarkablbe that there have not been more accidents.

Attorney W. E. Bullard was a caller at Fort Dodge on last week Saturday, looking after business interests. He returned Saturday night.

Attorney Jensen was a visitor last wek at Forest City, attending to legal matters at tha place.

FOR SALE

R. C. Rhode Island Red Cockerels. High Class birds.$2.00 each. Geo. T. Johnson, Route 2, Belmond, Iowa.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the help and sympathy so cheerfully given us during the sickness, death and funeral of our dear mother, and especially the telephone employees for the many beautiful flowers.

T. A. Davenport and Family.
J. C. Davenport
Mrs. J. W. Sheriff and Family
F. J. Davenport and Family
T. N. Davenport and Family.

The other evening as we were going down the street, two fellows behind us were talking of the town. One of them said: "This is a fine little town; I like it. It's in the center of my territory, and I think I'll move here and make my home." The question is: Who was he? Where'd he come from? What's his line?

John Withers has been spending a week or so visiting at Ackley, at the home of his son, Guy, and family.

Miss Jane Ramsay, of the school faculty, was a visitor at Mason City one day last week.

The Geo. Thompson hog sale was postponed from last Thursday to Saturday, on account of the weather.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church will stage a home talent play some time in the near future, the play to be entitled "Out of the Shadow." The characters will be taken by many of the "old timers," which assures a good treat.

A GREAT BIG FISH

But a d— small fry is what I think of a tinhorn sport that stopped his big car out in front of our mail box and shot our tame squirrel one day last week. We had a tame squirrel around here the last three or four years, but it went over in the Elder timber some time ago and made its nest in a tree. It came back every morning and ate with the chickens and pigs until the middle of the afteroon, then it went back to its nest.

This hungry hawk came along just as it crossed the road, and saw it. He stopped his car, grabbed his gun ad chased it down in the timberland and shot it. He may say he "did not know it was a tame squirrel," if he didn't he hasn't as much sense as our old maltese cat; she knew it was tame, and never tried to harm it. They say "hunger will make some people steal," but I think stealing is a gentleman's job when compared with shooting tame squirrels.

This I do know: If this fellow has a wife, she is a widow—she has no man.

Signed M. C. Kenefick,
Belmond, Iowa.

Try a local ad in the Independent. It brings the buyers.

FOR SALE—Shorthorn bull, four years old. Will furnish papers. Baker Bros. Phone 3515, Belmond.

The M. & St. L. have changed again, and starting Monday of this week they are running but two trains a day, one each way, the train being an accomodation, that is, mixed freight and passenger. The train goes west from Belmond in the morning at 10:00, and east in the afternoo at 2:50.

Mr. and Mrs. Jovial Soma are the parents of a fine baby, which arrived at their home last week.

Mrs J. J. Sharon had the misfortune to fall one day last week, and break her arm. She was walking along a residence street and slipped on the icy walk. She is reported as getting along nicely, however.

Auto Side Curtains Repaired—Prices reasonable. Bring them in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

Miss Dodd, of the school, was a business caller at Mason City last Saturday.

Miss Cochrane spent the week end with her sister at the county seat. Her sister is a teacher in the Clarion school.

All those interested in the Belmond cemetery are invited to be present Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. F. O. Fitts, at which time and place a meeting will be held for the purpose of forming a Cemetery Aid Society.

Relatives of Mrs. E. Purcell helped her celebrate her birthday last week Tuesday, at the home of Mrs. E. F. Bailey. The guests took lunch along with them, and a jolly afternoon was enjoyed.

Mrs. Willard Morse spent a few days last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Orpha Anderson, at Olaf.

The Belmond Savings bank has a very interesting and attractive display in their window this week, the same being composed of corn and the various articles and foodstuffs which are made from corn. Displays of various eatables made from corn by the domestic science class of the high school. Receipts for these dishes may be had at the bank. This week is known as Corn Week, and efforts are being made to have each family in the country have at least one dish made from corn. If one-half of the peonle in the 120,000.000 in the United States would eat one-half pound each day it would create a market in one day for 535,714 bushels; in a month for 16,071,420 and in the period from Feb. 1 to June 1 of 84,285,680 bushel. If the present price trebled it would be only three cents per day for the half of a pound.

About thirty King's Heralds met at the home of Helen Luick last Saturday. The number is increasing under the leadership of Mrs. Ward Martin and it may be necessary to hold the meetings in the church parlors.

Rev. Osborn of Kanawha, accompanied by Rev. Wilkinson, drove to Belmond last Tuesday.

Doris Bailey was hostess to the Standard Bearers on last week Monday evening. A very enjoyable time was had.

Know some news? Phone 115 and tell us. Thank you.

Miss Mildred Parsons entertained 12 of her young lady friends at her home last Sunday to a 1:00 o'clock dinner, the occasion being her birthday. A social afternoon was enjoyed. Miss Mildred was presented with an ivory jewel case case in honor of the occasion, by her friends.

Please phone the news to 115 Thank you!

Mr. and Mrs. Mann, of Eagle Grove were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings.

FOR RENT—A completely modern house, with 2 acres of ground or without ground. See L. O. Skovlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson and son, of Olaf, were guests last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson in Belmond.

Dr. Calkins, from Cyrstal Lake, filled the pulpit in the Methodist church last Sunday, in place of Rev. Wilkinson, who is still engaged with the special meetings being held in Kanawha. Dr. Calkins delivered two very interesting sermons.

Messrs. E. F. Bailey and R. H. Klemme were visitors at Boone last week a day or two, attending to some business affairs there.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

The Chain of Ten met this week Monday at the home of Mrs. I. H. Benson. An enjoyable afternoon is reported.

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it; Thank you!

The Priscilla club met last Wedesday at the home of Mrs. Eugene Kinney. Despite the stormy weather some 16 of the members were present and a very plasant time was enjoyed. Invited guests at the meeting Mesdames Mallory and Thiltgen.

For Sale—Medium sized refrigerator. Also 9 x 12 rug.—Mrs. Rosecrans. 112c

Mrs. G. F. McBurney was in Omaha a couple days the past week, looking after business matters.

Axe handles for 15c at Townsan Hardware.

Phone the news to 115. Thank you.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1,200 homes. It brings results. Try it next time you have something for sale, or want to buy or if you lost or found something. The cost is small.

A O. Thompson will hold a public sale at his place two and a half miles southwest of Belmond, on the 14th of the month. See his ad in this issue.

REDUCED PRICES on all-wool suits and overcoats. W. L. Wilson, Star Cleaner. 72c

Mrs. Pernell is reported as being on the sick list the past week or so.

John Brooks has been confined to his home the past few days by a severe cold, but is back on the job again.

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

Mrs. B. K. Kinseth was a visitor a few days last week with her daughter at Alexander.

Mrs. Geo. Hake had the misfortune to get her hand caught in an electric wringer on Monday of this week and one finger was badly mashed. The finger was so badly injured that it required five stitches to have it sewed up.

Dr. Steele was a professional caller at Alexander one day last week.

Wallace Ramsay, editor of the Herald-Press, assumed his new duties as postmaster yesterday morning, the inspector coming then to check him in the office.

Mr. and Mrs. Menno Frohling were visitors Sunday at the home of relatives and friends at Alexander.

Mr. Wallace, of Goldfield, and a Mr. Wallace, of Reinbeck, were recent guests at the C. H. Wallace home here.

SOME BIG DOINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT

(Continued from page one.)

ing $2180 is basis of suit filed by Brunswick, Balke, Collender Co., vs. Anderson Music Co., of Eagle Grove. E. W. Stowe brings suit against same defendant to collect $954.

Two cases are already filed for the April term of court. In the first H. L. Sergeant seeks to collect $907 as a balance due for rent of his land. The second is that the German Stove Co. vs. Frakes & Kahl to collect a balance of $830 on accunt.

Frank McDaniels has begun suit to dissolve partnership existing between himself and J. D. Reed and M. F. Hirt. This firm is engaged in the buying and selling of realestate and the petition alleges that the several parties are unable to agree on a division of the property.

Treasurer Allen sold $95,000 worth of bridge and road bonds Friday at a premium of $2735. The bonds draw five and one-half per cent interest, but the premium reduces the interest rate to practically five per cent. This bond issue will clean up nearly all outstanding county warrants.

Clerk Goslin received a report Tuesday from W. J. Burbank, treasurer of state, who estimates that the revenue from the sale of cirgarettes in Iowa will yield a clear sum of $50,000 per month of $600.000 per year. For the six months ending Jan. 1, 1922, the amount collected was $324,074.00. For the year 1921 there was also collected the sum of $626,633 in the inheritance tax department.

Louie Tokman was a business visitor at Galt the first of the week.

The Belmond Auto Company are making some improvements in their building, by the addition of an attractive stock room for their repairs and a ladies' waiting room. This latter will doubtless be of great convenience and accomodation to the ladies, and is an up-to-date step that will be highly favored.

KINSETH STORE NEWS

Bread, 17 oz loaf 7c
1 1-2 lb loaf 10c

We sell Belmond and Waterloo Bread at prewar prices.

Milk, tall can 11c
Small can 6c
Grapefruit 4 for 25c

We also have a snappy price on cookies. A 2 3-4 lb basket at 59c. Don't forget to come in and sample our Heinz Pickles—free serving on Saturday.

LADIES ATTENTION For clubs, society or any church gathering don't forget the store on the corner will serve your coffee. Free donation.

Also we pay the highest prices for eggs, so please call us any time.

Dr. J. J. Bushnell, District Superintendent, will preach here at 11 a. m. At Alexander, 3 p. m.
Evening Service, led by the Pastor, at 7:30 p. m.

At Methodist Church

Public Sale!

As I have sold my farm I will sell at public auction at my place one mile west of Belmond, commencing at 11 a. m.

Thursday, Feb. 16

7 Head of Horses

Gray mare 13 yrs. old, wt. 1250; gray gelding 9 yrs. old, wt. 1400; sorrell gelding 9 yrs. old wt. 1300; sorrell mare 8 yrs. old, wt. 1300; black mare 8 yrs. old, wt. 1350; black mare 4 yrs. old, wt. 1250; bay mare 4 yrs. old.

40 Head of Cattle

7 milk cows; 2 heifers, 8 800-lb. steers; 6 700-lb. steers; 12 yearlings; 1 registered Hereford bull; 4 calves.

44 Head of Hogs

18 brood sows; 26 head of feeding shoats.

Miscellaneous

100 chickens; 8 bu. seed corn; stack tame hay; 2 sets double harness; 2 sets single harness; 6 collars; stack cover.

Machinery

John Deere grain binder; McCormick corn binder; Cloverleaf spreader; mowing machine; rake; bucker; stacker; endgate seeder; disc; John Deere corn planter; Emrson 16-in. riding plow; 3 corn plows; 4-sc. Case drag; 3-sec. iron drag; 2 wagons and boxes; 1 wagon and hay rack; 2 buggies DeLaval cream separator; corn sheller; grindstone; pump jack; dump boards; chicken coops; 2 ladders; incubator; 2 steel drums; quantity of steel roof, and numerous other small items.

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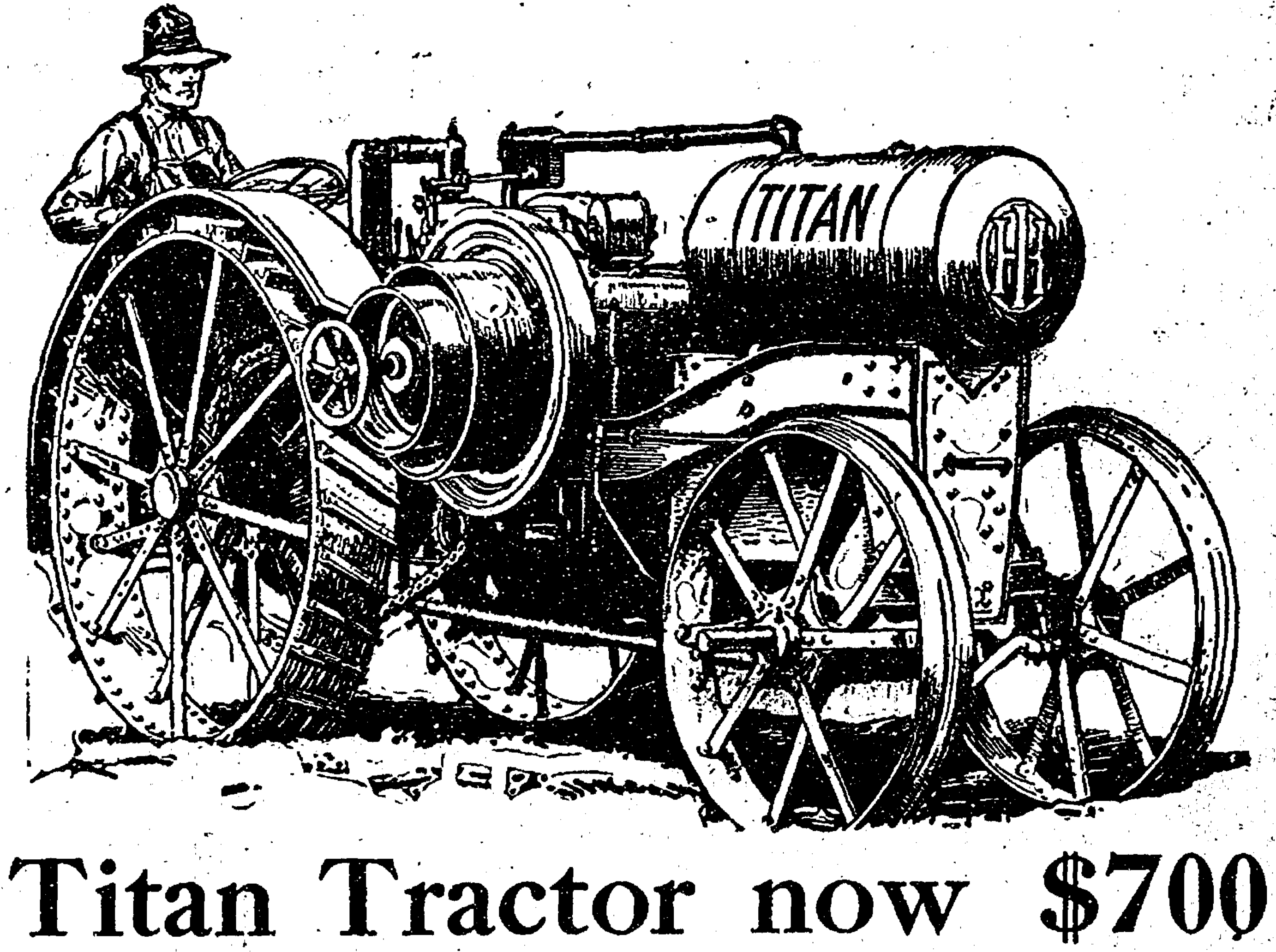

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BELMOND INDEPENDENT

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COMMUNITY CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IS ON

The Political Bees Are Beginning To B-z-z-z-z!

Rumors Galore Being Wafted Forth Upon The Breeze Of Public Favor

WHO'S GONNA GET STUNG?

The political bees are being heard stronger and stronger every day, and from the looks of things there will be as many canidates for the local political offices as Heinze has varieties of pickles. Many and varied are the tales being told, of this 'n and that'n and 'tother, and the "dope" is becoming as mixed as a plate of spaghetti.

So far, but one ticket has been openly announced, the same being framed one evening last week and consisting of E. F. Bailey for Mayor, supported by the Councilmen, W. T. Gfeller, C. C. Benson, Adolph Skovlin, Clyde Jennings and John Greenlander, Cyril McGuire as treasurer.

There be others reported in the running, and many ears are laid to the ground to catch the sounds of approaching battle. It looks like we were to have a warm spring. Variety is the spice of life, so 'tis said, and it appears as tho local voters were going to have plenty ot variety from which to choose, who ya bettin' on?

You've heard the latest, no doubt, two fellas meet and one says; "Politically speaking, how are ya?" ....

And don't forget, gentlemen, that the ladies vote this year! Election cigars will have to be interspersed with candy. If the candy is as awful as the cigars usually are—the feminine voters have something coming.

FARMERS ASK $12 PER YEAR PHONE RENTAL

News: The writer has talked with some of the farmers out of Clarion regarding the petitions they are signing for the lower phone rates and they say that the company will be asked to make a flat rate of $12 per year rental or service charge and unless this request for a lower rate is granted, the phones will be taken out. It is understood that practically every phone line out of Clarion has been solicited either wholly or in part, and more than ninety per cent of the patrons have signed the agreement to dispense with the phones unless they get the rate asked.

The farmers also state that they feel that the book keeping charge of $1.50 for a change from one phone to another is an extra they should not be compelled to pay, and while this effects only a small majority of the patrons, yet the matter is cause for irritation.

When asked as to what they would do in the event they could reach no agreement with the phone company, the men told the writer they might decide to build their own lines, or buy the ones already built. The owners of the local lines have intimated they would consider selling the rural lines and fix a satisfactory rate for switching charges at the local exchange.

The matter will probably be presented to the telephone officials in a short time, as the petitions signed call for definite action before the first of March.

BELMOND AND DOWS DIVIDE BALL HONORS

The Belmond girls won and the local boys lost in a double header game of basket ball played with the boys and girls' teams of Dows at the latter place last Friday. Low ceiling in the gym is blamed by the local teams for their poor showing, as they are used to the high ceiling in the local gymnasium. The games, however, were interesting, and were attended by a goodly crowd, about four auto loads from here going down.

On Tuesday night of this week the Garner boys won from Belmond by one point, the score being 17 and 18.

OBITUARY

Elizabeth, daughter of August J. and Anna Traeger, was born July 29, 1920, and died Feb. 10, 1922, aged one year, six months and eleven days. Thus another of earth's sweet blossoms has been plucked and carried to the Father's home on high before the storms of sin and woe had blighted it. A short funeral service was held at the home on Sunday afternoon conducted by Rev. S. U. Leinbach, after which the body was laid to rest in the Franklin Grove cemetery.

THOMPSON'S SALE OF PURE BREDS GOES FINE

Good Prices Are Received For Offerings And Owner Well Satisfied

The Geo. Thompson sale of pure bred Duroc Jersey hogs held recently was one of the most successful held in this vicinity for some time. A total of 25 head were sold, and the prices received were excellent. The highest price paid for any one animal at the sale was $56, but they all sold well and the average price on the total sold was a trifle better than $38. Some were sold to parties at Clarion, the most of them, however, going here. Mr. Thompson was very well pleased with the results of the sale, and states that he was satisfied with the prices received. The Independent regrets that lack of space prohibits giving the list of buyers.

OLAF NEWS NOTES

Miss Mamie Nelson, of Belmond, was a week end visitor at the Henry Lein home.

Carlton Johnson went to Clarion, Monday to serve on the jury. He will drive from home as much as possible.

The Julius Johnson sale was very well attended and everything sold well.

The Ladies Aid Society meets with Mrs. E. N. Ericson, this week, Wednesday.

John Groh received a letter from his brother in Russia, Saturday, which that many are starving to death. His brother wrote, that they were killing their last horse for food and all that they had to eat was potato and pumpkin puddings which were given them These people live 90 miles from a railroad town, which means that it will be a long time before relief can reach this district. If seed is sent them they have no horses left to till the ground, as all have been killed for food. When spring comes, and the snow goes off, the ground will be strewn with skeltons of men, women and children who have started out to hunt food and either died from starvation or exhaustion by the wayside. Yet the Kaiser, who is mostly to blame for European conditions is living in luxury.

Sunday at 2 p. m. at the brides home, Judith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eliason, and Audon Lunning were united in marriage by Rev. Jenson, the immediate relatives being present to witness the ceremony. Gladys, sister of the bride and Astor Eliason, cousin, acting as bridesmaid and best man. Those two young people, are of our very best, and we with many others extend our congratulations. They will reside, after March 1st on the Simerson farm now tenanted by Fred Loiffler.

John Wirtz is moving on the Nick Johnson farm, near Olaf.

Mrs. Orpha Anderson spent last Tuesday with Mrs Geo Baxter.

Among those who attended the Forresters dance from here were, Alma Ericson Gladys Houge, and Olaf Eliason.

Among those who shelled corn last week were Fred Loiffler, G. Gabrielson, Eddie Thompson and Simon Simerson.

Miss Clara Eliason visited at Armstrong and Forest City part of last week.

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ON THE BAND?

Why Wait Until It's Too Late Before Getting The Band Started

Interest in a band for Belmond this summer is present among the citizens and business men of the town, but nobody appears to want to take the initative in getting it started. There is no question of the fact that a band is wanted—the universal opinion is favorable, in fact, that the town cannot afford to be without one—but the buck is being passed along.

The plain facts are these: last year $2000 was put up by the business men for sixteen weekly concerts. This year they will not put up that amount, but they will put up $1000. They all want the band, but they feel that under present conditions $1000 is all that can be afforded.

Will the band boys play for this amount? If they will, the quicker they announce it, the better it will be. There are only these two things to settle before a definite understanding can be arrived at—let's get them steeled NOW, not wait until the last minute and then grab anything—or lose out.

The Independent suggests that the question of the band is one which rightly belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, and that the Chamber could do the community a great service in looking after it before it is too late. Gentlemen let's have a little action: let's look alive, so that Belmond this summer will be something besides a dot on the map.

PRICES LAST YEAR AND THIS YEAR

The items given below are those from which the farmer either makes a profit on his year's work, or goes in the hole on. Prices as given are the average paid by local dealers one year ago and today. We do not claim that any accurate figures on percentage of drop in prices can be obtained from these items, but simply that they will give our readers some idea of the change that has taken place in the past year, and that they will make good reading.

Article	Yr. Ago	This Yr.
Corn	$ 42½	$ .41
Oats	.30½	.28
Wheat	1.30	1.05
Rye	1.20	.70
Barley	.52½	.45
Eggs	.26½	.28
Cream	.40	.30
Hides	.01	.04½
Hens	.19	18
Roosters	.17	.16
Ducks	.19	.18
Geese	.15	.13½
Turkeys	.30	.27½
Hogs	.08	.09

Cattle—Slightly Higher This Year.
Sheep—Highest Since 1920.

Hay prices we were unable to secure, as there is no general buyer here. Compare these prices with the prices paid for commodities, as given last week.

DECLAMATORY AND DEBATE LISTED THIS WEEK

Carol Tyrrell To Represent The School In Declamatory At Goldfield.

There will be no Community Night at the school house this week, due to the Legion play Thursday and Friday evenings.

The basket ball season is drawing to a close. Only two more games are scheduled, Nashua Feb. 25 and Hampton March 3. The date for the postponed Garner girls' game has not been set.

Will Belmond support a Girls' Basket Ball Tournament? Entertainment must be furnished visiting girls in private homes. If you favor holding a tournament let us know.

Miss Thomas was absent from school Monday afternoon due to the serious illness of her father.

The Eighth grade held a class party in the gymnasium Saturday evening.

On Friday, February 17, Goldfield will hold the sub-District declamatory contest. Carol Tyrrell will represent Belmond schools at Goldfield.

Our debating team will go to Harris, Iowa, Friday afternoon to debate the Harris team. Heretofore our team has debated the negative side of the question, but at Harris they must support the affirmative side. B. H. S. is out to win, and we know that Elaine Rierson, Lee Lowenberg and Teddy Johnson, with Wm. Vestweber as alternate, will be victorious at Harris.

Last Friday our boys journeyed to Dows to play their return game on the Dows gym. Altho our boys were handicapped thruout the game, playing on a floor with a 11 1-2 foot ceiling, combined with projecting beams and pipes, they were able to hold the Dows quintet to a 8 to 6 score in favor of Belmond at the end of the first half. The last half was loosely played by both teams, being featured by continuous blocking from every angle.

Early in this period our guards were ruled off the floor by the referee on personals. Due to the fact that our guards were disposed of, helped Dows to overcome Belmond's lead and win by a score of 9 to 15.

Belmond girls defeated Dows girls in a rough game of basket ball on the Dows floor Friday. In view of the fact that this was the first time this referee had ever officiated at a girls' game and but two fouls were called on Dows during the entire game the home girls continued to play basket ball rather than foot ball. At the end of the first half the score stood 10 to 4 in our favor. The second half we made but one basket.

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

PETITION PRESENTED FOR MUNICIPAL BAND

City Council Asked To Call A Test On Paying For Band Thru Taxation.

Belmond, Iowa.
Feb. 6, 1922

Regular meeting of Town Council held in the office of M. C. Barry. Members all present and Mayor Barry presiding.

Clerks financial report rec'd and read. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Council approved the Annual Report of the Public Library.

Petition of A. A. Keiser, et al regarding a levy for a band fund received.

Moved by Gfeller seconded by Wright that the following question be submitted to the voters at the coming Municipal election, to wit:—

Shall a tax not exceeding two (2) Mills be levied each year for the purpose of furnishing a Band fund.

Motion carried.

Moved by Gfeller seconded by Greenlander that Ordinance No. 100 be amended in so far as the Minumum license therein be changed to $25.00.

Motion carried.

The following bills were audited and allowed:

Henry Dibble, leveling gravel	(R)	$ 4.00
A. W. Bullis, shoveling gravel	(R)	7.00
Jake Wickham, shoveling gravel	(R)	7.00
Osburn Colby, shoveling snow	(C)	3.75
Iowa Falls Electric Co. Nov. Dec. and Jan. power	(W)	137.86
Iowa Falls Electric Co. Dec. and Jan. light	(L)	246.24
Wm. Guest, filling ditch	(R)	2.25
Guy Lynch labor on road with team	(G)	6.50
Ernie Stadtlander labor on road	(R)	2.40
F. P. Dibble, draying	(C)	5.15
Belmond Ptg. & Pub. Co. ptg.	(C)	19.84
C. J. Papousek, labor and material on siren	(C)	138.75
State Bank, Agency, Insurance Town Hall	(C)	40.40
Packard & Fitts, Insurance Town Hall	(C)	11.20
C. Schmeltz, Blacksmith work	(G)	3.00
Peter Stacy, Blacksmith work	(S)	2.20
M. A. Holtzbauer, Plumbing	(S)	18.60
M. A. Holtzbauer, labor at Pump station	(W)	17.35
Townsan Hardware Mdse.	(F)	6.05
Cato C. Griesy, Mdse,	(F)	8.00
Cato C. Griesy, Mdse.	(R)	6.95
Cato C. Griesy, Mdse.	(C)	28.10

On motion and second Council adjourned.

Guy Byers,
Clerk.

C. H. Wallace went to Goldfield last week to help care for his father T. B. Wallace, who is very ill at that place.

WRIGHT COUNTY FARM BUREAU NOTES

A Few Facts About the Tax Levy For Support Of The Farm Bureau

By R. M. Edwards

An Eastern Viewpoint

The following editorial clipped from the New York World of January 30, shows the effect of the strong farmers' organization is having on the eastern opinion:

The Power Behind the Bloc

"An observer looking about for the most powerful political figure in the United States at present would have to pass over the president, who has been defied by congress and also the old-line party leaders within congress, who have been defied by the agricultural bloc. He would have to pass over the bloc itself for it has been doing a number of things it didn't want to do, and search for the organization or the man who has been dictating to those middle western representatives and senators, who hold the balance of the legislative power. The organization is not hard to find. It is the American Farm Bureau Federation, and James R. Howard is the president.

"Two years ago Mr. Howard was a farmer in Iowa, a dirt farmer though he has a college degree. Now he sits in Washington and tells the adminstration where it gets off. Behind his word is the grim conviction of several million of men who have had an unusual run of hard luck lately that the government has never paid enough attention to agriculture and that when favors are being distributed in the future the farmer will realize on a few campaign promises or know the reason why. The disconcerting phrase of the matter is the absolute sincerity of Mr. Howard and his followers and the absence of radicalism in their platform. They are content with the economic system as it stands, but they want the business overhead reduced and a voice in decisions as well as a larger share in returns.

"Seemingly they do not realize how revolutionary all this must appear to the old guard. Wall street has always had the dominant bloc at Washington. Can the tradition be shaken? There are no institutions tottering to a fall, but there are changes impending."

Farm Machinery

A list of machinery for sale will be printed in the March issue of the Farm Bureau Exchange and all farmers who have second-hand implements or pieces of machinery of any kind, which could be put in working condition with a few repairs, are urged to list this machinery in the March issue of the Exchange in order to help those who are in need of such farm implements.

A special department listing machinery for sale will be run in the next issue of the Exchange and those having machinery for sale or trade are requested to write Count Agent before February 25th.

A Few Facts

1. The tax levy on each Wright county taxpayer for the support of the farm bureau is less than three-

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HOW ABOUT AN ALL HOME BALL TEAM?

Talk Of Forming Entirely Home Team This Summer Being Heard

Base ball fans have been warming up a little as spring approaches, and are talking of a team for Belmond this summer. The talk so far seems to be all for a home team, to be composed of all home men, with, possibly, the exception of a pitcher, but not hiring any other players. This appears to be the right "dope" on the problem, for Belmond has plenty of material for a good team without going outside. A hired team is not the desire of the vast marority of base ball fans here, and such a team would not receive their support. An all home team is the almost universal desire, and that kind of a team will receive the support of the fans.

There has been some talk of forming a "League," with six of the neighboring towns, including Belmond, as members and this idea is a good one. Such an organization would be run with rules and regulations, and would create more enthusiasm than games scheduled hither and yon. The Independent favors such a league, each team restricted to one hired player—or at most, two—and games played under a set of rules governing all teams. It seems to be the most logical solution of the base ball problem. The Independent will not favor a hired team, nor one that is not "home run" and does not believe the public generally will. What have you to say about a league?

All Ladies of City and Country Asked To Join

Drive Is Starting To Add Many New Members To City's Livest Club.

ASK LADIES ALL TO JOIN.

The Community Welfare club will hold their annual membership drive between now and the next meeting, February 24. Mrs. Gowdy is chairman of the drive.

The committee hope all who were members last year will join again for the coming year, and many new members will be added.

The Community Club is doing good work, is doing all in its power to benefit and uplift the community. One of the big things it is doing is maintaining the rest room in the city hall. Some thought the ladies of the country should not be urged to join as they received no benefit from the club and its work but that is all a mistake, many farmer's wives, especially those with children go to the rest room when they come to town to shop. There they find cozy chairs, a cot to rest or lay the baby on, a dressing room, toilet and everything necessary for their comfort. Hundreds of out of town and country ladies visit the rest room during the year. And Miss Boughton the efficient matron makes everyone feel comfortable and at home.

The country ladies who do not care to use the rest room but take pride in their home town will gladly join the club and help in making their home town the best town in the county.

The club also helps the library, bought the play ground equipment and the shrubbrey on the city hall and library grounds. Also does charity work, and many other worth while things.

So ladies if you are proud of your home town join the club and help boost the club and town. The yearly dues are only one dollar.

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

The Consolidated School octipus at Goodell is showing signs of life. Its' eyes are on the surrounding country, it is ready to stretch out its' claws to pull in more territory. Brother Farmers around Goodell, let's be on our guard so they don't slip it on to us while we are sleeping as they done in other places.

If you haven't got the laws of 1921 you should at once write to P. E. McClenahan, Supt. of Public Instruction, Des Moines, Iowa, for school "laws and amendments passed by the last General Assembly," so you can inform yourself with the laws for consolidated schools. If you are a reader of the Belmond Independent, if not try and get a copy of Feb. 9 and read the article written by J. C. Janssen, a farmer near Meservey, in the Meservey Section. It deals with these school problems, it's the best article I have read in many a day. In a way the same conditions exists everywhere today.

Yours for cutting expenses somewhere in proportion to our incomes,

S. A. BOHNING.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

We would like to see a full attendance at the Bible study on Thursday night. Sabbath school at the regular hour. We are glad that the bad weather did not keep many away last Sabbath. We are still a good lead ahead of what we had last year at this time and we hope that we will not fall below the hundred mark any day this year. The morning worship at 11 and the evening at 7:30. Remember next Sunday night that the choir is going to give a sacred concert which will consist of solos, duets, quartettes and a full choir, also a piano-logue. They are working hard and we hope that there will not be a vacant seat in the house. There ought not to be for it will be a service which will long be remembered. Miss Ely will preside at the organ and the two instruments will add greatly to the melody. We invite you to come to all the services. An offering will be received at the evening services for the general work of the Kingdom.

NO STORY THIS WEEK

Owing to extra heavy advertising this week, and the illness of part of the force which prevented running extra pages, the weekly installment of the story is omitted.

Business Directory

ATTORNEYS

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Belmond, Iowa
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1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

J M JENSEN
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Belmond, Iowa
Office Over State Bank of Belmond
Phone 86

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FORD'S RADIO MESSAGE

It is certainly wonderful to sit here in my office and say a few words of greeting to you Ford Dealers ot the Cleveland territory. The radio is an outstanding tribute to man's inventive genius. They say there is nothing new under the sun, but we are constantly inventing new things, every day bringing some big improvemet over the previous day's methods.

Manfacturing operations have undergone some wonderful revolutionary changes during the past few years—we are all familiar with the big improvements in transportation methods, but the oldest industry has been the most backward in the acceptance or adoption of the new and up-to-date methods of doing things, and that is the farming industry. Being a farmer, I am vitally interested in all farm improvements, and with this in mind, I have spent years of time and millions in money in the development of the Fordson Tractor, which I really think is one of the biggest possible helps to profitable farming.

As a general thing, the farmers have bettered their financial condition during the past eighteen months, but the production costs of farm products are still too close to selling prices to allow fair margins of profit. What the farmer must do to put his business on a paying basis is to lower the cost of planting, cultivating and harvesting of his crops. This alone will increase his profits, and with this thot in mind it has been our constant aim to lower the price of the Fordson so that every farmer in the land could afford to own one. It is a pleasure, therefore, to announce thru you Ford dealers that we have today decided that the tractor price should again be reduced, and in considering a reduction, naturally my thot has been to make it possible for the largest number of farmers to share in the benefits to be derived thru the use of our tractor, and consequently effective tomorrow, Jan. 27, 1922, the new price of the Fordson Tractor will be $395, f. o. b. Detriot. This is a cut of $230 off the present price, and while in making this big reduction we have taken upon ourselves a gigantic task in the reduction of manufactoring costs, still that task, in my opinion, is not larger than the farmer's problem of today, and I am glad to do my part in bringing about a period of increased prosperity for the farmer. Your part is to carry this message to the farmer, thereby enabling him to produce more with less cost and shorter hours.

I am glad to have this opportunity of talking with you and you have my best wishes.

EX-SERVICE MAN GIVES WAY UNDER HARD STRAIN

John Hagen, of Dows, an ex-service man, was brought to Clarion Wednesday and an examination of his mental condition showed that he was in need of a course of treatment at the state hospital at Cherokee. He was taken there that night. Since coming home he has gradually grown worse, suffering from a delusion that enemies were trying to poison him. He also could not sleep. It is thot that he may be restored to a normal mental state under the care of the state hospital physicians.—News.

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THE LAND OF OPORTUNITY

Much has been written of America as the "land of opportunity," where all men are created free and equal, and one has as much chance as the next. Very true, in many ways; altho not, by any means, in all. But that this is truly the land of opportunity no one can gainsay. Nowhere in the world is there a country where a man can rise as he can here; no place where he can go as far on his own individual efforts. American history is filled with examples of this, of the lowly railsplitter who became president of his country; of the destitute boy who, at his death, was the greatest figure in railroad history; of the immigrant who became a nationally known character.

But to this paper, one of the greatest examples in the way of persistant determination, of idealistic dreams that were fullfilled, is that of Henry Ford. Ford is a man about whom there are many things admired and many forcibly condemned, but that he has "risen from the ranks," that he has grasped the opportunity America offered, no one can deny. Ford had a vision; the vision of future transportation that he has seen fullfilled, and which he, in great measure, has been instrumental in bringing about.

He dreamed of a standard automobile, turned in immense numbers, at low production cost because of this, and sold at a figure which would place his car within the reach of the average family. He was jeered, hooted, called a visionary, his theories scoffed at and ridiculed. Seventeen years ago last Thanksgiving Ford could not get credit for a chicken; he spent most of the day seeking some one who would trust him for the chief article for a Thanksgiving dinner. In 1921, Ford's income tax paid to the government was nearly eighty million dollars. That was what American opportunity an idealistic dream, and persistance brought about. From nothing to an annual income of $103,000,000 in seventeen years.

Why? Because he gave the public something it needed and wanted, something it could use, and he manufactured it in great quantities. He organized his plants as no one had ever organized before, he divided with the men who worked for him.

Ford is a big man; and a small one. Some of his ideas most of us class mere piffle, but that he is a big man in his field no one can doubt. and that he has realized the opportunities of America is self evident.

HARD TIMES IN '96-97

Monitor—Last week we gave a resume of the economic conditions prevailing in Wright county twenty-five years ago this winter. Many features were found to be similar to those of the present time. In that winter as in editorial paragraph the Monitor decried that fact twenty-five years ago, saying that "From the variety of public entertainments given and the number of social gatherings held for the pleasure of our citizens, a stranger would hardly think the cry of hard times was justified." Now we are inclined to be more charitable, and believe that there is a psychological connection in this similarity of conditions. With less active employment and a lessened inspiration for business undertakings, the "dull" winter season finds people more interested in the pleasures derived from social gatherings of an inexpensive nature than is usual.

Reviewing Monitor files from January 1 to April 1, 1897, we find social diversions numerous in Clarion and neighboring towns as is true of the present.

In Belmond there was a benefit concert for the band. Belmond also had a dramatic club that season, which gave several plays, one as a benefit to the Sons of Veterans.

The annual "bean supper" was a time honored institution in those days and one was given in Belmond and also in Clarion that winter. The latter was held in the U. B. church, and was given by the G. A. R and W. R. C. Supper was served from 5 to 8, followed by a program, consisting of music by the Mandolin club. [illegible] comrades and local ministers, patriotic songs, etc. No such affair was complete without an address by Comrade Ladd, who appear- on the program in question.

CLIPPINGS

Sing a song of six pence,
  What shall Tommy do?
Father's in the cellar
  Making his home brew.
Mother's in the kitchen
  Boiling malt and hops,
Jimmie's in the front room
  Looking out for cops.
—Swiped.

The above little piece of poetry, portrays the several family duties to which members are assigned in Hancock county a few weeks ago, but things have changed, and many whose favorite pastime was mixing the festive "hootch" have been forced to resort to more laborious but considerably more elevating employment to gather sheckles with which to procure their daily bread. The fellow on watch at the Henry Groh place in Erin township, was evidently asleep at his post one day the fore part of the week, and failed to notice the approach of Sheriff Hanson. Evidence about the place convinced the sheriff that an illicit still had been in operation. Groh plead guilty to the county attorney's information, was taken to Mason City before Judge Clark and drew a fine of $150 and costs. Mrs. Erdman, whom we mentioned last week as being in the sheriff's drag net, entered a plea of guilty as the information charged. She was assessed a fine of $50 and costs. And thus surely does the transgressor of the Volstead act get his just reward. —Leader.

Miss Leoda Smith was a visitor at Belmond between trains Saturday.—Times.

Mr. Wm. Voiles was up from Belmond Saturday on business.—Times.

Byrnes Missman went to Belmond Saturday for a visit with his grand parents. Byrnes is getting to be a regular traveler.—Leader.

Cyril McGuire, of Belmond, was visiting with Klemme friends Tuesday.—Times.

'TROT 'EM OUT. TROT 'EM OUT!

News: The Belmond Independent is worried over politics. It fears that the Belmond citizens are paying taxes without representation. But doesn't the Independent know that if there are any citizens up there who are yearning for official life, there is a trial heat coming off next June. Trot out your hawses, Col, trot 'em out, and we'll see if they're gogetters or not.

"If the Fish Don't Bite Change your Bait. If they Don't Bite Then, Change your Fishing Hole."

Sounds Reasonable Does it Not?

Let's Have Some of Your

Cream, Eggs, Express

J. S. WHITE

1st Door West of Independent

Phone 272 Belmond, Iowa

The editor of the Traer Star-Clipper states that after looking at one of the party dresses he is convinced that an adequate supply of clothing is not being produced. It reminds one of the old farmer who attended a banquet in the city. His wife asked him what the ladies wore. He said he didn't know; that he hated to get down and look under the table.—Humboldt Republican.

PUBLIC SALE!

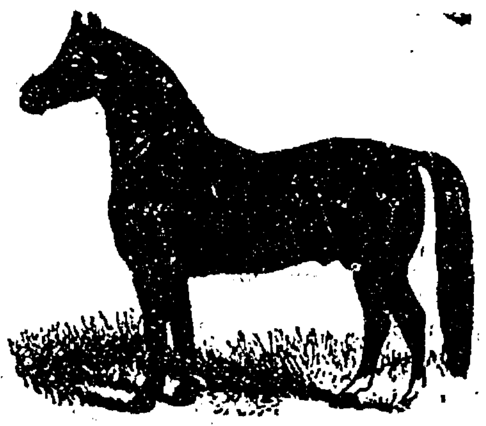
I have decided to quit farming and will hold a closing out sale at my place of residence known as the Cuppett farm, 2 1-2 miles west of Belmond.

Thurs., Feb. 23d

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. Sharp.

15 Head of Horses

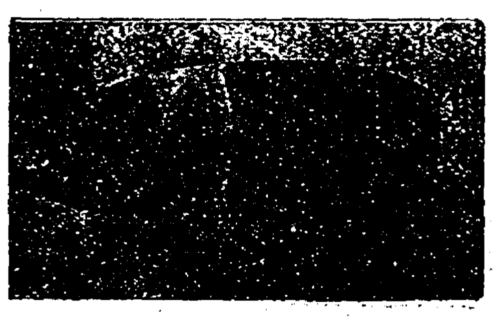
3 roan sucking colts
1 bay mare 10 years old, weight 1350
1 bay mare 10 yrs. old, weight 1400
1 bay mare 13 yrs. old, weight 1200
1 bay mare 13 yrs. old, weight 1150
1 bay mare 2 years old
1 roan mare 1 yr. old coming 2
1 black mare 8 yrs old, weight 1700
1 roan gelding 3 yrs. old coming 4, weight 1350
1 roan mare 3 yrs. old coming 4, weight 1250
1 bay gelding 3 yrs. old coming 4, weight 1250
Span of roan colts, one 2 yrs. old coming 3; one 3 yrs. old coming 4



21 Head of Cattle

1 yearling heifer
1 bull coming 2 years old
2 heifers coming 2 yrs. old
3 steers coming 2 years old
4 heifer calves 10 months old
1 black bull calf 10 months old
9 milch cows coming fresh in spring

14 Head Duroc Jersey Hogs



5 BROOD SOWS
1 BOAR
8 LAST FALL PIGS

Machinery

1 kerosene barrel
1 Adriance mower
1 Iowa cream separator
1 hay rack and running gear
1 Peter Schutler lumber wagon
1 "Low Spread" manure spreader
Deering binder, 8 ft. cut, nearly new
225 ft .of hay rope and a Harpoon hay fork
1 drag cart
1 feed grinder
1 scoop board
2 section iron drag
1 low down seeder
4 sets of work harness
1 McCormick hay rake
1 McCormick corn binder
1 Ever Ready gas engine, 5 horse power
1 cultivator
1 Case gang plow
1 John Deere disc
1 La Cross bob sled
4 section wooden drag
2 tower surface plows
1 Hoosier end gate seeder
1 Hayes corn planter with 120 rods of wire

SOME HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND OTHER ARTICLES NOT MENTIONED

TERMS---$10 and Under, Cash; over that 10 months time on approved Security at 8 per cent.

G. A. Gunderson

Lewis Hauge, Auctioneer   Belmond Savings Bank, Clerk

Rowan Local News

Rowan Congregational Church
Feb. 19th.
Pastor Rev. W. H. Nye.

Divine Worship 11 A. M.
Sunday School 12 A. M.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 P. M.
Evening Song 7:30 P. M.

There has been very good attendance at our church services during this winter.

The Rowan Cong'l church Choir rendered good music Sunday, and you cannot afford to deprive yourself of hearing them Sunday. "Come and Hear and See Sunday.

The Junior Endeavor will meet *Wednesday afternoon* at 4 p. m.

Mid-week meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

Remember to attend our Sabbath School Sunday, and, we have a class for everybody. Come and bring the family.

The First Division of the Ladies Aid will serve a 25c dinner at the home of Mr. Albert Emerson on Thursday of this week. Will begin to serve at 12 o'clock sharp. "Lets go."

Young people have you attended the Young Peoples service at the Rowan Cong'l church Sunday evenings? If not come this Sunday and let us get acquainted. The hour is 6:30 p. m.

Rev. Nye and daughter were Belmond callers on Monday, where Marguerite had some dental work done.

Last Tuesday night the young people of the community surprised Loraine Nigg by gathering at her home for a farewell party before she moved with her parents to Clarion. They report a very fine time.

Wednesday night the serial started at the Star Theatre. This promises to be a very exciting picture and one well worth following thru. After the show an old time dance was put on. A good crowd attended and all present seemed to enjoy themselves.

There was a large number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou Saturday evening who showed the sentiment of love and friendship toward Mr. and Mrs. Ballou on the 42nd anniversary of their wedding. The hostess of the evening were the Misses LaVonne Ballou and Florence Box. The evening was spent in music games and other amusements that go to make up a good social time. Partners were secured by matching to song titles after which each couple were obliged to sing their song before receiving the dainty lunch which had been prepared by the hostesses. The guests present were Mr. and E. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Heath, Rev. and Mrs. Nye, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden. Mr. and Mrs. Ballou received the compliments of being among the best of the home makers of Rowan and we all hope they will live to enjoy many anniversaries of their wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Prichett entertained a company of nine at a one o'clock dinner Sunday in honor of the birthday of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. George Pritchett.

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion met in regular session Monday evening. After the business meeting an oyster stew was served to the ones out side the Legion who helped with the Minstrel Show.

School Notes.

Donald McCallum and George Boyington were visitors at the High school Wednesday.

Miss Neuenschwander has been training the Rowan contestants for the Declamatory contest which will be given Tuesday afternoon and evening February 21st. She plans to remain for a week after the preliminaries to train the winners for the county contest.

Letha Gunderson was a High school visitor Thursday.

Blanch Combs visited High school Thursday.

Mrs Earl Sellers and Mrs. Harold Tomkinson visited the Primary room Friday.

The Rowan teams played at Clarion Friday night Feb. 10th. Both games were fast and exciting and were clean and well refereed. But the Rowan girls out played the home team in good clean team work. At the end of the first half the score stood 8-0 in Rowan's favor. The game ended with 13-3 in favor of Rowan. The boy's game was very interesting. At the end of the first half the score stood 20-4 in Clarion's favor. Thinking they would easily win Clarion put part of their second team on. Rowan showed good work the last half. Clarion afraid of defeat, put all her players back in. The game ended by a score of 25-17 in favor of Clarion.

Don't forget the game with Dows Thursday night Feb. 16th. This game promises to be one of the best of the season. Come and boost for your Rowan teams. Let's give our Rowan players lots of pep.

Mr. andMrs. H. J. C. Box were Dows callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Longley, of Belmond, visited relatives in Rowan the first of the week.

Mrs. Floyd Pollard and small son returned to their home in Twin Falls. Idaho last Wednesday after two months visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett and other relatives.

Ira Fletcher was a Clarion visitor Saturday.

The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Payton is on the sick list.

J. F. Howell was a Fort Dodge caller Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Thornton visited at the Guy Stumph home Wednesday and attended the dance Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Kercheval, were entertained Saturday evening at a six o'clock dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Woodin at Harvey.

Mr and Mrs. Gay Fletcher spent Sunday in Clarion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitz.

George Ballau was a Clarion visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Fuller Bailey, of Belmond visited relatives in Rowan Tuesday.

Theo Hansen went to Des Moines Tuesday to attend a convention.

Grace Hubbell is assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hansen. Mrs. Hansen is sick with pneumonia.

D. W. Whitten left for St. Louis Mo., Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller moved to Clarion the first of this week. We do not like to lose this family from our midst but hope they will enjoy their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gates move on the farm vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum move to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCallum.

Mr. and Mrs. Albin Anderson move to the Emerson and Whitten farm north of town.

Edmund Haupt moves to the farm vacated by Mr. Anderson.

Harold Steffens met with an accident Sunday when he was cranking his Ford. His arm was broken and his wrist dislocated. Dr Maker, the new doctor of Rowan set the bones.

Miss Angie Baines took a few days vacation from her duties at the telephone office and visited relatives in Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Brown returned to their home in Marengo Friday. Mr. Wm Baines left Monday for his home in the north part of the state.

Mrs. J. F. Howell took their small son to Dows last Tuesday to consult a doctor. The little fellow is troubled with tonsilitis but is much better at the present writing.

Fred Hackley was a Dows caller Tuesday.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Rietz is very sick with pneumonia.

Miss Grace Kepford, of Waterloo, is visiting at the home of Mrs. J. D. Brooks.

Mrs. Howard Woodin, of Harvey neighborhood spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval.

D. E. Harris was a Clarion caller Saturday.

C. W. Fowler went to Clarion last Monday where he was called on the jury.

Miss Izetta Fletcher went to Fort Dodge Tuesday to make a short visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Morris Sullivan.

Abe Johnson was a Dows caller Tuesday.

Ed Nigg was a county seat visitor Saturday.

Alvin Haupt, of Clarion was a Rowan visitor last week.

Mrs. Dena McCoy, of Clarion, visited at the Guy Stumph home Friday.

Mrs. B. Wilder and daughter, Florence, of Iowa Falls spent Saturday at the L. A. McCallum home.

Mrs. Myron Hill, of Clarion spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval.

Will Brooks, of Waverly, came Tuesday to visit his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Brooks, and other relatives for a short time.

Mrs. J. S. Farren was a Fort Dodge shopper Tuesday.

John Rowen was a Clarion caller Saturday.

Mrs. C. W. Fowler visited in Clarion Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair.

Mrs. Etta Carr, who has been visiting at Latimer, returned home Tuesday.

Miss Dorothy Ramsey, of Latimer returned to Rowan last Wednesday

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STAR THEATRE

FEBRUARY 18
"DALTON"
in
ROMANTIC ADVENTURES
FEBRUARY 22
Synopsis—Episode Three
"THE MILLIONTH CHANCE"

To warn Nancy of a danger threatening her, Hutch is forced to follow her to New York on another train. Nancy and Ann are the guests of Marlow at his suburban home, the Towers.

Ann secures the silver scarf, but she gives it to Marlow when he tells her that he will tell Nancy that Ann stole it. But they cannot see the thread that tells the secret.

To prevent Nancy signing the big paper contract, Marlow locks her in her room. Hutch arrives is told Nancy is asleep, and is invited to stay for the night. He too, is locked in. When he hears Nancy pounding at her door, he lowers himself from his window, which is over the river, on a rope of sheets and swings, pendulum fashion, until he can grasp a tree and reach the ground.

The police see him climb a trellis to Nancy's window, and a terrific fight ensues Realizing the presence of the police assures Nancy's safety, Hutch decides on a quick getaway. He dives out of the window into the river, swims across, and evades his pursuers by rolling under a moving freight train, transferring himself from the top of a moving train to a bridge, and swinging across a street on a rope. There, however he is met by more police and roustabouts, who overwhelm him.

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Having decided to quit the implement business I will dispose of my entire stock of farm machinery, at public auction, on

Saturday, February 18, 1922

Stock consists of Mowers, Binders, Rakes, Corn Plows, Gangs and Sulkys, Drags and Disc Harrows, Fanning Mills, Feed Grinders, Hay Racks, Spreaders, Hay Loaders, Stackers and Buckers, Wagons, Planters. Corn Stalk Cutters, Smalley Re-cutter Mill and Silo Filler, Jenny Silo Filler and Husker, Hay Rakes, Seeders, Corn Planters and many other articles.

Here is an opportunity to purchase new farm machinery at your own price.

TERMS: All sums of $10 or less, cash. Over that amount 10 months' time on approved security at 8 per cent. All property must be settled for on day of sale.

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STATE BANK OF BELMOND Clerk
Christ Rise, Owner

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1922

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION
BOND PROPOSITION
MESERVEY IOWA

Public Notice is .Hereby .Given, That a special election of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, will be held on the 17th day of February, 1922, at the City Hall, Meservey, Iowa, from one o'clock P. M. until six o'clock P. M. and that at said election there will be submitted to the voters of the said Consolidated Independent School District to be by them voted upon, the following proposition:

Shall the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, in the counties of Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin & Wright, State of Iowa, issue bonds in the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000), for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new school house?

At which time and place all of the voters of said Consolidated Independent School District are hereby notified to appear.

This notice is given by the order of Board of Directors of said Consolidated Independent School District, pursuant to the sufficient petition with the requisite signatures in accordance with the Section 2820-d I et seq. of the supplement to the Code of Iowa, 1913.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa, this 13th day of January 1922.

K. Clarence Ruigh
Secretary, Board of Directors.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SCHOOL BUILDING-BIDS CLOSE FEB. 16 1922 AT 1 P. M. MESERVEY, IOWA.

Bids are desired on a school building, to be erected at Meservey, Iowa, by the Board of Education of the Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa. Bids will be received by the Secty. of The Board of Education Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh at his office in the Farmers Savings Bank at Meservey up to 1 p. m. Feb. 16 1922. Bids will be opened immediately and read publicly. Bids must be accompanied by certified checks or bid bonds in amount as follows:

General Construction, Check or bid bond, $1500.00.

Heating and Ventilating, Check or Bid Bond, $1000.00.

Plumbing, Check or Bid Bond, $400.00.

Seating, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00

Equipment, Check or Bid Bond, $200.00.

Certified checks or bid bonds must be made out unconditionally to Mr. K. Clarence Ruigh, Secty. Board of Education,, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract with the said School District and furnish a bond in the full amount of the contract in the form outlined in the specifications, guaranteeing the completion of the building and the payment of all leins and claims.

The plans and specifications will be on file after February 1, 1922 —one copy only— at the office of the secretary, one at the office of the architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., and one at 211 M. B. A. Building, Mason City Iowa. Also at the Builders exchanges of Des Moines, Iowa, St. Paul, Minn. and Minneapolis Minn.

Contractors may secure plans by application to the Architect, 1353 University Ave. St. Paul, Minn., upon payment of a deposit of $10.00 to insure return of the plans and specifications. The entire amount will be forfeited if the contractor fails to bid. Sub contractors and material men will be charged the exact cost of preparing the blue prints and specifications for such drawings as they may require to figure the part of the work they are bidding on.

Contractors will be required to bid on the exact form of bid outlined in the bidders blanks, any deviation therefrom will invalidate the bid and same will not be considered.

Contractors may combine any part of the work or bid on the entire contract by furnishing with their bid the certified checks or bid bonds required above.

The Board of Education reserves the rigth to accept any or reject any or all bids.

Signed
Consolidated Independent School District of Meservey, Iowa,
By K. CLARENCE RUIGH
Secty. Board of Education.

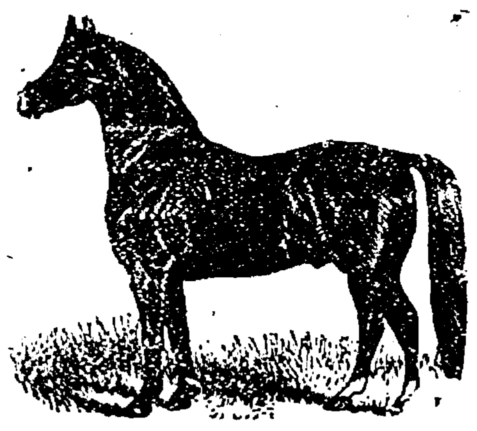
PUBLIC SALE!

As I have rented a smaller farm I have decided to have a sale on the Wickersheim farm, one mile east of Meservey, on

Friday, Feb. 24

Commencing at 11:00 o'clock a. m. Sharp.

6 Head of Horses



- 1 gray mare 3 yrs. old, wt. 1000
- 1 sorrel gelding 4 yrs. old wt. 1250
- 1 black gelding 5 yrs old wt. 1250
- 1 Bay mare 9 yrs. old, wt 1100
- 1 gray gelding 5 yrs. old wt. 1300
- 1 gray gelding 4 yrs. old wt 1300

25 Head of Cattle

- 7 yearling calves
- 2 heifers
- 8 milk cows, some fresh
- 1 shorthorn bull
- 7 calves

40 - Head of Shoats - 40

Machinery

- 1 disc
- 1 bob sled
- 2 Wagons
- 1 hay rake
- 2 corn plows
- 1 sulky plow
- 1 hog waterer
- 3 sets harness
- 1 small grinder
- 1 End gate seeder
- 1-Hole corn sheller
- 1 riding cultivator
- 1 4-section Harrow
- 1 John Deere gang plow
- 1 McCormick binder, 8-ft.
- 1 International hay loader
- 1 Emerson manure spreader
- 1 Gade 2½ H P gasoline engine
- 1 International corn planter with fertilizer attachment and 160 rods of wire

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CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30
Preaching services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15.
Preaching service (German) 8:00
Catechism at the usual hours on Saturday afternoon.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

FOURTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY GETS THE DEVIL

Some few weeks ago we printed a sensational bit of news in the Independent telling of the devil who made his appearance at a questional dance at Hutchinson, Minn., and other resorts. The devil was a great mystery and no one could solve the riddle. The following news dispatch from Fairmont, Minn., tells the story:

Fairmont, Minn., Feb., 7.—The mystery of the Devil, who broke up a questionable dance in the vicinity of Hutchinson, Minn., by appearing in the middle of the dance floor with fire streaming from eyes, mouth and tail, has been solved, according to a story told by Miss Louise Miller, who has returned from a visit with relatives in that part of Minnesota.

His Satanic Majesty did not stop with one appearance, according to Miss Miller's report, but appeared at several barn dances, each time frightening the dancers away, until finally a reward of $5,000 was offered among those who frequented these dances to anyone who would shoot the Evil One on his next appearance.

A 14 year old boy took the dare.

The Devil, shot through the abdomen proved to be a human and was rushed to a hospital where he is still in a critical condition, according to the report.

His Satanic costume was a very wonderful affair, equipped with electric batteries to give the effect of fire. He came down on a rope thru the cupola spreading terror as he came.

The man who conceived of this idea to put an end to the dance evil and who so nearly proved a martyr to the cause is said to be a Methodist minister of that vicinity.

SCHOOL NOTES

3rd and 4th grades

The fourth grade took the eighth county spelling examination last week. Three of the class passed. Thery were Mildred Janssen 94, Neva Muller 88, and Harriet Sprau 86. The majority of the class got above 50 per cent.

Tuesday afternoon the third grade gave their surprise on the fourth grade which consisted of a Valentine Box, Valentine tree, and a very short program. The Queen of Hearts and her attendants presented the visitors and children with Valentine cookies which were made by Mother Goose. About eight hundred Valentines were distributed by the good St. Valentine mail man.

The third grade donned their class colors of gray and rose for the first time on Tuesday afternoon.

5th and 6th grades

The fifth and sixth grades and high school observed Valentine's day Friday afternoon. Appropriate excercises were given by all.

The Philomathean Society gave a fine program last Friday. Songs, readings, two minute talk's and debates were given. George Abels discussed "The Road Problems," Verne Schluter talked on "The Farmers Bloc." The debate was a quadangular debate, the soldier, the poet, the orator and the teacher.

Miss Agnes Fisher defended the "soldier," Miss Eva Sprau, the "orator," Miss Esther Reverts, the "poet" and Merle Brogan, the "teacher."

New officers were installed for the new semester.

After the program a spelling contest was held each grade appointing a speller. Herman Witt won for the tenth grade. This was followed by a contest on quotations from standard authors. This was a spirited contest and certainly spoke well for the teaching of classes. The eleventh grade carried off the honors in this altho the ninth came in close second.

A number of new scholars have started to attend school. We have not the exact number, but several in the Primary room and the fifth and sixth grades, they all come from one family the rodent family, better known as the rat family. At present they are only practicing excercise lessons.

There will be a small play given by the 11th and 12th grades Friday p. m. in Meservey High school building.

The 5th and 6th grades had their Lincoln program and Valentine box Friday afternoon.

Good English week has been started in all the grades in school.

Mrs. James Faaborg, Mrs. Braga, Mrs. Abbles Mrs. Henry Frey, Gertie Pals, and Mrs. C. F. Ralston were among the visitors in the fifth and sixth grades Friday afternoon.

Elianor Muller and Ruth Schlesselman visited the fifth and sixth grades last Friday.

A BOY'S PLEA

I am only a high school boy. I am struggling hard to finish my high school year.

I do not expect or I cannot expect more from my father than the schoolin which he can give me, and that which I obtain thru my own efforts.

There are other boys in the Meservey school that the only legacy they will receive will be their schooling.

I, as a boy, cannot cast a vote; I cannot express my desires as yet by ballot.

I have stood on the streets and in the stores and I have listened to the arguments for and against a new school house.

There are those who are opposed to the bonds that tell us all a boy needs is an eighth grade education.

There are those who say that if the bonds are not voted we can get along with a tenth grade.

There are others who tell us that all we need is an education like our fathers and our grandfathers had.

There are others who tell us that the school does not need to be approved

But in studying our histories of the march of mankind we have learned that in order to meet with competition one must have a trained mind, even tho he can never rise higher han a clerk or bookkeeper or a farmer of the future.

The farmer of the future will be different from the farmer of the past; he must have a trained and disciplined mind

But I do not presume as a boy or a student in school to argue this question: neither do I presume to tell men how to vote, but I am making a plea, I am asking, that I shall not be compelled and that other boys who have finished the eighth grade shall not be compelled, to go away from home for a high school training.

Mr. Janssen's article stated that none of the Meservey school children ever complained about the school building. Very likely Mr Janssen does not know the condition of the Meservey school buildings. The school children of the Meservey high school will gladly show Mr. Janssen, or any other man or woman, the condition of the Meservey school building and outbuildings.

To the voters of the Meservey consolidated district, the boys of the Meservey school make their plea.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ostendorf were passengers to Mason City on Friday. While there they called on Mr. Stadtlander at the Park Hospital who is doing as well as can be expected.

Miss Grace Pals accompanied Tony Rozeboom and family to Grundy Center Thursday, where she will visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Peter H. Pals was at Mason City Thursday, visiting her son, Henry, who is at the hospital there. Henry had the misfortune of falling off a straw stack about a week ago and breaking his arm.

Y. P. A. Meet.

The Y. P. A. met last Tuesday evening February the 7th at the L. B. Hulsebus home. The grand number of 35 were present and the evening was spent by having the regular business meeting which was followed by a short program. Also various games were played and a fine luncheon served, to which all did full justice. A splendid time is reported by all.

Mrs. Wm. Messelhieser and Mrs. Floyd Thayer were shoppers at the county seat on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Braga of Belmond came Wednesday to spend several days at the Walt Braga home.

The motor passengers to Mason City on Wednesday morning were, Carl Dorenkamp, Harry Walter and Henry H. Pals.

Miss Alice Kuhlers left Wednesday to spend several days at the home of her sister Mrs. Harm Pals near Belmond.

For Sale—Fine Duroc Jersey sows, March and April farrow.—L. Foss.

Mrs. C. J. Janssen was a motor passenger to Mason City on Wednesday.

Strayed—Small, light colored Spitz female dog. Please advise owner, J. C. Oehlert. 131*

C. McGuire, of Belmond, was in town on Wednesday of last week attending to business matters.

Tony Rozeboom and family of Rock Valley were here several days last week visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. H. K. Pals and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Hartfelder were business callers at Mason City on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs., John Mussel and children left Thursday for Detroit, Michigan, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson and Mrs. Leo Wilkins and children of near Klemme were here last Tuesday visiting at the home of Mrs. Meinderts.

Mrs. C. K. Pals, Mrs. Earnest Eckhoff and Miss Lily Barkema were shoppers at Mason City on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlander left Tuesday for Mason City, where Mrs. Stadtlander will have an examination at the Park Hospital and may also undergo an operation.

Miss Ollie Pals was a visitor in Thornton between trains on Tuesday afternoon.

Harm Meintz and family of Latimer were here Tuesday visiting at the Conrad Meintz home.

Mrs. Fred Ralston left last Monday evening for Iowa Falls, where she was called by the illness of her father.

H.L. Ables was a business caller at Mason City on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Butz were Mason City shoppers Tuesday.

A. J. Nissen was a passenger to Thornton Tuesday, attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartly Blewitt of Thornton are the proud parents of a 10 pound baby boy born on Saturday **February 11.**

Miss Dora Jacobs attended the teachers' meeting at Mason City on Saturday.

Chris Enibnit of Des Moines, Fred Enabnit of Mason City and Robert Enabnit of Clear Lake were here Saturday attending the funeral services of their aunt, Mrs. Gunther.

Rev. Schlesselman left Monday for Mason City where he will help Rev. Orth and Yeggy with the Revival meetings.

Gottlieb Gobeli returned to his home at Allison on Monday, after attending the funeral of his mother and visiting relatives.

A. J. Nissen, Wm. Messelhieser, and Lelan Jacobson left Saturday for Chicago with a shipment of cattle.

Basket Social

Post No. 171 of the American Legion will hold a basket social at the Raecker Garage on Wednesday evening, February 22. There will be a good movie. Come and celebrate Washington's birthday with us. Admission 25 and 10 cents. Ladies bringing baskets will be admitted free.

Joe Stadtlander returned home Saturday from Mason City, where he has been staying with his wife at the hospital.

Edward Gruis of Fort Dodge is here visiting at the home of his father, Herman Gruis and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faaburg and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen were shoppers at Mason City on Monday.

Don't forget the basket social on Wednesday, evening February 22, in the Garage.

The Misses Viola Thomas and Alma Ralston attended the teachers meeting at Mason City on Saturday.

Rev. Pannkuk and wife and Lydia were at Mason City Monday visiting Mrs Joe Stadtlander and Henry Pals who are at this writing at the Park hospital.

The results of the Public Auction of M. V. Galbraith property which was on Friday are reported very good.

Wm. Enabnit of Kanawha was here Saturday attending the funeral of Mrs. Gunther.

As usual February will be short and, perhaps, ugly.

J. F. Hartfelder was a business caller at the county seat on Monday of last week.

Jess Brogan of Thornton was here one day last week on business.

Miss Alma Witt of Clear Lake, spent the week end at the home of Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and family.

A. A. Sifert was at Mason City on business matters on Saturday.

L. B. Hulsebus was a passenger to Mason City on Monday pretaining to business matters.

Rev. Heyenga of Alexander was a visitor at the Herman Gruis home on Friday.

Miss Loats spent Sunday at the home of her parents near Belmond.

Nels Faaburg was a motor passenger to Mason City on Monday morning.

Herman Gruis and daughters, Kate and Anna left Sunday for Ackley where they will attend the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Klaasen.

The body of Mrs. Gunther of Lidderdale was shipped here Saturday for burial.

CHILDREN'S PLEA FOR A BETTER EDUCATION

We cannot vote but we think we have a right to express our opinion in regard to the 'new' school building. We feel that it is unfair for those who vote not to consider our conceptions, for we, the tax-payers of tomorrow will be the financeers of this construction. You voters of today have but one duty in this matter and that is to vote and vote correctly. We, the present school children are the ones who will foot the "bill". There is no question concerning the need of a new building. One of the first and main reasons for a new school house is the great danger we children are in in case of fire. We would have no means of escape only down a wooden stairway which is far from being safe. Are the lives of these children valued at dollars and cents? Are not these lives worth more than the cost of a new building?

A new building would provide for an assembly room and auditorium. In a room of larger dimensions and different conveniences, our programs, plays and society meetings would be greatly benefited. This room would serve the farmers as a judging room, banquet or picnic hall and also as a bureau meeting place.

Again, our class rooms are too small. They are dingy and the circulation of air is poor. As most of our youth is spent in these rooms, they should be healthful and cheerful in appearances. With such crude conditions it is impossble to ventilate our rooms properly. The heating system is too irregular; in one case part of the pupils abide in the torrid zone, while the remainder are seated in the frigid zone.

There are many possibilities that lie hidden for the children of our school, and it is up to you voters to make your vision of the ideal future come true, just as your forefathers sacrificed and planned for you to gain the education which you have.

It is not difficult for anyone to see that the men and women of tomorrow must have a broader and deeper education than those of today. A true citizen does not vote for his own selfish needs but votes for the welfare of the community as a whole. Don't let your own ideals deprive your community of the most valuable of public institutions.

If our district does not vote the bonds we will go away to finish our course, at the district's expense. Now we do not wish to leave our homes if it is possible to finish our work here. We are too young to rely altogether on our own opinions; we must have the advice of older ones and who are better advisers than our parents. One is liable to get out from the influence of the church and a good citizen must respect the church

A school to attend during these years is a foundaton for future years. You voters lay the foundation for us and we will build, support and finance our schools.

EVA SPRAU, EVELYN THOMAS, AGNES FISCHER, OLLIE PALS

OBITUARY

Anna Katherine Obeggler was born August 22, 1836 in Weisenbash, Canton Bern, Switzerland. She was brought up in faith of the Reformed church and after coming to America, joined the Evangelical church. In 1863 she was united in marriage to Christian Gobeli. To this union were born five children, two of whom died in infancy. In 1884 her husband preceeded her in death and shortly after she imigrated with her three children to America, settling first at Des Moines, and later at Meservey Iowa.

In 1902 she was married to Carl L. Günther of Adel, Iowa. In July of 1919 he preceded her in death.

For a number of yars she has made her home with her son Robert of Lidderdale, Iowa, where she passed away on February 9, 1922 after a two weeks illness at the age of 85 years 5 months and 17 days.

She leaves to mourn her departure two sons and one daughter, Gottlieb of Allison, Iowa, Mrs. Anna Mattern, of Des Moines and Robert of Lidderdale, 15 grand children, one sister, Mrs. Caroline Kunz of Pine Island, Minn., and a host of friends.

FOR SALE—5-room house with 2 lots and outbuildings. Known as the Henry Lauster property. See Jacob Nissen or G. Lauster. 13tfc

NOTICE

The trustees of Wisner township will hold a meeting in the Center school house on Feb. 18, 1922, from 9:00 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. for the purpose of hiring a Road Superintendent. W. H. Obrecht, Clerk of Wisner Township. 131c

CONN CORNET FOR SALE— A bargain if accepted at once. Conn's latest model in B flat, quick change to A, with automatic adjuster of slides. Silver plated, gold bail, price $85.00. Almost new, in case. Can be bought for $48.00 if taken at once. My reasons for selling: Am planning the purchase of a cornet of same make. Call at office of Belmond Independent and see it on paper, or call on Rev. Schlesselman, Meservey, Ia.

Women's Missionary Society.

The Women's Missionary Society met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. E. Brogan. The afternoon was spent in discussing the question of the 5th chapter of the study book. Those present were: Mrs. Schlesslman, Mrs. Braitor, Mrs. Muller, Mrs. Wickersham, Mrs. H. F. Rief and Mrs. C. J. Janssen. A very enjoyable time is reported.

Alferd Meintz and John Pals motored to Mason City on Tuesday.

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

G. H. Roberts of Hampton was a business caller in Alexander Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy were business callers in Hampton Mondad.

LeRoy Walsh and family of Hampton spent a few days this week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Walsh.

Emery Fellows of Hampton was a business caller in Alexander Monday.

Sheriff Atkinson and son Joe were business callers in Alexander Saturday.

Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls was in Alexander last Wednesday attending to some business matters.

Fred L. Greenfield was a business caller at Belmond last Wednesday.

H. C. Yaw, of Iowa Falls visited with friends and relatives at this place the latter part of the week.

Clarence Bohlen, Charley Winwood Jack and Will Kew were among the Dows callers last Thursday.

Lawrence Jensen, of Latimer, was a caller in town Sunday.

L. S. Reed was a business caller at the county seat last Saturday.

Mrs. Jens Dyphdal of Thornton visited at the Chris Stadtlander home the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy and baby were visitors at Latimer Saturday.

Miss Alice Barkema visited at the Willard Aldrich home in Hampton the first of the week.

Karl Griemann, spent Sunday with friends at Hampton.

Fred Bell, of Waterloo Business College was calling on relatives and friends in town this week.

Ray Richards was attending jury at Hampton several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters were visitors with friends and relatives at Dows last Thursday.

John Arends was transacting business at Hampton last Wednesday.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer visited with her friend Miss Anna Beenen the latter part of the week.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer next Wednesday afternoon, February 2nd. Bring your thimbles as we have work for you.

John F. Bell was a business caller at Hampton Wednesday.

John Walzing was at Chicago last week on a business mission.

Miss Wilma Foughty visited with relatives at Belmond the first of the week.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson spent Sunday at their home in Latimer.

Mrs. Charles Winwood visited at the home of her parents at Iowa Falls several days the past week.

William Winwood was a Belmond caller last week Tuesday.

School Notes

The class in Agriculture has completed a series of lessons upon the subject of measurements of the Capacity of bins, mows, stacks, etc. The work while intensely practical, no doubt seemed superfluous to the class. The majority if not all, are intent upon forsaking the farm for the lure of the bright lights of the city. Even the girls in Home Economics are digging hard and delving deep into the subject only to be more efficient in supervising the work of their servants in the alluring future.

The high school pupils paid their homage to Dan Cupid last Friday night by means of a Valentine party. Games were played. Light refreshments were served. The affair closed at 11 O'clock. All high school parties are scheduled to chose at this hour—that is these held in the school building.

The Fact that we have the usual movie each Tuesday night has ceased to be news. We mention it in order for you to know the program. The reels for Feb. 21 are "The Serpent's Tooth," or saw manufacture. The original saw teeth wer serpent's teeth.

A Pilgrimage showing historical scenes.

A comedy "Daisy the Demonstrator." Don't know what this is, your guess is as good as ours.

Clara Ostendorf, who was injured about the head when the school bus was blown over, is again pursuing her studies in the fifth grade.

Master Johnnie Schulte was absent from school last week. He is suffering from tonsilitis. We understand that he had his tonsils removed and will be able to resume his studies in a few days.

Last Thursday evening our faculty and their wives and husbands were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield. An excellent 3-course dinner was served, after which a social hour was spent in general conversation and story telling. Rev. Mohr even though it was prayer meeting night won the prize in story telling.

The Alexander town team and the Hampton town team played a game of basket ball on the local floor last Wednesday evening. The large attendance pronounced it one of the best and most interesting games played upon our floor for many moons. The Alexander team won. The Hampton boys are good losers; you'll search far and wide before you will find a more agreeable group of young men.

Parents, watch the health of your children. There is an epidemic of scarlet fever in our county. Watch out for the following symptoms: ache, sore throat, nauseated or vomiting, feeling tired and appearing to have a temperature. Two deaths have occured recently due to scarlet fever.

Richard, son of J C. Arends, is suffering with a broken leg. The accident occured at his home last Friday evening. This makes the second siege of this nature, his other leg being broken while playing at school last fall.

MINOR MUSINGS

"Holidays" literally mean "holly" days," but a lot of them are not.

If you can get fun out of life you can prevent life's making fun of you.

Experience is a great teacher, but it is nothing that way on lack of experience.

A "society leader" is so called because she leads her husband around by the nose.

Of course you can't believe all you hear," but most people do.

NOTICE—I have given my son, Clifford Swenson, his time, and will not collect his wages or be responsible for his debts from this date on. Dated Feb. 16, 1922.—Peter Swenson. 132*

ROWAN LOCAL NEWS

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and is assisting with the work at the hotel.

Mrs. Jennette Patton has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jennings, of Clarion were visiting relatives in town Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs. Albert Drager moved to Goldfield last week.

Mr and Mrs. Dewey LaRue and baby moved into the Dr. Gordon house. Mr. LaRue is hauling gravel.

Ed Baines, of Dows spent Thursday in Rowan at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hannah Whitten.

Lem Rowen was a Clarion visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Hansen was a Dows caller Tuesday.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Miss Dolly Riley will hold a box social at her school house in Blaine Center or the Ross school Feb. 24. There will be a good program given. Everbody is invited to come. Will start promptly at 8:00 p. m.

Frank Snyder was a Clarion caller Saturday.

G. Campbell, operator at the C. G. W. railway, was married Thursday of last week at Clarion. Mr. Campbell journeyed to Chicago to meet his bride to be, who comes from Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada. The happy couple will take up their residence in Rowan.

The American Legion minstrel performances on Thursday and Friday were a splendid success. Over 300 people were present on the first evening and about 200 the second. The songs, chorouses, and the repartee of the end men were very much enjoyed by the audience. The Legion will benefit to the sum of about $200 by the show.

Rowan is fortunate in securing the servces of Dr. Macker as surgeon and physcian. The doctor comes highly recommended and the people hope that he will take up permanent residence here. Dr Macker is, at the present, at the hotel where he has his office and consulting rooms.

The contestants for the declamatory contest are working hard with their coach, and there is every indication that Rowan will make good this year. The preliminary test will be given next Tuesday afternoon and evening Feb. 21st in the High school.

Will the citizens of Rowan kindly remember that the third program in the Lyceum course will be given on Thursday, February 23. Robert Bowman the celebrated impersonator will be the special artist. This will be an evening of rare fun and enjoyment.

M. E. Church Notes
Pastor, Rev. H. Tomkinson.
Services for Sunday, Feb. 19
10:30 The pastor will preach.
6:30 Epworth League.
7:30 Rev. Dr. J. J. Bushnell will preach.

Dr. Bushnell, the District Supt., has been delivering great sermons over his Algona District, and the Rowan people cannot afford to miss the doctor's message next Sunday evening. Come and bring your friends. On Monday afternoon and evening Dr. Bushnell will conduct the Quarterly Conference. A picnic lunch will be served on Monday evening at six o'clock to which the friends are all invited. Come and enjoy this feast of good things.

The ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. F. M. Myers this week, when an afternoon of real hard work is anticipated.

W. H. M. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Georgia Rowen, when plans will be made for the Spring work of the society.

Last Sunday evening Rev. H. Tomkinson preached a sermon on the subject "Was Lincoln a Christian?" The pastor cited cases in the life of this great American which proved beyond a shadow of doubt that Lincoln was not only one of the first statesmen but also first saints. Despite the cold stormy morning there was a fine congregation.

The W. C. T. U. Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Tresidder, February 22. Outside speakers will address the meeting.

JUST SO

A Humboldt lady received a post card greeting from a friend in California. It ran as follows:

"Dear little post card, swiftly go
Back to the land of ice and snow,
And bear this kindly message, please,
To those dear friends of mine who freeze;
Our California's fine—just listen:
You simply don't know what you're missing."

The Humboldt lady sharpened her pencil and her wits and replied thus:

"I know that I am missing much—
Your posies and your fruit and such
Your balmy breezes in the air,
Delightful fragrance everywhere;
Your charming scenes on land and sea,
Your beaches and—your busy flea.
But though I stay indoors and freeze
While you sit 'neath your shady trees;
And though back in the land of snow
I shiver wheresoe'er I go,
I thank my stars that though I shake
The ground beneath me does not quake."

—Humboldt Republican.

RESULTS OF VILLAGE RIVALRY AND BETTING ON GAMES

Humboldt Republican.—Over in Illinois they have stirred up a national foot-ball scandal through the rivalry of two villages to see which should win a foot-ball game. The matter is given space here not because it is related to local matters, but because it represents the outcome of village rivalry—the same sort that is threatening the smaller towns of the middle west.

Two Illinois villages were football rivals. One village won, and the next year the other imported a player to help the local team.. The next year the other village went after some college players, until last fall one village hired nine foot ball players from the University of Illinois, and the other hired the entire Notre Dame foot ball team—or thought they did. The players from the Illinois university won.

The game was the talk of the countryside The story gradually worked itself into the state papers. More than $100,000 had been bet on the game. Now comes the sequel.

The story reached the ears of the Illinois University. The officials there investigated and found nine of the best players on the team guilty. They have all been barred from amateur sports and thrown off the Illinois teams in every department. They have accepted money for their playing skill and are professionals.

This is the logical result of village rivalries, such as are creeping into Iowa villages. If the indiscriminate hiring of outside players to help local teams beat village rivals, is not stopped, it will bring about in Iowa the results that have been developed in Illinois.: Betting should be stopped. With it go the incentive to hire outside men. If the towns will all play home boys who play for fun, there will be no scandal and no ruined athletic aspirations.

RED HOT PRICES

1-gallon pail syrup, best grade, 50c	5 lbs. cocoa, extra special 80c
5 lbs. oat meal, No. 1 grade 20c	5-lb. box black tea, while it lasts, $2.00
2 pkgs. large corn flakes 25c	10-lb. pail spiced herring $1.25

2 cans pork & beans, good grade, 25c

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Have you looked our line of Dry Goods and Notions over? They are complete and the prices are right. Come in and le tus show you our new Spring Ginghams.

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For Saturday, Feb. 18th Only
17 pounds of sugar $1.00

With every order of groceries or dry goods (not including sugar, flour or potatoes) of $2.00 or more we will give you 17 pounds of sugar for $1.00 cash. This is less than 6 cents a pound. Can you beat it? Take advantage of this offer.

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P. S.—Gee! Almost forgot to tell you about our Peaberry Coffee. Best grade I can get, and am selling it for 25 cents a pound. Try it. And you will buy no other.

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Am expecting a new line of Incubators. Come in and look them over.

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Try some of Flox, our new Poultry Powder. It will make your chickens lay.

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$1.00

Repairing now going on. Bring them in for oiling and repairing.

Rudolph Beenen
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We Are Still Here!

Don't forget Canned Goods Week

We Will Start With:

6 cans tomatoes, 6 cans corn 6 cans pork and beans 6 cans best peas all for	$3.33
No. 3 can apricots in heavy syrup	30c
No. 3 can peaches in heavy syrup	25c
16 qt. galvanized pail Tom Thumb soda crackers	85c
2 glasses Jelly	25c
3 bars toilet soap	25c

We still have a few more aprons and dresses left at less than cost.

Our new spring goods are arriving at Pre-War prices. All winter goods must go to make room.

Highest Market Price for all Farm Products.
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"They Satisfy"

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards.

(Continued from page one)

tenths of a mill.

2. The tax levy on the average quarter section of land in Wright county for the support of the farm bureau is less than $1.00.

3. The average tax levy for the ninety-nine counties in the state of Iowa for the support of the farm bureau is less than one-half mill.

4. Over fifty per cent of the tax money of Wright county goes to the support of our public school system.

5. The county agent furnished his own car and paid all expenses upon same during 1921.

6. The county agent purchased a Dodge roadster at a cost of $700, for use in carrying on the farm bureau work of the county.

7. The expense on the county agent's car, including gas, oil, repairs and storage, totalled over $900 for the year 1921.

8. The county agent traveled 6,290 miles and received ten cents per mile for expenses, netting him $629.00.

9. Two hundred and thirty-nine days were spent by the county agent outside the office in actual work such conducting demonstrations, and holding socials and organization meetings.

10. Sixty-two days were spent in the office attending to duties which the office detail require.

11. Two thousand six hundred and sixty-six office calls were taken care of by the county agent's office.

12. Nineteen hundred seventy-one personal letters were written by the county agent's office.

13. One hundred forty-eight circular letters were prepared and sent out with a total circulation of 30,739.

14. Five hundred twenty-eight articles were prepared for local county papers.

15. Ninety-nine farm bureau organization meetings were held with an attendance of 11,500.

16. Eight picnics were held with an attendance of 11,500.

17. A total of 224 meetings were held with a total attendance of 30,271.

18. The Wright county farm bureau is forging ahead and not looking backward.

Belmond Local News

C. I. Williams was called to Clear Lake last week to attend the funeral of his father.

The fire company was called out about ten o'clock last Thursday night, the fire being a small blaze on the roof of the John Lieuwen home, caused by the chimney burning out. The company was on the job in prompt order and quenched the blaze. Damage was negligble.

J. S. White and H. G. Nordschow were billed for a suit in the court of Justice Skovlin last Saturday but owing to the amount in dispute being above that which comes under the jurisdiction of a Justice's court, the case was dismissed.

A farmers' institute was held Saturday. A Mr. Hoversland, developement agent of the Chicago Great Western railroad, being the principle speaker.

Tom Quinlin left Saturday evening with a carload of stock for Chicago.

Have you noticed that the Independent is now setting its "stuff" "solid"? In having the type "solid," it makes a difference of about a column more reading to the page. Most weeklies are set with "leaded" type, and by using solid the Independent is able to give its readers several more columns of reading each issue.

Gunder Gunderson has a public sale on the 23rd of the month. See his ad in the Independent this week.

T. B. Wallace, who moved from this place to Corwith last December is reported as being very seriously ill at the home of relatives in Goldfield. Mrs. Wallace left Saturday to visit him at Goldfield.

L. Collins accompanied two carloads of stock to Chicago last Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Steinlicht, of near Kanawha, was a visitor here a couple of days last week, visiting relatives and friends and attending to some business matters.

Oscar Walsh, one of the leading merchants of Alexander, was a caller in town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Leonard, of Swaledale were visitors here at the home of her parents last week Friday.

Mrs. L. W. Stacy spent a couple of days last week visiting relatives at Hampton.

Ollie Tomson holds a closing out sale on his place northwest of Belmond, February 22. See his ad in this issue of the Independent.

Phone the news to 115. Thank you!

Adolph Skovlin drove to Clarion Friday night of last week, where he refereed a basket ball game.

The high school pupils took a sort of inventory last week to see how many would sign up for an Annual in case one is published by the school this year.

Archie Lee holds a public sale on on the 21st, see his ad in this issue of the Independent.

Marjorie Williams returned last Friday from Rochester, where she accompained her mother, who went there for an operation for appendicitis.

LOST—Lady's Gold Eversharp leadpencil with black silk ribbon, about 10 days ago. Finder leave at this office. Reward.

FOR SALE—Slightly used No. 4 Underwood Typewriter. First class condition. J. S. White.

School doings at Goodell and Meservey seem to be occupying considerable attention among the people.

PUBLIC SALE!

As we are quitting the farm, we will hold a closing out sale on our place, known as the old Chris Sorenson farm, 2 miles south and two miles west of Belmond, 2 miles north and two miles east of Cornelia, on

Tuesday, February 21

Commencing at 1:00 O'clock p. m.

8 - Head of Horses - 8

1 brown mare 5 yrs. old wt. 1100
1 black gelding 4 yrs. old, wt. 1400
1 span bay mares 5 yrs. old wt. 2700
1 bay mare, 6 yrs. old, wt. 1400
1 bay gelding, 9 yrs. old, wt 1450
1 black mare 12 yrs. old wt. 1300
1 bay driving mare 4 yrs. old wt. 1150

3 - Head of Cattle - 3

1 roan cow, giving milk
2 calves, 1 roan, 1 black

42 - Head of Hogs - 42

1 herd boar
1 sow with 5 little pigs
28 fall and yearling pigs
12 brood sows, 6 old, 6 young

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 wagon box good as new
2 sets fly nets
1 3-section drag
1 Grain King scoop board
1 John Deere seeder, new
1 Northwestern gang plow
1 set 1½ in. heavy harness
1 2-row John Deere cultivator,
1 set 1½ in. breeching harness
1 milk can
1 hay fork
1 cream can
1 18-in. collar pad
1 19-in. collar pad
3 19-in. horse collars
1 pair horse blankets
10 bu .of good seed corn
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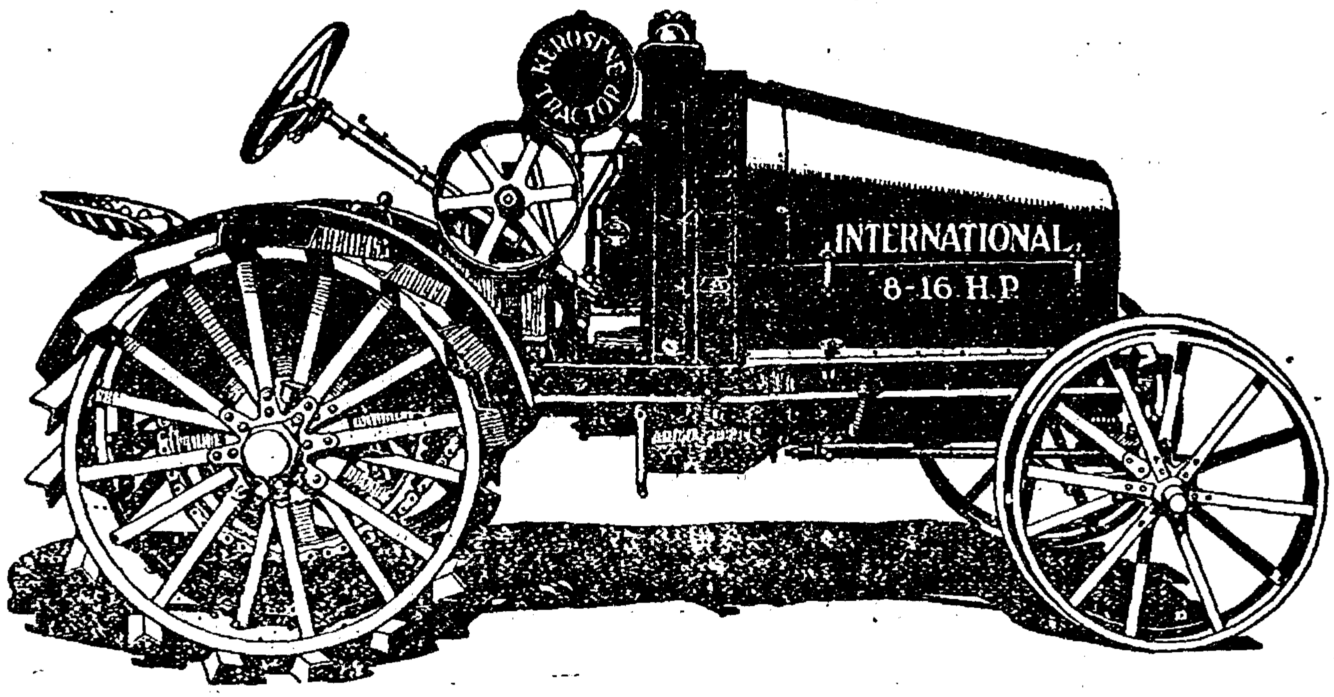

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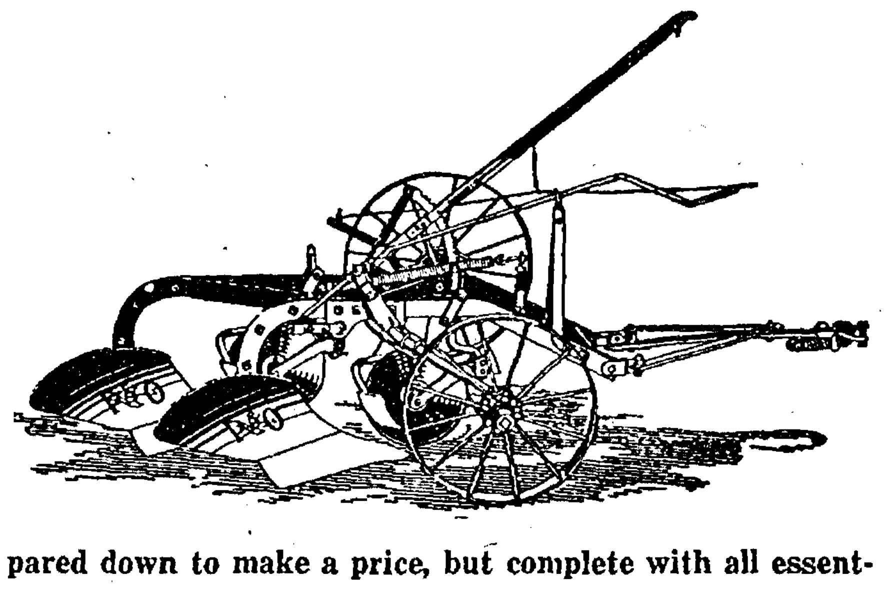

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This is not a stripped tractor, pared down to make a price, but complete with all essential equipment—FRICTION CLUTCH PULLEY, FENDERS, PLATFORM, THROTTLE GOVERNOR, ADJUSTABLE DRAWBAR, ANGLE LUGS, BRAKES. This equipment, worth more than $100 and necessary on any tractor to make it serviceable and safe, included in our price. NO EXTRAS TO BUY.

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For those who wish extended terms of payment we have a proposition that will interest you.

Cato C. Griesy

Phone 10
Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Local News

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MOTHER GOOSE UP TO DATE

Because she got frisky
On moonshiner's whiskey
The cow jumped over the moon.

The leap was tremendous;
It sure was stupendous—
The funeral is Saturday noon.

The song of the licker
Makes quick action quicker
It leads to the home and the hearse;

If you value your health
And cherish your wealth
You will stop ere your habits get worse.

Poor little Jack Horner
As he sat in his corner
And drank up the bootlegger's rye;

It made him feel glum,
It worried him some,
It took him five minutes to die.

Bold Jack and Sweet Jill
Had built them a still
Where they ground out that bootlegger's rye;

They called it still gin,
And the stuff they put in
Filled the grave yards a half a mile high.

—Exchange

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Mrs. M. C. Barry has returned from Iowa City, where she was recently called by the death of her grandfather.

Mrs. Leslie Reed, of Alexander, visited a day or two last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Flynn.

Bill Clark, of Clarion, was in town Saturday greeting old friends and visiting relatives

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Dr. Russell recently sold his residence property to Chas. Sampson, possession being given immediately, and Mr. Sampson is now moving in. Dr. Russell and family will move to the house being vacated by Sampsons for the present.

NOTICE—I have given my son, Edward H. Frohling, his time, and will not collect his wages or be responsible for his debts from this date on. Dated Feb. 16, 1922.—Herman Frohling. 132*

Know some news? Phone 115 and tell us. Thank you.

Mrs. Ellery Purcell went to Sioux City last Saturday, to spend a few days with her daughter Marjorie, at Morningside college.

Phone the news to 115. Thank you.

Miss Bernetas Wolle went to Dows Friday of last week to visit friends and to attend the basket ball game there

Friends here recently received notice of the birth of a son, Donald Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fenton, at Portland, Ore., on Feb. 7.

REDUCED PRICES on all-wool suits and overcoats. W. L. Wilson, Star Cleaner. 72c

Steve Antonio of the Candy Kitchen left Monday for Chicago looking after business interests.

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it. Thank you!

Found—Bunch of keys. Call at this office.

ROBINSON'S

BUY TODAY

Prunes 10 and 20 cents per pound
Raisins 25 cents a pound, any kind
Currents at 25 cents pound
Apricotes at 35 cents per pound
Peaches at 18 cents and 25 cents
Tea at 40, 55 and 70 cents a pound
Coffee a pound, 25, 30, 35 and 45
These are guaranteed.
Rolled Oats 6 pounds for 25 cents
Apple Butter 2 pounds for 25 cents
No. 2 Pear butter 15 cents
Some apples at 60 cents a peck
Soap chips 2 pounds for a quarter
Gallon fruit, all kinds, $1.25
Common soaps, 6 bars for 25 cents
P & G soap, 4 bars for 25 cents
Big 4 soap, 4 bars for a quarter

Mrs. H. Allen of Hampton, was a visitor at the Pat Dillon home a couple of days last week.

Please phone the news to 115 Thank you!

The Chain of Ten meets with Mrs. E. S. Fyler next Monday, February 19.

James Thomas is reported as being very ill at the present writing, at his home in south Belmond.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

The debating team of the high school will leave this week Friday for Harris, where they meet the team from that place. The local team has been handicapped by having to change from the negative to the affirmative side of the question, but they are determined to bring home the bacon just the same.

For Sale—One left over suit, at a big discount.—Belmond Tailor Shop.

The J. R. Thayer family was released from quarantine the first of the week.

FOR SALE

R. C. Rhode Island Red Cockerels. High Class birds.$2.00 each. Geo. T. Johnson, Route 2, Belmond, Iowa.

The Rebekah Lodge sprung a surprise on the Odd Fellows, Tuesday evening, by having a fine lunch ready for them at the close of their business meeting.

Mrs. Willard Morse was hostess to the Priscilla club on Wednesday of this week.

Auto Side Curtains Repaired—Prices reasonable. Bring them in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

The South Division of the M. E. Aid of which Mrs. W. H. Wolle is chairman, will hold a food sale on Saturday afternoon, at the Meat market of C. Nissen.

Friends of Rev. J. H. Edge were informed the first of the week of a fire which distroyed practically all their furniture. Rev. Edge and family are now at Spirit Lake.

NOTICE

For Sale—Pure bred Poland China bred sows.—O. D. Jenison, Belmond. Iowa. 12tfc

Mr. and Mrs. Larson of Eagle Grove, were callers on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eaton.

Do you wear a truss? We sell Chase's Reversible, Smithsonian, and Honest John. Let us fit you. Satisfaction guaranteed.—Schultz Drug Co.

Dick Parker, from Iowa Falls, was visiting his father and other relatives here one day last week.

Miss Alma Greenfield spent several days in Chicago last week attending to some business affairs.

Jasper Johnson has been awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the State University at Iowa City, and in addition has been elected president of the Forensic Council. "Jap" appears to be coming right along, and to those who know him it is not surprising, for he is a young man of talent and ability.

Prof. Gruetzmacher of the school faculty expects to leave Friday for Ames to attend the initiation ceremonies of his "Frat," which has been made a national fraternity.

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

The ladies of the Conregational Aid society held a very pleasant social afternoon in the church parlors last week

For Sale—Medium sized refrigerator. Also 9 x 12 rug.—Mrs. Rosecrans. 112c

BASKET SOCIAL—A basket social will be held Friday evening, February 17 at the Center School, Pleasant township, District No. 5. Program at 8:00.—Grace Gartz, Teacher.

Do your screens need fixing? If so call on Dad.—Dick Kenefick.

FOR SALE—A few pure bred Poland China sows. Phone 2004.—C. C. Landon.

Christ Rise is holding a closing out sale of his complete line of farm implements on Saturday, Feb. 18. See his ad in the Independent this week.

FOR SALE—A beautiful highly polished Chickering & Son piano, for sale cheap. Just as goood as new. At Galliger residence.—Mrs. Bensch. 13tfc

Warner Butts, of Goodell, was a guest over Sunday at the home of his mother here.

Leona Rierson, daughter of Holver Rierson, is confined to her home with an attack of scarlet fever. The home has been quarantined.

Be Sure You're Right

Your battery may seem to be so full of life that you may conclude everything is O. K.

But it pays to be sure, because batteries sometimes die very suddenly, right when they seem to be in the best of health.

Here at Battery Headquarters we know the facts before we tell you either that your battery is in good shape or that it needs repairs or replacement.

Everything's done here according to Willard National Standards of Service.

Belmond Storage Battery Co.

Phone 46

Representing Willard Storage Batteries

"THE BANKER'S DAUGHTER"

A COMEDY DRAMA IN FOUR ACTS

PRESENTED BY THE

American Legion

Under The Personal Supervision of
Josephine Friel McAlpine

Thursday and Friday, February 16 and 17

At the

BELMOND OPERA HOUSE

Admission 35c and 50c

Tickets on Sale at Schultz' Drug Store

FOR SALE OR RENT—The property on River Avenue known as the Man Luick place. Partly modern house, barn, garage, and other buildings.—James Thayer, Phone 369. 132*

C. I. Williams left Sunday for Rochester, to visit his wife who is at the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Johnson returned last Saturday from their wedding trip to Des Moines.

Harry Bohning left Tuesday for Chicago to look after some business affairs there.

C. J. Papousek was a caller at Mason City on Monday, attending to some business affairs.

Howard Mooore was a business visitor at Thornton Monday.

KINSETH STORE NEWS

"The Banker's Daughter" or the daughter of the farmer, or their mothers or their children, can come to the store on the corner and get the same courteous treatment, the same service, and the same bargains.

We offer you the best goods at the best prices. We make a profit, sure —we'd have to go out of business if we didn't—but we do not figure to make a big one on every item sold; small profits but many sales is where we expect to "get off."

Good goods at honest prices; a fair deal on the square, that's what we believe.

And you are cordially invited to come in, ask us prices, compare them with others, and then use your own judgement. We'll take your word.

The Flowery Path of Ease

will never be yours unless you form the Habit of Saving.

Friends may desert you in times of trouble but a Bank Account is your friend in every storm.

Start one today.

State Bank of Belmond

Belmond, Iowa

The Bank for Everybody!

Public Sale!

As I am quitting the farm, I will have a closing out sale at my place, seven and one half miles northwest of Belmond, and two miles east and one- half mile north of Olaf, on

Wednesday, Feb. 22nd

Commencing at 1:00 p. m. Sharp

4 - Head of Horses - 4

1 black colt coming 3 yrs. old
1 grey colt coming 2 yrs. old
1 team of black mares, 13 yrs. old, wt. 1300

10 - Head of Cattle - 10

4 calves
5 milk cows, fresh soon
1 grade bull

18 - Head of Hogs - 18

Including 12 bred sows

56 - Chickens - 56

6 White Wyandotte roosters
50 good pullets

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 disc
1 hay rake
1 corn plow
1 4-section drag
1 end gate seeder
1 McCormick mower
1 Moline plow, new
1 gas engine and pump jack
1 Stoughton wagon and box, new
Forks, spades and a full line of tools
1 John Deere spreader, good as new
2 churns
1 15-gal. jar
3 tons of hay
1 tank heater
1 spring buggy
1 platform scale
1 bob sled and hay rack
1 binder, in good running order
1 DeLaval cream separator, new
2 sets 1½ in. breeching harness, all complete
1 corn planter, with 120 rods of wire

TERMS:—$10 and under, cash; over that amount 9 months time will be given on approved security bearing 8 per cent interest.

OLLIE TOMSON, Owner

LEWIS HAUGE, Auct.
STATE BANK OF BELMOND Clerk.

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LOCAL MEN HIT BY GREAT WESTERN MOTOR

Dispute Between Telephone Company and Farmers Over

"War" Is Ended By "Armistice" And Compromise Is Made On The Rates.

MONTHLY RATE TO BE $1.25

The dispute between the Belmond Telephone Company and its rural patrons around Belmond and the various exchanges, has been settled. Settlement was made by compromise. An "armistice" has been signed, and rural telephones are again carrying the news of the day.

The agreement reached between the company and its rural patrons fixes a monthly charge on country phones of $1.25, if paid by the 10th of the month, if not paid by then the charge is to be $1.50.

The company agrees to replace the phones of those who had them removed, free of charge. Those who brought their phones in are to have them back, installed, and the lines placed in order without charge.

The charge for installation of telephones remains the same as before, but the charge for changing name on the book is discontinued.

Toll calls remain the same, as this is something over which the Belmond Telephone Company has no jurisdiction, the charge being fixed by the Bell and Western Electric companies. Line calls for community affairs are to be free of charge, but personal benefit calls, such as farm sales will be as before, and line calls thru other towns to be charged as station to station calls.

About all of the phones are either back or will be back as soon as they can be installed, and the "telephone war" has become a matter of history.

PETERSON HAS UNIQUE THEATRE STUNT

The following from the Hampton Chronicle will interest Charley's home town folks.

Charles Peterson, manager of the Windsor theatre, has put Hampton on the map, theatrically speaking. The recent novel publicity which the the Windsor theatre gave to the "Old Nest" in the form of a miniature farm on the stage was considered good enough to demand the following notice on the exhibitor's page of a recent issue of the New York Telegraph:

" A most novel exploitation stunt was used for an advance advertisement of the showing of Goldwyn's photo-play, "The Old Nest," at the Windsor Theatre, Hampton Iowa.

"In the space between the silver-sheet and the front of the stage the manager had built a miniature model farm, with house, barn, silo, windmill and other buildings. Miniature telephone wires were strung along the road.

"On the left of the stage was the frame farm house, set back in a spacious yard, with a woodshed near by. Across the road was the barn and windmill with several shocks of corn showing in the foreground.

"In the road was a truck operated by a mechanical contrivance which ran it down the road and up to the door of the farm house. The blade of an electric fan was used to represent the windmill in motion. A small sign board, connecting the display up with a civic boost or Hampton, was placed in the yard.

"This display was shown every night for several days before the screening of 'The Old Nest'."

SACRED CONCERT AT CONG'L CHURCH

The Sacred Concert given by the choir of the Congregational church last Sunday evening was of unusual interest and enjoyed by a large audience.

Much time and work in the choosing of the selections given, resulted in a very satisfactory and pleasing entertainment.

The chorus consisting of 10 voices sang several beautiful anthems, interspersed with solos, duets and trios.

The ladies quartette gave two numbers and Mrs. Amy Peterson read a selection from Longfellow's Evangeline.

Miss Elizabeth Lienbach gave "That Sweet Story of Old," with music accompaniment.

The male quartette sang two selections followed by a solo by Herbert Nelson, Miss Ely at the organ and Miss Boughton at the piano as accompanists added much to the artistic program.

Art Cuppett came down from Minnesota, where he has a farm, on Tuesday for a visit with old Belmond friends and relatives.

SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

Friday night, February 24 will be the last number of the 1921-22 Lecture Course. At that time Mr. Ratto, an impersonaer, will entertain us. He comes recommended to us as one of the best entertainers in his particular line.

Now is the time to Boost Belmond. The Athletic teams are selling Metal Auto Name Plates, enameled in blue, with white letters. These plates, according to our contract, must be sold for $1.50 per pair. They are neat, attractive, and far more durable than a penant, and are made to place just above or below the auto number. The money received by the teams for the sale of the plates will be used to finance a tournament trip for the teams. Now is the time to put one on your car and advertise Belmond wherever you drive your car.

Remember that Thursday night is Community night and the time to make use of the gym. If you don't wish to play on the floor, you are welcome to watch the games from the balcony.

Saturday night of this week the Belmond boys will play the fast Nashua team from North Eastern Iowa. Martin of Goldfield will referee the game, and a fast game is promised.

We are trying to arrange for a game between B. H. S. girls and the undeafeated Garner girl's team for Saturday night, but to date have not received definite answer from Garner.

Our debating team was defeated in the third round of the state series at Harris, Friday evening. The debate was very close and our debaters were a credit to themselves and their school. It was 2 to 1 decision. Elaine Rierson, Lee Lowenberg Teddy Johnson, William Vestweber, accompanied by Miss Thomas made the trip.

Carol Tyrrell represented B. H. S. at the Sub-district contest held at Goldfield last Friday. Emmetsberg was given first place, but was ruled out because the selection was too long. Clarion having been given second, received first place because of this ruling. Belmond received second. The contest as a whole was not as good as the County Contest held here last year.

The Senior Class are going to put out an annual this year. This week the boys are solciting advertising and we hope the business men are as willing to support us as they always have been in the past.

This week Friday we send three contestants to Eagle Grove to complete in the County declamaory. Alferd Wilkinson will represent us in the Oratorical class, Carol Tyrrell in the Dramatic class, and Wilma Thompson in the Humorous class.

Last week the Belmond basket ball teams lost the two games played, one with Garner on our floor, and the other with Kanawha on the latter's floor.

In the Garner game the team was unable to strike their usual stride until the last three minutes of play. This being too late to score in the game. The score ended 17 to 18. The game was very slow and ragged. The boys seemed to be unable to regain their basket-shooting eye after playing on the Dows floor, which has only nine feet baskets.

The Kanawha game was altogether different than the Garner game. Our boys deserved to win, and would have done so had it not been for Harriman's lucky baskets the first half. during which time he caged five consecutive baskets trys from the center of the floor. The first half ended 18 to 11 in favor of Kanawha.

Belmond came back strong in the last half and held the score 21 to 21 Again we tied the score 25 to 25, with three minutes to play. During the last minute of he game, Harriman caged his only basket of the last half, making the score 25 to 27 as the whistle blew. Kanawha drew a free throw. Harriman making another point by this route, the game ended 25 to 28.

The game not being refereed closely, resulted in continous pushing, blocking, holding and unnecessary roughness thruout the game.

Come out next Saturday night and see what our boys can do against one of the best basket ball teams in the state. Nashua vs. Belmond.

CONG'L CHURCH NOTES

The Ladies Missionary Society will meet in the parlors of the church on Thursday afternoon at 2:30. All the ladies of the church are urged to attend. The Bible Study class will meet Thursday evening at 7:30. Services on the Sabbath as follows:

Bible School at 10:00 a. m.

Morning worship at 11:00 and the Evening services at 7:30.

The services of last Sunday were of an exceptional character. The morning services were well attended and in the evening the house was well filled to hear the excellent program given by the choir. It was certainly an hour long to be remembered by all who were present.

If you have no church home we invite you to make your home with us.

FEED THE STARVING

From bountiful harvest, low prices, we ought not forget those sorely in need, nor that sometime we may need assistance of others. There is now being collected in and about Belmond, corn, other grains and money for the Famine suffers of the Eastern continent. Will you spare a little to prevent human suffering and starvation?

Railroads offer to carry free to Eastern seaboard, any such donations, there to be transported to the needy. Such donations of grain may be delivered to the elevators in Belmond—for Eastern Relief—taking reciept therefor.

Please do so now, or notify the Committee, A. C. Hinman, J. F. Henn or Geo. P. Hartwick.

"The Banker's Daughter" One of the Best Yet

American Legion's Home Talent Play Proves Excellent Effort And Pleases All.

PLAY CLEARS ABOUT $100

Some excellent home talent plays have been staged in Belmond, but seldom has it been the privilege of local people to enjoy as fine an exhibition as "The Banker's Daughter," given here Thursday and Friday nights of last week by the local post of the American Legion.

It was beyond any question one of the best that has ever been staged in Belmond. Without exception, the actors portrayed their characters in excellent style, putting much feeling and expression into their lines, so that never, at any time, was there the strained atmosphere generally found in home talent plays more or less. They spoke their lines naturally, unhesitatingly, and with unusual expression. The acts were carried thru smoothly, in a natural and a life-like manner, and the audience was carried along with the spirit of the play.

To pick a star from the caste would be a difficult matter, for none of them shown above the rest. If such could be chosen, it would have to be on some single instance, for taken thruout the play as staged was a splendid exhibition of what can be done with everyone co-operating and working for the one main object.

The Legion cleared a nice sum on the two night's exhibition, and the post is to be congratulated upon their success, both as individuals and as a whole. The Independent, without hesitation, pronounces "The Banker's Daughter" as the hit of the season.

Another home talent play will be staged by the Legion in the near future, and with this one as a standard to go by, the public should be favored with a play that will be well worth coming far to see.

GOODELL NEWS

U. B. Church Notes

Don't fail to hear John B. Ratto, Feb. 25, at 8 p. m. at the church. He will impersonate a number of national characters and give some excellent readings. Admission children 25c, adults 35c.

The Ladies Aid was entertained on Wednesday of this week by Mrs. F. Clark and Mrs. Hermon Cunningham.

The closing exercise of the Sunday school last Sunday was very interesting. The adult Bible class presented some very interesting facts regarding our Missionary work in China. Next Sunday the Young People's class will give some facts on our West Africa work.

We wish that the members would make special efforts to attend service from now to Easter, which will be on April 16. Not only church members should plan to be at church each Sunday but everyone in the community.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

General worship at 11 a. m.

Evening service at 7:30.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:00.

H. T. Miller, Pastor.

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Judge Fry to Address Good Fellowship Club

Next Meeting Of Good Fellowship Club To Be Held On March First.

FINE TIME LAST MEETING

A very interesting meeting of the Good Fellowship club was held last Wednesday in the basement of the library. The program committee had a little bad luck in securing the speakers for the evening and Rev. Wilkinson, of the Methodist church, very kindly substituted, and gave an excellent talk on the work of Luther Burbank. the Plant Wizard.

Rev. Wilkinson's talk was of much interest. He cited some of the instances of Burbank's work in the plant line, of the wonderful specimens he has produced thru cross breeding and inbreeding in the way of trees, flowers and plants, and of the remarkable patience and persistance with which Burbank has carried on his wonderful work. The address was different from anything the club has yet had the pleasure of hearing, and was interesting to a degree. Rev. Wilkinson has the thanks of the entire club for his kindness and excellent address.

The usual 'feed" was enjoyed after the talk. The preliminary program of the evening consisted of a quartette composed of Messrs. Wm. Nelson, Bert Nelson, H. G. Nordschow and Trafford. They favored those present with an excellent selection, and this was followed by a solo by Bert Nelson.

Judge Fry will be the next speaker, on March 1st. His address should be well worth hearing, and a large attendance is looked for. Come out to the next meeting and spend an enjoyable evening having a good time with your fellow men.

CITIZENS, WAKE UP!

Citizens of Belmond (that includes every voting person) Tax Payers, Wake Up! Why sleep and growl and snore! This is the year that you are going to vote for a Mayor and a full set of Councilmen, who are going to either make more expenditures in the shape of taxes, or lower same. It is your business to see to it that the ticket is not mapped and hatched behind closed doors. You are the people that place in power the machinery that make taxes; you are the people that pay taxes. Now then, why elect a man that does not know the value of his own dollar to make you pay the dollar? In other words, get together; elect a man that has real and personal and taxable property. We have many good men in our midst, who will and are not ashamed to come out in the open and state what they will do.

Regardless of creed and nationality, vote for the man that is a Man. Place Belmond on the map. There never was a better town in the state of Iowa, and never will be. Then let's make it so once for all.

Don't vote for a man because he is a doctor, merchant, banker, or a bank clerk; he is no better than a man digging holes in the ground. A man is a man, that has an interest in his fellow man, for the good he can do. not to skin him.

Very truly yours,

W. H. WOLLE.

COL. MACNIDER TO SPEAK HERE SOON

Hanford MacNider, National Commander of the American Legion, will address the Good Fellowship club in Belmond sometime between the 15th of March and May 1st.

This was announced at the Good Fellowship meeting held last Wednesday evening. It is understood that Mr. MacNider has promised to come whenever his dates will permit, and preparations are being made to make his coming an event for long remembrance. As at present understood, plans are to hold a public meeting in the high school auditorium, to which everyone will be invited. A short program may be given, with an address by the National Commander, and the meeting will then adjourn to the Library basement where the Good Fellowship members will enjoy a talk by Mr. MacNider and a banquet.

Mr. MacNider's visit to Belmond is one of which every citizen in the town may be proud, and is an honor to the community. He is more than the National Commander of the Legion, he is an international figure, and one of the two greatest young men of America. Announcement will be made thru the Independent whenever the definite date for his coming is arranged, and full plans of the program.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

News: Lester Rossman, of Belmond, has filed application for a writ of habeas corpus in district court, and Judge Fry has issued an order calling for the defendant to produce the person of Stella G. Rossman, aged eleven, in district court in Clarion on the 27th day of February 1922.

Rossman, in his petition, cites that he was married to the defendant, Edith Nihoff, February, 5 1908 and that in 1918 she sued for a divorce. He alleges that the original notice served on him called for his appearance in court September 2, 1918 and that it expressly stated the petition would be filed on September 22nd, but that on September 16th he learned a divorce had been granted defendant, and believing his rights were lost, he did not contest the action. The wife was given the custody of the girl.

Rossman alleges the mother is an unfit person to have the care and custody of the girl, and attacks her moral standing in the community. He says the little girl is being sent to school illy clad, and without shoes, but the mother, under the decree of the court, holds her in her custody. He charges that he cannot help toward the support of the child, and alleges the daughter will be ruined if she be permitted to remain in the custody of her mother.

Georgia Galbraith is suing M. W. Galbraith for divorce. They were married in Wisconsin in 1898, and she alleges cruel and inhuman treatment. The defendant is alleged to have cursed her and called her cruel names, forcing her to do work in the fields. He was recently selling out the machinery and live stock and a writ of attachment was issued against the proceeds of the sale, and the matter will come up for final hearing at the April term of court. Mrs. Galbraith asks the custody of the three minor children.

Wm. P. Chamberlain secured the appointment of guardian for the property of his mother, Mary L. Chamberlain, who is in such poor health that she cannot look after it. A house in Winfield, Iowa, is the main item. Wm. Wm. Carden, of Winfield was named guardian.

M. W. Gabraith and wife have been sued for $244.25 by Dr. Geo. E. Snearly, of Goodell, for professional services, and for $267.25 by the Wright County Furniture company of Belmond on account, and by the State Savings Bank of Goodell for $656.96 on notes. Writs of attahment were issued against the personal property of defendants.

Madeline Langland, of Eagle Grove, who has beneficiary of a $1,400 insurance policy left by her brother, the late Andrew Langland, has had Martin Hill named as her guardian. She is fourteen years old, and her parents are dead.

The grand jury at this term of court rapped the justices of peace in Wright county who have failed to file reports of the business transacted by them the past year. Only S. A. Ferguson, Rowan; A. L. Middleton, Troy; D. D. Mathewson, Liberty, and the Mayor of Clarion, have filed these reports.

The Court has ordered a special session of the Supervisors to be held February 27th, at which time they are to draw and certify a list of names available for jury service the coming year. The Auditor is to certify the number of names required from each precinct.

George Scott vs. Rose Motor Co.,

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A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT OCCURS HERE THURSDAY

Two Men From Norway Township Driving Truck Are Struck By Motor.

BOTH ARE BADLY HURT

The Great Western crossing west of the river, the scene of former accidents and a dangerous and unnecessary place, was the scene of another tragedy last Thursday afternoon about 5:30 when Joe Larson and Leonard Johnson, two Norway township men, were struck by the evening Motor.

The two men were starting home in a truck with an enclosed cab, and failed to hear the warning bell or to see the approaching Motor. The Motor struck the truck about half way between the cab and the engine, the two occupants being thrown out on the pavement. They were carried into the lumber office near by, and later taken to the local hospital and given treatment, and reports to the Independent yesterday were that they would both recover

Larson was the most severely injured, having internal injuries. He is a married man with a family. Johnson is a single man.

The truck was demolished. This crossing has been a decidedly dangerous place for years, and it would seem that it was about time some move was started to have crossing gates installed before somebody is killed. A united effort will accomplish it, but nothing will ever be done unless it is pushed hard.

A CHALLENGE

To the People of Belmond and Vicinity!

This announcement is to serve as a challenge to all those who are interested in the work of the Sunday School, and to all those who are not interested, whether old or young to become interested in the greatest of all institutions, The Church of the Living God, which sponsors the work of the Sunday School.

If you, who read these lines are interested in the men and women of tomorrow; if you, who read these lines think that the Sunday School is an indespensible factor in the molar development of a community; if you, who read these lines, whatever your vocation, whether professional men, business men, farmers or day-laborers, if you believe the Sunday school is worthy of your unconditional support, I challenge you to verify that position in regard to the Sunday school by your attendance at both meetings of the Annual Convention of the Belmond district of Wright County Sunday School Association.

Time.—Sunday, February 26, 1922.

Hours.—2:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Place.—Sands Memorial church.

Speakers.—2:30 p. m.

Rev. Jamison, Clarion; Miss Lucy Vembreit, Clarion.

7:30 p. m.

Rev. J. M. Jensen, Rev. Wilkinson.

A special chorus will furnish the music. Remember the date, time and place. "By their works, ye shall know them."

A. W. Waalkes
District Chairman

IMMANUEL REFORMED CHURCH NOTES

A. W. Waalkes, pastor.

Sunday School 9:20 a. m. (English)

Morning service 10:20 a. m. (German.)

Christian Endeavor 7:30 p. m. (English.)

Topic for March 5.

"Better Home Life." 1 Sam. 6:1-12.

Daily Bible Readings on the Topic,

M.—More Love. 1 John 3:14-18.

T.—More Courtesy. 1 Peter 3:8-12.

W.—No Deception. Gen. 27:1-13.

T.—More Thoughtfulness. Gen. 13.

F.—More Forbearance. Eph. 4:1-6.

S.—More Piety. Fit. 2:1-8.

Address by. Pastor. 8:00 p. m English.

There will be no meeting by the young people this week Wednesday evening. Instead the meeting is postponed to Friday evening at the usual hour. There will be no meetings Tuesday evening because of the District S. S. convention in the Congregational church in town. An announcement appears elsewhere.

The school bond election held at Meservey last week Friday was defeated by about 25 votes, after a bitter fight on both sides. This was the second election that had been called this winter for the purpose of erecting a new building. Feeling ran high in the town and voting was unusually heavy. It is not known at this time what future action will be taken.

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CLIPPINGS

Miss Marian Luick, of Belmond, came last Friday for a visit at the home of Mrs. Millie Smih.—Times

Mrs. Henry Maitland and Mrs. Lindorf were visiting at Belmond one day last week.—Times.

Mrs. Ethel Papousek of Belmond is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jacobs. She will remain here the balance of the week. —Garner Leader.

Lou Baldridge of Belmond visited relatives and friends here last Friday.—Reporter.

Mrs. Stearnes, Mable and Verl went to Belmond Saturday for an over Sunday visitwith relatives and friends. They Returned Monday.—Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Baldridge of Belmond, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Waltz were guests here last Thursday at the Geo. Baldridge home.—Reporter.

Mrs. Parsons came over from Belmond yesterday afternoon for a visit at the Dr. Missman home.—Times.

Harry Brooks went to Belmond Monday night on business.—Times.

The criminal cases scheduled for this week in district court struck a snag yesterday when the attorneys for Bige and Fortune, alleged robbers of the Wheeler and Charlson & Holt stores at Woolstock and Goldfield attacked the legality of the indictments, alleging that the grand jury which heard the evidence and returned the indictments and the petit jury drawn for the present term were illegally drawn, in that the Board of Supervisors had failed to see to it that proper certification of some of the poll books, from which the names were seclected for jury service, hade been made.

The election officials in some of the rural townships had overlooked this detail, and when the books reached the Supervisors they, also, failed to certify them, thus furnishing the basis for the attack on the work of the grand jury last year and this.—News.

Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans and Miss Catharine Prichard returned Sunday afternoon from their trip to Rochester, Minnesota, whither they had gone several days previous. Mrs. Rosecrans went to Rochester for the purpose of submitting to an examination to ascertain the cause of an ailment that has bothered her much of late. Miss Prichard, her niece, who is a trained nurse, accompained her. It was thought that before Mrs. Rosecrans would receive permanent relief, an operation would be necessary, but upon their return, they bring the glad tidings that an operation is unnecessary, ad that after a course of treatment, Mrs Rosecrans can hope to be quite her natural self again. Exceedingly pleasing news to her many friends.—Leader.

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Life's Auto.

By Wright Field.

Traveling in Life's auto,
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Got to help each other
  Out of every plight.
If you meet a fellow
  Who can't make 'er go,
Don't be selfsh, brother,
  Give the lad a tow!

When a bump of trouble
  Rises in your road,
Don't begin to worry
  'Cause you've got a load.
You need all your courage—
  'Tis no time to sigh;
Step right on the gas, boys,
  Climb the hill on high!

When you're out till morning,
  Head swelled up next day,
All your last week's wages
  Blithely gone their way;
If you haven't pondered,
  It is time you did;
Better put your chains on—
  You're about to skid!

When you think you're all in.
  Got no pep at all,
Sure that you're a failure,
  All you need is gall!
When folks count you dead, just
  Keep on looking wise—
Crank 'er up again, boys,
  When your engine dies!

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Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Lake Township Social

Lake township farm bureau held their regular monthly social meeting at the Center school Tuesday evening February 14th. Somewhere in the neighborhood of one hundred people of that neighborhood turned out to enjoy the entertainment put on by the people in their own community.

The evening entertainment consisted of musical numbers, recitations, readings and a very well planned home talent play. The large attendance at this meeting is evidence that people in a rural community are always interested in entertainment which is furnished by their own people.

The feature of the Lake meeting was the home talent play which was put on by the young people of the township and which proved to be a great success. Those who took part in the play were theMisses Hazel Mikelson, Ola Hiter,Ila Campbell and Irene Hiter also Messrs Ralph Tincher, Russell Breckenridge, John Witzell and Carl Erickson. These young folks should be congratulated upon the splendid showing made in this home talent paly. Ralph Tincher who acted the part of the colored servant brought forth great applause with his cute sayings in the play. The darky minstrel show put on by six school children of the township seemed to make a great hit with everyone.

Social at Huntley Home

The Grant township farm bureau social which was held at the Alf Huntley home, five miles north of Clarion, Thursday evening, February 16th, proved to be a great success in point of numbers and in general, community interest. The Huntley home was packed to overflowing by people of the township who had gathered to enjoy the interesting program which had been arranged by the committee.

The following interesting program was enjoyed by all:

Duet—Marlus Lamb and Ollie Whipple.
Recitation—Pearl Woodley.
Recitation—Earl Peck.
Dialogue—Clifford Lamb and Maxine Morford.
Recitation—Agnes Dorr.
Reading—Mrs. J. J. Bell.
Solo—Mrs. Beulah Anderson.
Short Talk by County Agent Edwards.
Piano Solo—Philip Axen.
Address by Supt. C. E. Prall.

Immediately following the program refreshments consisting of sandwiches doughnuts and coffee and good thick cream were served by the good housewives of the community.

The feature of the Grant meeting was the splendid address given by Supt. C. E. Prall, of the Clarion public schools. In his opening remarks Mr. Prall brought out the fact that misinformation and ignorance are the chief enemies of farm bureau members as well as of those who follow the teaching profession. He gave some interesting facts concerning school taxes and how they are expended. He spent considerable time in explaining the school work in the Clarion high school.

Mr. Prall explained that our public school system teaches citizenship in the following ways: 1. Loyalty to our nation in time of war. 2. Development of habits and industry. [illegible] to choose good leadership. 4. Willingness to contribute to whatever is good for the advancement of international affairs.

Mr. Prall brought a message which was timely and interesting to the farmers of Grant township. He brought out points of information which the farmers of that community have been wanting to hear for some time. His remarks regarding the school taxes were very interesting and instructive. The address which he delivered to the people of Grant township is one which would be interesting to the farmers of any community. The splendid address which he gave us was highly appreciated by all farmers of Grant township.

Troy Farmers Meet at Church

A good sized group of Troy township farm bureau members gathered at the Troy church Friday evening February 17th, for a short business meeting and social good time.

An interesting program consisting of a clever flag drill by several youngsters of the community; a short talk by Adam Middleton on the U. S. grain growers and several other topics of current interest; and a most interesting and practical address by E. A. Patton, treasurer of the Wright county farm bureau who owns and operates a large farm in Blaine township. The farmers of Troy township make this a regular monthly affair and seem to take great interest in meeting together and discussing problems not only of local interest but national importance as well.

The interesting feature of this social was the "heart to heart, straight from the shoulder" address which was given by Mr. Patton. Mr. Patton's talk appealed to the farmers of Troy township because of the fact that he talked to them as an actual farmer, a man who is in the harness himself and knows the game from the practical standpoint. Mr. Patton is an interesting speaker and a man who has made a thorougt study of the farm bureau as a state and national organization.

Lively Social in Woolstock Township

The Woolstock township farm bureau held its regular monthly meeting at the No. 1 Woolstock school. About 150 farmers of that community turned out to enjoy the program arranged by the committee in charge. A lively program consisting of recitations, dialogues and several musical selections was given by the people of the community.

The most lively part of the program was the debate on the question: "Resolved that President J. R. Howard would be of greater benefit to the farmers of Iowa as United States Senator, than he would as president of the National Farm Bureau Federation." This question brought out heated discussions from members on both sides. This question which seemed to be quite popular at that time has lost its interest since the appointment of C. A. Rawson, state chairman of the republican delegation.

A short talk was given by the county agent in which a brief review of the past year's work was given and general activities of the state and national organizations were explained.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

(Continued from page one.)

and Fred Williams and W. H. Anderson, continued.

Frank Vandersee given judgement against E. E. Evans for $395.17, and costs.

Sinclair Refining Co. given judgment against R. P. Morris for $178.02, and interest and costs.

J. Yepsen & Sons judgement against W. R. Tripp and wife for $542.08, and interest and costs.

South Bend Chilled Plow Co., judgment against W. W. Frakes for $113 and interest and costs.

G. & D. Mfg. Co. judgment against W. W. Frakes for $169.34, and interest and costs.

Watreloo Saddlery Co., judgment against W. W. Frakes for $161.30 and interest and costs.

Farmers Elevator Co., of Goldfield given judgment against W. H. Ellsworth for $1,327.81, and interest and costs.

Farmers Elevator Co., of Goldfield, given judgment against Homer Kennedy for $347.62, and interest and costs.

H. B. Cole, assignee, given judgment against W. H. Anderson for $223.50, and interest and costs.

In the matter of the guardianship of Oscar C. Teigland, a minor, C. J. Nagle was appointed guardian ad litem.

Clinton Furnace & Stove Co., given judgment against W. W. Frakes for $215.77, and interest and costs.

George D. Bailer, trustee of Portage Tire and Rubber Co., given judgment against W. W. Frakes for $122.12, and interest and costs.

J. W. Kahney given judgment against Charlie and George Babcock for $1,484, and interest and costs.

Detroit Vapor Stove Co., given judgment against W. W. Frakes for $195 and interest and costs.

In the M. Armbuster suit against Clarence L. Field, Mrs. Clarence L. Field, E. J. Thompson and wife, and George Trotter, Court finds for plaintiff in the sum of $5,362.78, and orders sale of SW qr 7-91-25 to satisfy said judgment.

In the suit of Matthew Kerber vs. Wm. Schuber and wife, E. L. Britson and Hamilton County State Bank, Court finds for plaintiff in the sum of $6,002.83, and orders sale of real esate, the NE quarter 28-93-26 to satisfy said judgment, and judgment for like amount due on the SE quarter 21-93-26, was also entered against above defendants and sale of real estate ordered to satisy claim.

Albert W. Christopher given judgment against Joe and Ida Nelson for $374.21, and interest and costs.

In the suit of E. A. Allen against George W. Bawden et al, judgment entered for plaintiff in the sum of $8,871.12 and costs, and sale of the NW fr. qr. 30-90-24 ordered to satisfy same.

Samuel Guddall was given judgment against J. O. Nelson for $315.43 and interest and costs.

Court orders attachment of porperty of Charles N. Robb in a sum not to exceed $3,000, to protect temporary allmony claim of Mamie Robb, suing for divorce.

Suit of Henry Sporaa against the Iowa Valley Sugar Co., dismissed.

Jno. Dorenkamp suing Rube McFerren et al, case dismissed and settled at plaintiff's cost.

James Kenefick vs. Rube McFerren et al, dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Nora Whitten was given judgment against Jesse Williams for $74.78 and interest and costs.

Katie Smith vs. Ed Gruis and wife, dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

(From the Monitor.) . . . . . .

Another case filed for the April term of court is that of R. P. Doud vs. W. C. Kennedy, who seeks to collect the sum of $700, alleged to be due for the rent on his farm.

Marriage licenses for the past week: Jay Gorunson and Tressie Evans, Angus R. Campbell and Jesse M. Scott, Elmer A. Johnson and Goldie E. Christie, Herman A. E. Thelke and Emma Kniewasser, Owie E. Williams and Wilma A. Rhiner.

The court cases assigned for this week are of minor nature, mostly suits of foreclosure. The second week is set for the trial of criminal cases, those of Fortune and Bige and the Dan Loraine case from Clarion having been assigned.

The grand jury organized by selecting the first named as foreman: C. W. Fowler, C. W. Zieger, A. E. Boyington, Frank Zenor, Clifford Easton, P. C. Lommis, Joe Lukens. B. L. Johnston is clerk and Fred Borel bailiff; B. B. Suiter is court room bailiff.

Enlarged pictures of the late Eugene Schaffter and D. C. Filkins, both lamented Eagle Grove attorneys, were hung in the court room at Clarion last week. Those of Judge Birdsall and Hon. C. M. Nagle of Clarion were the first to receive the above recognition.

The February term of district court convened at Clarion Monday with Judge Fry of Boone presiding. It is a five week's term and promises to be a busy one. The docket contains 300 cases, one of the largest on record. There are nine criminal cases, 143 cases carried over from other terms, seventy-eight new cases and seventy in probate.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

Gerhard Thompson was a business caller in Des Moines last week.

The North Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Erickson last week Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baxter and baby Margaret, and Mr. and Mrs. Windecker went to Iowa Falls Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. Windecker's father which was held at that place Sunday. Mr. Windecker was an old Civil war veteran.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Larson entertained their friends to a Valentine party last Tuesday night. A very enjoyable time was had by all present.

Quite a few from Olaf attended the American Legion play held in Belmond last Thursday and Friday nights. They report the play as being very good.

Joe Larson and Leonard Johnson met with an accident last Thursday evening when returning from town. The auto truck in which they were driving was hit by the motor and both were dangerously injured. They were taken to Dr. Steele's hospital where they are getting along as well as can be expected. This is a very dangerous crossing and something should be done in regard to flag men or gates.

Henry Fritz shipped a carload of hogs to Chicago last Saturday.

Olaf Elison attended services in Belmond Sunday evening.

A number from this vicinity attended the 35th wedding anniversery of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Anderson at Belmond Friday.

Tom Lee is reported an the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott "tended" store during Windecker's absence.

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Rowan Local News

H. R. Pepper, of Waterloo, was a Rowan Caller between trains Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle are settled in their new home on the farm vacated by Jim Langdon's.

Miss Lura Whyte, of Goldfield, spent a few days the last of the week with her friend Miss Edna McCutcheon. They both returned to Goldfield Saturday.

Theo Hansen was doing jury duty at Clarion last week.

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Munson were Belmond callers last Wednesday.

Frank Snyder was helping in the D. W. Whitten store during Mr. Whitten's absence while attending conventions in St. Louis and Des Moines.

Mrs. J. I. Drury and children left for their home in Highmore S. Dak. Wednesday. Mrs. Truesdale and daughter accompanied them home and will visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ed Drury. Mrs. Herb Hadley and daughter went as far as Eagle Grove with them and they all visited a sister Mrs. Pascoe at that place.

Mrs. Henry Azeltine received word that two of her cousins who lived near Chicago were instantly killed by a train while going home from a farmer's banquet.

Guy Toyne was a Dows caller Thursday.

Mrs. Manly Francomb is at Clarion caring for her daughter, Mrs. Allie who has just returned from Rochester where she had an operation for appendicitis. Bonnie Thomas is staying with Ione Francomb while her mother is away.

Mrs. Virden has been very sick with pneumonia but is reported better at the present writing.

Mrs. Clarence Townsan and daughter, Clara Jane visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris the first of the week.

Mrs. Dan Fletcher and daughters, Izetta and Mrs. Morris Sullivan visited at Dows Tuesday. Mrs. Sullivan remained a few days for a visit with relatives returning to her home in Fort Dodge Friday.

Word has been received of a new baby girl who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Myers, Friday February 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jennings, of Clarion, came to Rowan last Tuesday and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum went with them to Bradford to look after farm interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ramsey, of Latimer, were calling on Rowan relatives Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rusatz and children were Dows callers Thursday.

Mrs. Edwin Nelson has been at the Hampton hospital the past week taking treatments. She was operated on Monday morning and is reported as coming thru the operation very well.

Mrs. O. F. Braden and Mrs. J. F. Howell were Dows shoppers Thursday.

Miss Mildred Azeltine, spent the week end at home and was entertained with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Azeltine, at the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Azeltine.

The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Rutsatz got his foot injured while playing. A chair fell on it and it was tho't for a while his foot was broken but it proved it was not.

Harry Cain was a county seat visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder and daughter, Ruth, spent Friday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder.

Mrs. Fred Smith and son, Kenneth of Clarion spent Saturday with relatives in Rowan.

Mrs. Kate Conn returned from several weeks visit with relatives at Cedar Falls and Waterloo. She is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Whitten.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan. Mrs. Hubbard McCallum and grand daughter, Betty Robinson, visited at the home of her brother, R. Virden. She was called to Aberdeen So. Dak. by the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Mullins and left for that place the last of the week.

Mrs. Charlie Farmer visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Ferguson last week.

Lee Mickel, of Allison, was changeing cars in town Saturday enroute to Dows to see his father-in-law, Mr. Beach who is very sick.

Mrs. Frank Kercheval was a Clarion visitor Monday.

Mrs. Mary Williams was at Hampton Wednesday having some dental work done.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum visited at the Glenn Jennings home in Clarion on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten and son Clarence, were Dows callers on Tuesday.

Maurice Birdsall, of Clarion, was a business caller here Tuesday.

A new baby arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Coburn last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lindsey were callers at Belmond Wednesday, having dental work done.

Mrs. Christian, nee Leola Virden, and little daughter Celeste, of Aberdene, S. D., visited at the home of her parents last week. She was called home by the death of her uncle, Mr. Mullins.

The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Moon has been sick the past week.

S. A. Ferguson received word of the death of his mother at Arapohoe. Colo., and the remains will be brought to Ames for burial.

Rev. Nye was a passenger to Garner last Friday.

Mrs Mary Williams was on the sick list the first of the week and unable to attend to her duties at the store.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn, of Coulter, were Sunday guests at the parental Fletcher home.

Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder and daughter, of Clarion spent Saturday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Guy Sheldon. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sheldon were also entertained, the occasion being the birthday of Maxine.

Mrs. H. J. C. Box is suffering from exema again.

Robert Holliday who is attending college at Cedar Falls has won a gold metal in a debate his collegue failed to appear and he won against two. The winners were put up against each other and he won first place over all thus winning the gold medal.

The Serial which is being shown at the Brooks Theatre is one which is full of thrills. It has never been shown in a town of this size before. Each picture is a story in its self. The other pictures which are shown are worth the price of the show alone.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph were Sunday guests at the Ed Miller home in Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten went to Goldfield Sunday to visit Mrs. Whitten's sister, Mrs. Clifford Snow who is sick, threatened with pneumonia.

Mr. M. Myers has gone to Minn., to be overseer on a large ranch. Mrs. Myers expects to join him in the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas, who have been visiting at the home of his parents left last week.

Rev. Bushnell, Dist. Supt. of the M. E. church, preached in the M. E. church Sunday and on Monday he held an afternoon and evening session. A picnic supper was held in the basement of the church.

Rowan Congregational Church

Rev. W. H. Nye.

Services, Sunday Feb. 29th.

Divine Worship 11 a. m. "Come invite your friends."

Sunday School, 12 a. m. "We need you and your Friends in School."

The Christian Endeavor, 7:30 p. m. Leader—Howard Box.

The Evening Song, 7:30 p. m. "Be Sure and Hear the Music and Address."

We are doing all that we can to make this Sabbath Day a Day of Blessing and Attractive for you and your Friends. "Come."

The Rowan C E. will hold a bake sale in the store of D. W. Whitten. Saturday., February 25th. Leave all your orders with Mrs. Nellie Hyde. "Come."

The Mission Study Club will meet with Miss Ruth Emerson Monday ev- please answer roll call with a current event.

The Rev. Nye was a Belmond caller Friday and calling on friends.

Be sure and do not miss the services at the Rowan Congregational Church this Sabbath Day.

The mid-week meeting at the church Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. The Junior Endeavors will meet at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

ROWAN SCHOOL NOTES

Lura Whyte, from Goldfield, a friend of Miss McCutcheon, visited school Thursday and Friday.

Rowan had a game scheduled with Dows for Thursday night. Feb. 16 Owing to the fact that the referee from Goldfield could not come and Dows not accepting any other referee. the game was called off.

The basket ball teams and their friends had a party in the school house Thursday night. Feb. 16. The basket ball girls had made candy and pop corn to sell at the game. Then, since the game was called off. they had a party. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Will Bingham and Mrs. Pete Mathiason visited the primary room one day last week.

Miss Thorman, of Hansell, spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Susan Duffy, who was spending the week end with her parents.

This week will see lots of changes in Rowan as so many will be moving.

SOCIETY NEWS

Tuesday evening the Y. P. S. C. E. held a Valentine party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell. About forty young people were present at this party. The evening was spent in various games after which refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval entertained at a Valentine's Day dinner Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. Kercheval's cousin, Jim Saston of Bel mond who was making a visit at their home. The house and table were decorated in appropriate decorations for the day. A lovely dinner was served at five o'clock. The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter, LaVonne, Jim Easton and James Kercheval. They report a very fine time.

Mrs. Mary Braden entertained at a six o'slock dinner Friday in honor of the bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell. The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Jesse Agnew, and the Misses Drahlem, Osterhus, Kervink, Cowley and McCutcheon.

The M. E. Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. M. Myers Thursday afternoon. An afternoon of good work was accomplished. Refreshments were served.

The Cong'l Ladies Aid served a 25 cent dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Emerson Thursday afternoon. About twelve dollars was realized from this dinner.

Mrs. Clint Kercheval entertained Friday evening at a progressive puzzle party. About thirty two guests were present. They were given score cards for the entire evening. Mrs. Harland Hill won the prize gaining twenty-nine points, her sister, Miss Pearl Mickelson being second with twenty seven points to her favor. A very unique menu card was presented to the guests. The crowd left at a late hour voting a fine time.

The young people enjoyed another party at the Brooks hall Friday night.

The Young Ladies Mission Study Club met Monday night at the home of the Misses Ruth and Esther Emerson with Miss LaVonne Ballou as leader. The subject was "What we are doing in Home Missions." Our next meeting will be held the third Thursday night of March at the home of Miss Florence Box. At this meeting our mite boxes will be opened and the offering sent to the home Missions. The Misses Laura McCallum and Stella Emerson were assistant hostess. Lovely refreshments were served.

CHEATING THE OLD HEN

Garner Leader: Electrical Contractor C. C. Tessier is no friend of the festive hen or he would not be a party to perpetrating such jokes upon her as he has. Henry Duesenberg complained that his hens were loafing on the job and producing very few eggs—averaging only a half dozen each day. Tessier explained to Mr. Duesenberg that he had a scheme to make them more attentive to their prescribed duties and explained his plan to Henry. Mr. Duesengerg is always ready to try a new thought, and so set Cliff at work. Tessier wired the Duesenberg copp for electric lights, and connected the Switch with a clock that automatically turns on the light at about 4:30 o'clock. Of course, the clock can be set at any hour desired. The device was finally installed and it is a positive fact that within four days time Duesenberg's egg production jumped from six to sixty per day. The explanation is simple. The lights go on at an early hour, long before the sun is up. The hen gets off the roost as the coop is lighted and starts her day's work. This makes the day as long as are those of summer, when egg production is the heaviest.—It is the activity of the hen rather than the season of the year that governs egg production.

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"SMASHING THROUGH"

When Larry evades the police and returns to "The Towers," Marlow attempts to explain the attack, but Hutch is suspicious. In the morning Hutch and Nancy start for town to sign a contract to supply paper to Harrison, a newspaper publisher, who is fighting the paper trust.

Tigerly and Hogan put obstacles in their path, but, at great risk to his own and Nancy's life, he overcomes them all and the contract is signed—to the consternation of Marlow, who has allied himself with the Paper Trust.

Bella receives a letter from her father, asking her to bring him the seaweed formula. Nancy then discovers her scarf, containing the secret of the formula's hiding place, is again missing. Ann, who has learned the combination of Marlow's safe, obtains the scarf, but is forced to give it to Nancy or else disclose herself as Nancy's enemy. Hutch, in the gymnasium, overhears Marlow plotting with members of the Paper Trust to ruin Nancy and Harrison. Hogan sneaks up behind with a heavy Indian club raised above Hutch's head.

Announcement!

We wish to announce to our friends that we have purchased the City Meat Market, formerly conducted by C. Nissen. The new firm is

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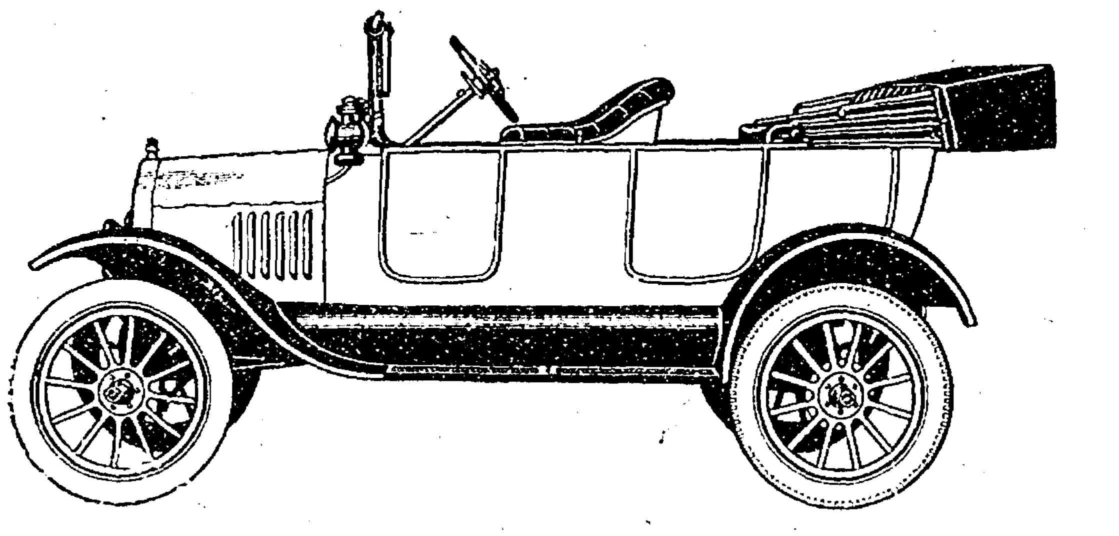

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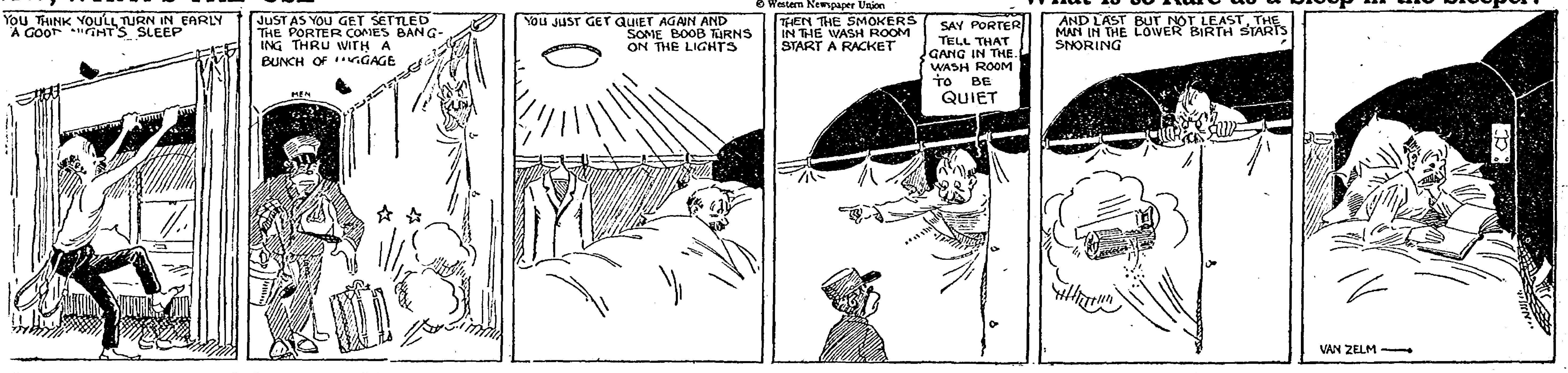
YOU THINK YOU'LL TURN IN EARLY A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP
JUST AS YOU GET SETTLED THE PORTER COMES BANGING THRU WITH A BUNCH OF LUGGAGE
MEN
YOU JUST GET QUIET AGAIN AND SOME BOOB TURNS ON THE LIGHTS
THEN THE SMOKERS IN THE WASH ROOM START A RACKET
SAY PORTER TELL THAT GANG IN THE WASH ROOM TO BE QUIET
AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THE MAN IN THE LOWER BIRTH STARTS SNORING
VAN ZELM

SCHOOL NOTES

There was an old man
Who lived in the moon
He came to the earth
In an old balloon.

He told wonderful tales
Of the days of old
How teachers worked
Without any gold.

He told how for years
He wore a great coat
That was made from the hair
Of his father's old goat.

He wore for fourteen long years
One pair of good shoes
That he could never wear out,
Though they made him weep tears.

He said the teachers in the moon
Always taught by rule,
And never a child
Grew up a dunce or a fool.

What wonderful people
Live up in the moon
They can teach, they can write
And everyone sings a wonderful tune.

Teacher

(Written By Merle Brogan)

Our poet friend, the orator friend, and the soldier friend have each brought before us words of praise for their respective parts. They have endeavored to show to you, that each has done more than the other for the onward march of mankind. The truths they have presented I shall not endeavor to dispute, but would rather support them, for we know that each have had their part, and a great part, in building and advancing civilization. But I wish to present to you a word, a name, that I think and trust, shall be able to show, stands higher, and should rank above all other names in the making of history of citizenship, and bringing forth the noblest, and highest ideals of the human race, and that is the word, "Teacher."

First of all it was the teacher who first moulded and formulated the mind of the poet, and the words of the orator. And is was, and is the teacher who first teaches and instills into the mind the love of country and love for his fellowmen. Our friends before enumerated the names of Great Poets, Orators and Soldiers. But in every instance it was to the teacher that they first looked for a guiding hand to discipline the mind and train the Soul.

In saying the first instance, we mean the first early teachings that the child gets away from the home, and in a great many instances, it is the first and only teaching that the young mind receives that which unfolds to him, the beauties of the Poet the grandeur of the Orator, and the patriotism of the Soldier. The first Great Teacher of all Teachers, was the "Great Master Divine," who taught by the wayside, on the hill top, and in the temple, the great lesson and truths of mankind. He could behold a lesson in the bird, and the flower by the wayside, and in the murmur of the wind, and could so impress that lesson, that they who paused to listen, became changed in mind and character. And to love these truths until they would sacrifice their lives if needs be, to tell them to others. These teachings of 2000 years ago, of the lowly Master, have become enlightenment of the World. But we hardly need to use the "Great Master of all Teachers," we can bring to you such names as, Horace Mann and Mark Hopkins, who was the teacher of Pres. Garfield. We can bring to you such names as, Frances Willard, the little school teacher of Illinois and Wisconsin, who braved the Summers heat and the Winters cold, that she might instill into the minds of youths, love of home, and native land. And who dared to carry the temperance flag into the very face of demons, and when Frances Widdard died, after giving the life of sacrifice, bells were tolled and flags hung at half mast, and meetings were held in her memory. But I wish to bring before you the sacrifices being made every day around about us, by the willing, loving, and sacrificing teacher, who toils in all kinds of communities, among all classes of people, from early morning till late at night on small pay and smaller appreciation. A year ago last winter, a teacher in Adams County Iowa, contracted to teach a country school for $47 per month,. the farmer with whom she boarded, charged her $9 per week board, she had to walk nearly a mile, build her own fires, using corn stalks for kindling. Many a morning she frosted her fingers and feet, sacrificing health and strength. This is only one instance of many, where teachers have been underpaid, not fully appreciated, and yet time came when from out of these same schools came the farmer, the lawer, the doctor, the poet, the orator and the soldier. The imprint of the first lessons that the child learns from the teacher is like the indelible ink upon the page or, "Like the vase in which roses have been since distilled," you may break, you may shatter the vase if you will, but the scent of roses will still hang around it still. The early lessons formulated by the teacher, and when we say, "The Teacher," we mean the one who has entered the profession as a calling from the Divine Master, and whose heart is in the work, and who loves his fellowmen, his country, and his country's flag.

It is then the teachers, that has the beautiful ideals of the poet, the inspiring words of the orator, and the noble sacrifices of the soldier, and has brought forth the best, noblest and truest in life.

The Soldier

(Agnes L. Fischer)

My friends contending for the poet and the orator have told you and my friends contending for the teacher will undoubtedly tell you that each had the highest place in the history and march of mankind. They have told you that the poet thru his songs and beautiful words has stirred men to higher action, ideals and nobler purposes; that the orator thru his flowing words and fiery sentences has induced men to do the almost impossible and you will be told that the teacher thru his influnce over the scholar has made the men of the nations. This I do not deny, but I will contend today that the soldier-boy takes the first place in heroism, sacrifice and holding true those noble ideals that have been put forth by the poet the orator and the teacher.

When the Great World's War was declared in 1916, was it the poet then that we looked to? Was it the orator or the teacher that we called for to go forth leaving all that was dear to him, father, mother, sister, brother, sweetheart or wife? No, it was the soldier. It was then that the sublime sacrifice was made. True indeed, we needed the orator to repeat the poems of the poet, to go forth upon the platform to stir men to the action of giving and of buying bonds. But was this severe sacrifice? Did it try the souls of men? Did the poet, the teacher and the orator have fear of personal death? No, we think not but it was the soldier who bade farewell, probably for the last time all he cherished in the faces so dear to him and knowing that if he did come back he'd possibly be wrecked in mind and body and his vocation in life filled by one who stayed behind.

Our friends in favor of the poet and the orator have referred to great stirring events of history where the songs and orations have lifted men to do great things for their home and for their country. But I would like to refer you to one of the greatest battles of history, the Battle of Themoplal. Here three hundred patroitic sef-sacrificing Grecians gave their lives to hold back the Persian hordes from western civilization. The sacrifice made here and upon the Plains of Marathon checked the savage horde which would have destroyed the best enlightenment of the age and their valor has inspired men of all ages to go forth in their country's need. You have also been referred to great men such as Longfellow, Whittier, Holmes, Webster, Phillips, Clay and others but do these appeal more to you, to the average audience or to the school boy or girl than such names as Roosevelt, Sherman, Grant or Washington? Speak the name of Washington or tell the stories of his life in any place or audience you wish and somehow it causes a thrill within the heart of the listener as no other name in American History or Literature. Does the poem of the poet, the words of the orator or the teachings of the teacher stir men's souls and lift men to higher purposes of patriotism than the story of Washington at Valley Forge and at Morristown Heights, in that supreme hour when his men were dying of hunger and cold? He was offered a large bribe from the English government to forsake his army and enter the English cause but the true manhood within him helped him to pledge to the Almighty God that he would see it through. Can you find any poem, oration, poet, orator or teacher such sublime sacrifice.

Let me refer you once more to that day when you bade good-bye to your soldier boys and then those hours of suspension, of long and anxious waiting and then on that morn of November 11, 1918 when the bells rang out that the armistice was signed and the war was over. How our hearts leaped forth with joy, how the bells rang that soon we would see their faces once more. But some were never seen again and never will be seen again on this earth. We believe that they have gone to that higher and better place where when all battles are over they will meet with those loved ones for whom they lay down their lives.

The Poet

(By Esther Reeverts.)

Our Orator friend has told us about the great orators and their oratory and how it has moved upon the masses of the people, and we agree. But the orator who can not weave into his orations some of the beautiful poems of our land that are so dear to every American heart fails to reach the highest zeneth of an orator, who tries to sway the masses of the people as so many of the poets and their poems of our lands have done.

Our Orator and soldier friends also claim that such men as Washington, Grant, Sherman, Webster, Patrick Henry did more to sustain and keep our Union than the poets whose inspiring words have been repeated and songs sung such as, S. F. Smith's America—My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of Thee I sing etc.

F. S. Key: "Star Spangled Banner," Oh say can you see, by the dawns early light, etc.

J. W. Howe—"Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Longfellow—"Ship of State.

Whittier's—"Tale of Dismal Swamp."

Could any of the generals have done more to build character, have and build noble ideas in our nation, church, home, and school. Then also think of the most beautiful religious song which have put an inspiration into so many of the hearts such as, "Blessed Assurance," "Rock of Ages," "Nearer My God to Thee," etc.

One of our opponents will undoubtedly say that the soldier has given and sacrificed his life for his country, shown nobleness, faithfulness and bravery.

But the songs of our poets have caused more enthusiam, patriotism, love for country, home, church and school.

The Germans used to say that the music and singing of the "Watch on the Rhine" was worth more than a thousand arms.

In the Battle of Chateau Thiery, in the great World's War, when the American army started on their charge, it was the music of the band of the old familiar tunes, and the songs on their lips of the dear old hymns of the American land that gave spirit, action, and power to the boys behind the guns.

One evening in the great Civil War on the bank of the Rappahammach, the confederate army on the South, or the boys in gray began playing "Dixie Land," the boys on the North or the boys in blue began playing "Star Spangled Banner." Song after song was played in challenge. But after a while one of the armies started playing "Home Sweet Home" the other army joined them and they played in union.

Who can say that the school songs given to us by the poets of our land, have not taught and trained millions of children to become strong patroits, who would even dare to sacrifice for the flag of our country.

These words of love and patriotism, have put inspiration into thousands of hearts until we feel safe to say with one of our great men, "Tell the songs of your nation and I will tell you the patriotism of your people."

President's Address

Ladies and Gentlemen: It being the custom and perhaps in this case my duty to the Philomathean Society, to give an innaugural address, I shall endeavor to say a few words which I hope will express my appreciation to you as a society, for the obligation and honor you have placed upon me.

I suppose most of you have read innaugaugaral adresses: that of the President of the United States or of the Governor of the state, but I am sure that which I shall say will not be worth the reading and I am also quite sure that when I have finished the society will not want to pass a resolution that mine should ever appear in print.

But however, there are a few things that ought to be said on these occasions. Not only words of appreciation and respect, but also words of warming or it may be words that will help us in building up and carrying on a society which I believe that we, as students of the Meservey High School may well be proud that we were the founders.

Then as our former President Miss Fischer has said, it is for us, to so plan that we will leave something worth while for those who will take our places as we pass from this school into the busy walks of life. Then we must remember too, that sometime, sooner or later, if we have done our part and succeeded in graduating from high school that we shall become members of the alumni, and it is then that we will either look back to these hours of pleasure and work; these moments of opportunity either with regret or with pleasure. And will it be that we shall go out into life and be obliged to look back to this high school and be sorry we ever graduated from its ranks? Or shall we do our work that we may look back with pleasure that we had a part in shaping and forming a structure that will prove to be a lasting joy to us, not only now in our youths, but in the years to come.

The time is fast approaching for the second trial for a new school building. Let us all do our part, so we can say we did our little bit in succeeding or helping to see a new school building erected in Meservey this year, the year most dear to us. We must act in the present. it is the present we must live. Few of us would want to live the past over again and the future will be the present tomorrow. What would our future be if it were not for our present. It is the present that makes the future. Therefore it depends upon us now, what our future will be. If we have high ideals and keep climbing, we may be sure of a pleasant and happy life to come.

I then appeal to you that we work together, that we plan together, so that we may see the good results of our work. I need your help: you need mine. Therefore we are dependent on each other. Let us then go on with determination, with our ideals fixed high and when we have closed our work here, we may look to that high school with the Great Master as teacher, where there shall be none absent and none late.

The Orator

By Eva Sprau

My friends we bring before you today four of the greatest names in all the ages, which are the Orator, the Poet, the Teacher and the Soldier.

I name the orator first because I shall endeavor to show you that he takes the first rank for greatness for purpose and for good that has been done.

It is not my purpose to speak in terms of desparagement and derogatory of either the teacher, the soldier or the poet, for we all know that each has had his place in the advancement of the human race.

As I am the first speaker. I will not persume to know what the others shall bring before you but it is fair to presume they will bring praises telling of the wonderful work and the great sacrifices each has done. But I think I only need to present to you some of the great and most important changes in the evolution of mankind that has been brought about by the orator.

Moses though slow of speech and hesitating in manner was called by God to go down and free his people. One only needs to read carefully his words, his pleading to his people his intercession to God and his Ten Commandments will prove to you that his words have shaped the destiny of the world. Moses was not a poet, he was not a soldier but he was a great statesmen and his words ring down thru the ages.

Take again Isiah the great orator prophet, with the words of a poet, the great position of a teacher and the bravery of a soldier proclaiming to wicked Israil with such words of sacrifice as, "Here am I send me" in the time of his country's need.

The Great Master of men the Lord Jesus, one of the greatest orators one cannot read his sermon on the mount but he must be embued with higher words of his enemies, "No man ever spake like this man." Think of the countless millions that his words have inspired to go forth to honest endeavor to lift up the fallen and to save the race. Take the name of Jesus from the orators and all that goes for good is lost in oblivion. Take the names of Pericles and Domosthenes of Grecian History and Grecian Demrocracy falls to naught. Take the names of Burke, Pitt and Gladstone from English History and the flower and manhood of English History has lost its beauty.

In this last war were it not for such men as Briand of France and Lloyd George of England that inspired the soldiers could go forth to war our battles would have been lost.

Our friends bring George Washington before you as a soldier. While we will admit that he was a great soldier, could he have carried on the war? Could he have equiped it with men and amunitions if it were not for the inspiring words of the orator.

Such men as James Otis who practically gave his life for the cause of the Revolutionary war; Patrick Henry with his words of warning and meaning as, "Give me liberty or give me death," or the words of John Adams in the Debate for the Declaration of Independance when he said, "Independance now Independance forever."

John Adams, Robert Livingston and Roger Sherman, three great men of their age helped to bring about, upheld and defended that immortal document "The Declaration of Independance," which has inspired the teacher, the poet and the soldier as no other document except the Holy Bible has ever inspired the world.

We believe that the words of Phillips, Webster and Summer made it possible that the soldier boy, of the north could go forth believing that he had a cause and a righteous cause to defend during the Civil War.

Can we deny that Abraham Lincoln one of the most wierd of orators should not have first place in the hearts of American people? His devotion to his country, his true and holy faith in the Supreme God, we challenge our opponents to show to us a poet, a warrior or a teacher who is embedded more in the hearts of American people than Abraham Lincoln.

Reformed Aid Society

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Thursday p. m. at the church basement, at the usual hour. Miss Katie Koenen is a new member. Seventeen were present and refreshments were served by Mrs. John Dirks.

Cemetery Society

The Cemetery Society met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. K. Pals. The goodly number of ten were present. The afternoon was enjoyed by all present and refreshments were served.

King Daughters.

Tuesday evening of last week Miss Irene Butz entertained the King's Daughters Sunday school class at the Mrs. Mary Butz home. The evening was spent by first having the regular business meeting and afterwards by playing various games. A goodly number were present and dainty refreshments were served. A splendid time is reported.

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Mrs. Hans Willer and children of Klemme were here last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dirk Mossel and family.

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

On Monday evening of last week a shower was given in honor of Miss Minnie Wendel at the A. Strasburg home. The evening was spent by playing various games and refreshments were served. A fine time is reported and Miss Minnie is the recipient of many beautiful presents.

On Tuesday evening, February 14, the Rev. Schlesselman's Sunday School class was entertained by John Sims at the Wm. Morris home. Refreshments were served and a fine time reported.

On Friday evening a number of friends surprised Eddie Kuhlers by giving him a party and helping him to celebrate his 12th birthday. They came, bringing with them sandwiches, cookies and ice cream. A splendid time is reported.

Frank Hafferman was a passenger to Belmond on Wednesday having some dental work done.

Mrs. John Riuter returned home last Wednesday after spending several days at the parental home at Latimer.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

(Continued from page one)

Mr. and Mrs. Conwell and Mr. and Mrs. Wesenberg drove to Mason City on last Sunday.

L. W. Wesenberg will hold his annual sale of farm machiery on the 17th of March.

Mrs. Lucinda Carpenter passed away early Tuesday morning at the home of her son Mr. A. C. Carpenter where she had gone a few days before. She had been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. A. Christie but while Mrs. Christie was visiting her daughter Mrs. Stacy, she was staying with her son.

On Monday forenoon she suffered a paralytical stroke from which she did not recover. The funeral was from the U. B. church of which she was a member.

Mrs. Gus Okrueg was in Mason City last Wednesday shopping.

Mrs. Summer Trumbell accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christiansen to Lake Mills last Wednesday.

Last Friday Mrs. Gus Okrueg visited her daughter at Coe College.

Mrs. Okrueg left Cedar Rapids on Sunday night for Chicago where she meets Mr. Okrueg, and from there they will go to Oskosh, Wis.

Mrs. John Ahrenkeil and Mrs. H. T. Miller are in the country caring for Mrs. Leo Ahrenkeil who has the pneumonia.

Mr. Frank Quigley, Jr., has so regained his strength that he is able to be on the streets.

Mrs. Wm. F. Bielr, who has been ill for two weeks, is able to sit up.

Mrs. Erick Clark, of Garner, was visiting her daughter Mrs. Bleir the fist of the week.

Last Friday evening about twenty neighbors and friends met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cook for a social time and to discuss the advisability of organizing a country club. The evening was spent discussing the school problem, farm problems, and church work. One well-to-do and up to date farmer made a statement that stuck: "A man ought to have Pep enough to live a good Christian life at all times." The thought of this group of farmers is to have a community club that is free from anything that will hurt the spiritual side of man. Refreshments were served by the ladies at the close of he evening.

Frances Quigley was in Garner on Monday.

WENDELL—FAABORG

On February the 15th 1922 at high noon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo Wendell occured the marriage of their only daughter Wilhelména E. to Niels S. Faaborg the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Soren N. Faaborg.

These well known young people have grown to manhood and womanhood in this vicinity and have a very large circle of friends who love and hold them in high esteem and who wish them a long and happy wedded life. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. W. Schlesselman Pastor of the Evangelical church of Meservey. While Mrs. Della Prall played the wedding march the bridal party came forward and stood beneath a beautiful arch decorated with bells and red, white and blue prepared for the occasion. Henry Wendell a brother of the bride acted as best man and Miss Lillie Barkama acted as brides maid. After the ceremony which joined this couple as man and wife Rev. Schlesselman introduced to the relatives and friends Mr. and Mrs. Faaborg after which hearty congratulations were extended

The bride is a member of the Evangelical church of which she is a faithful worker. The groom being a World War veteran was called to the colors in 1918 getting his training at Camp Gordon going over seas to the 26 Inft. 1st Div.

The bride wore a beautiful white dress of chiffon; the groom wore a worsted suit. The house was prettily decorated with red, white and blue. A very sumptuous dinner was served. The table being decorated with red, white and blue.

After March 1st the young couple will go to housekeeping on the Mrs. Slight Brockman farm one mile south of Meservey.

To Whom It May Concern

I feel called upon to use this means to correct the rumor of a boycott by five men who met me in the basement of the church last Friday February 17th before the election.

Some one has been sadly misinformed. No threat of a boycott or cut of salary came from these men at that meeting, but instead I was insured by at least four that their support was forth coming no matter where I stood and they knew where I stood, and for the benefit of those who are in doubt, I would say that I cast my ballot in favor of a new school. I should have voted against my own conviction, if I had done otherwise.

If anyone thinks however that this is just cause for a boycott, they are invited to do their worst. I lived through a 3 years boycott before I was a minister of the gospel on account of my stand in relation to the booze question. It was unpleasant to say the least and I am still paying interest on $300 as a direct result of said boycott.

I expect to die poor but not as one who has been dishonest.

Let's keep cool, let's be real Amerisan citizens and recognize the rights of every man, let's be christian, charitable to our fellowmen and remember the golden rule.

Before this election I also made the statement that if it failed to carry this time, I would be neutral.

Nuf said. Yours for a square deal,

A. W. Schlesselman.

Joe Stadtlander was a motor passenger to Mason City on Monday.

Peter Pals and son Henry returned home from Mason City on Sunday. Henry is getting along as nicely as can be expected.

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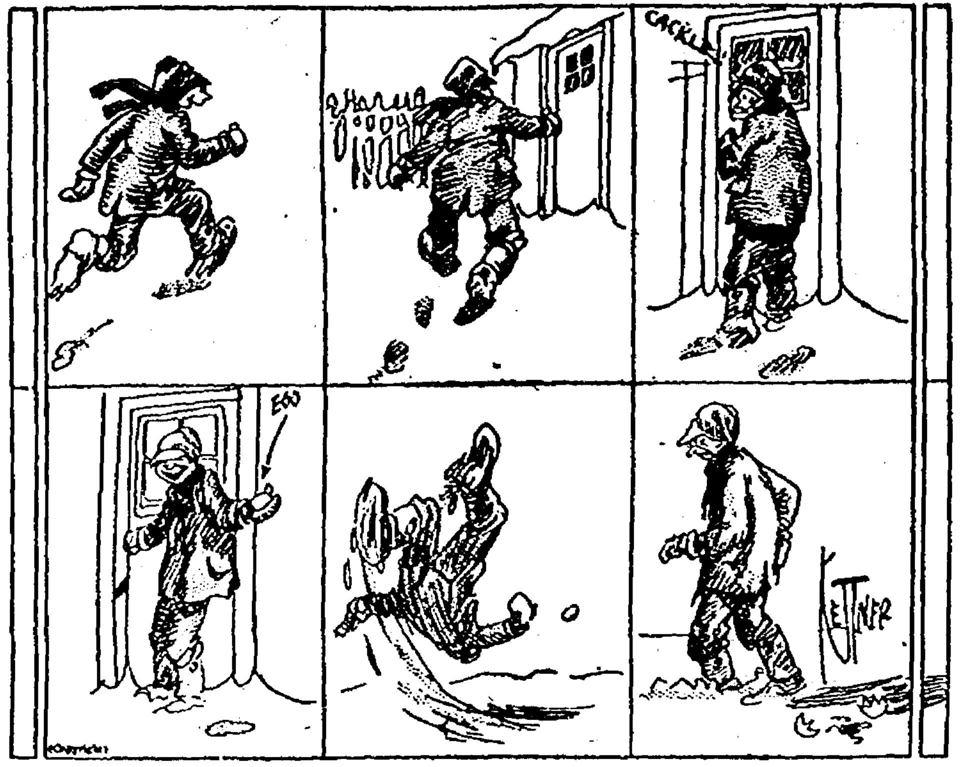

SCHOOL NOTES

The first and second grades have started making raffia baskets of different designs and colors.

The children are dramatizing the the story of "How the first Flag was made by Betsy Ross."

We will have a Washington program in the first and second grades.

The fourth grade surprise will be given Friday.

The fourth grade were the winners in the Good English contest in the lower grades, having eighteen badges.

The fifth grade won thirteen badges in the Good English contest and the sixth grade won seventeen. Lydia Pannkuk and Lucille Paul each won nine badges.

Six weeks tests will be given next week. The remainder of this week will be spent in receiving.

Mildred Kofoed spent the week end at Dows.

Next week is the end of the first six weeks in the second semester. Six weeks tests will be given.

Last week was Good English week, the contest being on pronouns in the objective case.

The eleventh grade were the winners in the upper grades. The fourth grade in the lower grades. The contest will be continued. This week the test is on pronouns, the nominative possessive and objective cases. "Happy people, smiling faces, make a happy town; days of voting, more provoking, cause a bigger frown."—Poetic Junior.

A Literary program will be given by the Philomathean society next Friday p. m. The subject of the program will be Washington and Lincoln. Everyone is cordially invited.

Billie Mussel was at Belmond one day last week having dental work done.

Mrs. Ben Gruis left Monday for a visit with children and other relatives at Stout and Parkersburg Iowa.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30
Preaching services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00

Catechism at the usual hours on Saturday afternoon.

The Aid Society will meet Tuesday afternoon February 28 at the church basement at the hour of 1:30.

There will also be a congregational meeting the same afternoon at the same hour.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bachman and family of near Goodell visited at the Mrs. Meindert's home on Friday.

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Wm. Messelhelser returned home Friday after spending nearly a week visiting home folks at Chicago, Ill.

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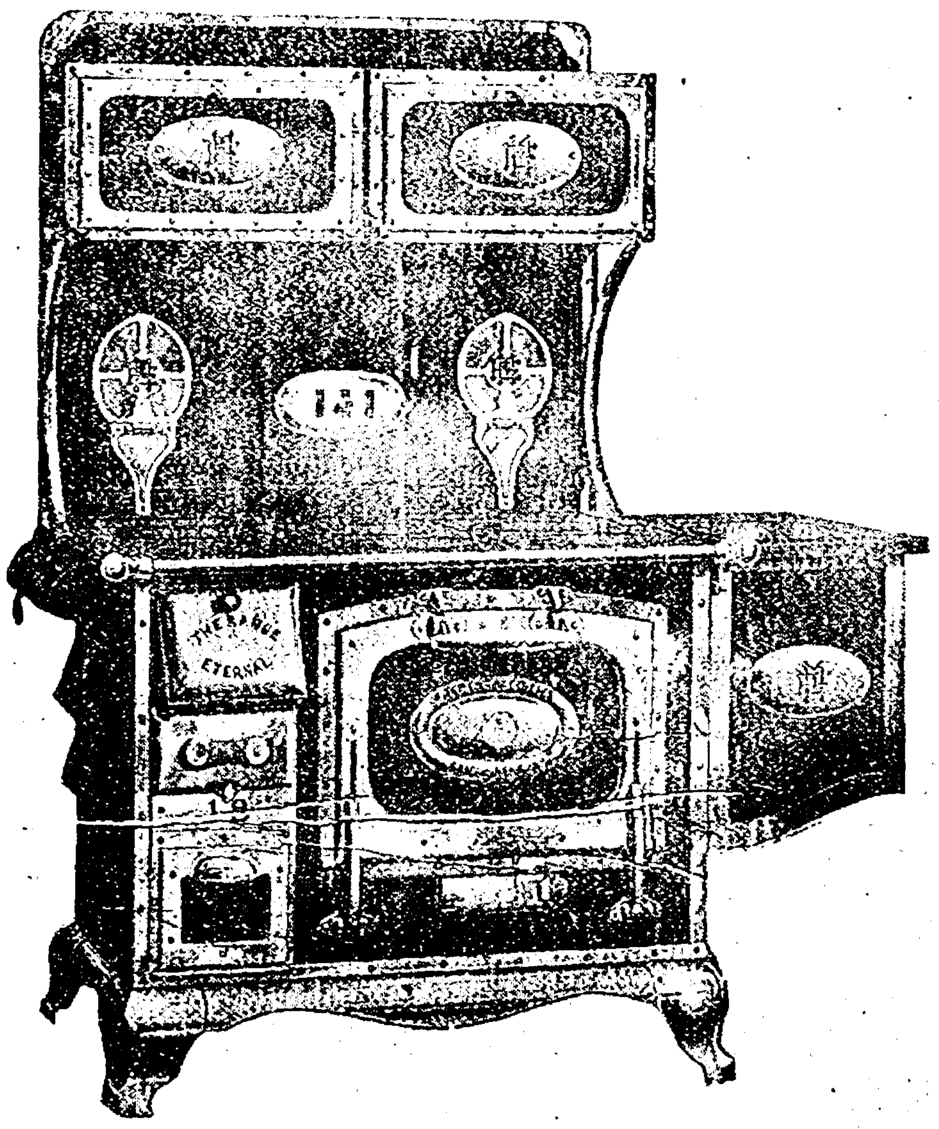

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent and Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Bert Kieslich has purchased a new Paige touring car.

Mrs. Leslie Born and Miss Emma Eickmeyer were shoppers at Mason City last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Massey and Miss Matilda Eickmeyer, of Sheffield visitors at this place Sunday.

Mrs. Adolph Eden returned home from Rochester, Minn., where she has been visiting her husband at the hospital. Their many friends are glad to learn that Mr. Eden's health is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Kieslich visited with relatives at Hampton last Tuesday.

J. C. Arends was a business caller at Belmond last Wednesday.

Theodore Beenen was a Hampton visitor last week.

Mrs. Lillie Cornwell spent the last of last week with friends at Latimer.

W. C. Tyrrell, of Belmond, was transacting business at Alexander the latter part of the week.

Ben Hensel, of Webster City, visited at the home of Oscar Hensel several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Symens were shoppers at Belmond last Thursday.

Albert Larson and Lewis Seegar were business callers at Hampton last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Nelson and Theodore and Bertha were among the callers at Belmond Saturday.

Bert Kieslich was a caller at Hampton Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Mohr and son, Arthur, visited relatives at Polk City Friday and Saturday.

Miss Gertrude Birmingham visited her sister at Hampton last Saturday.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer accompanied by Mrs. Leslie Born, spent the week end at her home at Sheffield.

Otto Ostendoelph was calling at Meservey the first of the week.

Mrs. O. N. Schultz, of Latimer, visited with friends at Alexander last Thursday.

FALLS FROM ROOF

Eagle: Carl Trorup fell from the roof of his porch early Monday morning and landed on his head on the cement walk. His skull was fractured and he died almost instantly. He had called Mrs. Thorup and told her to finish dressing and come out and assist him. When she came out a few minutes later she found him lying on the walk dead. She called Mr. and Mrs. Paulson, who live near and they carried the injuried man into the house and Dr. O'Toole was summoned but life was extinct before he arrived.

The fire on the roof had been extinguished before Mrs. Thorup came out of the house. The ladder was still leaning against the porch and the exact cause of the tragic accident will never be known.

This is the second fatal accident which has occurred here in the past month. John Conkings was fatally injured in a fall from the front porch of his home and his injuries were almost identical with Mr. Thorup's.

HOGS BRINGING KLEMME NICE SUM OF MONEY

Times: Hogs are about the only farm products that is bringing the farmer real money this year. The other day we were talking with A. C. Lau and he gave us item that is well worth passing on to our farmer readers.

Saturday Henry Buseman sold him 87 head of hogs which brought him the neat sum of $2,163.00 and which perhaps is the biggest valued bunch of hogs brought in this winter by one farmer. Mr. Lau also stated that from the 7th of January to the 10th of February he has paid out to the farmers for hogs $23,369.20. Very good and we are glad to hear that the farmer is making money on at least one of his products. We presume the other live stock buyers also have paid out about the same amount to the farmers for their live stock.

Klemme is a good live stock shipping point and the market price here is always much higher than what buyers pay in the other nearby towns so that it is quite frequent that farmers closer to another town brings his stock here to sell. Just Saturday a farmer near Goodell drove his cattle to Klemme and sold them to a local buyer. That speaks well for the Klemme buyers.

SCHOOL NOTES

Miss Alice Barkema, our lone girl of the senior class, was a Hampton visitor Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. O. N. Schultz and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, of Latimer, visited our school last Thursday. Mrs. Johnson is the mother of two of our teachers, the Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson.

Mrs. Schultz sounds more familiar under the name of Miss Alvena Johnson, our third grade teacher last year. Other visitors last week were Mrs. Otto Kieslich and Miss Jessie Bell..

The Home Economics girls served an excellent four course dinner last Tuesday evening. The guests of the class were Mrs. Nels Larson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte and son, Johnnie, Mrs. J. L. Latham, Mrs. Louis Peters, Mrs. Andrew Lieuwen, Mrs. F. D. Murphy and son, Charles,, Mrs. A. D. Mohr, Miss Eva Whetstone and Miss Ella Beenen.

The dinner was well prepared and daintily served. The girls and their instructor, Miss Ruth Johnson, are to be congratulated for their excellent progress. The getting up and serving of a good meal—a well balanced meal—is an art in itself.

The Eat More Club composed of faculty members and their next friends, were royally entertained last Wednesday evening at a six o'clock dinner given by Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Mohr. A part of the club members was similarly entertained the preceding Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Latham. The original intentions of the Club were along literary lines but the gastronomic feats of the membership so far out-classed their literary prowess that they are locally known as the Eat-Mores, instead of the Shakesperians, the original name.

A Miss Paige, of Detroit, Mich., has arrived to make an indefinite visit with her friend,, Miss Cornwell, our sixth grade teacher.

A representative from the Ridpath Vawter bureau called upon us last week.We did not buy a course. Their prices are outrageously high—high enough for two dollar coin. When it comes to paying ninety dollars for a man to make a monkey out of himself for an hour's time, it smacks too much of a gold brick proposition. As to musical numbers and their productions, you are hearing just as good piano music at our picture shows.

Two bad scares threw the whole school into consternation last week, viz: scarlet fever and a wedding. Neither took place. Dick started the former and Otto is credited for the latter. Dick has already been informed that a sore throat does not always mean scarlet fever. We leave it to the school board to settle with Otto.

CHURCH NOTES

St. John's Evangelical Church

Next Sunday afternoon we will hold services in the German language beginning at 3:00 p. m.

Rev. J. Barth, Pastor

Mrs. Younglin,, of Latimer, was a visitor with friends here the past week.

NOTICE—I have given my son, Clifford Swenson, his time, and will not collect his wages or be responsible for his debts from this date on. Dated Feb. 16, 1922.—Peter Swenson. 132*

GENEVA MAN IS FINED $100

Chronicle: Ernest Weiner, who lives near Geneva, was fined $100 and costs by Judge D W. Parks last week for violating the state motor laws.. On January 28th, Weiner had a head-on collision with Clarence Hedrick, who was driving a horse and buggy. As Weiner did not have the lights on his Ford the court held him responsible for the accident. At the time of the collision he did not stop to render any assistance, which in itself is a crime, and there was some trouble in apprehending him. However, the county authorities learned that a Ford owned by a Geneva man was being repaired at a Garage at Ackley and they learned that the car was owned by Weiner. When he was confronted about the matter he admitted his guilt and was brot to Hampton for a hearing. Justice Parks not only gave him the limit in the way of a fine, but promised him that if he ever violated the motor laws again his license would be taken away.

Eagle Grove Man Runs Amuck

M. G. Messick, of Eagle Grove, was assessed $100 and costs by Justice Parks last Tuesday on a charge of assault. On January 22nd Messick went out on a hunting trip in Morgan township and he took along other ammunition than his shells and before he had gone far was very much intoxicated.

Messick attempted to hold up two automobiles and when he failed at this he headed for a farm yard to see what damage he could do. At the E. H. Capelien farm he met George Harkbarth and threatened to kill him if he would not obey his orders. Just at this time Mr. Capelien came out from the house to aid Mr.. Hackbarth and Messick covered him with his shot gun and threatened to kill him too. Mr. Capelien immediately returned to the house with the intention of getting his own shot gun and when he came out again Messick was beating a hasty retreat. On his way out of the yard Messick grabbed a goose and wrung its neck so that he could return home from his hunt with some game.

Mr. Hackbarth and Mr. Capelien finally overtook him and hauled him before Justice of the Peace W. H. Capelien, in Morgan township and Messick was bound over to the grand jury of the district court. The court turned the case over to Justice Parks before whom the final hearing was held.

FINED FOR "SPEEDING"

Chronicle: Christ Anderson ran his Ford car thru the streets of Hampton on all fours last Saturday afternoon, not a cylinder missing, with a democratic buggy of C. A. Fox tied behind. Chris was taking the old buggy home from the Hampton Sales Company barn, where it had been housed for several weeks. He started for the C. A. Fox home, where he is employed, and came up on Fourth street at a Dan Patch gait.

Anderson says that he was not going fast, and that he could stop his car in an instant if necessary, but of course with the wobbling buggy behind it looked like he was really "going some." That's what Marshall Hooker thought, too, because as soon as Chris reached the Fox home east of town there was a phone call from the marshall for Chris to appear at the office of Judge J. J. Sharpe at 7:30 o'clock that night.

Chris thought it was all a joke, and he says that he made a mistake by pleading guilty, because he never dreamed that the court would assess him $10 and costs, a total of $16.05. He says that he did not go faster than a five dollar fine anyway, because he turned the corners on the streets with perfect ease, which shows that he was not "speeding." Chris says that if he ever gets Hooker's flashlight again he will keep it, and the marhall will have to buy another one.

MORE REGARDING GARNER ELECTRIC LIGHT SITUATION

Leader: Elsewhere in this paper is an article signed by the Iowa Falls Electric Company. This is published on the order of John A. Reed, vice-president of the company, and forwarded to us from the Cedar Rapids office. We are not endorsing the article in any way. It is inserted as paid advertising matter and will be billed to the company.

But there are some things that we wish to call attention to. In the first place in quoting the average rate received in Garner the heaviest months in the year are taken as a basis of figures. Why not take two of the months in the summer when there is much less electricity used and give the figures? The rate would very likely be much higher.

The article quotes the rates of many towns. Why not give us some figures on towns where rates are much lower than in Garner. We can give them, in towns even smaller than Garner, and within a radius of fifty miles too. The frachise under which the Iowa Falls Company is working calls for a rate like that of other towns of like size within a radius of fifty miles.

From what we can learn, Klemme has a higher rate than Garner. Why are Garner and Klemme given the highest rate of any towns served by the Iowa Falls Company?

"Manager" Kellogg called on us the other day to give us a few pointers. He says an effort will be made to adjust matters and give satistion to the local customers, and that Mr. Reed will come here and endeavor to make a rate that will be satisfactory.

Why do the powers that be think of this during the last month of a twenty-year franchise?

And, say, what about the service some of the patrons get at times? Only last week a man living at the edge of Garner put in a small motor —¼ or ½ horse—and had to have it taken out. It would scarcely run itself, let alone pulling any load. One patron said their lights were handy to go to bed and get up by, but if they wanted to read, they had to light a kerosene lamp. Two dealers told us they quit trying to sell electric stoves. The service was so poor they could not heat the tea kettle in all day.

If the Iowa Falls Electric Company did business with the same idea of giving satisfactory service at a reasonable cost that merchants of Garner do, we don't believe there would be one continual feeling of dissatisfaction. The man in charge of the local plant does all he can to do the right thing by the patrons, so don't blame him.

Mrs. Charles Winwood returned home Saturday after a visit with her parents at Iowa Falls.

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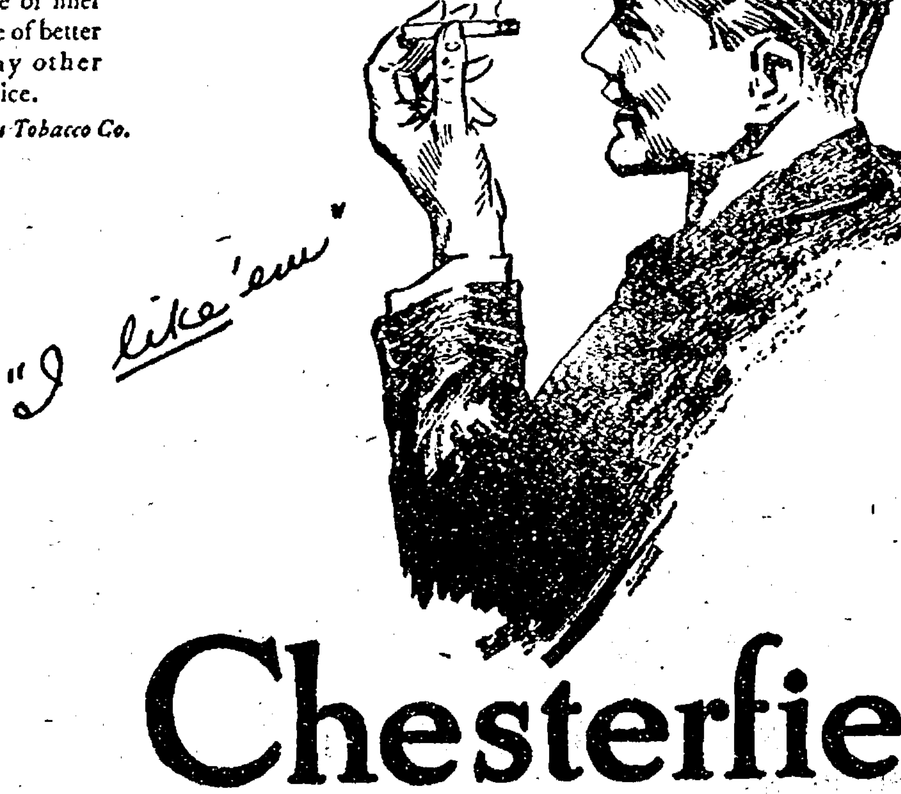

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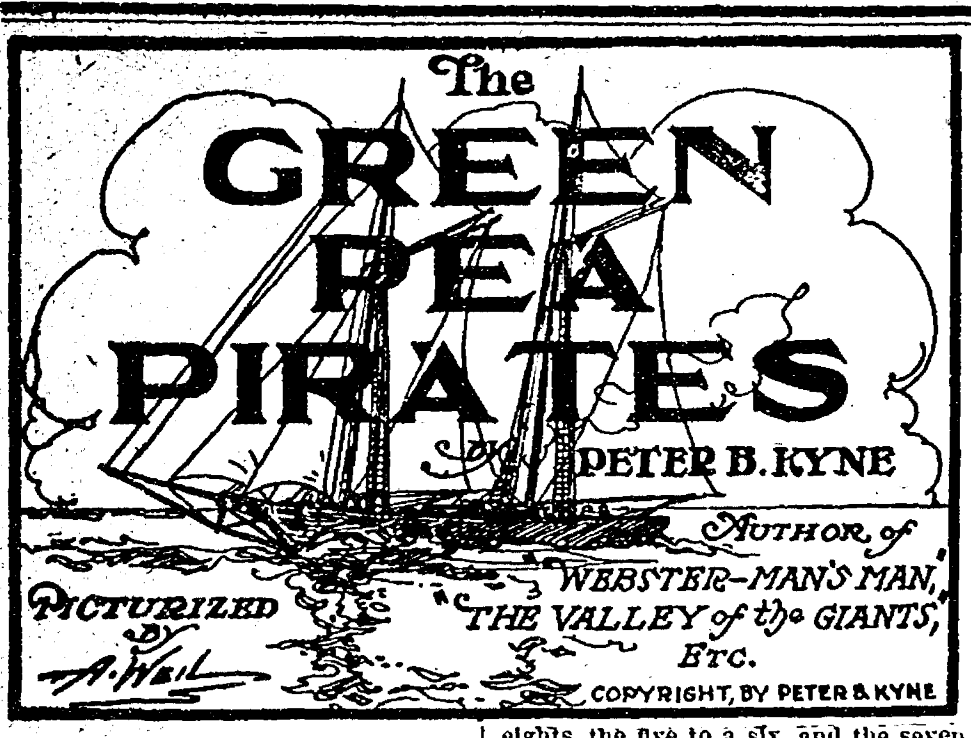

The GREEN PEA PIRATES

By PETER B. KYNE

Author of "WEBSTER—MAN'S MAN," "THE VALLEY of the GIANTS," Etc.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII.—Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate,' with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

Sittin', the scrappin', the petty jealousies and general cussedness that characterized our lives on the old Maggie will not be duplicated on the Maggie II. Them vicious days is gone forever, I hope, an' from now on the motto of us three should be:

> "All for one and one for all—
> United we stand, divided we fall."

This earnest little speech, which came straight from the honest McGuffey's heart, brought the tears to the commodore's eyes. Under the inspiration of McGuffey's unselfish words the glasses were refilled and all three pledged their friendship anew. As for Captain Scraggs, he was naturally of a cold and selfish disposition, and McGuffey's toast appealed more to his brain than to his heart. Had he known what was to happen to him in the days to come and what that simple little motto was to mean in his particular case, it is doubtful if he would have tossed off his liquor as gaily as he did.

"There's one thing more that we mustn't neglect," warned Mr. Gibney before the meeting broke up. "We've got to run this little vessel into some dog-hole where there's a nice beach and smooth water, and change her name. I notice that her old name Reina Maria is screwed into her bows and across her stern in raised gilt letters, contrary to law and custom. We'll snip 'em off, sandpaper every spot where there's a letter, and repaint it; after which we'll rig up a stagin' over her bow and stern, and cut her new name, 'Maggie II,' right into her plankin'. Nobody'll ever suspect her name's been changed. I notice that the official letters and numbers cut into her main beam is F-C-P—9957. I'll change the F to E, and the C to O, and the P to R. A handy man with a wood chisel can do lots of things. He can change those nines to eights, the five to a six, and the seven to a nine. I've seen it done before. Then we'll rig a foretopmast and a spinnaker boom on her, and bend a fisherman's staysail. Nothing like it when you're sailing a little off the wind. Scraggs, you have the papers of the old Maggie, and we all have our licenses regular enough. Dig up the old papers, Scraggsy, and I'll doctor 'em up to fit the Maggie II. As for our armament, we'll dismount the guns and stow 'em away in the hold until we get down on the Colombian coast, and while we're lying in Panama repairing the holes where my shots went through her, and puttin' new planks in her decks where the old plankin' has been scored by shrapnel, those paraqueets will think we're as peaceful as chipmunks. Better look over your supplies, McGuffey, and see if there's any paint aboard. I'd just as lief give the old girl a different dress before we drop anchor in Panama."

"Gib," said Captain Scraggs, earnestly, "I'll keel-haul and shull-drag the man that says you ain't got a great head."

"By the lord," supplemented McGuffey, "you have."

The commodore smiled and tapped his frontal bone with his forefinger. "Imagination, my lads, imagination," he said, and reached for the last of the punch.

Exactly three weeks from the date of the naval battle which took place off the Coronado islands, and whereby Mr. Gibney became commodore and managing owner of the erstwhile Mexican coast patrol schooner Reina Maria, that vessel sailed out of the harbor of Panama completely rejuvenated. Not a scar on her shapely lines gave evidence of the sanguinary engagement through which she had passed.

Mr. Gibney had her painted a creamy white with a dark blue waterline. She had had her bottom cleaned and scraped and the copper sheathing overhauled and patched up. Her sails had been overhauled, inspected, and repaired wherever necessary, and in order to be on the safe side, Mr. Gibney, upon motion duly made by him and seconded by McGuffey (to whom the seconding of the Gibney motions had developed into a habit), purchased an extra suit of new sails. The engines were overhauled by the faithful McGuffey and a large store of distillate stored in the hold. Captain Scraggs, with his old-time aversion to expense, made a motion (which was seconded by McGuffey before he had taken time to consider its import) providing for the abolition of the office of chief engineer while the Maggie II was under sail, at which time the chief ex-officio was to hold himself under the orders of the commodore and be transferred to the deck department if necessary. Mr. Gibney approved the measure and it went into effect. Only on entering or leaving a port, or in case of chase by an enemy, were the engines to be used, and McGuffey was warned to be extremely saving of his distillate.

Mr. Gibney made a splendid job of changing the vessel's name, and as she chugged lazily out of Panama bay and lifted to the long ground-swell of the Pacific, it is doubtful if even her late Mexican commander would have recognized her. She was indeed a beautiful craft, and Commodore Gibney's heart swelled with pride as he stood aft, conning the man at the wheel, and looked her over. It seemed like a sacrilege now, when he reflected how he had trained the gun of the old Maggie on her that day off the Coronados, and it seemed to him now even a greater sacrilege to have brazenly planned to enter her as a privateer in the struggles of the republic of Colombia. The past tense is used advisedly, for that project was now entirely off, much to the secret delight of Captain Scraggs, who, if the hero of one naval engagement, was not anxious to take part in another. In Panama the *freebooters* of the Maggie II learned that during Mr. Gibney's absence on his filibustering trip the Colombian revolutionists had risen and struck their blow. After the fashion of a hotheaded and impetuous people, they had *entered the contest absolutely* untrained. As a result, the war had lasted just two weeks, the leaders had been incontinently shot, and the white-winged dove of peace had once more spread her pinions along the borders of the Gold coast.

Commodore Gibney was disgusted beyond measure, and at a special meeting of the syndicate, called in the *cabin* of the Maggie II that same evening, it was finally decided that they should embark on an indefinite trading cruise in the South seas, or until such time as it seemed their services *must be required to free a downtrodden* people from a tyrant's yoke.

Captain Scraggs and McGuffey had never been in the South seas but they had heard that a fair margin of profit was to be wrung from trade in copra, shell, coconuts, and kindred tropical products. They so expressed themselves. To this suggestion, however. Commodore Gibney waved a deprecating paw.

"Legitimate tradin', boys," he said, "is a nice, sane, healthy business, but the profits is slow. What we want is quick profits, and while it ain't set down in black and white, one of the principal objects of this syndicate is to lead a life of wild adventure. In tradin', there ain't no adventure to speak of. We ought to do a little *black-birdin', or raid some of those* Jap pearl fisheries off the northern coast of Formosa."

"But we'll be chased by real gunboats if we do that," objected Captain Scraggs. "Those Jap gunboats shoot to kill. Can't you think of somethin' else, Gib?"

"Well," said Mr. Gibney, "for a starter, I can. Suppose we just head straight for Kandavu island in the Fijis, and scheme around for a cargo of black coral? It's only worth about fifty dollars a pound. Kandavu lays somewhere in latitude 22 south, longitude 178 west, and when I was there last it was fair reekin' with cannibal savages. But there's tons of black coral there, and nobody's ever been able to sneak in and get away with it. Every time a boat used to land at Kandavu, the native niggers would have a white-man stew down on the beach, and it's got so that skippers give the island a wide berth."

"Gib, my dear boy," chattered Captain Scraggs, "I'm a man of peace and I—I——"

"Scraggsy, old stick-in-the-mud," said Mr. Gibney, laying an affectionate hand on the skipper's shoulder, "you're nothin' of the sort. You're a fightin' tarantula, and nobody knows it better'n Adelbert P. Gibney. I've seen you in action, Scraggsy. Remember that. It's all right for you to say you're a man of peace and advise me and McGuffey to keep out of the track of trouble, but we know that away down low you're goin' around lookin' for blood, and that once you're up agin the enemy, you never bat an eyelash. Eh, McGuffey?"

McGuffey nodded; whereupon, Captain Scraggs, making but a poor effort to conceal the pleasure which Mr. Gibney's rude compliment afforded him, turned to the rail, glanced seaward, and started to walk away to attend to some trifling detail connected with the boat falls.

"All right, Gib, my lad," he said, affecting to resign himself to the inevitable, "have it your own way. You're a commodore and I'm only a plain captain, but I'll follow wherever you lead. I'll go as far as the next man and we'll glom that black coral if we have to slaughter every man, woman and child on the island. Only, when we're sizzlin' in a pot don't you up and say I never warned you, because I did. How d'ye propose intimidatin' the natives, Gib?"

"Scraggsy," said the commodore, solemnly, "we've waged a private war agin a friendly nation, licked 'em and helped ourselves to their ship. We've changed her name and rig and her official number and letters and we're sailin' under bogus papers. That makes us pirates, and that old Maggie burgee floatin' at the fore ain't nothin' more nor less than the Jolly Roger. All right! Let's be pirates. Who cares? When we slip into M'galao harbor we'll invite the king and his head men aboard for dinner. We'll get 'em drunk, clap 'em in double irons, and surrender 'em to their weepin' subjects when they've filled the hold of the Maggie II with black coral. If they refuse to come aboard we'll shell the bush with that long gun and the Maxim rapid-fire guns we've got below decks. That'll scare 'em so they'll leave us alone and we can help ourselves to the coral."

Scraggs' cold blue eyes glistened. "Lord, Gib," he murmured, "you've got a head."

"Like playin' post-office," was McGuffey's comment.

The commodore smiled. "I thought you boys would see it that way. Now tomorrow I'm going ashore to buy three divin' outfits and lay in a big stock of provisions for the voyage. In the meantime, while the carpenters are gettin' the ship into shape, we'll leave the first mate in charge while we go ashore and have a good time. I've seen worse places than Panama."

As a result of this conference Mr. Gibney's suggestions were acted upon, and they contrived to make their brief stay in Panama very agreeable. They inspected the work on the canal, marveled at the stupendous engineering in the Culebra Cut, drank a little, gambled a little. McGuffey whipped a bartender. He was ordered arrested, and six spiggoty little policemen, sent to arrest him, were also thrashed. The reserves were called out and a riot ensued. Mr. Gibney, following the motto of the syndicate, i. e.,

> All for one and one for all—
> United we stand, divided we fall,

mixed in the conflict and presently found himself in durance vile. Captain Scraggs, luckily, forgot the motto and escaped, but inasmuch as he was on hand next morning to pay a fine of thirty pesos levied against each of the culprits, he was instantly forgiven. Mr. Gibney vowed that if a United States cruiser didn't happen to be lying in the roadstead, he would have shelled the town in retaliation.

But eventually the days passed, and the Maggie II, well found and ready for sea, shook out her sails to a fair breeze and sailed away for Kandavu. She kept well to the southwest until she struck the southeast trades, when she swung around on her course, headed straight for her destination. It was a pleasant voyage, devoid of incident, and the health of all hands was excellent. Mr. Gibney took daily observations, and was particular to make daily entries in his log when he, Scraggs, and McGuffey were not playing cribbage, a game of which all three were passionately fond.

On the afternoon of the twenty-ninth day after leaving Panama the lookout reported land. Through his glasses Mr. Gibney made out a cluster of tall palms at the southerly end of the island, and as the schooner held lazily on her course he could discern the white breakers foaming over the reefs that guarded the entrance to the harbor.

"That's Kandavu, all right," announced the commodore. "I was there in '89 with Bill McGinty in the schooner Dashin' Wave. There's the entrance to the harbor, with the Esk reefs to the north and the Pearl reefs to the south. The channel's very narrow—not more than three cables, if it's that, but there's plenty of water and a good muddy bottom that'll hold. McGuffey, lad, better run below and tune up your engines. It's too dangerous a passage on an ebb-tide for a sailin' vessel, so we'll run in under the power. Scraggsy, stand by and when I give the word have your crew shorten sail."

Within a few minutes a long white streak opened up in the wake of the schooner, announcing that McGuffey's engines were doing duty, and a nice breeze springing up two points aft the beam, the Maggie heeled over and fairly flew through the water. Mr. Gibney smiled an ecstatic smile as he took the wheel and guided the schooner through the channel. He rounded her up in twelve fathoms, and within five minutes every stitch of canvas was clewed down hard and fast. The sun was setting as they dropped anchor, and Mr. Gibney had lanterns hung along the sail so that it would be impossible for any craft to approach the schooner and board her without being seen. Also the watch on deck that night carried Mauser rifles, six-shooters, and cutlasses. Mr. Gibney was taking no chances.

CHAPTER XI.

"Now, boys," announced Commodore Gibney, as he sat at the head of the officers' mess at breakfast next morning, "there'll be a lot of canoes paddling off to visit us within the hour, so whatever you do, don't allow more than two of these cannibals aboard the schooner at the same time. Make 'em keep their weapons in the canoes with 'em, and at the first sign of trouble shoot 'em down like dogs. It may be that these precautions ain't necessary, but when I was here twenty years ago it was all the rage to kill a white man and eat him. Maybe times has changed, but the harbor and the coast looks just as wild and lonely as they ever did, and I didn't see no sign of missionary when we dropped hook last night. So don't take no chances."

All hands promised that they would take extreme care, to the end that their precious persons might remain intact, so Mr. Gibney finished his cup of coffee at a gulp and went on deck.

The Kandavu aborigines were not long in putting in an appearance. Even as Mr. Gibney came on deck half a dozen canoes shot out from the beach. Mr. Gibney immediately piped all hands on deck, armed them, and nonchalantly awaited the approach of what might or might not turn out to be an enemy.

When the notilla was within pistol shot of the schooner Mr. Gibney stepped to the rail and motioned them back. Immediately the natives ceased paddling, and a wild-looking fellow stood up in the forward canoe. After the manner of his kind he had all his life soused his head in lime-water when making his savage toilette, and as a result his shock of black hair stood on end and bulged out like a crowded hayrick. He was naked, of course, and in his hand he held a huge war club.

"That feller'd eat a rattlesnake," gasped Captain Scraggs. "Shoot him, Gib, if he bats an eye."

"Shut up," said the commodore, a trifle testily; "that's the number-one nigger, who does the talkin'. Hello, boy."

"Hello, cap'n," replied the savage, and salaamed gravely. "You likee buy chicken, buy pig? Maybe you say come 'board, I talk. Me very good friend white master."

"Bless *my* sweet-scented soul!" gasped the commodore. "What won't them missionaries do next? Cut off my ears if this nigger ain't civilized!" He beckoned to the canoe and it shot alongside, and its brown crew came climbing over the rail of the Maggie II.

Mr. Gibney met the spokesman at the rail and they rubbed noses very solemnly, after the manner of salutation in Kandavu. Captain Scraggs bustled forward, full of importance.

"Interduce me, Gib," he said amiably, and then, while Mr. Gibney favored him with a sour glance, Captain Scraggs stuck out his hand and shook briskly with the native.

"Happy to make your acquaintance," he said. "Scraggs is my name, sir. Shake hands with McGuffey, our chief engineer. Hope you left all the folks at home well. What'd you say your name was?"

The islander hadn't said his name was anything, but he grinned now and replied that it was Tabu-Tabu.

"Well, my bucko," muttered McGuffey, who always drew the color line, "I'm glad to hear that. But you ain't the only thing that's taboo around this packet. You can jest check that war club with the first mate, pendin' our better *acquaintance. Hand it over,* you black beggar, or I'll hit you a swat in the ear that'll hurt all your relations. And hereafter, Scraggsy, just keep your nigger friends to yourself. I ain't waxin' effusive over this savage, and it's agin my principles ever to shake hands with a colored man. This chap's a d—d ugly customer, and you take my word for it."

Tabu-Tabu grinned again, walked to the rail, and tossed his war club down into the canoe.

"Me good missionary boy," he said rather humbly.

"McGuffey, my dear boy," protested Captain Scraggs, "don't be so doggone rude. You might hurt this poor lad's feelin's. Of course he's only a simple native nigger, but even a dawg has *feelin's.* You——"

"A-r-r-rh!" snarled McGuffey.

"You two belay talkin' and snappin' at each other," commanded Mr. Gibney, "an' leave all bargainin' to me. This boy is all right and we'll get along first rate if you two just haul ship and do somethin' useful besides buttin' in on your superior officer. Come along, Tabu-Tabu. Makee little eat down in cabin. You talkee captain."

"Gib, my dear boy," sputtered Captain Scraggs, bursting with curiosity, following the commodore's reappearance on deck, "whatever's in the wind?"

"Money—fortune," said Mr. Gibney, solemnly.

McGuffey edged up and eyed the commodore seriously. "Sure there ain't a little fightin' mixed up in it?" he asked.

"Not a bit of it," replied Mr. Gibney. "You're as safe on Kandavu as if you was in church. This Tabu kid is sort of prime minister to the king, with a heap of influence at court. The crew of a British cruiser stole him for a galley police when he was a kid, and he got civilized and learned to talk English. He was a cannibal in them days, but the chaplain aboard showed him how foolish it was to do such things, and finally Tabu-Tabu got religion and asked as a special favor to be allowed to return to Kandavu to civilize his people. As a result of Tabu-Tabu's efforts, he tells me the king has concluded that when he eats a white man he's flyin' in the face of his own interests, and most generally a gunboat comes along in a few months and shells the bush, and—well, anyhow, there ain't been a barbecue on Kandavu for ten years. It's a capital crime to eat a man now, and punishable by boilin' the offender alive in palm oil."

"Well," rumbled McGuffey, "this Tabu-Tabu don't look much like a preacher, if you ask me. But how about this black coral?"

"Oh, I've ribbed up a deal with him," said Mr. Gibney. "He'll see that we get all the trade we can lug away. We're the first vessel that's touched here in two years, and they have a thunderin' lot of stuff on hand. Tabu's gone ashore to talk the king into doin' business with us. If he consents, we'll have him and Tabu-Tabu and three or four of the subchiefs aboard for dinner, or else he'll invite us ashore for a big feed, and we'll have to go."

"Supposin' the king don't care to have any truck with us?" inquired McGuffey, anxiously.

"In that case, Mac," replied the commodore with a smile, "we'll just naturally shell him out of house and home."

"Well, then," said McGuffey, "let's get the guns ready. Somethin' tells me these people *ain't to be trusted,* and I'm tellin' you right now, Gib, I won't sleep well tonight unless them two quarter gatlings and the Maxim-Vickers rapid-fire guns is mounted and ready for business."

"All right, Mac," replied Mr. Gibney, in the tone one uses when humoring a baby. "Set 'em up if it'll make you feel more cheerful. Still, I don't see why you want to go actin' *so foolish* over nothin'."

"Well, Gib," replied the engineer, "I may be crazy, but I ain't no fool, and if there's a dead whale around the ship, I can come pretty near smellin' it. I tell you, Gib, that Tabu-Tabu nigger had a look in his eye for all the world like a cur dog lickin' a bone. I ain't takin' no chances. My old man used to say: 'Bart, whatever you do, allers have an anchor out to windward.'"

"By the left hind leg of the Great Sacred Bull," snapped Captain Scraggs, "if you ain't enough to precipitate war."

"War," replied McGuffey, "is my long suit—particularly war with native niggers. I just naturally crave to *punch the ear of anything darker than* a Portugee. Remember how I cleaned out the police department of Panama?"

"Mount the guns if you're goin' to, Mac. If not, for the love of the Lord don't be demoralizin' the crew with this talk of war. All I ask is that you set the guns after I've finished my business here with Tabu-Tabu. He's been on a war vessel, and knows what guns are, and if he saw you mountin' them it might break up our friendly relations. He'll think we don't trust him."

"Well, we don't," replied McGuffey, doggedly.

"Well, we do," snapped Captain Scraggs.

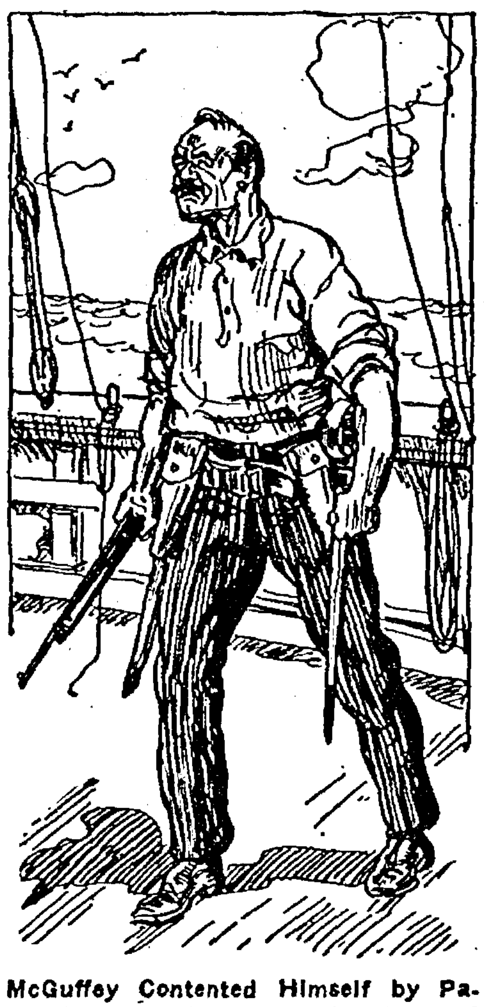
There is always something connected with the use of that pronoun of kings which eats like a canker at the heart of men of the McGuffey breed. That officer now spat on the deck, in defiance of the rules of his superior officers, and glared at Captain Scraggs.

"Speak for yourself, you miserable little wart," he roared. "If you include me on that cannibals' visitin' list, and go to contradictin' me agin, I'll——"

"Mac," interrupted Mr. Gibney, angrily, "control yourself. It's agin the rules to have rag-chewin' and back-bitin' on the Maggie II. Remember our motto: 'All for one and one for all'——".

"Here comes that sneakin' bushy-headed murderer back to the vessel," interrupted McGuffey. "I wonder what devilment he's up to now."

Mr. McGuffey was partly right, for in a few minutes Tabu-Tabu came alongside, climbed aboard, and salaamed. Mr. Gibney, fearful of McGuffey's inability to control his antipathy for the race, beckoned Captain Scraggs and Tabu-Tabu to follow him down into the cabin. Meanwhile, McGuffey contented himself by parading backward and forward across the fo-castle head with a Mauser rifle in the hollow of his arm and his person fairly bristling with pistols and cutlasses. Whenever one of the flotilla of canoes hove to at a respectful distance, showed signs of crossing an imaginary deadline drawn by McGuffey, he would point his rifle at them and swear horribly. He scowled at Tabu-Tabu when that individual finally emerged from the conference with Mr. Gibney and Scraggs and went over the side to his waiting canoe.



McGuffey Contented Himself by Parading Backward and Forward Across the Fo' Castle Head.

"Well, what's in the wind this time?" inquired McGuffey.

"We're invited to a big feed with the king of Kandavu," replied Captain Scraggs, as happy as a boy. "Hop into a clean suit of ducks, Mac, and come along. Gib's goin' to broach a little keg of liquor and we'll make a night of it."

"Good lord," groaned McGuffey, "does the man think I'm low enough to eat with niggers?"

"Leave him to his own devices," said Mr. Gibney, indulgently. "Mac's just as Irish as if he'd been born in Dublin, instead of his old man. Nobody yet overcome the prejudice of an Irishman so we'll do the honors ourself, Scraggsy, old skittles, and leave Mac in charge of the ship."

"Mind you're both back at a seasonable hour," warned McGuffey. "If you ain't, I'll suspect mischief and—say! Gib! Well, what's the use of talkin' to a man with an imagination? Only if I have to go ashore after you two, those islanders'll date time from my visit, and don't you forget it."

Upon arrival at the beach the two adventurers were met by a contingent of frightful-looking savages bearing long spears. As the procession formed around the guests of honor and plunged into the bush, bound for the king's wari, two island maidens marched behind the two sea-dogs, waving huge palm-leaf fans, the better to make the passage a cool and comfortable one.

"By the gods of war, Gib, my dear boy," said the delighted Captain Scraggs, "but this is class, eh, Gib?"

"Every time," responded the commodore. "If that chuckle-headed McGuffey only had the sense to come along he might be enjoyin' himself, too. You must be dignified, Scraggsy, old salamander. Remember that you're bigger an' better'n any king, because you're an American citizen. Be dignified, by all means. These people are sensitive and peculiar, and that's why we haven't taken any weapons with us. If they thought we doubted their hospitality they'd have the court bouncer heave us out of town before you could say Jack Robinson."

"I'd love to see them giving the bounce to McGuffey," said Captain Scraggs, musingly. Mr. Gibney had a swift mental picture of such a proceeding and chuckled happily. Had he been permitted a glance at McGuffey at that moment he might have observed that worthy sweltering in the heat of the forward hold of the Maggie II, for he was busy getting his guns on deck. From which it will readily be deduced that B. McGuffey, Esquire, was following the advice of his paternal ancestor and getting an anchor out to windward.

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Belmond Local News

The ladies of the Progress Club held their regular meeting Tuesday afternoon of last week at the City Hall, in the Council room. The subject of the lesson was "Our City Elections," and was conducted in the form of a demonstration. An election was held, printed ballots had been prepared and arrangements made for voting. Challenged votes, spoiled ballots and many other points relative to voting were brought out, besides interesting quesions and discussions, making a very profitable afteroon.

Tolford Thompson accompanied a couple of carloads of cattle into Chicago on Monday of this week.

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it. Thank you!

Wm. Voiles was a caller at Mason City one day last week, looking after business interests.

good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

NOTICE—I have given my son, Edward H. Frohling, his time, and will not collect his wages or be responsible for his debts from this date on. Dated Feb. 16, 1922.—Herman Frohling. 132*

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

E. L. Forrster, of Lake Mills, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Nordschow over Sunday.

Mrs. Nelson, from Fort Dodge, is spending a few days at the home of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elder have moved into their new home in Belmond this week.

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

FOR SALE—Slightly used No. 4 Underwood Typewriter. First class condition. J. S. White.

FOR SALE—A few pure bred Poland China sows. Phone 2004.—C. C. Landon.

Wanted—Work on a farm, by man and wife. Inquire at Independent. 14tfo

NOTICE

For Sale—Pure bred Poland China bred sows.—O. D. Jenison, Belmond. Iowa. 12tfc

Christ Groen has been reported on the sick list the past few days, being quite ill.

For Sale—One left over suit, at a big discount.—Belmond Tailor Shop.

Mrs. Chris Enger has been numbered among the sick folks the past week or two.

FOR SALE

R. C. Rhode Island Red Cockerels. High Class birds.$2.00 each. Geo. T. Johnson, Route 2, Belmond, Iowa.

The Christ Rise sale of farm machinery, held at the store last Saturday afternoon, was exceptionally well attended and was a good success. Prices received on the various implements were good. Mr. Rise was closing out his complete line of farm machinery, as he is quitting the business. He is undecided as yet what his future plans will be.

Know some news? Phone 115 and tell us. Thank you.

Wallace Ramsay was in attendance last week Friday at the convention of the Iowa Press Association, held at Des Moines.

Steve Antonio, manager of the Candy Kitchen, returned last week from his trip to Chicago, where he was attending to some business interests there.

Supt. T. K. Holiday, of the Rowan schools, accompanied by his wife and family were visitors in Belmond last week Saturday, looking after business interests.

Charley Gill, from Minnesota, a former resident of this place, and well remembered by many local people, has been visiting with relatives and friends here the past week.

Harm Rust, from near Goodell, was in town last week Saturday, looking after business matters. Mr. Rust states that the sentiment around Goodell in regard to the Consolidated school which is being talked of, is rather warm and the majority seem to be against the proposition.

Mrs. Eugene Kinney was a visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nagle, at Clarion, a few days last week.

Conrad Nissen sold his interest in the City Meat Market last week to his brother, Gus, and Wm. Harbison, the new proprietors taking possession Friday morning. Mr. Harbison has been employed in the Cash Market, and Mr. Nissen had been in partnership with his brother.

Phone the news to 115. Thank you.

FOR SALE—A beautiful highly polished Chickering & Son piano, for sale cheap. Just as goood as new. At Galliger residence.—Mrs. Bensch. 13tfc

Mr. Sharon is reported as being quite ill at his home on Main street.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats, who is clerking in the Hulsebus-Muller store at Meservey, spent the week end at the home of relatives and friends here.

How many cigarettes have been sold in the town of Belmond since last July 1st? Some fellow up town with curiosity and time, figured it out one day, taking as a starter the amount of money one local dealer had spent for revenue stamps in that time. He figured that close to ten thousand dollars had been spent in Belmond since July 1st for "pills." At two bits a package, figure it out. There are five local dealers. Not all of them were sold in Belmond as there are no licensed dealers in Rowan, Alexander or Meservey.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey last Saturday to spend the week end with relatives in the home town.

COMMUNITY CLUB

The Community Welfare Club will hold their annual business meeting and election of officers Friday afternoon, February 24th.

SECOND HAND STORE

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

CLEANING HOUSE

will be much easier if you let us clean your rugs. We will take out every grain of dirt, raise the nap, brighten the rug up and make it look a hundred per cent better, and do it at a price cheaper than you can do it yourself. Ask us.—New Belmond Tailor Shop South of Hotel. F. J. Tuffree.

Baby chicks for sale. See Mrs. J. H. Fetrow for baby chicks. Phone 332. 143c

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Coburn, or near Rowan, are the happy parents of a fine baby girl, who came to their home on Feb. 11. The little one has been named Constance Lillian. Mr. and Mrs. Coburn were formerly residents of this vicinity.

Abner Gilpin, a former resident of this place, came last Tuesday from Mitchell, South Dakota, for a short visit at the home of his mother Mrs. Geo. Mikesh.

The Howard Ill., "Independent," in a recent issue tells of a big "Ford Day" that was held there, and mentions an old Belmonder Elmer Kinney, as among those who won some of the prizes that were offered for various events. Elmer won the first prize for "the group in Ford making the best appearance," the prize being a bottle of auto polish, a bottle of furniture polish and an Okey record, and first prize for "tallest man in a Ford," said prize being a pair of overalls. We can see Elmer making the best appearance all right, but we would like to see him in the overalls! Elmer is making a nice success of his farming and is enjoying the best of health in the rural life.

Conrad Nissen, who recently sold his interests in the City Meat Market, has purchased an interest with his elder brother John, in a market at Eldora and will move his family there this week. Belmond regrets to lose Mr. Nissen and his family, but wishes them the best of success in their new home.

V. K. Mikesell will hold a public sale at the sugar company grounds on the 3rd of March. Watch this paper for full particulars next week. Mr. Mikesell was engaged in the dairy business last year and has a number of excellent dairy cattle that he will sell.

A few good brood sows for sale, to farrow in April and May.—Ed. Jenison. 14tfc

T. H. Broeffle has opened the Peter Stacy blacksmith shop, one block south of the State Bank, and is now doing work. Mr. Broeffle was employed as blacksmith and machinst with the United Mfg. Co. and is well qualified to give his patrons service and good workmanship. He specializes in plow work. 141*

Louie Tokman was a business visitor last week at Dubuque.

Washings done, prices reasonable. Phone 277.—Chas. Cramer. 141*

Cobs for sale. 3-box loads.—J. J. Sloan. 141*

For Sale—Barred Plymouth Rock eggs. Incubator orders 3 cents per egg. Phone 1104.—Mrs. J. F. Henn. 142*

Parsons' Cash Specials

1 lb. Ginger snaps 15c
10 lb. Peabody coffee $2.25
5 lb. brick cheese $1.25
Bread .... .07c
1 qt. jar cocoa 25c
Large Post Tosties or Corn Flakes 15c
5 bottles cane and maple syrup $1.00
4 bars P & G or Field or Rub Non soap 25c
Light color outing flannel . 15c
Mem's dress pants $2.25
Men's dress shirts $1.00
Men's work shirts 75c
Many other bargains in groceries and dry goods.
Cigars .... 5c 6 for 25c
WE BUY EGGS

SUGAR

For every additional $10.00 worth of groceries you order you will be entitled to an additional 25 pounds of best granulated cane sugar for $1.00.

4 cts. lb.

With $10.00 Grocery Order

25 Lbs. for $1.00
With $10.00 Grocery Order
If your Grocery Order amounts to $10.00 or more but less than $20.00 just add $1.00 for 25 lbs. best granulated cane sugar.

75 Lbs. for $3.00
With $30.00 Grocery Order
If your Grocery Order, amounts to $30.00 or more but less than $40.00, just add $3.00 for 75 lbs. best granulated cane sugar.

50 Lbs. for $2.00
With $20.00 Grocery Order
If your Grocery Order amounts to $20.00 or more but less than $30.00, just add $2.00 for 50 lbs. best granulated cane sugar.

100 Lbs. for $4
With $40.00 Grocery Order
If your Grocery Order amounts to $40.00 or more but less than $50.00, just add $4.00 for 100 lbs. best granulated cane sugar.

B. K. KINSETH
Belmond, Iowa Phone 19

PEOPLE APPROVE COUNCIL'S ACTION

Eagle: If anyone may judge by the readiness with which the people sign their names to the petition requesting an election on the municipal lighting and power plant proposition, the election will be overwhelmingly in the favor of a municipal plant.

Nearly a thousand signers to the different petitions have been secured, over 300 more than is necessary. At the meeting of the council next Monday night, necessary legal steps will be taken toward calling an election on the two propositions asked for in the petition. These are, the authority to call an election for a muncicipal lighting and power plant, and for the authority to sell bonds to the extent of $185,000 with which to finance the new plant. The election must be held within twenty-eight days from next Monday night's meeting. This would place the election around the 27th of March.

The Northern Iowa is having its troubles in other places besides Eagle Grove. Up at Forest City, where our old friend, David McGee, is manager, the company is charging a 17½c rate. The council ordered a reduction and the order met with the same fate as did the order by the Eagle Grove council. Then the Forest City council passed an ordinance with several teeth in it. They provided a jail sentence for any official of the company who attempted to collect for light and power over what was permitted in the ordinance. The company then went into the federal court and got out a temporary injunction restraining the council from enforcig the ordiance.

A very enjoyable skating party was had by the pupils of District No. 6 in Pleasant township, last week Thursday evening. Miss Lena Steenblock, the teacher, had invited the pupils to a skating affair, and they spent an enjoyable time on the nearby pond, refreshments being served.

COMBINATION SALE

I will hold a combination sale on Wednesday, March 8th, at the Case barn in Belmond. Listing of articles will start immediately, and you can list your stuff with either the undersigned or the Savings Bank. List your live stock early so that plenty of stable room can be secured. Eight months' time will be given so that you will get cash for what is sold. Two auctioneers will be on the job. Watch for further particulars and for bills.—T. D. Rankins.

AUTO SHOWS BRING OUT MANY NEW MOTOR CAR FEATURES

It is hardly possible to pick up a newspaper these days without noting a reference to something new in the motor-car industry. Improvements in springs, bodies, carburators, motors, and other important working parts of the car are seemingly everyday affairs.

Altogether the tendency is to decrease first cost as far as is consistent with good workmanship and material, keeping constantly in mind the fact that long life must be maintained and up-keep cost must be held down to a low level.

The most notable exception to the general tendency to cut manufacturing costs by substituting new materials, new designs, and new methods of production, is the automobile storage battery. The staunchness with which the principal battery manufacturers hold to their standards and to the details of construction of their product is striking proof of their faith that each is making a battery which, in his opinion, is as good as can be built.

Contrary to the general demand for lower priced materials and parts to be put in cars, one of the largest battery manufacturers, the Willard Storage Battery Company, of Cleveland, reports that there is more general use than ever before of their Threaded Rubber Battery. This is a higher priced product than the other types of automobile batteries which it manufactures, but notwithstanding that fact, there are 191 builders of motor cars and trucks furnishing this battery as standard equipment.

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

ROBINSON'S

Chocolate Cream coffee, never before in bulk 38c
Butternut coffee 45c
Peaberry coffee 25c
Black Tea 40c
Gun Powder Tea 40c
Japan Tea 50c
Soap chips, 2 pounds 25c
Big 4 soap, 4 bars 25c
P & G Naptha, 4 bars 25c
Common soap, 6 bars 25c
Cut prices on all gallon fruits
Beachnut jellies and jams 20c
Real prices on pancake flour
Cocoa, bulk 1 pound 20c
Rolled Oats 6 pounds 25c
2 lbs. roast beef 35c
Bacon 1 lb. 25c

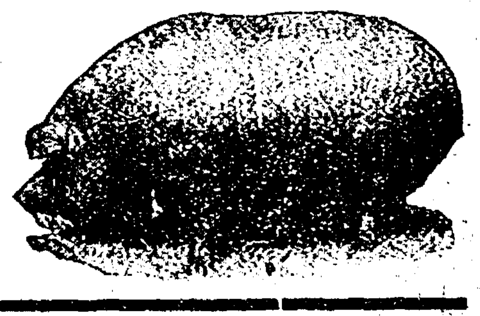
PUBLIC SALE

As I am quitting the farm, I will hold a closing out sale at my place, 3 miles southeast of Belmond, commencing at 11 a. m.

Tuesday, Feb. 28th

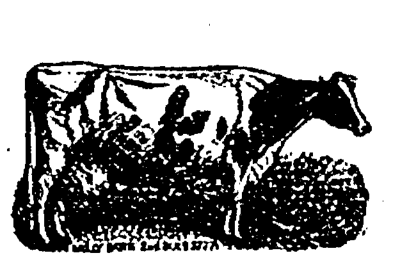
39 Head of Hogs

24 Brood Sows
14 Fall Pigs
1 Pure Bred Duroc Jersey Boar



7 Head of Horses

1 Brown mare, 8 years old
1 grey horse, 10 years old
1 grey horse, 5 years old
1 grey colt, 3 years old
1 driving mare
1 spotted pony
1 bay mare 6 years old, wt. 1300



24 Head of Cattle

10 cows, two fresh, others will be any time
3 heifers will be fresh any time
2 two year old steers
6 spring calves
2 young calves
1 Shorthorn Bull

MACHINERY

1 Rock Island 16-in Disc; 1 3-section steel drag; 1 2-section steel drag; 1 spreader; 1 box wagon complete; 1 rack wagon; 1 Rock Island Sulkey, new; 1 McCormick mower, new; 2 corn plows; 1 Deere Mower; 1 seeder; 1 corn planter; 1 6-ft. McCormick binder; harness; 1 hay rack, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Free Lunch at Noon

TERMS--$10 and under Cash; over that amount 10 months time at 8 per cent. No property to be removed until settled for.

P. D. PHILLIS

State Bank, Clerk Lewis Hauge, Auctioneer

BELMOND INDEPENDENT

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OPERATION OF SUGAR FACTORY UP TO BELMOND

Citizen's Caucus To Be Held Next Tuesday

Three Announcements For The Mayorality And Caucus To Be Held Mean Business.

WHY NOT A LADY OFFICIAL

Ladies 'n' Gentl'man, we have with us today the old reliable and well known politics, who will, with arts many, and varied, entertain you for the next three weeks.

That buzzing noise you have heard anon or oftener in the air was not airplanes sailing over head, but merely the preliminary opening excercise of the Political bees who are beginning to swarm in ever increasing numbers. It sure do look like a warm spring.

Politically speaking, as it were, we present to the various candidates and factions and fraternities not to say brotherhoods, of political kin, a thought which seems to be mulling more or less in the minds of some, to wit: Why not a feminine member of the official city force? Equal sufferage now prevails; the ladies are equally entitled—and duty bound—to a place in the sun; and to our way of thinking would be as equal in ability as any man. Well? Perhaps some one of the opposing forces arraying themselves for conflict will see a light.

This is no joke; it's plain horse sense. (Some lordly male here makes the remark that he always knew we were, but what kind?) Can anyone tell us any good sufficient reason why the ladies are not entitled to run for office, or, if elected, why they are not qualified to fill the job? Not casting any asperations on the men folks either. It's new, of course; so was equal sufferage, or the primary, or prohibition; they all seem to work fair to middling just the same. And who questions their ability to get what they want? Ask any married man.

Mull it over, gentlemen; mull it over. Of course we all realize that the chances of sudden conversion are slim, very slim, that will come with time we hope. But there must always be a progressive in any community, and maybe one abides with us. Politically speaking, what do you know?

CAUCUS

A Citizens Caucus will be held on next week Tuesday, March 7th, from 1:00 o'clock to 7:00 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination a mayor, five councilmen, a treasurer and Assessor. The Caucus will be held at the city hall.

TO TALK LOWER ELECTRIC RATES

Mayor Barry is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Reid, of the Iowa Falls Electric company, in which Mr. Reid states that he will be in Belmond in the near future to take up the proposition of lowering the electric light and power rates in Belmond. Several citizens had spoken to Mayor Barry regarding the rates being paid here for service, and the Mayor had passed the information on to the gentle man named. The outcome of the coming conference will be awaited with interest.

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NEWS ITEMS FROM OLAF

Mrs. Geo. Baxter and Margaret returned home from Iowa Falls, Friday.

Miss Gladys Houge entertained the "500 club" Friday evening.

Miss Alma Ericson spent part of last week visiting friends in Clarion.

Mrs. Elmer Kessler came up from Iowa Falls, Friday with Mrs. Geo. Baxter and stayed over Sunday with relatives.

The stork has visited the following homes just recently: Fred Doeffer and wife a 13½ pound boy, Julius Johnson's a 10½ pound boy, Wm. Johnson's a 9½ pound boy and G. Gabrielson's a baby girl.

Little Margaret Baxter has been quite sick with stomach trouble, but is better now.

A new industry is soon to be started in Olaf, by Scott and Baxter. It will be feed grinding, specializing on chick feed. Orders will be taken day or night and they will guarantee, immediately delivery. Phone No. 999.

S. O. Windecker is getting in a nice line of ginghams, percales, organdies, curtain nets, curtain drapes, etc. He will be very glad to show them to you.

Those who took the examinations to finish eighth grade, received their markings, and all passed, Margary Lien, Arthur Olson and Leslie Swenson having taken it.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Miss Clara Eliason, Wednesday March 8.

BELMOND FIGURES IN COURT AFFAIRS

G. A. Gunderson was a farmer in the Belmond vicinity. He had his losses. His landlord, N. O. Stackhouse, has sued him to collect $400 on unpaid rental, and has secured a landlord's attachment to protect the claim. At the same time Andrea Gunderson has sued the husband for a divorce, $2,000 permanent alimony, $100 for her attorney and $150 temporary alimony as well as the custody of the children. She alleges cruel and inhuman treatment. She has been made sick and nervous, she claims, by his abuse and even her mind is effected. She claims he is worth around $3,500, mostly free from claims, except a landlord's lien

Georgia Galbraith likewise sues for divorce from M. V. Galbraith, whose property is tied up under attachment proceedings instituted by his creditors.

A prenuptial agreement signed before their marriage is one angle of the litigations arising out of the marriage and death of Fred C. Veeder, formerly a farmer in the Belmond neighborhood.

After the marriage, the second wife, Dora B. Lang, herself divorcing a recreant husband a few months prior to her marriage to Mr. Veeder, lived with the latter on the Veeder farm but a few months, alleging cruelty which she could not bear. Then a few months later she returned to the farm again, remaining but a short time before returning to Belmond again and after suing for a divorce. Mr. Veeder filed a cross bill, and the divorce was awarded to him, the case being appealed to the supreme court, where it was held the evidence was insufficient to justify a divorce for either, as the writer understands the case, and before the matter was finally adjusted in the courts, Mr. Veeder died.

After the death of Mr. Veeder, the widow filed a copy of the prenuptial contract in the recorder's office. The contract provides that the wife is to receive one-sixth of the Veeder property, plus the face value of the insurance certificates which were made out to his children. In addition to one-sixth interest in his total assets, he agreed to purchase a residence property in Belmond which was to house her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Lee, during their lifetime or until the death of Mr. Veeder. The property was then to be appraised and was to be deducted from her one-sixth interest. The contract provided that the agreement was to continue in force so long as the said Dora B. Lang lived as the wife of Mr. Veeder.

The case now being tried in the court is to determine wether or not the widow should receive the one-sixth interest in the Veeder estate without taking into account the debts against the various properties he owned, or whether she should take a one-sixth interest in the net worth of the husband at the time of his death.

Apparently Mr. Veeder was worth around $30,000 at his death, but they round when his affairs were checked up that he was in reality worth only around six thousand after the debts had been paid. If the widow takes one-sixth of the net worth she will not share very heavily. If the prenuptial contract is set aside and she takes the widow's third, she will fare somewhat better.

Yesterday morning she, and her father were on the stand and recited the stories told at the time the divorce suits were being tried, of cruelty on his part. She denied any knowledge of his debts at the time they were married. The attorneys for the Veeder heirs objected to the evidence so introduced, on the ground it was hearsay, irrelevant, and immaterial, but most of the evidence was heard. Then the Veeders offered the various petitions, the prenuptial contract, and various other official documents in connection with the litigation.

The Court has taken the case under advisement.

Monitor: Oliver Allie, of Clarion, brings a friendly suit against Mabel Allie, a minor, for the appointment of Chas. Birdsall as guardian of said minor. The late Mrs. Allie carried a life insurance policy of $500 in favor of the minor daughter.

W. A. Cox, of the City Grocery, brings suit against Parks Bros. to recover $78.76 balance due on account, also against Wilford Parks for $88.58

Wood Carriage, and Auto Company, of Union, Hardin County, is suing James Sibert on two separate counts. The first is to secure judgement in the sum of $1074.67 and the foreclosure of a mortgage. The second is for $197.54 on two past due notes and on account.

Wesley Parks, of Clarion, is made defendant in a case brought by Crowe & Sons to recover on a note and account the sum of $129.66. The same defendent and his brother Wilford are defendents for balance due Tillinghase & Co. for groceries.

The board of supervisors meets Monday next to supply the necessary names for the 1922 grand jury and petit jurors for the remainder of the year.

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UPON THE RESPONSE OF LOCAL PEOPLE LARGELY DEPENDS OUR LAST CHANCE

Hopes are strong as this is written that the factory of the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. will be operated this coming season.

Of three major questions to be settled, we understand two have been taken care of, and the third, money, appears to be in a good way toward being solved. So many stories—Practically all of them utterly without foundation— have been in circulation, regarding the sugar company and the prospects of operation, the past history, future, and present, that the Independent feels a few facts will not go amiss.

These facts are not new, secret or confidential, but they seem to have been forgotten. They were told to stockholders and creditors in various circular letters during 1920 and 1921 as attempts were being made to help finance the company. In writing this article the editor has referred to figures and statements in letters he received as a stockholder and creditor of the company.

The past week, committees have been in operation, soliciting subscriptions from the local stock holders, the business men and citizens generally, for operating expenses of the factory this year. Many have not understood the reasons behind this solicitation. Roughly, they are these:

It will require approximately $100,000 to operate the plant this year. This sum includes putting the plant in shape, overhauling the equipment, establishing the agricultural department, sending out fieldmen to solicit acreage, purchasing material and supplies, meeting the payroll, and the many incidentals relative to operation. About 25 per cent of stock is owned in Belmond; about 50 per cent in Michigan; and the remaining 25 per cent in other states.

Many of the stockholders have signified willingness to subscribe 15 per cent of their holdings toward a fund for operating the plant this year, providing that Belmond people will show their willingness to co-operate, by putting up approximately $30,000. The committees are soliciting this sum.

Dyer, head of the Dyer Construction company, who hold a mortgage for about $500,000, has agreed not to push his claims; has agreed to put the plant in shape at cost, and agreed to put up ten thousand dollars cash toward operating.

The acreage proposition is favorable. Farmers in this community, and elswhere in the company's acreage territory, will be solicited for acreage at once——in fact, the soliciting has started. If they do ther part, it means one of the greatest factors toward operation solved.

Can the company operate successfully this year? Every indiction is that it can. Sugar is at a low ebb; it can hardly go lower; every trend must almost be upward in price. Labor is 100 per cent cheaper than in 1920 the operating year of the factory; materials, with practically the single exception of coal, are lower. All the big important obligations of the company have been settled by 5 year bonds maturing in 1926 and not drawing interest until 1923. Wages are lower, materials are lower, prices are lower; sugar will undoubtedly go up, with acreage favorable, and even a normal year, the factory will turn out a half million dollars' worth of product. Therefor, with lower operating costs there should be a nice profit on the campaign. In 1920, 75,000 bags of sugar were made.

Loss of $300,000 in the campaign was due to economic conditions—just as other factories in in the country ran at loss. Sugar dropped from 20 to 25 cents a pound wholesale to 8 and 9 cents during the operating season. Had wages and materials dropped also, the loss would have been negligible, or even none at all, but these items stayed up. This year there are several plants in the country which will not run at all because of losses sustained. Had the Iowa Valley Sugar Co., been capitalized in the the first place at what it should have been, as has since been shown, there would have been a reserve in the treasury to carry this loss; but as it was, the loss had to be taken in other ways—ultimately thru 5-year bonds.

Now there is a chance, and an excellent chance, to put the sugar company back on a paying, going basis. The one remaining big problem is the operating money It is up to Belmond—up to you and us all—as to whether, by doing our part NOW, we save the $1,500,000 invested in the plant, or lie down on the job and lose it. There is no alternative; it is now or never. If the factory is not operated this year, it never will be; it will be taken by the mortgage, torn down and moved away, and Belmond will have a million dollar smokestack as a momento of the past. If it is operated, it will make money, according to all indications; and, once in paying operation, it will continue, turning into Belmond and the surrounding territory every year a quarter to half million dollars, to go to workmen in this community, to farmers in this vicinity. Every business man knows what this means; knows what sugar money meant in 1920, and the lack of it in 1921.

Will we come across? It is not a donation; it is a loan, for one year at 8 per cent interest, secured by a lien on the product a first mortgage on 220 acres of good Iowa soil, the railroad siding, beet dumps, dwellings, of the company. If the plant operates at a loss, there is no chance that this subscription money will be lost, because of security put up. The money goes to three local men: Herman Schultz, C. O. Fitts and R. H. Klemme, who hold it in trust until operation is assured, when it is turned over to an operating committee of three, appointed by the board of directors, and every dollar accounted for. If operation is not assured, every dollar goes back to those who subscribed it.

The final reckoning is before us; we make or break this time; and it is absolutely up to us. Are we game? Will we take one throw, one more chance, or are we yellow? We cannot lose what we put in; we stand every chance to save what we have already invested; we can make Belmond or break it. A dollar subscribed now will probably save the ten invested. As this is written, $20,000 of the $30,000 has been guaranteed. Some are holding back; "let George do it." We must all come in; we all gain, we should all help. What are YOU going to do?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement For Mayor

I hereby announce myself as a cadidate for re-electeion to the office of Mayor of Belmond, subject to the will of the voters of Belmond at the coming election.

M. C. BARRY

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I am a candidate for the office of Mayor at the spring election.

R. C. Morse.

Announcement For Mayor.

I hereby announce myself as a cadidate for Mayor of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, subject to the will of the voters at the general election to be held March 27, 1922.

L. O. SKOVLIN

Jasper Johnson came home from Iowa City last week Saturday, to attend the funeral of his old friend and college mate, Wm. Johnson. "Jap" was accompanied by two of his University fellow students, Mr. Wells and Mr. Cannon, who also were friends of the deceased. They returned to Iowa City on Sunday afternoon.

SMITH—LUICK

Miss Marian Luick, of Belmond, was united in marriage to Mr. LuVerne Smith, of Klemme, at the M. E. church in Mason City, on Thursday afternoon, February 23rd, by the pastor, Rev. Wilkinson. They enjoyed a short honeymoon trip, and then returned to Klemme where they will make their future home.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Luick, of Belmond, and is among the city's fairest and most popular young ladies.

Mr. Smith is a son of Mrs. Millie Smith of Klemme, and is well known here in Belmond, where he attended school and was employed in a business way, and he has many friends who extend to him their congratulations in winning so fine a wife. He is employed with the Wellemeyer department store at Klemme.

The Independent joins with the many Belmond friends of this young couple in extending best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Before buying wall paper let us show you our line. Prices are much lower than last year.—Schultz Drug Co.

FARMER DIES FROM SELF-INFLICTED WOUNDS

Gunder Gunderson, a farmer residing on the old Cuppett farm west of town, committed suicide, or attempted to, Tuesday morning, by shooting himself.

The deed was committed about 11 o'clock Tuesday forenoon, and a .22 calibre rifle was used. Gunderson shot hiself in the breast, the bullet going thru one lung and passing just below the heart. He died at 1:30 yesterday morning from the wounds, death being pronounced due to internal hemmorhage.

Gunderson had been farming but had quit and held a closing out sale the 23rd. His wife was suing him for a divorce and various other troubles had evidently preyed on his mind until he decided to get out of it all. At this writing no funeral arrangements have been announced.

WILLIAM SELMER JOHNSON

William Selmer Johnson was born November 23rd 1895 in Clermont, Iowa, he being a second child and eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Johnson. His childhood was spent on a farm operated by his father in Northern Minnesota, but in the year 1909, he came with his parents to make his home in Belmond, Iowa. He entered the Belmond High school in September 1910 and graduated therefrom in May 1914. While in High School his excellent work gave promise of a brilliant career which was later his at the University.

In the fall of 1915, William entered the College of Liberal Arts at the State University of Iowa. One year later, however, his health broke and he was found to be suffering from an attack of tuberculosis. The year following he underwent treatment in the State Sanitarium at Oakdale from which he was discharged in restored health in the summer of 1917. William immediately re-entered the University from which he graduated, with the degree Bachelor of Arts, on August 30th, 1920. The honors earned during his University work were many. Outstanding among them are his elections of Phi Beta Kappa the higest honorary reward given for scholarship in collegiate work, and the notation on his diploma "with high distinction," which is an honor granted to but few.

William was employed as an assistant in the department of Political Science during his years as a student at the University. Following his graduation he commenced work in Minneapolis as a "Social Welfare Worker" for the "Associated Charities."

In the first week of November 1920 symptoms of the dreadful disease, tuberculosis, again appeared. He immediately re-entered Oakdale Sanitarium and for two months following improved somewhat in health. During the latter part of January, however, he again began to fail. William was brought home in the latter part of September last, where he died on February 23rd 1922, being 26 years and 3 months of age.

William early in childhood commenced attending the Luthern church. He was confirmed by Rev. H. C. Holm October 30, 1910 and maintained his connection with that church until his death. William was a good son and brother and a faithful friend. He went to his death fearlessly, as one may do who has left nothing but good behind him.

He leaves behind him his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Johnson, four sisters, Mrs. Wm. Lester of Goodell, Helen of Cedar Falls, Sofie and Magdalene of Belmond, four brothers, Theodore, Paul, Leonard and Henry all of Belmond, also his fiancee, Miss Nellie Gray of Des Moines.

Funeral services were held in the Trinity Lutheran church, February 26, 1922, services being conducted by Rev. J. M. Jensen. The remains were laid to rest in Franklin Cemetery.

Out of town relatives and friends present at the funeral were: Mr. Lars Paulson of Clermont, Iowa; Miss Nellie Gray of Des Moines, Iowa Lewis Kalvig and family, Elmer Kalvig and family and Tom Kalvig, all of Kanawha. Albert D. Cannon, J. D. Wells and Jasper Johnson of Iowa City; Mr. and Mrs. Littlefield and Miss Jean Lester of Clarion Iowa.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for the help and kindness they have shown us during the illness and death of our son and brother, and also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Johnson
and family.
Mrs. W. D. Lester.

COMMUNITY CLUB ELECTS

The Community Welfare club held their regular meeting last week Friday afternoon, in the basement of the library, and along with their business meeting and social hour, elected officers for the ensuing year. The coming year's officials wil be:

President—Mrs. Rosecrans
1st. Vice Pres.—Mrs. Gowdy
2nd. Vice Pres.—Mrs. Glen Klemme
Sec.—Mrs. Ramsay
Treas.—Julia Johnson.

School Activities Are Many During The Spring Season

Declamatory Contest Held At Eagle Grove And Basket Ball Takes Attention.

ONE MORE BALL GAME

The senior class are working hard on the Annual. Bids for printing were received last Thursday. The bids were sealed and the agreement was to let the contract to the lowest bidder. The Herald Press got the contract. The contract has also been let for the engraving.

If the boys have not seen you about your advertisment yet, they will do so soon. Everyone they have seen so far has been willing to take out an advertisement. BE READY WITH YOURS.

Next week, March 8th, there will be a recital in the High School Auditorium. Miss Shattuck, Head of the Public Speaking Department of the Iowa State College at Ames, will give a recital, consisting of a mixed program of readings. Miss Shattuck is an excellent reader and everyone should plan to hear her.

Alfred Wilkinson, Carroll Tyrrell and Wilma Thompson represented Belmond in the County Declamatory at Eagle Grove Friday. Eagle Grove won the cup. The decisions of the judges were very different, no school getting two firsts and no person, except in the humorous class getting 2 firsts. We are ranked 2nd in oratorical and third in dramatic.

Last Saturday night Belmond's Basket Ball team was defeated by the Nashua boys in an interesting game on our home floor. Altho our team was crippled by the loss of Teddy Johnson and of Edwin Christie, who did not report for practice until Friday before the game, because of sickness,, we were able to surprise the crowd as well as the Nashua boys, by finishing the first half 12 to 10 in Belmond's favor.

During the last half, Nashua showed more endurance than our boys, and from this angle they were able to win by a safe margin. Strikes ability to follow the ball for Nashua made him their outstanding player. Tyrrell played the best game for our home team. However, every player on the team is deserving of praise for the fighting spirit they showed while on the floor.

Next Friday and Saturday our boys go to Cedar Falls to play in the tournament held at the State Teachers College. The team is deserving of a trip after the hard work they have put in practicing and playing our scheduled games. In order to help cover expense of this trip, Wednesday will be TAG DAY IN BELMOND. Every person who is a backer of our team will have a chance to show themselves to be one by wearing a BOOSTER TAG.

These tags will be distributed by B. H. S. Students from early morning Wednesday until night. Show the boys that you want them to make a good showing for Belmond by wearing a booster tag.

Buy as many tags as you wish, paying for each tag any amount you choose up to 50 cents each.

The Belmond girls met their second defeat this year last Friday from the Garner girls. The game was the best played here this year because there was something happening every minute of the time. Garner has an excellent, fast team and they play good ball. They are also good sports, and while we wish the score could have been in our favor we are not ashamed to meet defeat by such a team.

It has been impossible to get the three teams within possible radius to play here in a girl's tournament. Clarion and Goldfield have disbanded. Eagle Grove and Corwith have no girl's team and Garner and Britt play March 3rd at Britt. It has been decided since we cannot have a tournament here, that the girls will be allowed to go to the Iowa Falls State Tournament next Friday afternoon, their grades being satisfactory. The following girls are eligible to date: Elaine Rierson, Grace Leavy. Helen Haven, Mildred Hauge, Kathryn Thiltgen, Minnie Madison and Genevieve Starnes.

Only a few more community nights left this year. Don't miss them, but come out and enjoy the sport with the rest of the crowd. Plan now to attend these Thursday night meetings.

The last Basket Ball game of the season will be Friday night, March 10th, at which time Belmond will meet Hampton on the local floor. Both boys and girls will play. Finish the season right by being present and boosting for B. H. S.

Division two of the literary society will give a program at 2:30 Friday afternoon.

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CLIPPINGS

WIRELESS PHONE PLANT COMING TO CLARION

News: The Northern Iowa Gas & Electric Co. is going to install a wireless telephone equipment at its office in Clarion within a short time, and it will be exhibited as a part of the company's appliances, and at the same time Clarion folks will have the opportunity of listening in on the various entertainments which are being wafted on wireless wings the country over. We will yet be able to hear musical numbers and speeches made as far away as New York right here in Clarion. There are several people in town who will investigate the wireless phone equipment with a view to buying. Dozens of the boys down town are saving up money to buy a wireless outfit. Hurry up, Jones, and invite us all to hear the world's newest wonder. We're sure excited about it .

PARK AT WALL LAKE

Monitor: The prospects that Wall Lake will be taken over by the state this year loom brighter, says the Iowa Falls Sentinel.

The executive council has ordered the state highway commission to survey the proposed park at Wall Lake. It is believed that after the survey condemnation proceedings will be begun, and if the ground that is under consideration is condemned it will be purchased from the two farmers who own it and will become a state property.

This is good news to the hunters, fishermen and people in general in this locality. About forty sportsmen in Iowa Falls and vicinity have contributed various sums of money to assist in purchasing the land along the south shore of the lake, and if the land is condemned the money will be applied towards its purchase.

Sportsmen in this section of the state have been generally hampered by the fact that the land, which has been leased by some Waterloo parties , is not available to the general public, but is closed throughout the year. There has been talk of draining the lake and making it into farm land, but this proposition has been bitterly fought by hunters and fishermen who have found much recreation at that place. It is hoped that some day the lake may be dredged of weeds and made a good resort for hunting, boating and fishing, as well as for picnics, etc.

INJURIES PROVE FATAL.

Hampton Recorder: L. E. Van Ahm, gravel hauler for the Miller Construction Company of Sioux City, whose truck was hit and demolished at the Great Western railroad crossing, a mile west of town, by an east bound train on Friday morning, Feb. 10th, died last Friday afternoon, Feb 17th, from injuries received from the accident.

"Ah, those were the good old days" said the old reporter, "when children were called tots instead of kiddies."

Even the blackest cloud has its crystal lining. Soon now we will be paying it to the ice man instead.

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IOWA PRESS ASSOCIATION

HOW MUCH DO YOU SAVE?

Do the mail order houses sell at such a great saving? Do they undersell the Belmond merchants by as wide a margin as some people would have us believe? We doubt it, and, with the co-operation of the local merchants, we are going to endeavor to prove it.

It is granted that prices in the catalogues are less than asked in Belmond. But add to the mail order prices, the freight, postage and money order, and then compare your prices. Let the goods equal in quality that sold in Belmond; make the canned goods equal in size, the bulk goods equal in weight. An ounce of sugar from a half-gallon can of fruit is an insignificant thing—multiply that ounce by ten thousand cans and it is a big something. One half of a peach left out of a can is not missed; in ten thousand cans it is 5,000 peaches or a thousand more cans which again, is something. When you sell in tens of thousands of cans, or jars, or pails, or pounds, what is minute in one instance bulks large in the aggregate.

A local merchant recently carried an ad in the Independent which was taken bodily from the February grocery cataglogue of a mail order firm. We copied the type word for word; the merchant duplicated the mail order house's offer, AND DID NOT ADD THE FREIGHT. He should have added the freight. When you send for goods you pay the charges; it becomes part of the price you pay; the Belmond merchant made a BETTER OFFER than the mail order house— and he SOLD THE GOODS.

The Independent believes that every merchant in the town of Belmond will meet the mail order houses on price, considering quality. Will the consumers buy locally if they can get the same price? The Independent believes they will. The consumer must remember that, in buying locally, he does not have to wait a week for his order; he takes it home with him the same day. You cannot ask the local merchants to give you mail order prices, and then give you credit for thirty to ninety days, or longer; if you pay cash at the mail order house, you should be willing to pay cash in Belmond if you are given the same prices, the same quality, plus the freight.

The writer has heard many, many times, the story of "outrageous prices in Belmond." "We can send and get it cheaper." Perhaps you can—and perhaps you are mistaken. The Independent is going to find out, one way or the other, and asks the co-operation of the Belmond merchants and the Belmond consumers. we are going to call a "Mail Order On March 9th, we will issue what Number." Every merchant in Belmond will be solicited for an advertisement in which he will quote mail order prices on the articles he mentions, plus the freight, the goods advertised to be sold for cash only. Prices on these articles are to be taken from the February and March catalogues of a mail order house. The consumer is asked, when he receives his paper, to check the Belmond merchant's prices with that of the mail order catalogue; and unless he or she is the unusual exception, such a catalogue will be in their possession. If the prices are not equal, quality for quality, we ask the consumer to tell us; if they are, we want to know too.

The Independent believes that, with equal prices, plus the freight, given in Belmond, the goods will be sold here. Furthermore, it will either prove or disprove the oft-repeated cry of "too high." The writer does not think that any Belmond business firm will be unwilling to meet the mail order competition, or that any Belmond consumer will wait a week for what he needs when he can get what he wants when he wants it at the same price. We are not bringing any "Shears & Sawbuck pay no taxes, here, nor support our churches, or boost this community" arguments into it; this is solely a competitive, price-equaling, business-like affair, wherein Belmond business competes with the mail order house on equal-quality goods.

Remember, the Belmond merchants will meet the price of the mail order house, PLUS FREIGHT, equal quality, and sell for CASH. In other words, they will offer you, the consuor, exactly what the mail order house does; you cannot ask them to do more. Watch for the "Mail Order Number," and settle, to your own satisfaction, whether you can afford to trade at home. We are betting that you can.

To the Men of America.

You talk of your breed of cattle,
And plan for a higher strain;
You double the food of the pasture;
You heap up the measure of grain.
You draw on the wits of the nation,
To better the barn and the pen;
But what are you doing, my brothers,
To better the breed of men?

You boast of your Morgan and Herefords,
Of the worth of the calf or a colt,
And scoff at the scrub and the mongrel
As worthy a fool or a dolt;
You mention the points of your roadster,
With many a "wherefore" and "when,"
But, ah, are you conning, my brothers
The worth of the children of men?

And what of your boy? Have you measured
His needs for a growing year?
Does your mark as his sire, in his features,
Mean less than your brand on a steer?
Thoroughbred—that is your watchword,
For stable and pasture and pen;
But what is your word for the homestead?
Answer, you breeders of men.
—Rose Trumbull in James Barn Magazine.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Farmer's Institute March 4

A one day farmers' institute under the auspices of the Chicago Great Western Railway Co., will be held in Clarion at the court house, Saturday, March 4th. Speakers who are authorities on the various agricultural subjects have been secured from different agricultural colleges.

The morning session will begin promptly at ten o'clock and run until noon and the afternoon program will begin at exactly 1:30 and close promptly at 4 o'clock so as to give farmers plenty of time to get home for their chores.

This is free to all farmers of Wright county. Everybody is welcome. There will be no collection.

Shipping Association Meetings

Arrangements have been completed for holding livestock shipping association meetings at four shipping points in Wright county.

Interest in the livestock shipping association work in Wright county has grown until there has developed a real need for meetings for the purpose of getting the information to the interested shippers.

Knute Espe, executive secretary, of the Iowa Cooperative Livestock Shipper's association, will be the principal speaker at these meetings. Mr. Espe will explain in detail all phases of the livestock shipping and will be prepared to answer all questions along this line.

The four meetings will be held as follows: Clarion, Wednesday March 8, at 1:30 p. m.; Goldfield, Thursday March 9, at 1:30 p. m.; Eagle Grove, Friday, March 10, at 1:30 p. m.; Galt, Saturday, March 11, at 1:30 p. m.

Wool Account Sales Received

Consignors of 1921 wool will be interested to know that account wool sales have been received and are now being distributed. Wright County Wool Growers association made up about a car load last year and we are glad to have the returns showing up at this time. Those who have not received returns should call or write R. P. Smith, Clarion, secretary of our local county association.

Farm Machinery "Fix-Up" Week

The week of March 13 to 18 has been set aside throughout the state of Iowa as the time when all farmers will be urged to make an effort to make arrangements for the early repair of their machinery.

It is thought that by giving this matter early attention the farmers will make a great saving in labor and above all he will be able to get better service from repair shops, blacksmiths and implement dealers, who are also being urged to place early orders for farm machinery repairs.

Social at Cundall Home

A most enjoyable day was spent at the Gail Cundall home near Galt by members of the Blaine Township Farm Bureau on Tuesday, February 23rd, when about forty farmers of that community gathered at this beautiful home for their regular monthly meeting.

It is thought that the attendance was cut down considerably by the severe weather, but those who braved the wintry February day were repaid by enjoying a most interesting program arranged by people of the home community. A program consisting of several readings, a few musical numbers, and a splendid address by Rev. W. N. Bump was given at this social. Everyone seemed to enter into the merriment of the occasion and their troubles wre forgotten for a few hours at least.

The most interesting part of the program was the very interesting address given by Rev. Bump of the Galt church. Rev. Bump is vitally interested in the activities of the farm bureau. He reminded the people of his community of two great principles: first, public sentiment is the guiding factor in the county, state and nation; and second, organization is the one way by which public sentiment can be created. Rev. Bump seems to take unusual interest in the farm bureau movement and has been called upon to talk to groups of our members in different sections of the county.

That Orchard of Yours

Now is the time to be thinking about that orchard and make plans for the spring and summer spraying. We all know that pruning and spraying are very necessary if the orchard is to be saved and made profitable. Statistics show that about two-thirds of the plum trees and one-half of the apple trees could have been saved by proper pruning and spraying.

During th latter part of February and the fore part of March is the best time to do your pruning to get the best results. Care should be taken not to prune your trees too heavily the first year. Limbs should be cut off close to the trunk and cut with a smooth slanting wound so that it will not collect moisture and fungus growths and begin to rot. It is best to cut from the lower side first and this well prevent the limb tearing off a strip of bark when falling.

CHURCH NOTES

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

March is here and with it let us march forward to new heights in all departments of work. After the good speeches of last Sunday we ought to be ready to do our work better as well as to enlarge it.

We have made a good record durin January and February but let us make a better record during the next month. Easter will soon be here and we hope to see many take their stand for the Christ before and come into the church Easter Sunday.

Come and join our Bible Study class on Thursday night. Our next lesson will begin with the 32 chapter of Genesis. Sabbath school Sunday morning at 10. Morning services at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Do not miss next Sunday.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School at 10 a. m. We made a good average in February but ought to do better in March.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society will have its annual Thank Offering service at 11 o'clock a. m. Let us make this a great service and give this flourishing society cause for rejoicing.

Epworth League at 6:30 P. M.

Evening service at 7:30 p. m. The pastor would be pleased to have all seats taken.

Women's Foreign Missionary Society meets with Mrs. E. F. Snyder on Thursday, Leader is Mrs. Tiara.

North Division of the Ladies' Aid meets with Mrs. Issaac Shaffer on Thursday.

King's Heralds meet at the church on Saturday at 2:30 p. m.

Prayer Meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. Study ACTS chapter 9.

Immanuel Reformed Church Notes

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Sunday School, 9:20 a. m. English.
Morning service 10:20 a. m. German
Christian Endeavor 7:30. English.
C. E. Topic for March 12.
"Habits, Good and Bad."
Prov. 4:23-27; Heb. 10:23-25.
Daily Bible Readings.
Mon. Lying. Eph. 4:25-30.
Tues. Procrastination. Matt. 818-22.
Wed. Boasting. Jas. 4:12-17.
Thurs. Church going. Heb. 10:19-25.
Fri. Honesty. Deut. 25:13-16.
Sat. Patience. Jas. 5:7-11.
Wed. Eve. 7:30 Teachers Meeting.
Wed. Eve. 8:00 Catechism.
Sat. p. m. 1:00 Catechism.
Sunday Eve. 8:00 Address by Pastor. English.

Battery Headquarters

We take care of batteries —all makes. We recharge and repair batteries. But that isn't all.

We're a clearing house for battery information!

If you want to know what happens when water in the battery runs low—when the charge goes down—when a short circuit occurs, we'll tell you. More than that we'll tell you the few simple things you need to know to sidestep battery trouble.

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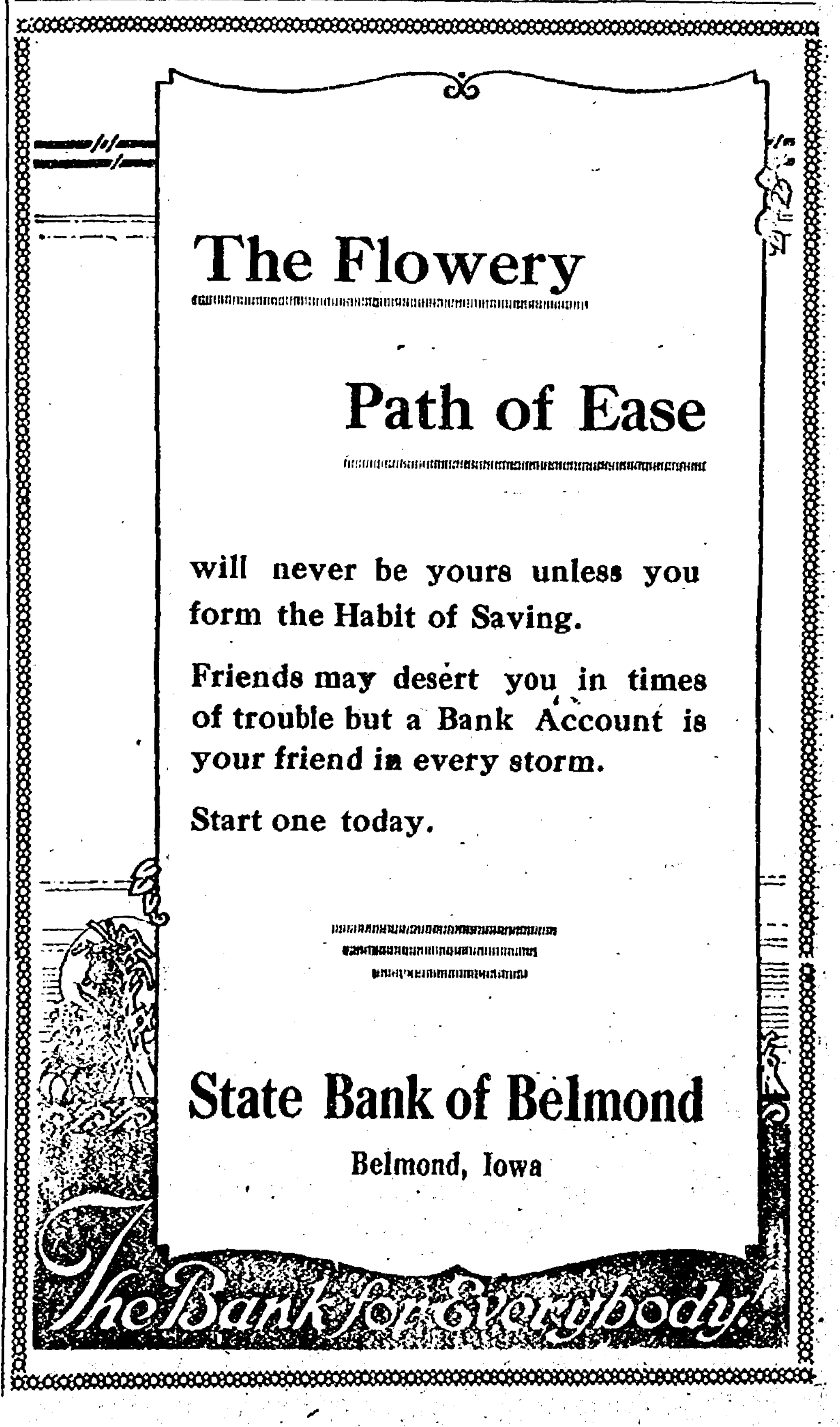
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Belmond, Iowa

Rowan Local News

Mr. Ed Miller, of Clarion, was a Rowan visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Meservey, came last Wednesday to attend the old time dance which was to have been given Wednesday night but was postponed on account of light trouble. Rowan being without lights as the water raised enough at Iowa Falls to put the fires out at the plant.

And speaking of high water; several of our citizens were inconvienced the first of last week by the water raising in their basements. Several places the fires were put out for the day. However it quickly subsided before much damage was done.

Miss Vinnie Whitten, who has been working at Mason City spent a few days with home folks last week.

Fred Francis, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval has been very sick with stomach trouble but is reported better at the present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitten were in Des Moines several days the past week attending a Hardware Dealer's Convention.

Jens Kjar was a Hampton caller Saturday.

Mrs. L. R. Fitz, of Clarion visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gay Fletcher, Thursday.

Howard Myers, who is moving from Nebraska to Minnesota to work on a ranch, visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers last week.

Mrs. Roy Ryder was a Fort Dodge shopper Friday.

Charley Gill, of Fairmont, Minn., spent several days the past week visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Jeanette Patton and other relatives. He went to Clarion Saturday o visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Laurence Dorr.

Miss Grace Hubbell is helping at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holliday.

Mrs. Mary Williams is still very sick. A nurse from Mason City was secured for her last week.

Mrs. R. Virden, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is reported as being able to sit up a little.

Rev. Hardcastle was a business caller in Rowan Friday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Mohr, of Alexander, visited at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Nye Friday.

The storm last week crippled the telephone service badly in this vicinity.

Dr. George was called to see Mrs. William Bailey Wednesday. Mrs. Bailey has been in poor health for some little time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Richards, of Alexander, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder Friday.

Last Friday night Jay Lord and Fred Cobourn were hosts at a party in the Brooks hall. Nearly a hundred people enjoyed this evening. Refreshments were served by the hosts. A very fine time is reported.

Mrs. Campbell, of Dows, is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Hubbell. She expects to go to Beatris, Nebraska in a short time.

Dorothy Ramsey was a Dows shopper Saturday.

Theo Hansen went to Clarion Monday where he is on jury duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Madsen, of Sheffield, Ill., is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Edmund Nelson. Mrs. Nelson, who is in the hospital at Hampton where she was operated on last Monday is reported as doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. They were unable to complete the operation last Monday and she will have to have a second one.

Edgar Mantle and Roy Cupp were Dows callers Saturday.

Mrs. R. H. Kieth went to Goldfield Tuesday of this week to demonstrate the making of dress forms at a club meeting at the home of W. D. McCutcheon. Mrs. Kieth has done a lot of that work around here and is very capable.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas spent the first of the week at the parental Thomas home. On Tuesday Jim and his brother started to Ventura with their household goods and Mrs. Thomas went to Forrest City to visit for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten were Dows shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box moved into the D. M. Whitten residence Monday.

George Wessels was a Clarion business caller Monday.

Mrs. and Mrs. O. F. Braden moved into the house vacated by the Box family and Mr. and Mrs. Holliday moved into the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Braden.

Mr. and Mrs. Silva, of Belmond have moved into the apartment house.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hackley moved into the Fitz house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum.

Clarence Jennings have moved away from this vicinity. We understand they have gone to Manley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lineweaver move on the place vacated by the Jennings family.

Mr. R. Virden was quite sick the latter part of the week with tonsilitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Berger were Dows shoppers Saturday.

Mr. Charley Berger was a Hampton caller Saturday.

Last Wednesday evening the following guests surprised Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box by gathering at their home the occasion being the 40th anniversary of their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Berger, Mrs. Kate Conn and Miss La Vonne Ballou. The hostess of the evening were Mrs. Jessis Agnew and Miss Florence Box. A very pleasant evening was reported.

Mrs. George Prictchett was sick last week with broncitis.

Miss Grace Hubbell spent Sunday in Dows at the home of her friend, Erdine Unger.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Conn, of Coulter were Sunday guests at the parental Fletcher home.

The entertainment which was given by Mr. Bowman last Thursday night as one number of the lecture course was a success. The weather was the cause of a small crowd but those that were present had the pleasure of a fine entertainment.

J. F. Howell was a Clarion caller Friday.

Jim Rowen visited friends in Clarion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peddle moved from Coulter to the Burt farm which was vacated by Charley Snyder's.

The general public of Rowan will be given a rare treat next Friday, March 3, when the Caverny Company, a musical trio of great repute, will give the fourth and last program on the Lyceum course. You are cordially invited to this very fine concert. Those who were present last week were greatly delighted with Robert Bowman.

Rev. D. J. J. Bushnell was entertained while in Rowan at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval. The workers conference was largely attended and proved to be a great inspiration to the people.

Mr. William Wolle was in town last week representing Morningside College. It is hoped that in the near future the Rowan people will have the privlege of listening to Dr. Frank Mossman, President of the college at Sioux City. Dr. Mossman is an orator of first order.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

School Notes

Edith Hill was a High School visitor Tuesday February 21st.

Leone Pepper was a visitor at Rowan High School Tuesday February 23rd.

Grace Hubbell was a High school visitor Friday.

The Rowan Girls Basket Ball Team will enter the Tournament at Belmond the latter part of this week. Bring the "Cup" back with you girls. Remember the Rowan Champion team five years ago. Be true to them.

The trainer, Miss Hazel Neuenschwander, who has been training the Rowan contestants for the past three weeks left for Zearing Sunday morning.

The Declamatory contest was a great success in spite of the inclemency of the weather. It is said that this is one of the best contests ever staged in Rowan. The winners in first, second and third places in each class are as follows: Oratorical, James Kercheval, Ralph Mollering, Fred Moellering; Dramatic, Laura McCallum, Mable Aldinger, Bernice Hansen; Humorous Frances Farran, Vey Ketchum, Harold Moellering. Each selection was so well rendered that it made work difficult for the judges.

James Kercheval, Laura McCallum, and Frances Farran having received first places in the different classes were sent as speakers to the county declamatory contest at Eagle Grove last Friday afternoon and evening. They made a good showing here but were not able to bring home the silver loving cup which went to the winners.

The school has made a splendid showing in community work at the beginning of the year it was the plan of the faculty to give a community program once a month which has been very creditably done. The first number of this series was a program and luncheon given by the teachers to get acquainted with the patrons. The second number was the famous steriopticon lecture on Oberammagau by Dr. Critchley. The third was the "Tom Thumb" wedding. The fourth was a basket social and program. The fifth was the declamatory contest. The sixth will be a steriopticon lecture on the Philippines by a real Philipino, Vernancio Trinidad who has won several prizes in this country for his oratory. The 7th will be the senior class play. The 8th the commencement excercises will be held the latter part of May. Besides these numbers there have been games of basket ball played on the home floor with nearly all of the neighboring towns and a return game on their floors. It has taken some money and quite a little of it too to finance this whole affair. The school has met all of its bills and has money in the treasury in spite of the hard times, which is a great more than most of the schools have done.

The pupils and teachers are working strenuously to bring the school to a high standard. The six weeks test will be held this week.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes
Sunday March 5th, 1922.
Rev. W. H. Nye, pastor.

Morning worship 11 a. m.
Sunday school 12 a. m.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. Leader, Joe McKinley. "Lets go."
Evening service 7:30 p. m.

Arrangements are being made for special services for this day, and you should take in all the services at the Cong'l church Sunday March 5th, as there will be good music, and addresses. Be sure and come.

The mid-week meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

The Junior Endeavors will meet at the church Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Children we invite all of you to come.

The Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Brooks on Thursday afternoon March 2nd at 3:30. The topic will be considered "Mormanism" Mrs. W. H. Nye, leader.

All the ladies are requested to be present, and answer the roll call, also, give something on Mormanism.

The Junior met at the home of Lucille Nye last Friday evening, and they had a very enjoyable time, with games, and refreshments. There were about 45 children present, and all say they had a royal time.

The Christian Endeavors will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Emerson Thursday evening at 7:30. After a business meeting there will be a social time, and, we invite all the young people, and their friends to be present at this gathering, as these monthly meetings and social times are for you. "Be sure and come."

A day of prayer for the world wide mission Friday March 3rd from 2:30 to 4:30.

The Missionary Society will meet this week at the church on Friday afternoon and it is requested that all the ladies be present at the meeting held in the Rowan Cong'l church. Mrs. Ballou, president.

The young people of the Cong'l church had a bake sale Saturday, 25, and they done well, like they always do, when they undertake something for the interest of the church and the community.

Rev. Hardcastle, and Rev. and Mrs. Mohr, of Alexander called at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Nye last Friday afternoon.

Be sure and attend the Congregational church Sunday March 5th, for the morning and evening services, also for the Sunday school.

Methodist Church Notes
Pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson
Service Hours

10:30 Public worship
11:30 Sunday school
6:30 Epworth League
7:30 Evensong

The congregations at the Methodist church were very large last Sunday. Every part of the auditorium was occupied when the pastor spoke on "How sin grows." At the evening service Mr. Tomkinson spoke on the subject of "Haunted Houses." There is no more enthusiastic congregation in Wright county. The community will be safe so long as we have church going people.

The W. C. T. U. held their annual convention meeting at Mrs. W. Tressider's home.

Rev. H. Tomkinson expects to go to Storm Lake for a few days next week.

Star Theatre

MARCH 4, 1922
WALLACE REID
in
WHAT'S YOUR HURRY?
A Comedy drama. Very good.
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Synopsis—Episode Five
"ONE AGAINST MANY"

After a furious fight in the gymnasium, Hutch and Nancy make a getaway in a motorboat. They are pursued by Marlow and the others to an abandoned lighthouse, where they are locked in by Marlow, who has gained on them. But Hutch turns the tables by climbing down a rope and locking them in.

At home again, Nancy discovers her scarf again missing and suspects Ann. At Ann's home she learns that she and her grandfather have gone to the reservoir, and they follow. Old Mr. Haviland, in eagerness to find the hidden formula, ignores danger and crosses the reservoir, into which logs are being rolled. Ann begs Hutch to rescue him. Hutch takes a short cut by crossing the reservoir on the floating logs therein. He stumbles and falls many times, but he cannot reach the building from which the logs are sent down the sluiceway before several crash into the frail row boat, injuring Mr. Haviland. To quickly reach him, Hutch mounts a log and rides with it down the sluiceway. He manages to get Ann's grandfather to shore, but death overtakes him before divulging the hiding place of the seaweed formula.

Children's
MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy
is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

ROBINSON'S

NATIONAL - CANNED - GOODS WEEK

March 1st. to March 8th.

6 cans of Pork & Beans
2 cans of Tomatoes
2 cans of Red Kidney Beans
2 cans Baby Lima Beans
8 cans Sweet Corn
2 cans Brown Beauty Beans
2 cans Daisy Maid Hominy

24 cans for $2.99

GET YOUR ORDER IN EARLY.

Keynote for Spring

INDIVIDUALITY is the Principal Thing in Footwear. Plain, Tailored Oxfords, Strapped Slippers or Brogues, either are correct.

$5 to $10

WOODRUFF'S
"Good Shoes"
115 N. Federal - Mason City

Thank offering service of the Woman's Foreign Missionery Society at the Morning Service. Come!

Methodist Episcopal Church

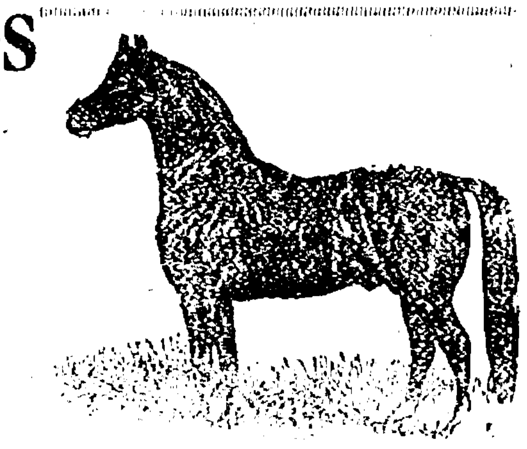
READ THE ADS

PUBLIC SALE

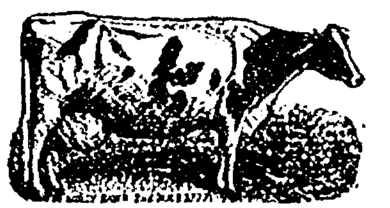
As my lease on the Sugar Company Farm expires March 1, and the farm has been rented for the coming year, I will sell at Public Auction on the Sugar Company Farm, 1-2 mile south of Belmond, commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m., on

Friday, March 3rd

11 Head of Horses and Mules



1 bay team, well matched, 9 years old, wt. 3,000
1 black team, well matched, 9 years old, wt. 2,800
1 grey horse, wt. 1,200
1 bay horse, wt. 1,350
1 brown gelding, 3 years old
2 yearling colts
1 team bay mules, wt. 1,800



11 Head of Cattle

5 good milch cows, coming fresh, all tubercular tested
6 calves, ranging from 2 months to 6 months old

MACHINERY

2 wagon gears
1 wagon, complete
3 beet boxes
2 sets good work harness
2 sulky plows
1 14-in. walking plow
4 beet cultivators
1 land roller
1 disc
1 hay rack
1 4-horse evener
1 beet lifter
1 cream separator, new
Other articles too numerous to mention.

35 Chickens, Mostly Hens

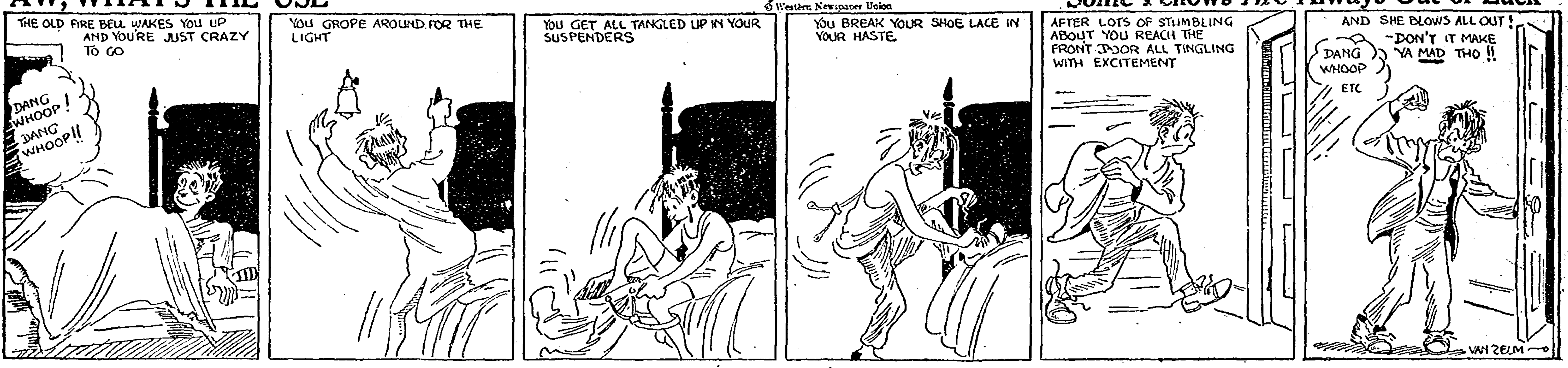
TERMS--$10 and under Cash; over that amount 9 months time at 8 per cent. All property to be settled for on date of sale.

V. F. Mikesell

State Bank, Clerk
T. D. Rankins, Auctioneer

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1922



AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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Some Fellows Are Always Out of Luck

THE OLD FIRE BELL WAKES YOU UP AND YOU'RE JUST CRAZY TO GO
DANG WHOOP! DANG WHOOP!!
YOU GROPE AROUND FOR THE LIGHT
YOU GET ALL TANGLED UP IN YOUR SUSPENDERS
YOU BREAK YOUR SHOE LACE IN YOUR HASTE
AFTER LOTS OF STUMBLING ABOUT YOU REACH THE FRONT DOOR ALL TINGLING WITH EXCITEMENT
AND SHE BLOWS ALL OUT! —DON'T IT MAKE YA MAD THO!!
DANG WHOOP ETC
VAN ZELM

PUBLIC SALE!

As I am quitting the farm, I will hold a closing out sale on my place 6 miles northwest of Belmond, 2 miles west and 1 mile south of Goodell, known as the old Houghton farm, on

Monday, March 6th

Commencing at 11 o'clock a. m.

19 Head of Horses 19

One grey Stallion, grade, 8 yrs. old
One black mare, 7 yrs. old
One team, bay and grey, 10 yrs. old
One team mares, grey, 9 yrs. old
One bay horse, 9 yrs. old
One bay horse pony
One team geldings, 4 years old
One team geldings 3 years old
One team mares, 3 yrs. old
One team, mare and gelding, 2 yrs. old
3 colts, 1 yr. old

11 Head of Cattle

2 cows, 5 yrs. old
1 cow, 4 yrs. old
1 cow, 3 yrs. old
2 steers, 2 yrs. old
1 bull, 2 yrs. old, grade
1 bull, 1 yr. old, grade
2 calves, 8 months old
1 calf, 1 month old

MACHINERY

1 truck wagon with rack
1 wagon, 4 inch tires and 26 in. box
1 wagon, 3 in. tires and 36 in. box
1 top buggy
1 open buggy
1 McCormick binder, 6 ft.
1 McCormick mower, 5 ft.
1 Champion hay rake
1 disc, 14 wheel
1 disc, 16 wheel
1 Emerson gang plow, 13 in.
1 Emerson sulkey plow, 16 in.
1 walking plow, 18 in.
1 3-section Harrow
1 3-section steel Harrow
1 Emerson cultivator, 6 shovel
1 International cultivator, 6 shovel
1 tower cultivator
1 John Deere corn planter, 100 rods wire
1 John Deere seeder
3 sets work harness
1 single harness
1 saddle
Wire cribbing
1 bob sled
80 ft. hay rope, almost new
2 hay pulleys
1 Gade, 2 1-2 h. p. engine
1 Melotte Cream separator
1 washing machine with pulley attachment
1 Grindstone
1 3-in. rubber belt
1 hand corn sheller
15 bu. yellow seed corn
200 bus. yellow seed oats
Some ear corn
Some hay in stack
200 chickens
13 ducks
Some household goods

Other articles too numerous to mention

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

TERMS: $10 and under, Cash; over that amount 10 months time on approved security at 8 per cent interest. All property to be settled for on date of sale.

MRS. E. H. LATEER

Belmond Savings Bank, Clerk
Lewis Hauge, Auctioneer

BOOST YOUR TOWN

There are fancier towns than our
little town;
There are towns that are bigger
than this,
And the people who live in a little
old town
Don't know the excitment they
miss;
There are things that you see in the
wealthier town
That you can't in a town that's
small,
And yet, up and down, there is no
other town
Than your own little town after all.
It may be true that the streets ain't
long,
Nor wide and maybe not straight
But the neighbors you know in your
own little town,
All welcome a fellow—it's great.
In the glittering streets of a glittering town,
With its palace and pavement and
thrall;
In the midst of a throng you will
frequently long
For your own little town after all.
If you live and you work in your own
little town;
In spite of the fact that it's small,
You'll find it a fact that your own
little town
Is the best little town after all.

HAVE YOU MET HIM?

The word "gentleman" is defined this way: A man who is clean both inside and outside; who neither looks up to the rich nor down on the poor; who can lose without squealing and win without bragging; who is considerate of women, children and old people; who is too brave to lie, too generous to cheat, and who takes his share of the world and lets the other people have theirs.

WATERMULLER—GERDES

On Wednesday afternoon, February 22, 1922 occured the marriage of Miss Nettie Gerdes to George Watermuller of Kanawha, Ia. The Rev. H. Pannkuk, pastor of the Meservey Reformed church performed the ceremony that made this happy couple husband and wife.

Mr. Nels Watermuller, brother of the groom, acted as best man and Miss Rika Gerdes, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gerdes, of Meservey, one of our most respected families. She has grown up in this vicinity, esteemed and respected by young and old alike. She has always been a star in the home circle and now she has gone to reign in her own home of which she is highly capable. She is a faithful member of the Reformed church, as a Sunday school teacher and as a member of the Ladies Aid, she was active, punctual, conscientions and faithful in the discharge of her duties.

The groom is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Watermuller. He is a man of good parts, honest, industrious and successful in his chosen calling. Mr. Watermuller is a member of the Reformed church of Kanawha and interested in the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God.

After February 27 the young people will go to housekeeping on the groom's farm three miles west of Goodell.

It is a pleasure to chronicle the marriage of such young people who are true to God and man, for such make their influence tell on the lives of others. It is such institutions as the family altar and the observence of the grace at our daily bounty that signalize our adherence to the traditional principles of our Christian land and our sincere desire for a continuance of the divine favor.

Hearty congratulations and God speed!

If you want to make a success of your own business don't worry over that of the other fellow.

For Sale

Large type Poland China brood sows and gilts, bred to farrow March and April. Cholera immune.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Philomathean society and the 7th and 8th grades society met on Friday, Feb. 24, in the assembly room. A good program was given by both societies. The visitors were Mrs. W. F. Butz, Mrs. Ralston, Mrs. Reif, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. F. C. Sprau, Mrs. O. A. Strasburg, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Wendel, Miss Hannah Boelman, Mrs. A. D. Brogan and Mr. Groen.

Gerald Braga was absent from school Tuesday on account of sickness.

The Freshies won in the "Good English" race last week, but Herman Witt had the most badges.

The 8th grade had twelve "Good English" badges and the 7th grade ten.

The 4th grade gave their surprise on the 3rd grade Friday, Feb. 24. Severalvisitors were present and all the pupils wore a small hatchet in honor of Washington's birthday.

Mildred Janssen was absent Monday on account of illness.

The 3rd grade had 10 badges, the 4th grade 16, the 5th grade 15, and the 6th grade 15, last week. Elma Gruis had the largest number.

By Request:

The condition of out door buildings are very poor. During the rainy days week before last a group of little children were drenched, while making efforts to get in and out of these buildings. Several caught severe colds.

THE CRISIS

Jan. 5, 1777 Published at Philadelphia

CURRENT EVENTS

Washington makes brilliant campaign in New Jersey. Wins battles of Trenton and Princeton.

On Christmas Eve, Washington, with 2400 picked men, recrossed the Deleware river amid floating ice and defeated the Hessian hordes under Rahl at Trenton. The Hessians were celebrating Christmas and were taken by surprise. General Rahl was killed and 1000 of his men were taken prisoners. Washington lost only a few men. This move came as a surprise to everyone. Nearly everyone thought that Washington was thru.

Less than a fortnight after this victory the American forces under Washington were hard pressed by the British under Cornwallis. Washington was forced to retreat and was brought to bay near the Deleware river. Cornwallis delayed the attack until morning and during the night Washingto stole away leavig his campfires burning and marched around Cornwallis' main army and attacked the rear guard uder Manhood at Princeton. It was a splendid victory for the Americans.

As a result of this campaign Cornwallis withdrew back to New York.

Thousands of American soldiers have re-enlisted in the American ranks. The hopes of the American people have risen very high again.

The Congress has appointed Geo. Washington supreme distator for a period of six months.

Robert Morris, of Philadelphia, has been collecting money from citizens for payment of Washington's soldiers and to buy supplies for them. You can do well by supporting him.

The patriotic, self-sacrificing women of Batimore, Charleston, Boston and other cities have knitted several thousand pairs of socks during the past year. They intend to exceed their record this year. The soldiers surely have appreciated the services of the American women.

Benjamin Franklin has been appointed ambassador to France for the purpose of getting aid for the Americans. It has not been learned whether he had any success yet or not. Here's hoping he succeeds.

The Indians of Cherry Valley have been acting suspiciously of late. They are suspected of being employed by British and Tory agents to wage war against the Americans. The Congress would do well to send more troups to defend the settlers.

Our correspondent recently returned from Virginia where he has been studying the people and conditions. He reports that the people are cheerful although the war presses heavily upon them. They are without flour and other near necessities of life. Nearly all the men have enlisted in the army.

(To be continued next week.)

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

The "Work to Win Class" of the Evangelical churhch met at the A. J. Nissen home Tuesday evening of last week. Owing to the stormy weather only a small number of the class and several visitors were present. After the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed. The hostess served dainty refreshments. All report a fine time.

Mel. Smith was a business visitor at Mason City on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson and son autoed to Dows Wednesday evening returning on Thursday.

Everyone is watching their step these days owing to the icy condition of the streets. The young folks are enjoying the skating.

Miss Jennie Meinderts spent a few days visiting relatives and friends at Klemme.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hartfelder moved to town last week and will occupy the Albert Haferman residence in the south part of town.

Mr. H. Ables and family will move to a farm near Swaledale. We regret the loss of this esteemable family from our midst. The Wickershein farm which they vacate will be occupied the coming season by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faaborg.

Meservery was truly in utter darkness last Wednesday evening owing to the electric lights failing to work. Everyone dug up their kerosene lamps and lanterns and in some cases they wouldn't work. "Ask Muller."

C. J. Wendell was a business visitor at Fort Dodge last week.

Miss Grace Pals returned from her Grudy Center visit last week. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Dora Pals.

Rev. Schlesselman returned home from Mason City last Friday where he had been assisting Rev. Orth with Evangelistic meetings.

Miss Mabel Paul has been confined to her home the past week with a severe attack of grippe.

Dr. Agler, Roy Gatzke and W. E. Jones motored to Mason City on Tuesday of last week.

On Tuesday evening of last week an oyster supper was enjoyed at the G. Lauster home by the Charivari bunch.

K. Clarence Ruigh was at the county seat on Wednesday on business matters.

Alfred Meintz and John Pals autoed to Mason City Thursday.

Mrs. Schlesselman was a shopper at Mason City Thursday.

A. Meintz was a motor passenger to Mason City Thursday morning on business.

Dr. Reuber of Klemme was a business visitor in town last Thursday.

Greta, the little daughter of H. Ables was reported quite sick last week.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

METHODIST CHURCH

Regular services 2:30 p. m. Sunday.

The Rev. Harold Tomkinson, pastor of the M. E. church at Rowan, is to preach for us next Sunday afternoon, March 5th. He is a fine preacher and will have a message well worth attention.

FOR SALE—5-room house with 2 lots and outbuildings. Known as the Henry Lauster property. See Jacob Nissen or G. Lauster. 13tfc

While making some calls east of town last Wednesday evening, Dr. Agler had an experience which he does not care to repeat at the cross roads east of the Hartfelder farm. The water was away over the road, and the doctor's enclosed car slid off the grade into the ditch. He was forced to wade out and with drenched clothing walk to town for aid. Dr. Agler's many friends are glad he escaped so luckily, as aside from a slight indisposition for several days he suffered no ill effects from his "early spring bath." We suggest the next time he tries a trip of that kind he use a boat.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hemming of Thornton spent Sunday at the E. Foss home.

Miss Eletha Taylor, of Patterson, was a guest at the G. E. Roecker home over the week end.

The Misses King and Ankeny were shoppers at Mason City last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Butz and daughter of Clear Lake spent Sunday at the Mrs. Mary Butz home. They will leave sooon for Blackwell, Wisconsin, where Earl has a position as manager of a store.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ralston and their daughter, Olivia, autoed to Hampton last Sunday where they visited Mrs. Ralston's parents. Her father has been failing in health for some time.

Marvel Brogan, who attends school at Charles City, spent the week end at her home here.

Mrs. Emma Stadtlander has been enjoying a visit from her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Kohl, from Antigo, Wis., also Mr. and Mrs. Marms from Palouse Falls, Wash. The latter is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kohl.

Mrs. Della Prall, who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. C. J. Wendel, the past two months, left Monday for Mason City for a visit before returning to her home at Tama.

The American Legion gave an entertainment last Saturday evening in the form of a moving pictures and basket supper. Only a few boxes were brought but quite a crowd turned out for the pictures and the boys realized a nice little sum.

H. F. Reif and M. A. Smith were county seat visitor last Tuesday.

A farewell party was held last Saturday evening at the Harold Bluett home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Oehlert, who move to a farm near Thornton. A fine time is reported.

T. T. Lieuwen and son were Mason Mason City visitors last Monday.

Mrs. Peterson, of Belmond, is visiting at the H. Koefed home on Wednesday of last week.

STRAYED—One white-faced yearling steer. Notify Harold Quondt. Thornton, Iowa. Route 2. 151*

Idle Money

Loafing money is worse than a loafing man. The man injures himself only, while idle money withdrawn from industry and commerce means idle factories and stagnant business.

Had Columbus deposited $1 at 5 per cent compound interest when he discovered this country it would now amount to $67,505,039,580.00

Money deposited with us at 5 per cent interest is one of the few safe methods to provide for old age.

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
FSB
MESERVEY, IOWA

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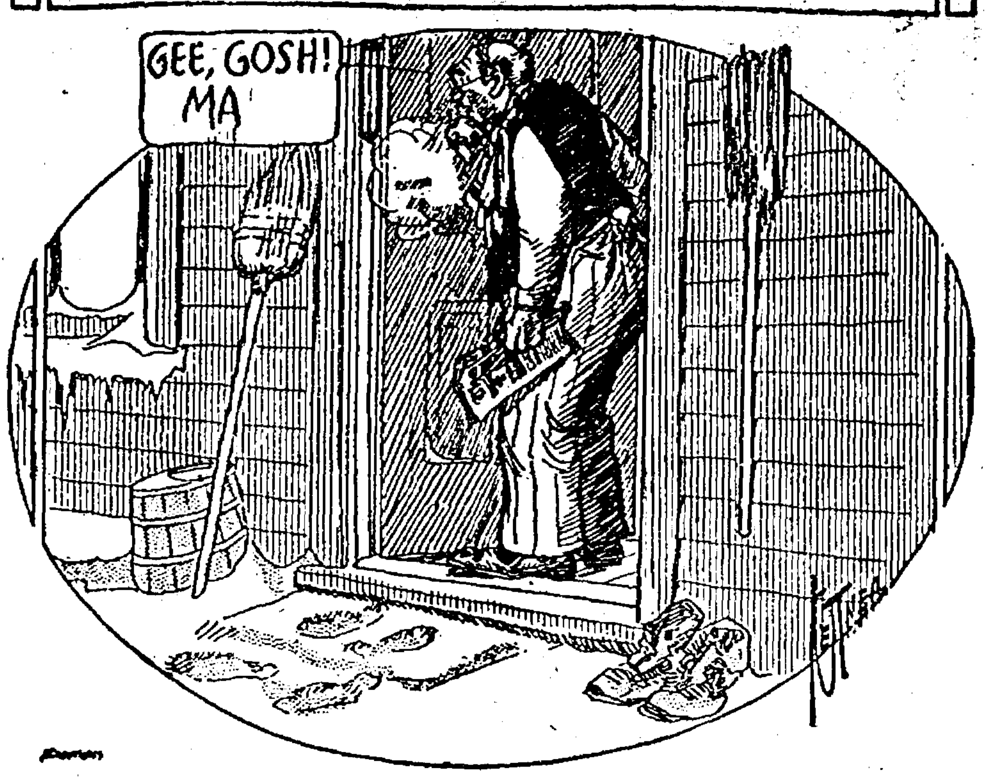

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30
Preaching services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00

Catechism at the usual hours on Saturday afternoon.

The Aid Society will meet Tuesday afternoon February 28 at the church basement at the hour of 1:30.

There will also be a congregational meeting the same afternoon at the same hour.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

Notice to Patrons of Rural Mail Routes

By directions of the Post Office Department, postmasters throughout the country have recently made an inspection of the rural routes from their offices. The purpose was that they might ascertain by personal observation and make report whether the roads used were in good condition for travel, the routes well arranged, boxes properly erected, so as to be easily reached by the carriers without difficulty and without obstructing travel, the carriers serving their routes as officially precribed, the schedule observed, and whether the families served were satisfied with the service rendered, or there were improvements which could be suggested in the interest of the patrons or the Department.

It became necessary, in connection with the inspections, to request many patrons to take action to the end that their boxes might conform with the regulations as to kind, condition, location, or heighth, and in having the name of the owner plainly printed on them. Also, to bring to the attention of road overseers or other responsible persons the need for improvement in roads or repair or construction of culverts or bridges.

It is the desire of the Department, and its purpose, to provide adequate and convenient service, so far as may be possible, to all persons residing in rural communities, but this end can not be attained without the full cooperation of the patrons in the efforts of postmasters and carriers to serve them promptly, regularly and satisfactorily.

Whatever facilitates the work of the carrier is of direct benefit to the patrons, for the greater ease and speed with which he may cover his route the earlier and better the service afforded.

So, patrons for rural delivery can greatly help themselves by helping their carrier, seeing to it that roads are kept in good condition and promptly opened after storms, by keeping the approaches to their boxes clear, and by promptly and willingly correcting any irregularities affecting their boxes when asked to do so.

Another great assistance that patrons can render carriers is by keeping themselves supplied with and using stamps instead of placing unstamped mail, with money for the purchase of the required postage, in the boxes. This delays the carrier and sometimes imposes a great hardship on him, especially in cold and stormy weather. If preferred, stampted envelopes, either printed or plain, may be obtained from the carrier, are of good quality, and cost but little more than the value of the stamps upon them, and are redeemable at the value of the stamps if damaged, but returned in a practically whole condition. If necessary to place money in a box, it should be put in a coin-holding receptacle or be properly wrapped so as to be easily picked up by the carrier.

Money for the purchase of money orders should not be left in the boxes, but should be handed to the carrier

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& Funeral Director
F. D. FULTON
Licensed Embalmer
Calls Answered Day or Night
HARM J. GROEN, Mgr.
Phone--Residence 17: Office 20
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NEW PERCALES AND GINGHAMS. ALSO OTHER NEW GOODS AND MORE TO COME.

COME IN AND LOOK THINGS OVER AND SEE OUR PRICES BEFORE BUYING ELSEWHERE

Hulsebus Muller Co.
Meservey, Iowa Phone 41
Eggs and Poultry Wanted

COAL! COAL!

Is the topic of the hour. When thinking of the conditions in the coal bin remember that we keep quality coal at the lowest prices.

H. J. Klemme Lumber Co.
Harm J. Groen, Mgr.
Phone 20 Meservey, Iowa

Meservey
Barber Shop
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Laundry Dry Cleaning

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Meservey - - Iowa

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There is as much difference in meat as there is in tea and coffee.

We have the BEST at the lowest possible price.

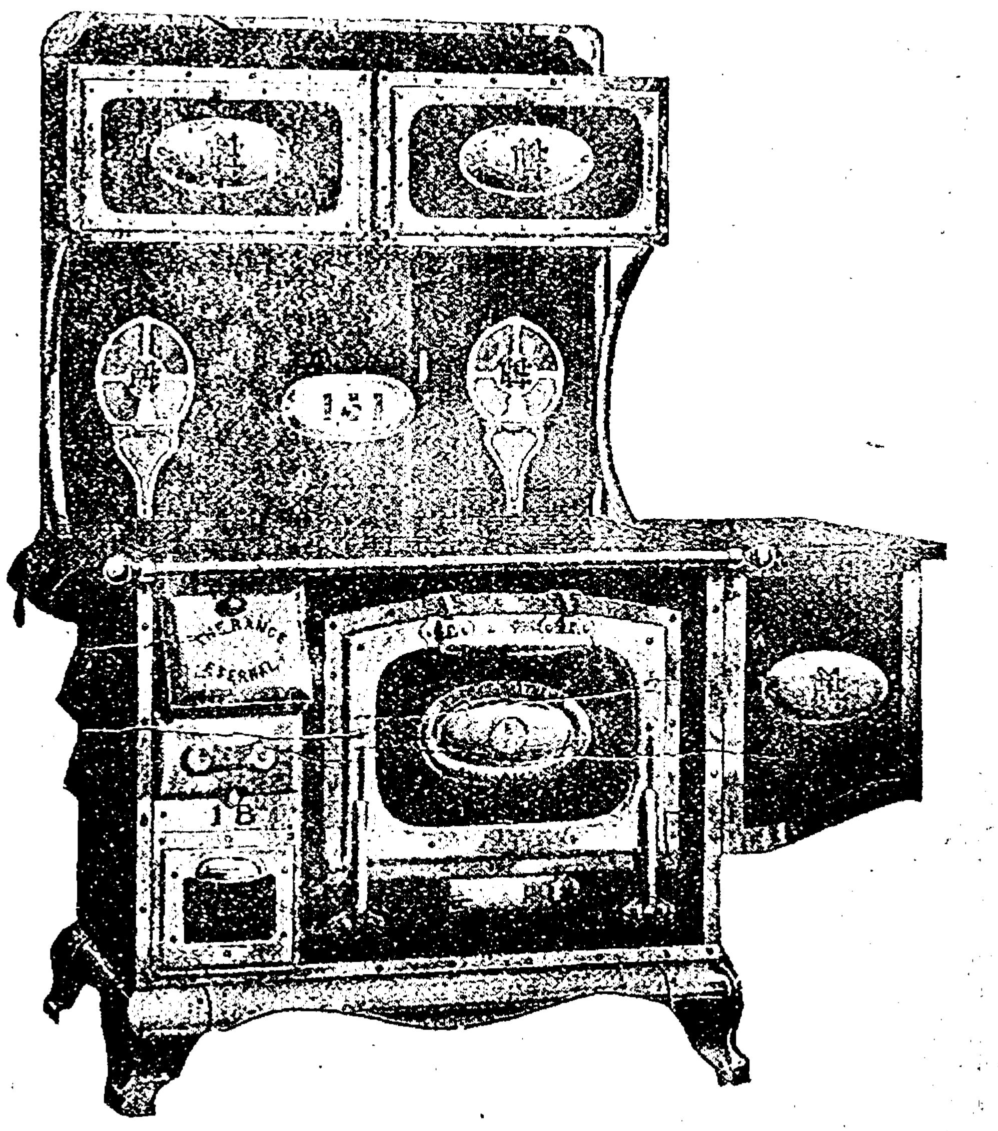
You get what you want when you want it when you buy it here.

R. L. Robinson
Meservey, Iowa

Meservey Garage

When you break down call on us we are equipped to bring your car in no matter how badly it is broken. And also to repair it at a reasonable price and quick service included.

G. E. Raecker
Phone 44 Meservey, Iowa



This is the famous Range Enternal, with our new prices on some you cannot afford to do without if your old range is played out. Come in and let us demonstrate same.
Yours for Hardware
C. J. Wendel
Meservey, Iowa

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Moving is the order of the day in this vicinity.

Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson spent Sunday with relatives at Latimer.

Miss Sina Vierkant and John Wenzel were united in marriage last week. These young people are well known here and are held in high esteem by their many friends. They will start housekeeping on a farm southeast of Alexander. Congratulations are extended the happy couple.

Mr.and Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and two sons Rex and Franc visited relatives at Hampton last Sunday.

The Cemetery Society will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Clay Kliefelter on Thursday afternoon of this week. All ladies interested in this society are invited to be present at this meeting. Hostesses for this meeting are Mrs. Clay Klinefelter,, Mrs. Leslie Reed and Mrs. Lee Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dunn were Mason City callers last Saturday.

Bernold Kinseth, of Belmond was a caller at Alexander last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and two daughters visited with relatives at Meservey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder spent the past week with relatives at Belmond.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church will meet next Wednesday afternoon March 8th. A large attendance is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Green autoed to Hampton last Thursday where they were in attendance at the reunion given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James Green the event being the wedding anniversary and also Mrs. Green's birthday.

John Arends was a business caller at Belmond last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Johansen and children and Mr. and Mrs. John Muhlenburch autoed to Renwick last Saturday, where they attended to some business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter, Leona of Hampton spent Sunday at the Nels Larsen home.

There is an epidemic of grip and bad colds raging in Alexander and vicinity.

Miss Wilma Foughty visited with friends at Belmond on Saturday and Sunday.

Theodore Beenen was a business caller at Rowan last Tuesday.

We might do much good by taking time to hesitate and think about our fire equipments and then go see to them if they are in the best of repair and if there be anything that needs mendig or adjusting see to it at once. Since the fire which took a part of our neighboring town, Corwith, it brings these things to mind.

Mrs. Lloyd Green and Mrs. Chas. Winwood were in attendance at a poultry meeting held at the Floyd Myers home near Latimer Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and two children visited with Mr. Hensel's people at Webster City the last of the week.

B. K. Kinseth of Belmond was transacting business at Alexander last Thursday.

Mrs. Aigley left Wednesday for Illinois where she expects to spend several weeks with relatives.

Albert Larsen was a business caller at Hampton on Friday.

Ben Hensel of Webster City visited with relatives at this place the past week.

Dr. Martin of Latimer was a professional caller at this place Saturday.

On Friday afternoon many of the friends of Mrs. Joe Veeder, gathered at her home and gave her a pleasant surprise in honor of her birthday. The afternoon was spent in social entertainment. Mrs. Lloyd Green and Mrs. C. R. Clark were fortunate in winning the beautiful prizes which were given for guessing most accurately on the games. Mrs. Veeder was presented with many beautiful and useful gifts. Refreshments were served and the ladies departed for their homes after wishing the lady of honor many more happy birthdays.

Bernard McCallum was a visitor at Rowan Wednesday.

M. E. Church Notes

Preaching services at 3 o'clock.

Sunday school at 2 o'clock.

Have you been attending these meetings? If not we will be glad to have you meet with us next Sunday, and receive a blessing. With the number present each Sunday we are sure having good meetings.

Rev. W. A. Wilkinson
Pastor.

School Notes

Miss Eva Whetstone braved the elements last Tuesday afternoon by going to Rowan where she acted as one of the judges in a declamatory contest.

The school program given by the grades last Friday night, drew a packed house. Many were unable to find standing room. The pupils carried out their parts in a creditable manner. The teachers who had charge of the program were the Misses Johnson, Bernard, Eickmeyer, Cornwell and Berninghausen.

The proceeds go to the library fund.

Master Richard Arends who has been out of school for some time on account of a broken leg, has returned to his accustomed place.

Thursday and Friday of last week were given over to our regular six-weeks examinations. The results will be given out Wednesday of this week.

The sixth grade and the fifth grade pupils of Miss Cornwell's room gave a luncheon last Friday noon in honor of Harry and Marie Lauen who move away this week. They will enter school at Meservey. We are sorry to lose them. They are likable young people.

Next Monday afternoon, there will be a cheese making demonstration in the domestic sience rooms. The demonstration will be given by a lady from Ames. The time is set for one o'clock. For further information consult Mrs. Lloyd Green, township chairman.

The monthly weighing and measuring of children will take place this week. We hope the showing will be as satisfactory this month as last month. If you don't know what to feed an underweight child, give him plenty of milk. Milk contains all the necessary elements. We observe that several children bring milk with their school lunches—a pretty sensible idea, too.

The movie program for Tuesday March 7 will be the "Electric Heart" on principles of battery construction. "Four Runners of Joy" showing how auto wheels are made. ':Jerry's Double Cross," a comedy.

The Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson spent the week end at the parental home in Latimer, returning Monday morning on the Misery & Short Lived limited.

KLEMME HET UP OVER ELECTRIC RATES

Times: Feeling is running high at Garner concerning the Iowa Falls Electric Company's present rates there and the question of whether or not Garner will grant them a new franchise when their present franchise expires next month.

Garner, along with many other towns, has a high rate and they want the Iowa Falls Company to get off their "high horse" and come to as low rates as their lowest rated town which they serve.

There is also talk of building a big plant at Garner, which is receiving strong support here in Klemme.

The Klemme Council met with the Garner Council Monday and were in favor of helping Garner build a plant if the Iowa Falls Company did not come down on the rates here to compare favorably with the lowest rates the Company are giving other towns. The Garner Council are sitting tight with the Klemme Council in their demand.

All that Klemme is asking for is as low a rate as the Iowa Falls Company are giving their best customers, which they serve. Garner probably wants the same, and if the Company will not grant this, then the two towns here will build their own plant and they should be able to operate as cheaply as any other plant of a similar nature.

We have a higher rate here than at Garner, although our rate is 16½ cents per KWH, we understand there is no reduction for the amount used, while at Garner they have a sliding rate begining at 18 cents for the first 10 KWH, from 10 to 20 at 16 cents, for the entire consumption, 25 to 35 at 15 cents for the entire consumption, from 60 KWH up at 10 cents for the entire consumption. It will be seen that the large user at Garner gets very cheap rate while the small user pays big for what he gets. And here at Klemme all pay the same, big or little.

Perhaps the Iowa Falls Company will explain a few things, one especially we would like to know and that is: "Why don't Klemme have as low a lighting and power rate as the lowest rated town served by the Iowa Falls Company?" Why don't they treat all towns alike?"

The Iowa Falls Company have a franchise here which will be effective for a number of years yet, but that does not prevent the Council from granting another franchise to the Garner-Klemme plant should they decide to build. Garner and Klemme are asking a square deal, no lower rate than any other town, but they want just as low rate and they will be satisfied.

100,000 BUSHELS OF CORN FOR THE NEAR EAST RELIEF

Iowa has shipped more than 100,000 bushels of corn and corn products to the relief of famine-stricken Armenia and the Near East since the railroads first provided free transportation for this state, according to the report given out by C. A. Montanus, state director of the relief committee.

Sioux County was the banner community of the state, shipping 12,874 bushels from four townships in the neighborhood of Sioux Center.

Free transportation for Iowa's gift corn expires February 28th and an intensive effort is being made this week to garner in corn in all counties, in order that the free haulage may be obtained.

Word was received here today announcing a cut of 25 per cent in the amount of relief which can be given to Armenian orphans during the balance of the winter, partially because some of the food donated has had to be sent to help starving refugees in southern Russia, under the Near East Relief, and partly because there has not been a sufficient response from people here to carry the burden assumed by relief workers. This means that some of the children now being cared for may have to be turned out to face starvation, officials say.

More than 50,000 Russian refugees are now being cared for by the Near East Relief at its base in Tiflis, cables received here state. Only $1.00 per month each is allowed for feeding these sufferers, in order that the help may be extended to as many as possible.

Generally speaking, law suits are the most expensive kind of suits to have.

Announcement

Dr. L. E. Maker

will be in Alexander 3 days a week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9 a. m. to 12, noon. Office at Drug Store.

Read
the
Ads

MOTHER HOOTCH VERSE

Because she got frisky on bootlegger's whiskey
The cow jumped over the moon;
"Wood alcohol" is the doctor's report
And the funeral's Saturday noon.

Sing a song of licker,
Prices very high,
Four-and-twenty jailbirds
Selling rotten rye!
When the rye was opened,
When the hootch was tried
Four-and-twenty customers
Took a drink and died.

Little Jack Horner sat in the corner
Drinking some bootleg rye;
It made him feel glum,
When it got to his tum
And he took 15 minutes to die!

Jack and Jill they built a still—
In mystery 'twas shrouded—
Synthetic gin they made therein;
Gosh, but the morgue is crowded!

There was a crooked man
And he had a crooked smile
And he made a crooked living
In a very crooked style,
For he sold a brand of hootch
Of which he was maker—
And then went fifty-fifty
With the village undertaker.

By Bert Braley

If Japan wishes to be thoroughly modern, let her realize that world conquest has gone out.

A . M. BUTLER
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Announcement

I have opened a produce business in the old Modderman building and am prepared to handle all kinds of produce.

Bring in your poultry and eggs or anything in my line and receive

Top-notch Prices

M. W. Vandenburg
The "Fair Deal" Man
In Modderman Building
ALEXANDER, IOWA

This is Canned Goods Week

March 1st to 8th

We are going to give you some bargains in canned vegetables, cheaper than you ever bought them before.

In canned fruit we have the Charles Hewitt brand, that can't be beat for quality and price.

Gold Coin Flour at	$2.45
White Swan	2.20
Carnation	1.95
6 lbs. Best Oatmeal	.25
Post Toasties, large package at	.16
Corn Flakes, two large package	.25

Our New Dry Goods

are nearly all in, Drapings, Damaski, Percales and Ginghams. We also handle the celebrated Lucile Corsets.

Come in and buy a pair of Ball Brand Rubbers and keep your feet dry.

For Every $3 Cash Sales

we will give a

FREE TICKET

to the Movies. Nearly forgot to tell you, we are selling the best Laundry Soap on tne market for $2.25 for 50 bars.

OSCAR WALSH

Alexander Iowa - - - - Phone 25

Canned Fruit

SPECIAL FOR

Saturday, March 4th Only

1 can apricotes, large can
1 can peaches, large can
1 can egg plums, large can

59c CASH

Remember the above fruit is all number one goods, regular price is 30c and 35c a can. Buy this special and save from 30 to 45 cents on three cans. Limit is 6 cans to a customer. NOTE OTHER BARGAIN prices below:

5 lb. box black tea	$2.00
Syrup, gal. pail (buy it now; it is going to be higher)	50c
Oat meal (we are still selling 5 pounds for)	20c
An assorted case of canned Jack Spratt vegetables CASH	$2.99
Peaberry coffee, extra good grade per pound	25c
Cocoa 5 lbs extra special	80c
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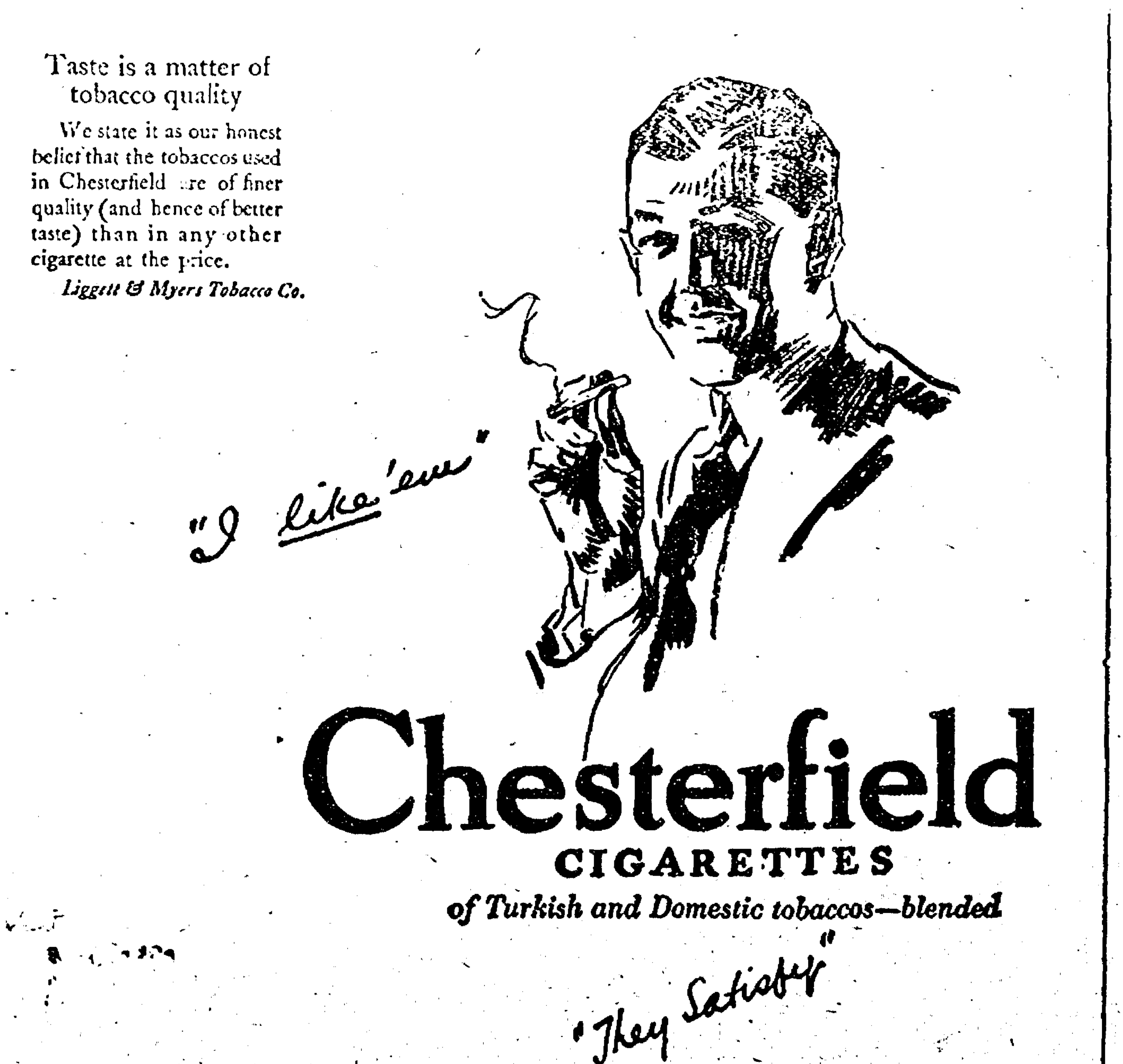

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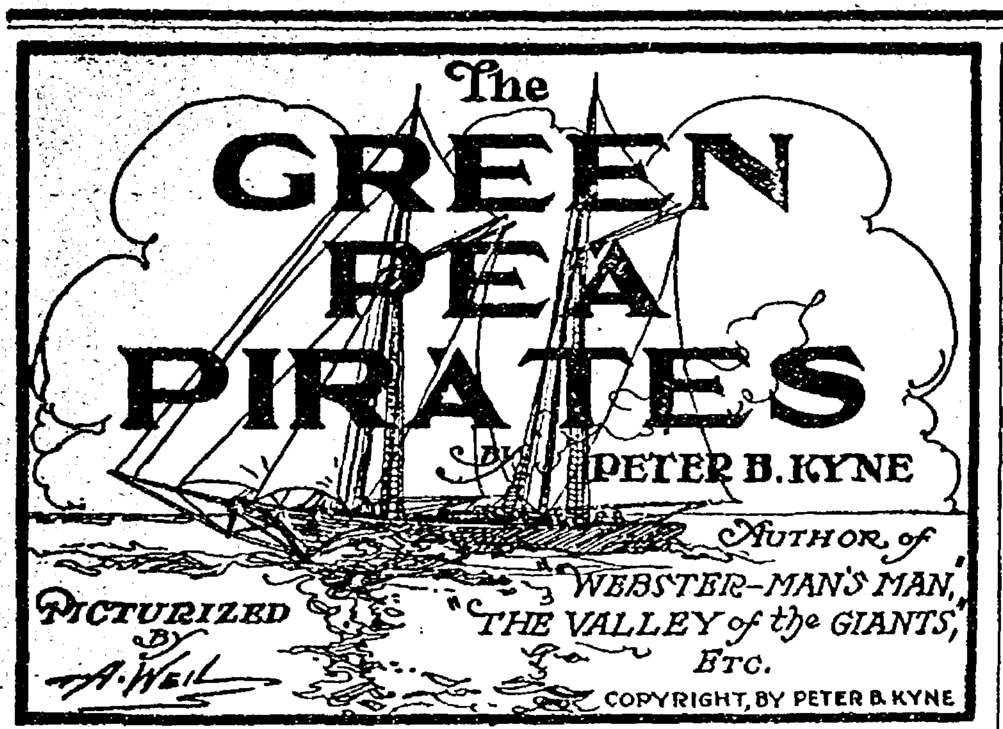


SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, *they find their old friend McGuffey* acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate,' with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Neils Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

One might go on at great length and describe the triumphal entry of Commodore Gibney and Captain Scraggs into the capitol of Kandavu; of how the king, an undersized, shriveled old savage, stuck his bushy head out the window of his bungalow when he saw the procession coming; of how a minute later he advanced into the space in the center of his wari, where in the olden days the populace was wont to gather for its cannibal orgies; how he greeted his distinguished visitors with the most prodigious rubbing of noses seen in those parts for many a day; of the feast that followed; of the fowls and pigs that garnished the festive board, not omitting the keg of Three Star thoughtfully provided by Mr. Gibney.

Tabu-Tabu acted as interpreter and everything went swimmingly until Tabu-Tabu, his hospitality doubtless strengthened by frequent libations of the Elixir of Life, begged Mr. Gibney to invite the remainder of his crew ashore for the feast. Mr. Gibney, himself rather illuminated by this time, thought it might not be a bad idea.

"It's a rotten shame, Scraggsy," he said, "to think of that fool McGuffey not bein' here to enjoy himself. I'm goin' to send a note out by one of Tabu-Tabu's boys, askin' him once more to come ashore, or to let the first mate and one or two of the seamen come if Mac still refuses to be civil."

"Good idea, Gib," said Captain Scraggs, his mouth full of roast chicken and yams. So Mr. Gibney tore a leaf out of his pocket memorandum book, scrawled a note to McGuffey, and handed it to Tabu-Tabu, who at once dispatched a messenger with it to the Maggie II.

Within half an hour the messenger returned. He was wildly excited and poured a torrent of native gibberish into the attentive ears of Tabu-Tabu and the king. He pointed several times to the point of his jaw, rubbed the small of his back, and once he touched his nose; whereupon Mr. Gibney was aware that the said organ had a slight list to port, and he so informed Captain Scraggs. Neither of the gentlemen had the slightest trouble in arriving at the correct solution of the mystery. The royal messenger had been incontinently kicked overboard by B. McGuffey, Esquire.

Tabu-Tabu's wild eyes glittered and grew wilder and wilder as the messenger reported the indignity thus heaped upon him. The king scowled at Captain Scraggs, and Mr. Gibney was suddenly aware that goose-flesh was breaking out on the backs of his sturdy legs. He had a haunting sensation that not only had he crawled into a hole, but he had pulled the entire aperture in after him. For the first time he began to fear that he had been *too* precipitate, and with the thought it occurred to the gallant commodore that he would be much safer back on the decks of the Maggie II. Always crafty and imaginative, however, Mr. Gibney came quickly to the front with an excuse for getting back to the ship. He stepped quickly toward the little group around the outraged royal ambassador, and inquired the cause of the disturbance. Quivering with rage, Tabu-Tabu informed him of what had occurred.

Mr. Gibney's rage, of course, knew no bounds. Nevertheless, he did not have to simulate his rage, for he was truly furious. When he could control his emotions, he requested Tabu-Tabu to inform the king that he, Gibney, accompanied by Captain Scraggs, would forthwith repair to the schooner and then and there flay the offending McGuffey within an inch of his life. Suiting the action to the word, Mr. Gibney called to Captain Scraggs to follow him, and started for the beach.

As Captain Scraggs arose, a trifle unsteadily, from his seat, a black hand reached around him from the rear and closed over his mouth. Now, Captain Scraggs was well versed in the rough-and-tumble tactics of the San Francisco waterfront; hence, when he felt a long pair of arms crossing over his neck from the rear, he merely stooped and whirled his opponent over his head. In that instant his mouth was free, and clear above the shouting and the tumult rose his frenzied shriek for help. Mr. Gibney whirled with the speed and agility of a panther just in time to dodge a blow from a war club. His fist collided with the jaw of Tabu-Tabu, and down went that savage as if pole-axed.

Pandemonium broke loose at once. Captain Scraggs, after his single shriek for help, broke from the circle of savages and fled like a frightened rabbit for the beach. One of the natives hurled a rock at him. The missile took Scraggs in the back of the head, and he instantly curled up in a heap.

"Scraggsy's dead," thought the horrified Gibney, and sprang at the king. In that moment it came to Mr. Gibney to sell out dearly, and if he could dispose of the king, he felt that Scraggs' death would be avenged. In an instant the commodore's great arms had closed around the king, and with the helpless monarch in his grizzly bear grip Mr. Gibney backed up against the nearest bungalow. A fringe of spears threatened him in front, but for the moment he was safe behind, and the king's body protected him. Whenever one of the savages made a jab at Mr. Gibney, Mr. Gibney gave the king a boa-constrictor squeeze, and the monarch howled.

"I'll squeeze him to death," panted Mr. Gibney to Tabu-Tabu when that individual had managed to pick himself up. "Let me go, or I'll kill your king."

The answer was an earthenware pot which crashed down on Mr. Gibney's head from a window in the bungalow behind him. He sagged forward and fell on his face with the gasping king in his arms.

TER XII.

On board the Maggie II B. McGuffey, Esquire, had just gotten into position the Maxim-Vickers "pom-pom" gun on top of the house. The last bolt that held it in place had just been screwed tight when clear and shrill over the tops of the jungle and across the still surface of the little bay there floated to McGuffey's ears the single word:

"Help!"

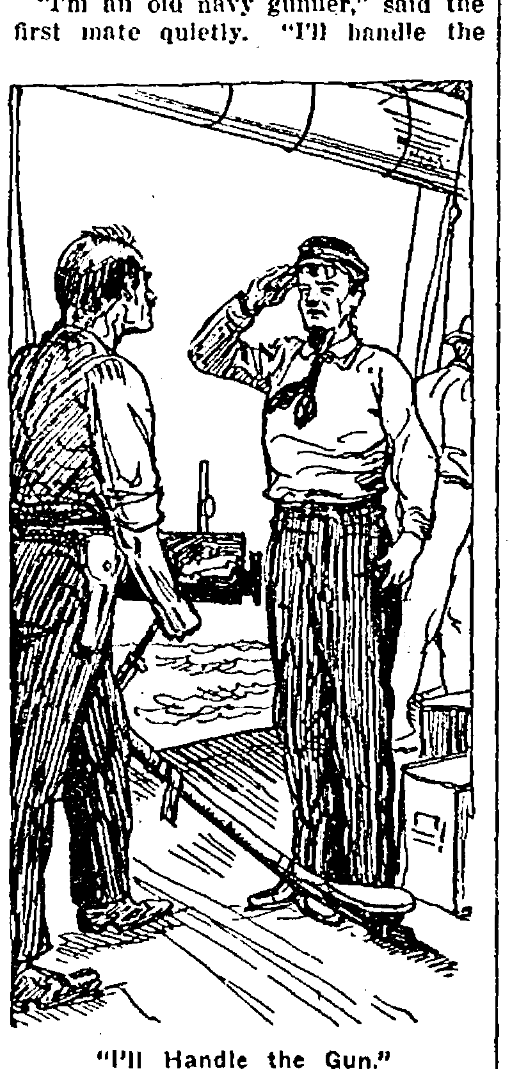
McGuffey leaned against the gun, and for the moment he was as weak as a child. "Gawd," he muttered, "that was Scraggsy and they're a-goin' to eat him up. Oh, Gib, Gib, old man, why wouldn't you listen to me? Now they've got you, and what in blazes I'm going to do to get you back, dead or alive, I dunno."

It was fully half an hour before poor McGuffey could pull himself together, and when he did, his grief was superseded by a fit of rage that was terrible to behold.

"Step lively, you blasted scum of the seas," he bawled to the mate, and the crew gathered around the gun. "Lug up a case of ammunition and we'll shell that bush until even a parrot won't be left alive in it."

"Aye, aye, sir," responded the crew to a man, and sprang to their task.

"I'm an old navy gunner," said the first mate quietly. "I'll handle the gun. With a 'pom-pom' gun it's just like playing a garden hose on them, only it's high-explosive shell instead of water. I can search out every nook and cranny in the coast of this island. Those guns are sighted up to 4,000 yards."


"I'll Handle the Gun."

"Kill 'em all," raved McGuffey, "kill all the blasted niggers."

When Mr. Gibney fell under the impact of the earthenware pot he was only partially stunned. As he tried to struggle to his feet half a dozen hands were laid on him and in a trice he was lifted and carried back of the wari to a clear space where a dozen heavy teakwood posts stood in a row about four feet apart. Mr. Gibney was quickly stripped of his clothing and bound hand and foot to one of these posts. Three minutes later another delegation of cannibals arrived, bearing the limp, naked body of Captain Scraggs, whom they bound in similar fashion to the post beside Mr. Gibney. Scraggs was very white and bloody, but conscious, and his pale-blue eyes were flickering like a snake's.

"What's—what's—the meanin' of this, Gib?" he gasped.

"It means," replied the commodore, "that it's all off but the shouting with me and you, Scraggsy. This fellow Tabu-Tabu is a d—d traitor, and his people are still cannibals. He's the decoy to get white men ashore. They schemed to treat us nice and be friendly until they could get the whole crew ashore, or enough of them to leave the ship helpless, and then—O Gawd, Scraggsy, old man, can you ever forgive me for gettin' you into this?"

Captain Scraggs hung his head and quivered like a hooked fish.

"Will they—eat—us?" he quavered, finally.

Mr. Gibney did not answer, only Captain Scraggs looked into his horrified eyes and read the verdict.

"Die game, Scraggsy," was all Mr. Gibney could say. "Don't show the white feather."

"D'ye think McGuffey could hear us from here if we was to yell for help?" inquired Captain Scraggs hopefully.

"Don't yelp, for Gawd's sake," implored Mr. Gibney. "We got ourselves into this, so let's pay the fiddler ourselves. If we let out one yip and McGuffey hears it, he'll come ashore with his crew and tackle this outfit, even if he knows he'll get killed. And that's just what will happen to him if he comes. Let poor Mac stay aboard. When we don't come back, he'll know it's all off, and if he has time to think over it he'll realize it would be foolish to try to do anything. But right now Mac's mad as a wet hen, and if we holler for help—Scraggsy, please don't holler. Die game."

Captain Scraggs turned his terrified glance on Mr. Gibney's tortured face. Scraggs was certainly a coward at heart, but there was something in Mr. Gibney's unselfishness that touched a spot in his hard nature—a something he never knew he possessed. He bowed his head and two big tears stole down his weatherbeaten face.

"God bless you, Gib, my dear boy," he said brokenly. "You're a man."

At this juncture the king came up and thoughtfully felt of Captain Scraggs in the short ribs, while Tabu-Tabu calculated the precise amount of luscious tissue on Mr. Gibney's well-upholstered frame.

"Bimeby we eat white man," said Tabu-Tabu cheerfully.

"If you eat me, you bloody-handed beggar," snapped Captain Scraggs, "I'll pizen you. I've chawed tobacco all my life, and my meat's as bitter as wormwood."

It was too funny to hear Scraggs *jesting with death*. Mr. Gibney forgot his own mental agony and roared with laughter in Tabu-Tabu's face. The cannibal stood off a few *feet* and looked searchingly in the commodore's eyes. He was not used to the brand of white man who could laugh under such circumstances, and he suspected treachery of some kind. He hurried over to join the king and the two held a hurried conversation. As a result of their conference, a huge savage was called over and given some instructions. Tabu-Tabu handed him a war club and Mr. Gibney, rightly conjecturing that this was the official executioner, bowed his head and waited for the blow.

It came sooner than he expected. The earth seemed to rise up and smite Adelbert P. Gibney across the *face*. There was a roar, as of an explosion in his ears, and he fell forward on his face. He had a confused notion that when he fell the post came with him.

For nearly a minute he lay there, semi-conscious, and then something warm, dripping across his face, roused him. He moved, and found that his feet were free, though his hands were still bound to the post, which lay extended along his back. He rolled over and glanced up. Captain Scraggs was shrieking. By degrees the bells quit ringing in the commodore's ears, and this is what he heard Captain Scraggs yelling:

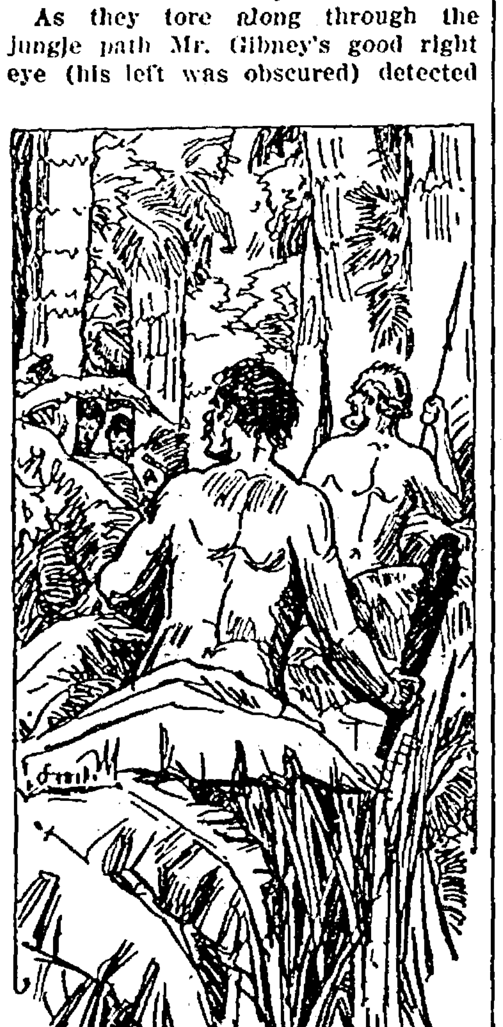
"Oh, you McGuffey. Oh, you bully Irish terrier. Soak it to 'em, Mac. Kill the beggars. You've got a dozen of 'em already. Plug away, you good old hunk of Irish bacon."

Mr. Gibney was now himself once more. He struggled to his feet, and as he did, something burst ten feet away and a little fleecy cloud of smoke obscured his vision for a moment. Then he understood. McGuffey had a rapid-fire gun trained on the wari, and the savages, with frightful yells, were fleeing madly from the little shells. Half a dozen of them lay dead and wounded close by.

"Hooray," yelled Mr. Gibney, and dashed at the post which held Captain Scraggs prisoner. He struck it a powerful blow with his shoulder and Scraggs and the post crashed to the ground. In an instant Mr. Gibney was on his knees, tearing at Scraggs' rope shackles with his teeth. Five minutes later, Captain Scraggs' hands were free. Then Scraggs did a like service for Gibney.

All the time the shells from the Maggie II were bursting around them every second or two, and it seemed as if they must be killed before they could make their escape.

As they tore along through the jungle path Mr. Gibney's good right eye (his left was obscured) detected two savages crouching behind a clump of coco palms.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"There's the king and Tabu-Tabu," yelled Scraggs. "Let's round the beggars up."

"Sure," responded the commodore. "We'll need 'em for hostages if we're to get that black coral. We'll turn 'em over to McGuffey."

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"I'd better ease up a minute, sir," said the mate to Mr. McGuffey. "The gun's getting fearful hot."

"Let her melt," raved McGuffey, "but keep her workin' for all she's worth. I'll have revenge for Gib's death, or—sufferin' mackerel!"

McGuffey once more sat down on the cabin ventilator. He pointed dumbly to the beach, and there, paddling off to the Maggie II, were two naked cannibals and two naked white men in a canoe. Five minutes later they came alongside. McGuffey met them at the rail, and he smiled and licked his lower lip as the trembling monarch and his prime minister, in response to a severe application of Mr. Gibney's hands and feet, came flying over the rail. Mr. Gibney and Captain Scraggs followed.

"I'm much obliged to you, Mac," said Mr. Gibney, striving bravely to appear jaunty. "One of your first shots came between my legs and cut the rope that held me, and banged me and the post I was tied to all over the lot. A fragment of the shell appears to have taken away part of my ear, but I guess I'll recover. We're pretty well shook up, Mac, old socks, and a jolt of whisky would be in order after you've put the irons on these two cannibals."

At 6:30 o'clock of the morning of the day following the frightful experience of Commodore Gibney and Captain Scraggs with the cannibals of Kandavu, the members of the Maggie II syndicate faced each other across the breakfast table with appetites in no wise diminished by the exciting events of the preceding day.

McGuffey surveyed his superior officers, cursed them bitterly, and remarked, with tears of joy in his honest eyes, that both gentlemen had evaded their just deserts when they escaped with their lives. "If it hadn't been for the mate," said McGuffey severely, "I'd 'a' let you two boobies suffer the penalty for your foolishness. Any man that goes to work and fraternizes with a cannibal ain't got no kick comin' if he's made up into chicken curry with rice. The minute I hear old Scraggsy yippin' for help, says I to myself, 'let the beggars fight their own way out of the mess.' But the mate comes a-runnin' up and says he's pretty sure he can come near plantin' a mess of shells in the center of the disturbance, even if we can't see the wari on account of the jungle. 'It's all off with the commodore and the skipper, anyhow,' says the mate, 'so we might just as well have vengeance on their murderers.' So, of course, when he put it that way I give my consent—"

At this juncture the mate, passing around McGuffey on his way to the deck, winked solemnly at Mr. Gibney, who hung his war-worn head in simulated shame. When the mate had left the cabin the commodore pounded with his fork on the cabin table and announced a special meeting of the *Maggie II* syndicate.

"The first business before the meeting," said Mr. Gibney, "is to readjust the ownership in the syndicate. Me and Scraggsy's had our heads together, Mac, and we've agreed that you've shot your way into a full one-third in*terest, instead of a quarter as hereto*fore. From now on, Mac, you're an equal owner with me and Scraggsy, and now that that matter's settled, you can quit rippin' it into us on the race question and suggest what's to be done in the case of Tabu-Tabu and this cannibal king that almost lured me and the navigatin' officer to our destruction."

"I have the villains in double irons and chained to the mainmast," replied McGuffey, "and as a testimonial of my gratitude for the increased interest in the syndicate which you and Scraggs has just voted me, I will scheme up a fittin' form of vengeance on them two tar babies. However, only an extraordinary sentence can fit such an extraordinary crime, so I must have time to think it over. These two bucks is mine to do what I please with and I'll take any interference as unneighborly and unworthy of a shipmate."

"Take 'em," said Captain Scraggs vehemently. "For my part I only ask one thing. If you can see your way clear, Mac, to give me the king's scalp for a tobacco pouch, I'll be obliged."

"And I," added the commodore, "would like Tabu-Tabu's shin bone for a clarionet. Pendin' McGuffey's reflections on the hamperin' of crime in Kandavu, however, we'll turn our attention to the prime object of the expedition. We've had our little fun and it's high time we got down to business. It will be low tide at nine o'clock, so I suggest, Scraggs, that you order the mate and two seamen out in the big whaleboat, together with the divin' apparatus, and we'll go after pearl oysters and black coral. As for you, Mac, suppose you take the other boat and Tabu-Tabu and the king, and help the mate. Take a rifle along with you, and make them captives dive for pearl oysters until they're black in the face—"

"Huh!" muttered the single-minded McGuffey. "What are they now? Sky blue?"

"Of course," continued the commodore, "if a tiger shark happens along and picks the niggers up, it ain't none of our business. As for me and Scraggsy, we'll sit on deck and smoke. My head aches and I guess Scraggsy's in a similar fix."

"Anythin' to be agreeable," acquiesced McGuffey.

After breakfast Commodore Gibney ordered that the prisoners be brought before him. The cook served them with breakfast, and as they ate, the commodore reminded them that it was only through his personal efforts and his natural disinclination to return blow for blow that they were at that moment enjoying a square meal *instead of swinging in the rigging.*

"I'm goin to give you two yeggs a chance to reform," concluded Mr. Gibney, addressing Tabu-Tabu. "If you show us where we can get a cargo of black coral and work hard and faithful helpin' us to get it aboard, it may help you to comb a few gray hairs. I'm goin' to take the irons off now, but remember! At the first sign of the double-cross you're both shark meat."

On behalf of himself and the king, Tabu-Tabu promised to behave, and McGuffey kicked them both into the small boat. The mate and two seamen followed in another boat, in which the air-pump and diving apparatus was carried, and Tabu-Tabu piloted them to a patch of still water just inside the reef. The water was so clear that McGuffey was enabled to make out vast marine gardens thickly sprinkled with the precious black coral.

"Over you go, you two smokes," rasped McGuffey, menacing the captives with his rifle. "Dive deep, my hearties, and bring up what you can find, and if a shark comes along and takes a nip out of your hind leg, don't expect no help from B. McGuffey, Esquire—because you won't get any."

For nearly two weeks the Maggie II lay at anchor, while her crew labored daily in the gardens of the deep. Vast quantities of pearl oysters were brought to the surface, and these Mr. Gibney stewed personally in a great iron pot on the beach. The shell was stored away in the hold and the pearls went into a chamois pouch which never for an instant was out of the commodore's possession. The coast at that point being now deserted, frequent visits ashore were made, and the crew feasted on young pig, chicken, yams and other delicacies. Captain Scraggs was almost delirious with joy. He announced that he had not been so happy since Mrs. Scraggs "slipped her cable."

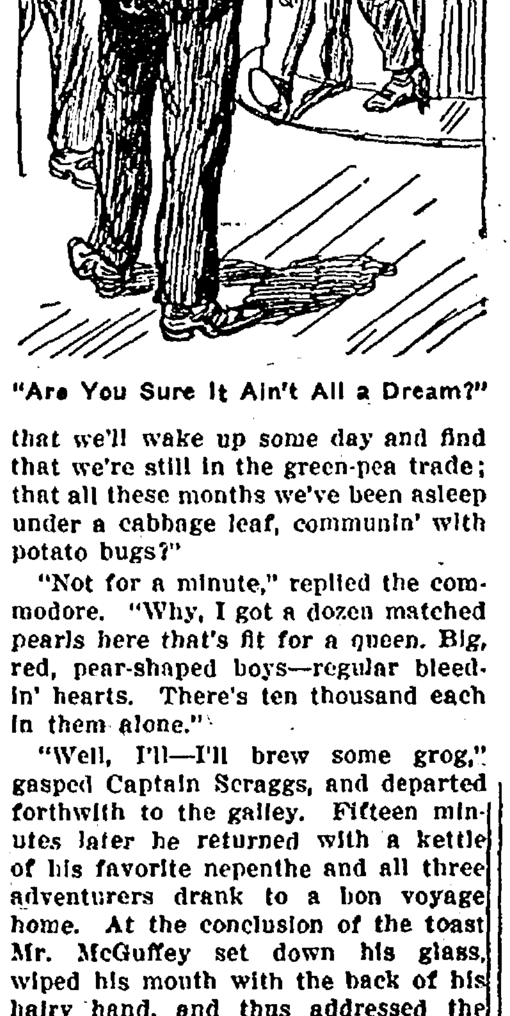
At the end of two weeks Mr. Gibney decided that there was "loot" enough ashore to complete the schooner's cargo, and at a meeting of the syndicate held one lovely moonlight night on deck he announced his plans to Captain Scraggs and McGuffey.

"Better leave the island alone," counseled McGuffey. "Them niggers may be a-layin' there ten thousand strong, waitin' for a boat's crew to come prowlin' up into the bush so they can nab 'em."

"I've thought of that, Mac," said the commodore a trifle coldly, "and if I made a sucker of myself once it don't stand to reason that I'm apt to do it again. Remember, Mac, a burnt child dreads the fire. Tomorrow morning, right after breakfast, we'll turn the guns loose and pepper the bush for a mile or two in every direction. If there's a native within range he'll have business in the next county and we won't be disturbed none."

Mr. Gibney's program was duly put through and the capital of Kandavu looted of the trade accumulations of years. And when the hatches were finally battened down, the tanks refilled with fresh water, and everything in readiness to leave Kandavu for the run to Honolulu, Mr. Gibney announced to the syndicate that the profits of the expedition would figure close up to a hundred thousand dollars. Captain Scraggs gasped and fell limply against the mainmast.

"Gib, my dear boy," he sputtered, "are you sure it ain't all a dream and that we'll wake up some day and find that we're still in the green-pea trade; that all these months we've been asleep under a cabbage leaf, communin' with potato bugs?"


"Are You Sure It Ain't All a Dream?"

"Not for a minute," replied the commodore. "Why, I got a dozen matched pearls here that's fit for a queen. Big, red, pear-shaped boys—regular bleedin' hearts. There's ten thousand each in them alone."

"Well, I'll—I'll brew some grog," gasped Captain Scraggs, and departed forthwith to the galley. Fifteen minutes later he returned with a kettle of his favorite nepenthe and all three adventurers drank to a bon voyage home. At the conclusion of the toast Mr. McGuffey set down his glass, wiped his mouth with the back of his hairy hand, and thus addressed the syndicate.

"In leavin' this paradise of the South Pacific," he began, "we find that we have accumulated other wealth besides the loot below decks. I refer to his royal highness, the king of Kandavu, and his prime minister, Tabu-Tabu. When these two outlaws was first captured, I informed the syndicate that I would scheme out a punishment befittin' their crime, to-wit—murderin' an' eatin' you two boys. It's been a big job and it's taken some time, me not bein' blessed with quite as fine an imagination as our friend, Gib. However, I pride myself that hard work always brings success, and I am ready to announce what disposition shall be made of these two interestin' specimens of aboriginal life. I beg to announce, gentlemen, that I have invented a punishment fittin' the crime."

"Impossible," said Captain Scraggs.

"Shut up, Scraggs," struck in Commodore Gibney. "Out with it, Mac, What's the program?"

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Belmond Local News

W. C. Tyrrell, H. J. Klemme and A. L. Luick left Sunday for Chicago, where they were in attendance at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sugar Company held there on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy drove to Dows on Sunday, where they visited at the Beach home. Mr. Beach is very ill and is not expected to recover.

Miss Mildred Gealow, of Meservey, spent the week end with the home folks in Belmond.

The unusual weather of the past week or two has had everybody guessing. First it rains, then pours, and water runs over the sidewalks and roads until they are impassable, followed by a hard freezing, coating everything with ice. The "kids" have had a merry time skating all over town and "watch your step" has been the universal password.

300 bushels of Rural New Yorker Minnesota potatoes for sale at $1.50 per bushel, at D. A. French's, Rowan, Iowa. 152

Cato C. Griesy was a business caller on Monday of this week at Fort Dodge.

The Basket Ball game last Saturday evening resulted rather favorably for the local high school, both teams being defeated. The Garner and Belmond girls played, while the Belmond and Nashua boys fought it out afterwards. Both games were fast and clean, and were attended by a good sized crowd.

Owing to a break in the connections, a number of telephones were out of operation Monday, among them being the Independent's. The recent "flood" had seeped down into the connections at one of the cables and put the works out of order. Borrowing of phones was the order of the day and we borrowed the one at Jacobsen's store, for which we extend friend Oscar our thanks.

V. F. Mikesell holds his public sale this week Friday afternoon, at the sugar company farm south of town. See his full announcement ad in this issue of the Indepedent.

E. G. Miller, of the Welding Company, left last week Saturday for points in South Dakota, where he is looking after business interests and greeting old friends in his former home community.

We understand that Martin House can lick any checker-fiend in the city, and that he has been demonstrating the fact on several and sundry. Now, maybe. And maybe not. We suggest that the checker sharks of the city hold a sort of elimination series to decide this serious question, and put it up to all of them to settle the matter. You start it, Martin, and we'll give the standing of the "league."

A cordial invitation is extended the ladies to call at our shop and see the Early Spring hats. The hats are very good looking and reasonably priced.—Dorenkamp & Greenfield. 151c

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church are hard at work right now rehearsing a play that they are going to present in the near future. The name of the play is "Out of the Shadow," and promises to be a real play, it being taken from the play that scored so high in New York a few years ago under the name of the "Noble Sacrifice. Many will remember the play which Leaguers put over here two years ago, it being the "Noble Outcast," which was the "hit" of the year. With that play as a standard we may feel assured that this play will also be one long to be remembered.

A number of announcements for political office will be found in this issue of the Independent. Politics seems to be warming up over the county.

Adolph Skovlin, Commander of the Belmond post of the American Legion, went to Cedar Rapids last Thursday to attend the state convention held at that place. He returned home Sunday.

Ben Johnson left recently for North Dakota, to look after business interests, and is unable to get back, on account of the storms in that part of the country, which are reported to have blockaded traffic.

Mr. DeVore, of Clarion, an aspirant for Clerk in the June primaries was greeting friends in the city on Tuesday of this week.

H. C. Pinkham, from Goldfield, was in town greeting old friends and making new ones. Mr Pinkham is a Republican candidate for Representative from Wright County at the coming primaries, and, with his qualifications, will give Wright County efficient service if elected.

Marie Ludke who is teaching at Kanawha was home over Sunday.

On Tuesday March 14th the Epworth Leaguers will present the 3 act Comedy drama "Out of the Shadow," at the opera house.

W. C. Tyrrell was a caller at the county seat town the latter part of last week, looking after business interests there.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Larson, of Holmes, were in town last week, to see their son, who is one of the men injured in the accident recently at the Great Western crossing.

The Kensington club hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. T. S. Wallace.

The Priscilla club held their regular meeting yesterday at the home of Mrs. R. C. Morse.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison, who went to Rochester last week for treatment, has undergone an operation and is reported as recovering very nicely.

Margret McKelloy of Manson City was visiting her friends here over Sunday.

Conrad Nissen has moved his family to Eldora, where he and a brother have purchased a meat market. The Nissen brothers plan to operate both a retail and a wholesale market at Eldora, and with the experience they have both had and their ability they will doubtless make their venture a success.

Mrs. C. I. Williams is coming along nicely at Rochester, where she recently went for an operation for appendicitis.

The American Legion Auxiliary held their meeting in the Legion rooms on Tuesday evening of last week.

The electric service last Wednesday was quite badly crippled thru the plant at Iowa Falls being more or less "washed out" by the high water. Garner was hooked up about two o'clock in the afternoon, but was unable to pull the load when night came, and after an interval of an hour's darkness, we understand the Cedar Rapids plant was connected up. The usual and now rather uncommon lamps and candles were doing duty for a while Wednesday evening.

The Iowa river here was higher than for many moons last Wednesday, due to the unusual rainfall at a most unusual time. Iowa, with the weather we have had the past week, can boast as "unusual" weather as California.

The Idle A While club gave a farewell party last week Tuesday evening to Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Nissen, who left last week for their new home in Eldora. A very enjoyable evening was reported.

The Independent has taken the job of printing the telephone directories for Belmond and the nine exchanges of the Belmond Telephone company. Three thousand two hundred and fifty directories will be printed.

Scott Smith, of Cedar Rapids, came last Saturday for a visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. F. McBurney. He is a student at Coe College.

W. E. Jenison was very much surprised when his children and grandchildren gathered at his home at East Main St., to take Sunday dinner with him. All of them being present but J. E. Jenison and daughter of Sanborn and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Luick and family of Goodell.

Miss Cochrane spent the week end at Clarion with her sister, who teaches in the Clarion schools.

Miss Gladys Barry came home from Williams, where she is teaching to spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Barry.

L. S. Fyler, now teaching at Humboldt, spent the week end at the home of Prof. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler, in Belmond.

Miss Ida Thorman spent the week end with relatives and friends here. She is teaching at Hansell.

Miss Thomas and her parents will move this week Friday and Saturday to their new home on Fourth Avenue Northeast, which Miss Thomas purchased this winter.

A number of the Belmond Knight Templars went to Clarion Tuesday, to attend the school of instruction held there that evening.

Mrs. Amy Peterson and Miss Dodd of the school faculty, went to Eagle Grove last week Friday evening to attend the county declamatory contest held there that evening. A number of the high school students also attended.

E. S. Fyler was a business caller last week Wednesday at the county seat.

The Priscilla Club was to meet yesterday at the home of Mrs. R. C Morse, but owing to the illness of Mrs. Morse's mother, the meeting was held at the home of Mrs. F. E. Snyder.

TWO BIG COMBINATION SALE DAYS

Instead of the 8th I will hold a two-day combination sale March 10 and 11, and in order to prepare for stall room, parties having live stock forsale should commence listing at once with the Belmond Savings bank or T. D. Rankins, phone 12, 115, or 196. All machinery and household goods to be on sale the 10th. Live stock for the 11th only. All entries to close at noon each day. Parties desiring time will be given 8 months on approved security at 8 per cent, as I have made arrangements with the bank to cash the notes. Therefor you will get your cash for articles sold on time. Listing prices will be: Horses per head $1; Cattle 50c; hogs 30c; sheep 25c; poultry, one dozen or less, 25c; machinery, wagons, and buggies, 50c an article; double harness 50c; single 25c. Horses or cattle selling for $50 per head or over entrance fee will be returned. Commissions for selling articles being from one dollar to five, 10 per cent; from $5 to $10, 5 per cent; over that amount 2 per cent.

WATCH FOR BILLS.

Auctioneers: T. D. Rankins, Lewis Houge, Alvin Erickson.

Marie L. Jenison was visiting with her sister, Mrs. A. V. Mayhew of Goodell Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Jenison and daughter, Gretchin of Albia Iowa, have been visiting at the home of his father, W. E. Jenison the past week.

Miss Erma Slauter, of Dixon, Ill., arrived last Wednesday and will trim for Miss Tyrrell in the Millinery Shop the coming season.

Henry Lang, Sheriff of Wright County, was in the city on Tuesday of this week, looking after business interests. Mr. Lang is a candidate for the office of sheriff at the coming primaries, and will doubtless receive hearty support in this section, where he is well liked among those who know him. He was appointed to the office upon the death of the late Bert Fisher.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Independent, will be found the announcement of R. C. "Rufe" Morse, for the office of Mayor of Belmond, at the coming spring election. Mr. Morse says he is putting his announcement right out in the open, that "all who run may read," and this is typical of him. If elected, Mr. Morse will doubtless give the city an efficient administration of its affairs.

Celia Finn attended the Masqurade dance given in Dows last week.

Reynold Kinseth was a caller at Dows last week.

The Fourth Annual Epworth League Home Talent will be presented on Tuesday March 14th, at the opera house. "Out of the Shadow" with a good strong cast of characters.

Jesse Dunlap, Gerald Ersland and and Mrs. Henry Eimbrink and two sons spent Sunday at the Will Eimbrink home near Goodell.

SAVE THE CORN for the Sandwich No. 5. Minneapolis 35 shells 16 loads an hour: that means lots of power so next time you shell date up with the Homestead.—H. H. Eide. 151*

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL,
Clarion, Iowa.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn.

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

10 cents per line per week

NOTICE

For Sale—Pure bred Poland China bred sows.—O. D. Jenison, Belmond. Iowa. 12tfc

CLEANING HOUSE

will be much easier if you let us clean your rugs. We will take out every grain of dirt, raise the nap, brighten the rug up and make it look a hundred per cent better, and do it at a price cheaper than you can do it yourself. Ask us.—New Belmond Tailor Shop South of Hotel. F. J. Tuffree.

For Sale—Fine Duroc Jersey sows, March and April farrow.—L. Foss.

FOR SALE—Two young Scotch bulls.—C. J. Baxter, Route 3. 151*

Farm Wanted—For fall delivery. Give lowest price. L. Jones Olney, Ill. Box 551 151*

Special price on bulk candies this week. Chocolates, Maple peanut dips and Mixed Mints. 25 cents per pound. Schultz Drug Co.

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

For Sale—Barred Plymouth Rock eggs. Incubator orders 3 cents per egg. Phone 1104.—Mrs. J. F. Henn. 142*

A few good brood sows for sale, to farrow in April and May.—Ed. Jenison. 14tfc

Baby chicks for sale. See Mrs. J. H. Fetrow for baby chicks. Phone 332. 143c

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it. Thank you!

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

FOR SALE—A few pure bred Poland China sows. Phone 2004.—C. C. Landon.

Wanted—Work on a farm, by man and wife. Inquire at Independent. 14tfc

Strayed—Small, light colored Spitz female dog. Please advise owner, J. C. Oehlert. 131*

BROOD SOWS FOR SALE—April Farrow. Will sell by weight. Inquire of M. Halfwassen, one mile east and one mile north of Palsville.

WANTED—A good reliable, steady single man to work on farm this season.—Will Messelheiser, Meservey, Iowa.

FOR SALE—One of our best tailored to measure suits, new; size 38. Forty per cent discount.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR SALE—Ladies blue serge suit. Excellent condition. Price very reasonable.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

BELMOND FIGURES IN COURT AFFAIRS

(Continued from Page One)

Friends of W. S. Weston who has visited Clarion for several years reporting sessions in district court for Judges McCall and Thompson will be glad to learn that he has been recommended for appointment as postmaster at Webster City. A telegram from Cogressman Dickinson wired Mr. Weston that the confirmation would follow. Mr. Weston stood first in the report of the civil service examination and since that was published it has generally been conceded that he would receive Congressman Dickinson's recommendation.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Mr. Fred Bachman made a business trip to Kanawha last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Okreug returned to Goodell last Saturday.

One of Charles Burket's boys is sick with pneumonia.

Monday Henry Griffin moved into the Lowenberg house north of town.

Ivan Lowenberg was busy loading his car Monday and Tuesday.

The entertainment on Saturday night by John B. Ratto was excellent. Everyone that attended was well pleased as well as delightfully entertained.

School Notes

Mildred Memer is suffering from a sprained ankle caused by falling on the ice.

Mildred and Forest Boren were absent from school last Monday.

Omie Bjelland was the only pupil in the grammer room that received the quarter holiday.

The returns from the Eighth grade examinations were received last week The pupils passed in all branches.

The Dorenkamp children, Francis Sandry, Harold Boren, and Verl McNutt were absent form school last week because of sickness and cold weather.

The examination given in the Intermediate grades show an improvement over previous reports.

Those receiving a quarter holiday last Friday were Archie Conklin, Verdie Wilson, Wayne Wesenberg, Madeline Griffin, Viola Quigley, Lucile Boller and Eunice Wesenberg. These children had no study below C and a perfect attendance for the month of February.

The Lowenberg children have returned to school after a week's absence.

In the first grade, Gerald Burk held the highest average last month; in the second grade, Florence Mason and in the third grade Naida Wesenberg.

The following were perfect in attendance and had their work up to the standard for the month of February and so received the quarter holiday. on Friday: Walter Boller, Carrol Cordes, Wava Wilson, Florence Mason and Gerald Burk.

Miss Ferleman, the county nurse, visited the Goodell school on Friday and found most everyone over weight or normal. As the result of her talk the children have formed two clubs and are very much interested in the care of hands, nails and teeth.

Supt. Nelson was at Rowan on February 14 as a judge of the declamatory contest.

March came in yesterday, but whether like a lion or like a lamb is the question. We heard one fellow say it was a wooly lamb, while Rev. Wilkinson declares it was a cross. What do you think?

A Sensible Road

There are a number of things that are of vast importance to us all.

Good health gives you a fighting chance.

Morality commands respect.

Education makes your chance easier to see.

Thrift insures independence.

A Saving Account means thrift.

The road to all leads through this Bank.

Belmond Savings Bank
Belmond, Iowa

NOTICE!

I have taken Harold Smith's place on the Standard Oil Co's Tank Wagon and will appreciate your trade. Phone orders to 180.

Yours for Prompt Service
CHRIS A. KRAGH

Kinseth's Specials

This Week Friday & Saturday

PER CASE FOR 24 CANS

Case consists of---
3 fancy cut Beets
3 Lima Beans
3 Pumpkins
3 Red Beans
6 Corn
6 Baked Beans

All good quality

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Olives, JUST THINK!
15c per jar
Can Beans, 10c
Corn, 10c
Cocoa, per lb. 15c
Corn Flakes, 2 pkg. 15c

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Cloudy

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By the same logic you wouldn't want cheap, poorly arranged printing for your business correspondence, as good printing is the window of your business thru which your outside business associates look you over and judge you.

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OPERATION OF SUGAR FACTORY NOT YET SETTLED

R. C. Morse Is Chosen By The Citizen's Caucus

Heavy Vote For Caucus Cast And Ladies Take Advantage Of Opportunity.

WHAT'S THE NEXT MOVE?

The citizens' caucus held in the city hall Tuesday afternoon of this week, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the office of mayor, five councilmen, treasurer, and assessor, resulted in R. C. Morse being nominated for mayor,and Matt Sullivan, A. W.. Russell, Lud Simerson, Jno. Dorenkamp and C. J. Papousek as councilmen, Osbon Young as assessor, and C. M. Morse as city treasurer.

Voting was heavy for a caucus, a total of 397 good ballots being cast. Of these, about 75 were feminine votes. The ladies did not vote as heavy as had been expected, and perhaps one reason for this was the report which became current during the early part of the afternoon that the ladies could not vote, which was untrue and without foundation.

The result of the caucus gave the following men first place, with the number of votes to their credit:

For Mayor—R. C. Morse, 232 votes.

For Councilmen

Matt Sullivan	304
A. W. Russell	288
Lud Simerson	255
Jno. Dorenkamp	254
C. J. Papousek	222

C. M. Morse for treasurer, and O. Young as assessor, were without any competition.

Four ballots were spoiled—whether masculine or feminie no one knows and four ballots were thrown out as unofficial, not having the judges' signiture written on them.

The Independent is not advised as to future actions along the political line of battle. The election to be held the 27th is apparantly an event that can develope into an exciting one or one of calm and expected results.

Politically speaking, as it were, the thing sums up to this: that nobody seems to know nothin' nohow. What do you know?

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10 a. m. We are growing why not form the habit of coming?

Regular Service 11 a. m.

Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. H. F. Luick will be the leader.

Evening Service at 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening Study Acts chapter 10.

Remember we begin special meetings March 26.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

That was a nice increase for the first Sunday in March with the roads bad; it ought to help us to make the highest record for the year this month.

The President of the Christian Endeavor has appointed several committees which should help in that work. For a while the Endeavor service will only occupy about forty minutes which will be followed by a short sermon by the pastor.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold their monthly business meeting on Thursday afternoon which will be followed by a social hour to which all are invited.

The Thursday evening Bible Study will be in the gospel of Luke. About forty have entered into the "Fellowship of Prayer" and have agreed to read and study Luke's gospel during the Lenten season.

Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m.

Preaching services at 11:00 a. m, and the Evening services at 7:30.

We invite you to come and be benefited by these services.

IMMANUEL REFORMED CHURCH

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Sunday School, 9:20 a. m.

Morning Service, 10:20.

Christian Endeavor, 7:30 p. m.

Address by pastor, 8:00 p. m.

C. E. Topic for March 19.

"What Does Following Christ Mean." Matt. 16:24-26; John 10:27-30; 12:26.

Daily Bible Readings.

Mon.—Hearing Christ. Matt. 3:13-17.

Tues.—Obeying Christ. Luke 5:1-11.

Wed.—Loving Christ. John 2:15-17.

Thurs.—Imitating Christ. 1 Peter 2:15-17.

Fri.—Serving Christ. John 12:23-28.

Sat.—Worshiping Christ. Matt. 2:11-12.

Wednesday evening, Teachers meeting Catechism instruction.

Saturday p. m. 1:00 Catechism for ages 6 to 20.

SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

Wednesday evening, March 8, at eight o'clock, Miss Shattuck, Head of the Public Speaking Department of Iowa State College at Ames will give a recital of readings. This will be a splendid entertainment and you should plan to atted. Admission 25c and 35c.

Tuesday March 14, Forest City, Garner, Britt, and Belmond will hold a quadrangular declamatory contest. Each school will hold a contest the same night. Each school will enter a contestant in each class at each of the four contests. Thus twelve of our declamatory contestants will represent their school in an interscholastic event. Plan to hear the contest March 14. It will be a good one.

Last week end our boys went to Cedar Falls to take part in the tournment held at the State Teachers College. Altho we did not make a showing in the tournament, our boys were able to witness some very good games and see how the State Colleges handle such tournaments. The first half ended 9 to 6 in favor of Belmond. During the last half Geneva took the lead and held it by one point until the last thirty seconds of play, when they made another point by the free toss route, making the final score 16-18 for Geneva. Our team was much faster, but lacked size. Geneva's center was six feet 4 inches, with the other players around six feet.

This Friday we play Hampton on our floor for our last game of the season. Hampton defeated us 18 to 22 on their floor earlier in the season. They were defeated by Geneva the first of the season, so this game should be worth seeing.

Mrs. Harry Nordschow, Mrs. Geo. Brady and son Roger visited Grade One last Friday.

Mrs. Clair Christie, Mrs. George Brady and Mrs. Harry Nordschow were Kindergarten visitors last Friday.

The girls' team reported a very pleasant and beneficial trip last Friday at the Iowa Falls Tournament. They arrived in time for the semi finals between Newell and Cresco and Audubon and Staton in the afternoon. At night Iowa Falls played a curtain raising game with Bendurant. The game ended a tie and Iowa Falls won by making the first two points.

Newell and Stanton played the consolation game. Newell was victorious.

Cresco and Audbon played the final game where Audubon, last years' champions again won the cup. Cresco has an excellent team, but had luck at basket shooting. Audubon repeated their policy of last year by saving out their best forward until this game. This is the third State Tournament in which four of the Audubon girls have played.

Audubon won with a score of 11-3.

The cup was presented immediately after the game. The large cup to the school and a small cup to each player and the coach of the winning team. The Newell team winners of the consolation game were presented with the ball which had been used in the Tournament.

The Referee, a man from Des Moines who officiated last year in the Drake Tourney, gave a nice talk when presenting the cup. In substance he said: Girls' Basket Ball and girls' athletic in general have been tried out in this tournament.

He hoped the time would come when girls Tennis Matches, field meets, indoor base-ball meets and other girls' athletic meets would be held. If the Scores of these games were scrapped and no attention paid to them, the value of this or any such Tournament could not be counted because it gives the girl poise, ability to meet and associate with other girls, to take defeat and win victory and so enlarge her vision. He said he had not seen an unladylike action nor heard an unladylike word spoken by any girl during the Tournament. This kind of sportsmanship should be encouraged. But if it had not been true and athletics did make girls unladylike then all such things could not end too quickly. He said he was a strong believer in girls' athletics and refereed because he enjoyed the girls' game.

Saturday morning it was the girls' good luck to meet this referee and talk over the tournament with him.

A CORRECTION

In giving the names of the Committee of Three men who were to handle the subscription money raised for operating the factory, the Independent stated that R. H. Klemme was one. This was incorrect; Ole Thompson is the other member of the committee.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I am a candidate for the office of Mayor at the spring election.

R. C. Morse.

The annual Thank Offering of the W. F. M. S. of the Methodist church, was held in place of the regular morning services last Sunday. Rev. Wilkinson gave the address. The offering was about one hundred and fifty dollars.

Epworth League To Stage a Home Talent Play

"Out Of The Shadow" To Be Given At Opera House On Next Monday Night.

EXPECT A LARGE HOUSE

On Monday night the 13th of March the Epworth League of the M. E. church will present the play "Out of the Shadow." Mrs. Josephine Friel McAlpine is directing the production, and together with a good caste of characters, promises to be one of the best of the season. The play is full of dramatic interest from the start, and wound around the strong plot is a pretty little love affair which will bring many smiles. Owing to a school contest scheduled for the night of the 14th, in which some of the characters of the play are to participate, it was necessary to change the date from he 14th to the 13th of the month.

Caste of Characters

"OUT OF THE SHADOWS"

Epworth League Home Talent

Belmond Opera House Monday March 13th.

Direction of Mrs. Josephine Freil McAlpine.

Myron Arnold, Isabel's father, Harvey Chapman.

Capt. Kendrick, Arnold, Isabel's brother, Ralph Hedges.

Lieut. Arthur Manly, a friend, Alfred Wilkinson,

Frederick Waldemar, a manufacturer—J. S. White.

Johann Ramenoff, an Ex-convict,—J. H. Nourse.

James, the family servant—Raymond Stapley.

Isabel, Waldemar's wife—Mrs. J. S. White.

Edith, Their adopted daughter—Doris Bailey.

Lois, Their child aged seven—Lois Eaton.

Music throughout the play furnished by Dorothy Purcell.

Act 1.

"The Shadow Falls" Scene on Waldemar's grounds.

Act 2.

"The Blackness of the Shadows" Scene in Waldemar's home.

Act 3.

"Out of the Shadow" Scene same as act 1.

DISTRICT COURT NOTES

News: You've heard the old saw "Oh dear, oh dear, what shall I do? I've lost my wife and seed corn too." Well the troublesome days which the farmers have been facing the past two years has brought almost like conditions to some farmers. Adversity doesn't always bring a family closer together.

N. H. Veldhouse is suing Elmer and Lester Ulstad to recover $134.89 alleged to be due on land lease, and has secured a landlord's attachment to protect his claim.

Gilbert Erickson is plaintiff in a suit to partition the estate of the late Edward Erickson, of Dows, who left considerable real estate in Dows and Dows vicinity. There were no children, and the heirs Gilbert Erickson, Johannes Erickson, Simon Erickson, Anna E. Iverson, Nels Erickson, Hans Erickson, Goro B. Holmstykket, Ann B. Vien, Christen P. Bomarken, Peder Pederson, Martha O. Knarud, Christen Nilsen, Nils Nilsen, Goro Nilsen Opsal, Marie Slateland, Gudbrand Nilsen and O. B. Erickson administrator, have varying interest in the estate. The plaintiff asks that a referee be named and the lands sold and the proceeds divided according to the interest of the heirs, most of whom are uncles and aunts, or children of uncle and aunts of the deceased.

Crowe & Sons are suing Wesley Parks to recover $22.45 due on a note, and $100 due on a note given to the First National Bank, which had been assigned to the firm. W. A. Cox is also suing Willard and Wesley Parks and Park Bros, to recover $78.76 alleged to be due for merchandise sold defendants.

The Wood Carriage and Auto Co., of Hampton, sues Jas. Sibert to recover on a note for $50 given for equipment for a tractor, and another one for $100.27 and $25.88 due on account, as well as a note for $925 given in purchase of a Fordson tractor. $1,074.67 is due, and the firm asks for judgment for this amount and attachment to protect its claim.

Bennie Swanson is suing Albert W. Bobst and wife, George Dunn and the Alexander Savings Bank to foreclose a mortgage against the SW qr of section 20-91-23, given to insure payment of a $15,000 note, on which the interest is unpaid and there are also the 1920 taxes due plaintiff, who paid them. $16,000 is the amount now due, and Swanson asks the court to order the sale of the property as provided by law.

(From the Monitor.)

Marriage licenses have been grantedthe past week to Myron Bert Houg and Edith E. Nelson; Wm. F. Weiderman and Ethel Gail Evans both of Dows and Wiert Willemssen and Grace Ruter, both of Kanawha.

C. E. Hoyt, a representative from the state treasurer's office, is spending a week or more at the office of Clerk Goslin. His business is to check up the various estates for the purpose of escertaining if any inhertance tax money is due the state. Later we will have more to say of his work, but it may be interesting to know that $3000 due the state has already been found.

The trial of the damage case of E. F. Bailey of Belmond vs. Great Western is now occupying the attention of the court. Plaintiff alleges damages in a sum of $3000 for failure of the defendant company to supply him with gravel cars at a pit near Belmond.

SPRING "MOVIES" IN BELMOND

"Movies" in and around Belmond the first of March were many, and the following list, prepared for the Independent thru the curtesy of the Wolle Land Co., gives our readers some of them. If any are incorrect, or if any are not here listed, we would appreciate your co-operation in the matter.

Joe Sampson moved to the old Sampson farm southeast of town, having moved here from Ackley last fall. He formerly farmed this place before moving to Ackley. Edward Nelson, who was on the place, has moved to Kanawha.

P. D. Phillis vacated the Veeder farm which will be worked by the Veeder boys.

Pete Green moved from Mrs. Zook's 80 to near Hayfield, Mr. Gabel moving on the Zook place.

Casper Kern leaves the old Ripley land now owned by J. N. Johnson and goes to Miller, Ia. Wm. Guest and son move onto the place in his stead.

Sam Galbott moves to near Miller, Iowa.

Mr. Fatland moves on the J. N. Johnson farm in Hickory Grove.

Mrs. Lateer removed from the old Houghton farm near Goodell, to Belmond.

Mr. Lee went to the Christie farm.

F. E. Christie is on an 80 near Goodell, which he bought of J. M. Kernan last January. Mr. Kernan now lives on the Sullivan homestead north of Belmond.

Henry Groen, Jr., moved to Thornton, and Mr. Trager moved to the place vacated by Groen.

Geo. Ahlstrom will work the Chester Luick farm.

Floyd Bailey will try his luck this year farming the Ole Thompson 80.

Ollie Tomson moved from near Kanawha to Belmond, where he is working with the Cash Market.

Geo. Wirtz moved to the Johnson & Rosecrans 90 south of Olaf.

Mr. Scott will work the Tom McNulty farm. Will Gealow moved 5 miles east of Goodell.

Juluis Johnson will work the old Cuppett place west of town.

Guy Lynch goes on his father's farm near Olaf.

Mr. Jennings moved from the old Tom Aldrich farm, to near Lyle.

John Chapman moved to the old Tracy land.

A. O. Thompson moved from southwest of town to Eagle Grove.

Claude Thayer went to the old Wever place at Pike Timber.

Will Chase moved to town, and Mr. Sarbers went on the place vacated.

Mr. Stockwell moved to the McCallum place west of Goodell, where he will be foreman.

Chris Sorenson will again go to farming, and moved March 1 to his farm.

Bernold Kinseth will try his hand at the farming game on the Sporaa land.

Henry Ahlstrom works the Lynch 80 adjoining town.

Ed. Gruis moved to Belmond.

Mr. Vierkant moved on the place vacated by Mr. Gruis.

Mr. Wolle reports that in 1921, there was spent in Belmond some $23.000 for building purposes. If business conditions get back to normal, this sum will look small in comparison to the projects which are planned.

Chris Kragh and a friend were Hampton callers last week Thursday on business connected with the oil station.

Bert Trumbell was in town last Saturday, meeting old friends and visiting relatives. He was enroute to Klemme to visit his grandmother, whose health is not overly good. Bert is now living in Des Moines, where he is attending college and working at the Congregational hospital.

SUGAR FACTORY DEVELOPMENTS STRIKE SNAG

Plans Are Practically Completed When Unexpected Affair Changes Attitude.

TO BE SETTLED SOON, THO.

Plans for operating the Iowa Valley Sugar Co.'s factory here this year have gone more or less amiss, and while operation at one time was practically assured, things have arisen which do not permit a postive statement at this time of the factory operating. There is, however, a fifty-fifty chance, at the least, and every resource is being used to bring about a successful conclusion to the plans.

The question of financing the operation of the plant has been favorably settled. While more funds are needed, they can be raised without much trouble. Of the sum asked for from Belmond, practically all of it has been pledged, between $25,000 and $30,000. The question of the mortgage on the plant has been favorably disposed of, and acreage is being contracted. The difficulty now arising is one dealing with the creditor's committee, of which Mr. Pomeroy, of Minneapolis, is the chairman.

Mr. Pomeroy hardly feels that he can submit to the plan of making the $100,000 operating subscription fund a first lien on all property not covered by the Dyer mortgage, which had been the plan. In doinfi this, the creditors would be taking second place on the security. All other members of the committee have agreed to the plan, ad it is hoped that he can be made to see the question as the others do.

One way or the other, the question will probably be settled within the next week. Belmond people will be sincerely hoping that the outcome is favorable to operation, for the running of the plant means much to every citizen of the community, in or out of business, farmer or city dweller. With the present situation satisfactorily solved, operation of the factory will be practically certain.

HOPES WE'LL OPERATE

News: There is a strong probability that the Belmond Sugar Factory will be opened this coming fall The money to put the plant on its feet and insure its operation is being raised at this time, and the chances are that Belmond citizens will see their dream realized and the thot is that if the plant does open this fall and is operated at a profit that it will continue to operate, financing itself from the profits which will undoubtedly be realized once it year's operation of the plant.

Wright county farmers will be asked to contract a sufficient beet acreage to justify the opening of the plant, and additional acreage will also be secured from the territory which furnished beets for the first years operation of the plant.

The growing of beets proved profitable the first year, and the growers of last year's beets realized pretty good profits where the crop was good, so it is not anticipated that there will be a great deal of difficulty in securing a sufficient acreage.

The News hopes that the plant will be opened, and that it will return a profit to the stockholders. Its successful operation cannot help but be a good thing for Belmond, and for Wright county as well.

COMMUNITY WELFARE CLUB

The Community Welfare club is making many big plans for the coming year.

Last year $660 was spent by the club for the improvement of the town.

Mrs. Rosecrans, who was elected chairman at the last meeting is corresponding with several speakers in an effort to obtain dates from them when they can come to talk to the ladies of the club. During the year there will be speakers on school childrens clothes, landscape, gardening, proper shoes for women and children and many other topics. Mrs. Campbell who helped organize the Community club will perhaps come to address the club at one of the meetings.

The club is also planing to hold a citizenship school some time in May to instruct the voters for the June primaries.

The calendar committee is hard at work on the new calendars and preparing good programs.

If you haven't joined the club do so now so you won't miss any of the good meetings.

THE MAIL ORDER NUMBER

This week's issue of the Independent is the "Mail Order Number." In most of the advertising found in this issue from Belmond you will find reference to the mail order houses Local merchants represented are placing their goods and their prices squarely before the goods and the prices given by the mail order houses and if you will compare them you will be more than surprised at the results.

One thing stands forth above all others, and that is that the Belmond merchants are equal or lower on a great many articles than the mail order houses. A local mercant should be entitled to mail order prices, plus the freight, and sell at these prices for cash. But they are not asking it; they are quoting prices that they are charging every day, without freight, and without asking you for cash on the spot in may cases.

You can trade as cheap, and cheaper, at home than you can by sending away. You get what you want when you want it.

Why send away when you can save money by trading at home? Read he ads and see how and why. And remember that prices quoted are REGULAR PRICES, not special ones.

LOUIS HELLAND DIES

Louis Helland, a well known farmer residing southeast of town, died suddenly Tuesday morning from an attack of heart trouble. He had been in the best of health, and his sudden demise came as a shock o the community. Death came about 9 o'clock in the morning, and occured after a few minutes from the attack. Medical aid was summoned from Belmond but could not get there in time. At this writing it is not known when the funeral services will be held. The relatives have the sympathy of the community in their loss.

ORDINANCE NO. 125.

An ordinance amending Section 3 of Ordinance No. 100 providing for the Licensing of theatres, theatrical exhibiting and moving pictures shows.

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, Iowa:

That Section 3 of Ordinance No. 100 which reads and provides "That in case the aforesaid amusements are continuously operated for a period of more than sixty (60) days said owner or manager shall pay a sum not less than Seventy Five ($75.00) Dollars nor more than One Hundred Fifty (150.00) Dollars to be determined by the Mayor in each case, and said license shall be $75.00 per annum, or in pro rata for the fractional part of the year from the time of application until the last day of December" be changed and amended by striking from said ordinance the words and figures "Seventy Five ($75.00)" In the fifth and sixth lines of the aforesaid ordinance and by substituting in the lieu thereof the following words and figures "Twenty Five ($25.00)" and by further striking from said ordinance the words and figures "$75.00" in the tenth line of the said ordinance aforesaid and substituting in lieu thereof the following words and figures to wit; "whatever sum as shall be determined upon and fixed by the Mayor of said Town, payable" so that said Section 3 of Ordinance No. 100 of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, Iowa, as changed and amended shall read as follows, to wit: "That in case the aforesaid amusements are continuously operated for a period of more than sixty (60) days said owner or manager shall pay a sum not less than Twenty Five ($25.00) Dollars nor more than One Hundred Fifty ($150.00) Dollars to be determined by the Mayor in each case, and said license shall be whatever sum as shall be determined upon and fixed by the Mayor of said Town, payable per annum, or in pro rata for the fractional part of the year from the time of application until the last day of December."

Adopted this 6th day of March 1922.

Attest: Guy Byers.

M. C. Barry, Mayor.

The Garner papers this week carried a long article regarding an arrest made there by Marshall John McNicolls, a former reident of Belmond. John noticed a tough looking hobo hanging around, and ordered him out of town. That evening he again saw the bum, and asked him why he delayed going south. The tramp became rather "sassy" and John jugged him. In looking over a bunch of cards received describing escaped prisoners and men wanted, he noticed a close resemblance in one to the fellow he had in jail. Investigation revaeled that the fellow had served two years in a Texas pen, and seemed to belong to the criminal class generally.

The Garner Legion had another big wrestling tournament on the calendar for March 6th. Garner seems to specialize in wrestling entertainments and they appear to bring crowds, too.

Business Directory

ATTORNEYS

W. E. BULLARD
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Belmond, Iowa
Office hours 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 a. m.
1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

J M JENSEN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Belmond, Iowa
Office Over State Bank of Belmond
Phone 86

PHYSICIANS

BELMOND HOSPITAL
DR. GEO. H. STEELE
Physician in Charge
Calls answered at all hours.
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Real Estate and Insurance

At Your Service
WM. H. WOLLE
For accident, sickness, fire, tornado, grain protection.
Farm and Town Property, Owner's Price.
Belmond, Iowa.

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DR. A. W. RUSSELL
VETERINARIAN
Calls answered night or day.
Telephone, Residence, 62
Belmond, Iowa.

DR. R. G. BROWN
Graduate Veterinarian
Calls answered promptly
day or night
Telephone 159
Belmond, Iowa.

CLIPPINGS

Ben Blake struck a very poor day, the weather considered, for his sale, a week ago. It was one of the most disagreeable of the season. The sale was quite successful, however, amounting in total to $2,800. Ben leaves the farm; he is not decided as to what he will do—he will visit around. —Ackley World Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Smith returned Saturday to their home at Belmond after a short visit at the Ross Farmer home.—Monitor.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Whittmen and Miss Tillie Lee went to Belmond Saturday to visit over Sunday with relatives.—Monitor.

Chas. Papousek and wife were up from Belmond Sunday, to spend the day at the Chris Jacobs home. It was Chris' birthday, but the number we did not learn.—Signal.

The local barbers, after working a few months at less than pre-war prices, have decided that bread and water as a regular diet is not conducive to good health, so they have decided to arrange prices that will provide them with a warm meal at least once a week. Shaves will be twenty cents and hair cuts forty cents, beginning today.—Chronicle.

We wonder if the ladies of Des Moines will make remarks about Walt Ramsay such as ladies of his old home town will. The other day we noticed Walt's picture stuck in a prominent place in one of the local offices, and when we spoke of it, one of the ladies said she put it there because she thought Walt was just one of the finest looking men she had ever seen. The lady isn't married either.—Signal.

W. H. Trafford was up from Belmond yesterday helping the new minister get settled.—Times.

TWO BIG COMBINATION SALE DAYS

Instead of the 8th I will hold a two-day combination sale March 10 and 11, and in order to prepare for stall room, parties having live stock forsale should commence listing at once with the Belmond Savings bank or T. D. Rankins, phone 12, 115, or 196. All machinery and household goods to be on sale the 10th. Live stock for the 11th only. All entries to close at noon each day. Parties desiring time will be given 8 months on approved security at 8 per cent, as I have made arrangements with the bank to cash the notes. Therefor you will get your cash for articles sold on time. Listing prices will be: Horses per head $1; Cattle 50c; hogs 30c; sheep 25c; poultry, one dozen or less, 25c; machinery, wagons, and buggies, 50c an article; double harness 50c; single 25c. Horses or cattle selling for $50 per head or over entrance fee will be returned. Commissions for selling articles being from one dollar to five, 10 per cent; from $5 to $10, 5 per cent; over that amount 2 per cent.

WATCH FOR BILLS.

Auctioneers: T. D. Rankins, Lewis Houge, Alvin Erickson.

Belmond Independent

R. A. RANKINS
Editor and Proprietor.

Subscription Price $2.00 Per Year
Entered as second-class matter Nov. 18, 1919, at the postoffice at Belmond, Iowa, under the act of March 3, 1879.

IOWA PRESS ASSOCIATION

WHERE IS THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE?

With the sugar factory operating this year, there should be plenty of opportunity for the Chamber of Commerce to do something. There are various things pertaining to Belmond, which the Chamber of Commerce could and should, be looking after now.

Why have such an organization if it is not to be utilized? Who are the officers? How many members are there? How much money is in the treasury? What has been done? Do you know? We don't—and it is doubtful if you do.

The writer in a conversation with a business man in Belmond—new in the sense that he had only been in business here for three months—mentioned the Chamber of Commerce, and had the question, "Why, have you a Chamber of Commerce here? I never heard of it." A fine recommendation, is it not? And one apt to create enthusiasm with this man.

If we are going to have an organization of this character, let's either keep it alive and moving, or announce the date of the funeral and get a dead affair off our hands and out of the way. The Independent is not criticising the officers of the Chamber of Commerce; doubtless they have done what they could; but there is too little attention paid to it. If in oher towns similar clubs accomplish results and keep their community on the map, why can we not here? To the best of the writer's knowledge, not an effort has been made to collect membership dues for two years. One member of the Chamber made this remark to the writer. Why not collect them? Get some coin in the family sock and attend to some of the things that need looking after. The Great Western crossing, for instance; better $500 spent in a law suit that would protect the crossing, than another accident in which someone is injured or killed.

Let's have some action.

READ THE ADS

Townsans' Pays the Freight

This store stands perfectly ready to meet the mail order houses on hardware, quality for quality, price for price—and we will pay your freight.

Listed here are a dozen hardware articles, taken from our complete line, with the price you are asked to pay the mail order house, and the price we sell for. Compare them. Grades are equal, but are the prices? Notice our prices. They are our regular, every-day-in-the-week prices, and we will sell any article listed—and hundreds that aren't at the same rate.

	MAIL ORDER	OUR
30 X 3½ Skid chains	$3.45	$2.00
Best axe, guaranteed	2.45	2.25
410 gauge shotgun	9.40	9.85
.22 calibre repeating rifle	28.48	25.00
Best grade Barn Paint per gal.	1.76	1.45
Food chopper	2.45	2.25
Hand washing machine	19.75	17.50
Electric washing machine	77.50	70.00
Galvanized wash tub	.98	1.00
(Or we'll sell for 98c and you pay us the freight.)		
Galvanized brooder coops	2.10	2.00
Triple grit box	1.25	1.00
One-man cross cut saw	3.80	3.50

Bring your mail order catalogue in; we'll meet them, quality for quality. If you will pay us the freight we'll be getting more than our regular prices.

Townsan Hardware

Phone 34 Belmond, Iowa

Mason City Des Moines Cedar Rapids Dubuque Waterloo Rochester

Formerly Matthew Style Shop

Palais Royal
WOMEN'S OUTFITTERS
101½ N. Federal Ave Mason City, Iowa

Formerly Matthew Style Shop

Mason City's New and Most Modern Apparel Store

For Women and Misses

OPENS

Thursday, March 9th

The Public will be Cordially Welcomed

Fashionable Ready-to-Wear of High Standard of Quality, Comprising

Coats Suits Dresses Blouses Skirts
Sweaters and Hosiery

Embrace the Lines that have been purchased for this modernly appointed Store for Women and Misses

A special offer of interest will be made for the Opening Days---and will be announced on Wednesday, March 8th, in the Mason City Globe Gazette.

THE OPENING DAYS ARE

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 9	Mch. 10	March 11

ROBINSON'S

If a Penny Saved is a Penny Earned

We help you save a good many dollars.
Compare Our prices with those of the Mail order House, and note the difference:

	Mail Order	Ours
Best grade tea	.78	.70
Gunpowder tea	.69	.40
Orange Pecoe tea	.69	.40
Santos Peaberry coffee	1.28	1.25
(Bulk, roasted, in 5 lb lots)		
Instant Postum	.42	.45
Condensed milk, unsweetened	.27	.30
(3 can lots by mail; we'll give you 1—if that's all you need)		
Pears, canned, best grade	.42	.40
Pineapples, sliced, No 2 cans	.27	.30
Corn, best grade, No. 2 can	.21	.15
Stringless beans, 3 cans,	1.06	.54
Peaches, halves, No. 2½ can	.27	.25
Tomatoes, best grade	.19	.20

NO FREIGHT IS ADDED TO OUR PRICES, THEY ARE THE PRICES WE SELL FOR EVERY DAY.
WHY SEND AWAY FOR YOUR GROCERIES WHEN YOU CAN SAVE MONEY BY TRADING AT HOME?
A Full case—24 cans— of canned goods, the best grade, this week for $2.99. A Money Saving Bargain. Ask us.

Pump Repairing, Heating, Plumbing, Furnace, Roofing, Guttering and Tin Work

LEAVE ORDERS AT JOHNSON & WRIGHT'S HARDWARE STORE

W. J. PECH

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CREAM

WE WANT YOUR CREAM

GIVE US A TRIAL

J. S. WHITE

AMERICAN RAILWAY EXPRESS

Phone 272 City Office

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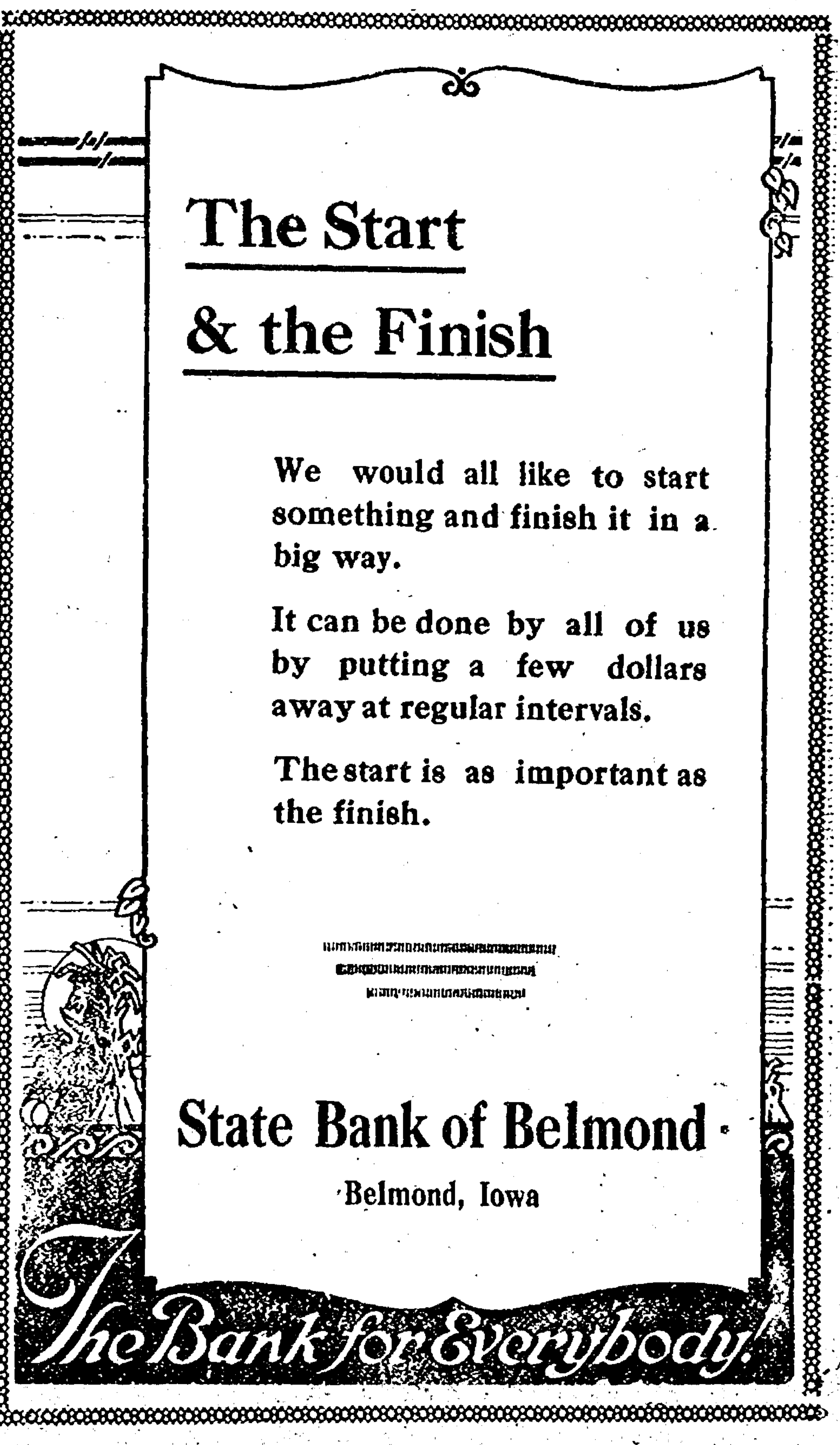
The Bank for Everybody!

The Start & the Finish

We would all like to start something and finish it in a big way.

It can be done by all of us by putting a few dollars away at regular intervals.

The start is as important as the finish.

State Bank of Belmond

Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Boy Is Still Adding More War Honors

EDMUND GROH ADDS STILL MORE HONORS TO LIST ALREADY LARGE.

Minneapolis Journal: Edmund Groh says he can't remember what happened.

But two governments can.

So Edmund Groh, who now lives at 613 University avenue SE., and is a student at a Minneapolis school of pharmacy, today has the Croix de Guerre and the naval Distinguished Service Medal, the "Pershing citation," a French citation and two Second Division citations and the right to wear two silver stars on his Victory medal, because he kept on caring for the wounded in France after he had been seriously wounded, at a time when there was much work for a "pillslinger" to do. He is the only Minneapolis man and one of a very few enlisted men to receive the naval medal.

In Fight at Belleau Wood

He enlisted May 9, 1917, at Des Moines, and was a pharmacist's mate, third class, in the navy, until October, when he was detached to the marine corps. He went overseas in April with the Sixth Regiment of the Second Division, just in time to get a taste of the fighting at Belleau Wood, he says, and then went to the Soissons sector. There at Vierzy, he got his first citation. In the divisional citation, it read:

EDMUND P. GROH

"Having shown great courage in dressing wounded in the open field, he continued in the performance of this duty after being wounded, refusing to be evacuated until he had completed dressing of all wounded brought to him."

His wound was only a flesh wound in the leg, he says, and he was soon back at his work. Then, in September, at Thiacourt, which was one of a number of towns included in the St. Mihiel drive, he was severely wounded, when a high explosive shell tore his left arm and shoulder.

Wounded Second Time

"After that, I couldn't do much. I don't know what happened," he says.

He fainted twice. But in the meantime he was at work caring for wounded. Finally, they dragged him back to the divisional field hospital, where they operated to remove a bit of shell lodged in his shoulder. Before he recovered consciousness, he was on his way to Neuf-Chateau, where they operated again. Then after two weeks, he was sent on to Orleans, where as he lay in the hospital, he read in the "Stars and Stripes" that he had received a Pershing citation and the French Croix-de Guerre for bravery in action.

He came back to the United States in March, 1919, and at the Great Lakes Naval hospital he received the medals he had earned. Discharged in July, he came to Minneapolis and started in school.

Now he moves away if a friend mentions medals; refuses to talk, if questioned on the thing.

"Darned if I know why I got 'em," he says.

FARM BUREAU NEWS

By R. M. Edwards

Poultry Orchard Demonstrations

H. E. Nichols, orchard specialist, and J. L. Gordon, poultry specialist, both from the extension department at Ames held a series of dual orchard and poultry demonstrations in our county last week covering four points in the county.

Interesting lectures and demonstrations were given on these two subjects by these men. The poultry lectures were interesting especially because of the fact that poultry production is becoming so popular in this section of the state. The orchard lectures and demonstrations were very insructive, although orchard farming is sort of a side line with most farmers in this part of the state.

Assistant Agent Leader Here

I.W. Van Nice, assistant leader of county agents in Iowa, was in Clarion last week checking up on monthly and annual reports of our local farm bureau. Mr. Va Nice is sent out from the state office in an effort to urge a more uniform system of keeping records throughout the state. He seemed well pleased with the records as being kept by our local organization and said they were above the average of the state.

Evergreen Social

One of the liveliest and most interesting community socials ever held in the Evergreen district, Eagle Grove township, was staged at the Harley C. Cowan home Friday evening, March 3rd. This beautiful farm home was packed to over-flowing by farmers, and their families.

The election of officers was the first thing on the program after which a social time was enjoyed by all. The feature of the entertainment was the oyster stew which was put on by the losing side in the yearly contest of the Evergreen Sporting association.

This association is an agricultural community organization which has been in existence for more than twenty years and which, during that time, has held its regular annual socials such as was held Friday night. Many community clubs are reported from various parts of the state but the Evergreen Sporting association has the distinction of all phases of community life.

Soy Bean Winning Its Way

Cedar county farmers are evidently thoroughly sold on the soy bean. They Claim it is a valuable adjunct in hog feeding, because it furnishes the protien necessary to properly balance feeding rations much cheaper than the commerical supplement feeds. Through the influence of the county agent the farmers began trying it out in a modest way in 1919. From the beginning its feeding qualities were apparent, and its popularity has grown apace each year since. Last year, through the agency of the farm bureau, enough seed was distributed to plant more than 1,500 acres. This season, owing to cheaper seed and wider recognition of the value of the crop, a much larger acreage will be in evidence.

Pull Together for Better Roads

In Linn county the farm bureau and commercial oodies are pulling together for a system of farm-to-market gravelled roads. An enthusiastic get-together-meeting was held recently in Cedar Rapids for the purpose of developing a definite working program in order that the work may be pushed this season. Farm Bureau officials sent notices to every one of the fifteen hundred members in the county, urging them to attend the meeting. A resolution recently adopted by the farm bureau gives unqualified endorsement to a program of "properly graded, drained and graveled roads," and favors the immediate "construction of gravel roads at a cost in relation to economic conditions." It is believed that a suficient supply of gravel for the purpose is available in the country, and arrangents will be made to utilize it.

ACKLEY ANNING PLANT PREPARES FOR SEASON

World Journal: Here's extra good news!

The Ackley corn canning plant will be in operation and in full productive swing during the coming packig season. The announcement means much to the community; it means considerable to the farmers of the nearby ter- that the product of the fields will have hat the product of fields will have when devoted to the growing of corn for canning purposes; it means a great deal to the sixty, seventy, eighty or more hands that will be employed at the plant during the time of the season's activities.

Contracts for acreage are soon to be made. The price per ton will be ample to justify every farmer who is solicited, to plant a certain acreage. Manager Thomas Gilloon says the season will be one of unusual activity at the plant; last season, because of adverse and unfavorable conditions, the plant was not in operation. The output of the plant, it is expected, will be doubled and more than in any previous season.

SICK
With a Bad Cold

"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him

Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy

It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa.

Get it from your druggist at 35 cents per bottle, large size 60 cents.

GIVENAWAY

For a Short Time Only

Full size 25c can of the famous JONTEEL TALC given away with every purchase of JONTEEL COLD CREAM at the regular price of 50c. Two daily toilet necessities at two-thirds the usual cost.

We make this exceptional offer to introduce the refreshing Jonteel fragrance—"The Wonderful Odor of 26 Flowers"—and to acquaint you with the unusual merit of JONTEEL COLD CREAM

JONTEEL COLD CREAM cleans the skin perfectly—gets under the surface and clears the pores. Fine for removing dust and grime.

JONTEEL COLD CREAM is snow white, soft and smooth. You will love its refreshing fragrance.

JONTEEL COLD CREAM contains no injurious ingredients and will not cause the growth of hair.

You can secure these Jonteel Toilet Requisites only at the Rexall Store.

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The Quality's High
The Prices are Low
Is there Anything more
You need to know?

New Belmond Tailor Shop

Phone 28 Belmond, Iowa

We Want You to
Compare Our Prices

We want you to get out your big mail order catalogue, turn over to the pages on harness—then take this ad and compare these prices—quality considered—and we wager that we will win. And you don't have to advance us the price before you get the goods. Also we stand back of them in every way.

The Mail Order House's best breeching harness sells for $77.50 laid down at Belmond. Our price is $75. A saving of $2.50

The Mail Order House's best hip strap harness sells for $62.50. Our price is $57.50.

The Mail Order House's one-inch hame strap 33c Our price 25c.

The Mail Order House's ¾-inch hitch rein is 60c; Our price is 50c.

The Mail Order House's 1¼ inch set of lines 22 feet long $9.35 F. O. B., Chicago. Our price on 1¼ inch set of lines 22 feet long, double and stiched backs and straps furnished, $8 per set.

The Mail Order House's best bridle, per pair $10.70; Our price $9.50

Our service and advice are yours for the asking.

OILING HARNESS $1 PER SET

Ajax and U. S. Tires and Tubes

JONES HARNESS CO.

Belmond, Iowa

Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 Belmond Iowa, Thursday March 9, 1922. No. 1.

OUR BOW

This is the initial bow for us in this style of advertising. We hope you will like it and read it from week to week. In the Griesy's Store News we shall try to give you the latest developments in long-wearing hardware and good, efficient farm machinery, as well as other items of interest. Look for it—read it— and we'll both profit.

Order your repairs early. You will save time and money by doing so.

Make our store your headquarters when you are in town.

Wear a smile—it's cooler in summer and warmer in the winter than a frown.

Stop talking HARD TIMES. Keep your face to the sunshine and the shadows will fall behind.

It takes 64 muscles of the face to make a frown and only 13 to make a smile. Why work overtime?

If you are skimming cream from your milk by the old-fashioned method, you are losing fully $20 a year for every cow you milk. A Primrose cream separator saves the cream. If there were no other advantages, this one would make the Primrose a paying investment. It is equal to feeding three cows and getting a profit from four.

This is a good year for feeding stock. It pays to feed part of your grain, because the prices of dairy products, and of beef and pork, are relatively higher than corn or oats. You can further increase your profits by grinding your own feed, and putting it in the most digestible form. Let an International feed grinder help you make a profit this year.

The hen is the only thing that can lay around and make money. And it pays to have her "laying around" as much as possible rather than setting on a few eggs for hatching purposes. A Successful Hatcher will do the job much more effeciently. This machine is simple and easy of operation, and experience is not necessary in order to produce good results. Come in and see the Successful the next time you are in town.. You can't beat our prices on incubators.

Price are raising on field seeds. Now is the time to order what you need. We still have a supply at the lower prices..

At a reduced price of $700, the Titan 10-20 is by far the best tractor buy on the market today. Then when you consider that a P & O three bottom plow is given free with each Titan, it becomes indeed a real bargain. The same is true of the International 8-16 at a price of only $670. A P & O two bottom plow is given free with this tractor—but remember this offer expires on both tractors May 1st. Get your tractor now and be prepared for the spring rush.

The time you spend in preparig your seed bed right will be repaid with interest when you total up your crops at the end of the year. Feed your hungry crops by breaking up the soil elements so that the plants can use them. This is accomplished first, by deep plowing and second by thoroughly pulverizing the soil. Hard lumps and clods pay no dividends. Plow the ground, crush the clods, slice the lumps and release the plant food with P & O plows and International tillage tools. We have a full line on hand for your inspection.

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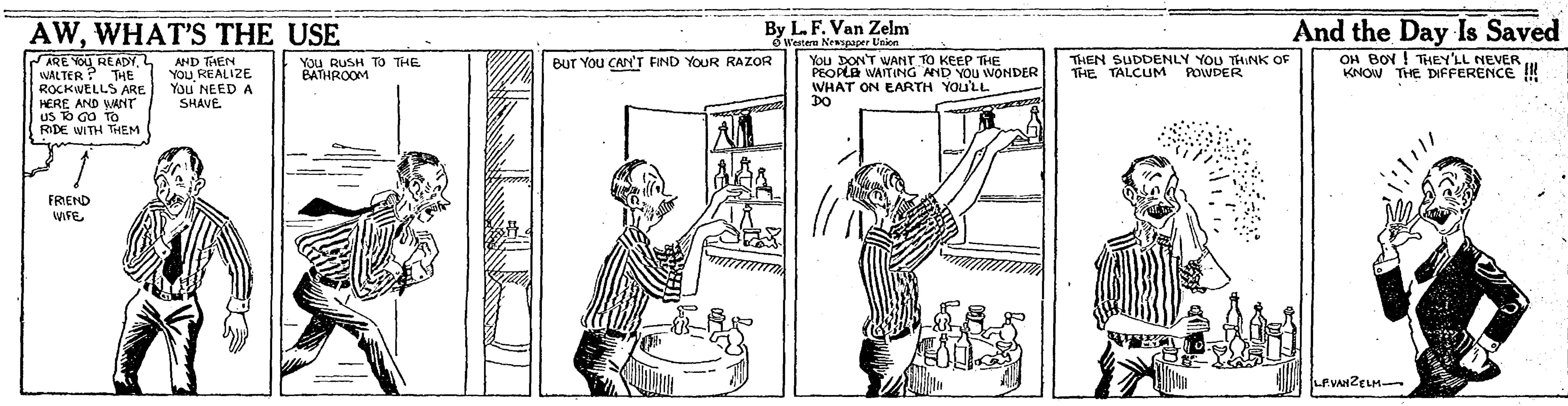
AW, WHAT'S THE USE
By L. F. Van Zelm
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And the Day Is Saved
ARE YOU READY, WALTER? THE ROCKWELLS ARE HERE AND WANT US TO GO TO RIDE WITH THEM
FRIEND WIFE
AND THEN YOU REALIZE YOU NEED A SHAVE
YOU RUSH TO THE BATHROOM
BUT YOU CAN'T FIND YOUR RAZOR
YOU DON'T WANT TO KEEP THE PEOPLE WAITING AND YOU WONDER WHAT ON EARTH YOU'LL DO
THEN SUDDENLY YOU THINK OF THE TALCUM POWDER
OH BOY! THEY'LL NEVER KNOW THE DIFFERENCE !!!
L.F. VAN ZELM

BIG FIRE CAUSES LOTS OF EXCITMENT

The main building of the consolidated school of Meservey took fire Saturday afternoon at about 2:00 o'clock. A bad flue and sparks on the roof was the cause of the fire, which did about $200 worth of damage.

A bucket bregade was soon formed and a hard fight was soon put up, and had the fire well under control by the time the men with the city hose arrived.

The roof had been full of ice and snow and being on the north side it was not very dry, otherwise nothing could have saved the building.

This is the second time the old building has been saved, and those who took part in fighting the fire need much commendation.

Something more than a year or two ago the building also caught fire on the roof and was saved only by the daring bravery of Henry Frey, the janitor, who nearly lost his life in slipping when on top of the roof. A good many jokes have been passed that the building was not worth saving. But the most of these jokes were made and passed by those who so bravely fought to save the school house. It has been suggested by one of the heavy tax payers that a corrogated metal roof should take the place of the old roof. This kind of a roof would cost the district around one thousand dollars. The building itself we doubt could be sold at auction for more than this sum. Then too we were informed that the frame, structure and foundation would not sustain such a roof. Just recently the district has been thru two bond issues and lost for a new school house.

The district is indeed glad to congratulate the fire fighters in their endeavor to save the building for just at this time Meservey could not well have some evil minded report circulating.

Mrs. Frank Hartwig of Painsville, Minn., has been here the past week visiting the homes of her brothers, Ralph and Chas. Waddingham, and other relatives.

SCHOOL NOTES

THE CRISIS

(Continued from last week.)

Society.

A ball was held at the home of John Elgin. The people were carefree and to witness them one would **not think that the country was** threatened by the British.

The attendants were richly dressed, the ladies all wore rings.

There are to be several dances held at different homes. These dances are unpatriotic and should not be attended.

The young men would do better if they gave their money for their country instead of giving a ring to their lady love.

Jokes

A correspondent of our paper visited an army camp last week. He found the men cheerful in spite of the despairing conditions. They told the following jokes:

Officer—(Speaking to private) Go down to the river and get a pail of water.

Private—Aw go on its your turn, I got one yesterday.

The army was marching to battle "Shoot at will," cried the lieutenant. "Which one is he?" came back from the awkward squad.

Officer—(To private who failed to salute him) "Aren't you a private?" Private—"No, I'm a yankee from Connecticut."

Officer—(To private after successful battle) "Well my man what did you do to help win this battle?"

Private—"Oh I walked up to one of the enemy and cut off both his feet."

Officer—"Very good but why didn't you cut off his head?"

Private—"Oh that was off already."

The Editor recently met a soldier and this is the following conversation that resulted:

Editor—"Well my man were you ever in a battle?"

Soldier—"No, but I nearly was."

Editor—"How was that."

Soldier—"Well at the battle of White Plains the general said 'My men strike for home and country,' most of them struck for country but I struck for home and am glad I did it."

A colonel reports the following story: During the battle of Trenton a new recruit continually followed him around. After the battle the colonel said, "Well my man you sure stayed by me faithfully today. You deserve to be commended."

The soldier replied, "Yes sir when I left home my mother said 'My son stay near the officers all the time, they never get hurt,' I see she is right as a bullet never came near us."

(Written by Vern Schulter a senior in the class of 1922.)

BIG DEAL AT SHEFFIELD

Chronicle: Mrs. C. C. Carhart last week contracted for the sale of her entire interest in the Sheffield Brick and Tile Company and the Sheffield Tile Company, at Sheffield, to H. L. Carhart, R. R. Carhart and Forrest F. Carhart. The consideration is said to be close to $200,000.

The property consists of two modern brick and tile plants, which were originally promoted and later developed into prosperous concerns by the late Charles C. Carhart, who, it will be remembered met his death in an automobile wreck last year, while on his way home from a trip to Des Moines. The accident happened near Zearing.

The new owners of the plants are among the reliable and progressive young business men of Sheffield, and they have also been associated in the ownership of the brick and tile plants with their brother, previous to his death, so that the management of the business will not be new to them. It is stated that Forrest F. Carhart will be in active charge of the business.

A WARNING

Breathes there a man with soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath said:
"My trade of late is getting bad,
I'll try another ten-inch ad."
If such there be, go mark him well;
For him no bank account shall swell;
No angels watch the golden stair
To welcome home the millionaire.

The man who never asks for trade
By local line or ad displayed,
Cares more for rest than worldly gain,
And patronage but gives him pain.
Tread lightly, friends, let no rude sound
Disturb his solitude profound.
Here let him live in calm repose,
Unsought, except by men he owes.

And when he dies, go plant him deep
That naught may break his dreamless sleep,
Wherein no clamor may dispel
The quiet that he loved so well.
And that the world may know its loss,
Place on his grave a wreath of moss,
And on a stone above: "Here lies,
A chump who wouldn't advertise."

—Anon.

MODERN DANCE STEPS INTERPRETED BY EDITOR

It was a surprise to us to know that interpretive dancing was being indulged in by the youth of the village and larger communities hard by until the other evening.

The first dance of interpretation was done to the music of a fox-trot.

One very young couple clasped each other around the waist with one arm and then fell upon each other's chest, gazing heavenward with their eyes and placed the palms of their hands together like a pious person does in prayer. This dance was an interpretation of "The Maiden's Prayer."

Closely following them was a couple impersonating "The Osteopath." He was patting her between the shoulders and rubbing the back of her neck with his left hand and massaging her upper left arm with his right hand, undoubtedly treating her for heart trouble.

As the dancers swept on a very tall young man and a short sweet-faced girl were interpreting "The Chiropractor." There could be no mistake for his big, broad muscular right hand was operating solely on her back bone and she was cringing a little at every adjustment.

"Le lansant du St. Vitas" was another beautiful interpretative dance done to waltz music by a timid-looking, curley-haired girl who had forgotten to tie a string around her waist and a young man who held her closely and lovingly to his breast and looked pityingly into her eyes and tried in every way to show her how he sympathized with her in her misery, while he attempted to prevent her from jerking herself clear from his arms. They did very little foot work but she kept up a continual jerking of both shoulders and one hip while he tried to hold her. It was a sublime effort and we called it a draw.

While the orchestra essayed a one-step a short, fat boy and a tall lean girl, did one of the most beautiful interpretive dances for the evening. She bent over him and laid the end of her pretty powered nose just under his right ear. He clasped her tightly about the waist with his right arm and held her up as best he could while she staggered thru the steps of the dance. He kept both eyes glued heavenward and did not even roll them. They were bumped into several times but they never changed their positions. It was "The Dying Calf."

The pianist in the orchestra also did a little interpreting on his own hook. It must have been "The Hod Carrier," for he tried to climb up the front of the piano and over it without turning his head to spit. Then he would setle on his stool and hit the keys a smash to imitate the hodful of bricks falling on the floor. It was a highbrow dance.—Mason City Glbe-Gazette.

U. S. TREASURY LAUNCHES SAFE INVESTMENT CAMPAIGN

William B. Bosworth, Government Savings Director for the Seventh Federal Reserve District, announced today the opening of a campaign to blot out the financial swindlers located in the five states of his district—Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin. During the month of March 50,000 city and rural mail-carriers will take the following message to their sixteen million patrons: "CONSULT YOUR BANKER OR POSTMASTER BEFORE YOU INVEST."

Sixteen million dollars worth of the Government's new Treasury Savings Certificates have been distributed among the five thousand post offices in the district and each postmaster is responsible for the campaign in his community. Money invested in the new certificates increases twenty-five per cent in five years and will be returned to the investor at any time within the five years upon demand to the Treasury Department. Registration insures the investor against any form of loss. Postmasters are authorized to receive investments as small as $20 and as large as $4,000 from any individual.

POP IS NOURISHING? AMES PROF. SAYS SO

Humboldt Republican: Prof. J. H. Buchanan, of the Ames chemistry department of the Iowa State College, says that he has analyzed more than 300 samples of pop, and that it contains more nourishment than an equal amout of oysters. That is, a man who drinks a bottle of pop is more nourished than he who eats an oyster stew.

We dunno. It is hard to believe. There are a lot of things to consider. For instance. There is so much gas in pop and it has such a way of filling the stomach and coming up thru your nose that the effects might make a novice believe that it was powerful. If the Ames book shark had said that he had consumed 300 bottles of pop and felt better than if he had consumed 300 oyster stews, we might have believed him. But to say that a bottle of canned wind and flavoring has more nutriment than an oyster stew—well, we dunno.

We hate to place our unscientific mind against the trained gray matter of the Prof. but it is hard to believe. We dunno.

ARE YOU DEAD?

Just to prove our contention: Here's a dispatch from Oklahoma which states that a merchant is suing a newspaper down there for $300 because his advertising copy was omitted from the last edition of the paper, having been lost in the office. That only shows how much the merchants are losing who don't get their copy in on time and get left out of the push in a business way.—Iowa Falls Sentinel.

But not all merchants take themselves so seriously or are so insistent in letting the public know they're in business. There are those who have to be coaxed into coming in, others there are who "wait to see what Tom, their competitor, has to say," still others who stay out "because Jim advertises and can't prove what he's saying along the line of price," still others who have the terrible mistaken notion that they're "supporting the newspaper" and others who believe the buying public will "trade at my place no matter whether Bill says he'll sell the same piece of cloth or pair of shoes for 50 cents on the dollar less."

Merchants should not delude themselves. Might as well expect to catch the dollars rolling up hill; as well expect the old chariot to roll along without axlegrease and make no outcry, as to expect to do a successful merchantile business in this day and generation without extending the invitation, persistetly, to "trade at headquarters." The firm that fails to advertise in the local newspapers is dead.—Ackley World Journal.

WRIGHT COUNTY SHARES IN FUNDS

News: The public schools of Wright county will receive $2,789.00 next Monday when Treasurer Allen receives the county's apportionment from the state treasurer's office. $108,514.95 is the total to be distributed by the state treasurer next Monday and a similar apportionment will be made in September.

These sums represent the interest on the permanent school fund of the state, which is apportioned to the schools in two semi-annual payments.

On Jan. 1, 1921, the permanent fund was $4,807,156.76, plus $10,937.18 of state bonds issued to pay losses that occured many years ago a total of $4,818,093.94.

During the year 1921 there was added to the fund $889.72 from the sale of school lands in Des Moines county, and $2,590.59 from escheated estates in Linn, Madison, Scott and Pottawattamie counties. This brought the fund up to $4,821,574.25 on Jan 1, 1922, and the interest on this sum for the coming year will be apportioned to the school in 1923.

The interest is apportioned to each county on the basis of the number of children between the ages of 5 and 21 in said country, and the county auditors then apportioned it among the various schools. As there are now 690.650 children between the above ages in the state the interest paid out on March 6 will amount to .15712, or about 15 and three-fourths cents for each child of school age.

PUBLIC SALE

As I have quit farming, I will sell at Auction on the Smith farm, 3 miles north and 3-4 mile west of Belmond and 1 1-2 mile south and 3-4 miles west of Goodell, Iowa, at one o'lock p. m., the following described property on

Monday, March 13

8 Horses

One Black Mare, 11 years old
One Black Mare, 9 years old
One Black Gelding, 14 years old
One Brown Mare, 7 years old
One Black Gelding, 3 years old
One Sorrel Mare, 3 years old
One Horse Colt, 2 years old

13 Head of Cattle

5 Cows, will all be fresh soon
5 last spring Calves, good ones
3 good two year old steers

Machinery

1 McCormick Harvester
1 Deere Corn Planter
1 Deere Riding Plow
1 Moline Cultivator
1 New Century Cultivator
1 Deere Drag
1 McCormick Mower
1 Pette Wagon
1 Lindsey Wagon
1 Moline Manure Spreader
1 End Gate Seeder
1 Sattley Disc
1 Tower Cultivator
1 Sattley Corn Planter
1 Walking Plow

TERMS---$10 and under, cash; over that 10 months at 8 per cent. All property to be settled for on date of sale

Ed. Gruis, Owner

Belmond Savings Bank, Clerk
T. D. Rankins, Auctioneer

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

The motor passengers to Mason City Tuesday morning were Postmaster Smith, Lou Jones, and Doc Agler.

Miss Angeline Mussel who is working at Mason City was here several days last week visiting her parents.

A number of young people gathered at the home of Forrest and Lester Gobeli last Tuesday evening. The whole affair being a surprise to both the boys. Refreshments were served and a general good time is reported.

Gus Back of Klemme was here on business matters on Wednesday of last week.

Dr. Russel and Dr. Brown, of Belmond were in town on business last week.

A good deal of moving has been going on. Bert Stadtlander moved to his farm near Latimer. A. H. Kuhlers moving on the farm vacated by Stadtlander.

J. C. Oelhert moved to Clear Lake and George Vierkant moving on his place. John Dirk moved on one of Mrs. Stadtlander's farms.

Carl Dorenkamp moved on a farm near Belmond. J. W. Cooper of Kanawha is moving on the Hiko Kuhlers farm, and Hiko Kuhlers on the place which Allen Jacobson vacated. Glen and Earl Enabnit of near Clear Lake both moved on farms north of town. Henry VanOsten moved on the old Mrs. Butz place.

Harry Lauen had the misfortune to have his pony slip while riding horse back and the result being a badly sprained ankle.

Joe Stadtlander and H. J. Pals and wife were at Mason City on Thursday, visiting Mrs Stadtlander at the hospital.

Akio Koenen and Harm Koenen were visitors at the Henry Koenen home at Latimer on Thursday of last week.

Albert Kuhlers, Ben Gruis and H. J. Pals were business callers at Belmond last Thursday.

Miss Alma Ruleton spent the week end at Iowa Falls visiting relatives and friends.

Wm. Messelhiser and Wm. Butz were passengers to Mason City on Friday attending to business matters.

Ladies Aid Society.

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Tuesday p. m. at the church basement. A goodly number were present and refreshments were served.

S. O. S.

The S. O. S. Sunday school class met last Tuesday evening at the home of Donald Muller. The evening was spent by first having their regular business meeting and playing various games. Eleven boys were present and refreshments were served. Everyone present reported a splendid time.

W. M. S.

The Women's Missionary Society met Thursday p. m. at the A. E. Muller residence. Fourteen ladies were present. The afternoon was spent in discussing the last chapter of their study book.

J. F. Hartfelder was a Mason City business caller Tuesday

Bert Dutton of Klemme was in town the latter part of the week attending to loading his car for Mattorville, Minn., where they will make their future home.

The district presiding elder will hold quarterly meeting and conference in the Evangelical church this week Friday and Sunday.

The roads are almost impassible **in this community at the present time** We understand a farmer or two is advocating a hard surface road between his place and Ventura. It is our opinion that for years to come a good gravel road would be a better proposition, especially since the drainage tax is on and the district cannot afford a good school edifice. It is our opinion that for most rural roads of Iowa it is the best and the cheapest.

The Reformed church people have decided to remodle their present church building and build onto it at an estimated cost of $4,500.

School Notes

The Pilomathean Society will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with an approriate program.

The Seniors were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Sifert last Friday evening.

The class planned for their commencement. They have decided to give a play.

Merle Brogan was absent from school last week two days on account of sickness.

The 7th and 8th grades took their finals last week in Geography.

The questions were prepared by Supt. Newcomb and Supt. Sifert.

The following percentage of attendance was made last month ending March 3 1922, by the different rooms.

Primary room 94.7.
3rd. and 4th grades 97.4.
5th and 6th grades 97.2.
Grammar Room 97.2.
High school 94.6.
Total enrollment for the year, 163.
Average attendance for the year 155.1.

There has not been a tardy mark reported for the month.

Three cases of truancies were reported.

Gerald Braga was out two days last week on account of illness.

A note to parents in regard to deportment, absence and truancies: Always a certain percent must be taken off the scholars general average when he is low in deportment and application. The year is drawing to a time when promotions are made we kindly ask that the parents co-operate in keeping up the final average whose dilatory careless in attendance, and poor applications cannot expect as high grades as the one who strives to meet all requirements of the school.

Clarence Pals was sick a part of last week and was obliged to miss two days.

Bert Stadtlander has moved to a farm near Hampton.

CEMETERY SOCIETY

The Cemetery society will meet on Tuesday p. m. the 14th at the home of Mrs. Harm Groen.

Mrs. Joe Stadtlander returned home from the hospital at Mason City on Monday, where she has been taking treatments the past month for minor troubles. Her many friends are indeed glad to know that she is improving.

Local Celebrities

GO IN SEE JAKE, HE CAN FIX IT
MY PA WANTS YOU TO COME OVER TO OUR HOUSE THE CHIMNEY IS STUFFED OR SOM'THING AN' PLEASE BRING A LONG LADDER WITH YOU ?
KIN YA FIX IT MISTER JAKE ?
ETTNER
THE HANDY MAN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Rev. Faust will be with us Friday evening for Quarterly Conference. Communion services Sunday a. m.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30
Services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15
Services (English) 8:00

Catechism classes at the usual hour on Saturday afternoon.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

Miss Dora Jacobs spent the week end with folks near Belmond.

Miss Loats spent Sunday at her home at Belmond.

H. J. Pals left for Iowa City last Friday, returning home Sunday. He was accompanied as far as Belmond by his brother-in-law F. Mennenga, who had been there taking treatment.

Miss Sylvia Bloom, who is attending college at Naperville, Ill., was called to her home at Renwick by the death of an aunt. Miss Bloom stopped here for an over Sunday visit at the Rev. Schlesselman home before returning to Naperville.

Miss Viola Lauster spent the week at the Jake Jacobs home near Belmond.

Prof. and Mds. Sifert were shoppers at Mason City, Saturday.

The Helping Hand society will meet on Thursday, March 16 at the home of Mrs. C. Bier.

Rev. A. W. Schlesselman was at Renwick the latter part of the week where he conducted a funeral service.

ADVERTISE

The codfish lays a million eggs,
While the helpful hen lays one;
But the codfish does not cackle
To inform us what she's done.
And so we scorn the codfish coy,
While the helpful hen we prize;
Which indicates to thotful minds
That it pays to advertise.
The gink who wrote these truthful lines
Forgot to sign his name;
And 'tis a pity for we'd like
To add unto his fame.
We think that one who is so wise
And who us truly teaches,
Should take a tumble to himself
And practice what he preaches.

—Ex.

GOLDFIELD FIRE BURNS 110 HOGS

News: The fire which destroyed the Jno. Jeppson herd at Goldfield the first of the week, remains a mystery. Mr. Jeppson estimates his loss at around $12,000. There was no insurance protection on most of the property destroyed.

The fire was discovered early in the morning, and had made such headway that there was no chance to save the hogs. One of the boars had brought an offer of $500 a few days before the fire. There were 110 head of pure breds in the barn at the time, and all were burned to death. Two horses, two cows and considerable hay and grain also were burned in the fire, with other minor equipment.

It is one of the biggest losses reported in a barn fire in recent years, and it is a hard blow to Mr. Jeppson.

One report was that a heater used in the barn was the cause of the fire, but it is only a surmise.

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Phone 20 Meservey, Iowa

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, March 17-18
WILL
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For the benefit of our many customers and users of De Laval Cream Separators we have established a *De Laval Service Day.*

On this day we shall be glad to [illegible] any De Laval user bring his complete separator to our store [illegible] thorough and careful inspection and adjustment, which will [illegible] charge. Should any parts, due to unusual wear or acc[illegible] ed, this will be done, the only charge being [illegible] parts used. ***No charge*** will be made for th[illegible]

A De Laval representative [illegible] with this work. Bring in your De La[illegible] the benefit of his advice on the ca[illegible] as well as the free service. It is [illegible] Company, that every user of [illegible] imum of service at the minimum [illegible] you to avail yourself of this free and [illegible]

COME [illegible]ARLY
C. J. Wendel
Meservey, Iowa

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

FOR SALE—Rose Comb Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching.—Ole Foughty.

Miss Lilie Cornwell was a shopper at Hampton last Saturday.

Mrs. Oscar Hempel of Fort Dodge has been visiting at the Clay Kleinfelter home several days the past week.

Carl Bohlen made a business trip to Hayfield, Minnesota, last week and while there visited the Rev. Sherman Arends home.

Mrs. Grover Arends and her little daughter, Kathleen are visiting with relatives at Iowa Falls this week.

M. C. Madison, of Belmond, was a business caller at Alexander last week.

Fred Greenfield was a business caller at Belmond between trains.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling and two children of Belmond spent Sunday at Hilko Pals home.

Little Erma Bell has been on the sick list the past week.

Joe Veeder was a Belmond caller Monday.

Cornelius Stoffer was a Rowan caller last Sunday.

Miss Minnie Nodland, of Le Grand, came last Saturday for a visit with her friend, Miss Lillie Cornwell of this place.

Arthur Peters was a caller at Meservey Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fagan are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl, born Wednesday, March 1st.

Joe Veeder was a visitor at Belmond last Tuesday.

Miss Jessie Bernard spent the last of the week with relatives at Eagle Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and two children were visitors at Hampton Fridey evening.

Jerry DeVries has been visiting at Bode the past week.

Bert Kieslick was a caller at Hampton last Saturday.

Earl Hall was a Hampton caller last Saturday.

Mrs. Otis Nelson, of Belmond, has been spending the past week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Carl Greenfield of this place.

Ben Bergmann was a caller at Belmond Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McCallum were called to Belmond Tuesday by the sudden death of Lewis Helland.

Dick Schmidt was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday.

For Sale—Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, 45c per setting. Put in your orders. Clara Symens. Phone 2410.

Mrs. John Modderman and son, Henry, visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charley Scott, at Latimer the first of he week..

Alfred Anderson and Ben Bergman were callers a Dows last Thursday.

If you have an item of news of interest for the Independent, please phone 2407.

The Alexander boys town team played Kanawha town team in a fast game on the local floor Wednesday evening by a score of 19 to 16. This was a clean, hard fought game, one of the best ever witnessed on the locall floor..

St. John's Evangelical Church

Second Sunday in Lent. English Service at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody welcome.. C. J. Barth, Pastor.

Congregational Church Notes

The Christian Endeavor will meet at the home of Mrs. Geo. Dunn, Friday March 10, for their business and social meeting.

The Helping Hand Society will meet March 15 at the L. C. Peters home.

School Notes

Miss Minnie Nodland, a teacher in Le Grande, Iowa, schools, visited our school last Monday. Miss Nodland was the guest of Miss Lillie Cornwell last week.

This week we lengthen the recess periods and will dismiss school at the customery time. High School and the grades at 3:40 and 4:00 respectively.

The Movie Reels for next Tuesday evening March 10th will consist of the usual number of reels. We cannot inform you as to the nature of the program.

The department at Ames has not sent out the synopsis of the remaining programs.

The first and second grades gave a farewell party last Friday afternoon in honor of those children who discontine school here on account of their parents moving to other districts. Light refreshments were served. Mrs. Fred Dunn and little sons, Richard and Lwellan, were guests of the party.

Mrs. Palmateer visited in the grades and High School Wednesday afernoon of last week.

Miss Eva Whetstone was unable to attend to her duties as principal last Monday on account of an attack of the grippe.

The results of weighing the grade children on March 1st are as follows: 8 per cent lost weight; 15 per cent made no gain; 67 per cent made a substantial gain. For comparison we will repeat the results of the previous months: January thirteen per cent lost weight; 20 per cent made no gains; 67 per cent gained weight. Unless it is on account of sickness a loss of weight or failure to make gains is due to an unbalanced diet. We believe the increase in February over January in the number that lost weight was due to sickness.

The Library fund which is being raised by the combined efforts of the teachers and pupils now amount to over one hundred dollars. The high school play to be given soon will give the fund its final boost.

HAMPTON TRUCK DRIVER MEETS BELMOND MANS FATE

Chronicle: As a result of being struck by the east bound "ping-pong" on the Chicago Great Western railroad last Friday morning, L. E. Von Ahn lies in the Luthern hospital suffering from a fractured skull and a broken back, and his International truck, in which he was hauling gravel at the time, is in a local garage, a complete wreck.

Surgeons at the Luthern hospital operated upon him Tuesday and found that one vertebrae was broken and a splinter from it had entered his spinal cord, causing the paralysis of the lower half of Mr. Von Ahn's body. The broken bone was on the spinal cord and the last report from the hospital was that he was improving nicely and that there was a fair chance that he would regain the use of his legs.

Mr. Von Ahn is a married man and has been living in Hampton but a short time, coming here from Lake City.

Mr. Von Ahn was hauling gravel for the Miller Construction Company, of Souix City, for the graveling of primary road No. 10, west of Hampton. The gravel was being hauled from a pit at the John L. Roberts home, near the old Beed's lake, and he was driving south on the road which passes the farm of Geo. A. Bird and R. J. Thompson. As he was crossing the Chicago Great Western track just east of the F. J. Scantlebury home farm his truck was hit by a Chicago Great Western freight train. Other men were also hauling gravel from the same pit, and traveling the same road, but it is said that no one saw the accident except the engine crew. The engineer and fireman on the train state that they saw the truck coming south, and also state that the train whistle was sounded for the crossing the same as usual, and the engineer also turned on the extra "toot" when he saw the loaded truck coming close to the track, but as the truck could be stopped quickly they had no idea but what the driver would stop before running up on the crossing.

The injured man in an interview with a reporter for the Chronicle on Monday afternoon stated that he did not hear or see the train coming, and that he did not realize what struck him. The auto truck was badly demolished, the motor totally destroyed, about the only thing left is the rear axle. The engine hit the truck near the front end. Mr. Von Ahn was riding in an enclosed cab on the truck, and there was a window on the side that he could have easily seen the train coming from the west.

NO TRACE FOUND OF SCHAEFER

No information has been received as to the whereabouts of George C. Schaefer, who has been operating the W. D. Evans farm in Wisner township, and who suddenly dropped from sight while at Thornton a week ago last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Schaefer drove to Thornton that morning to look after some business matters and to do some trading, and they ate lunch together in a restaurant shortly after 11:00 o'clock, and he told his wife they would soon be ready to start for home. Mr. Schaefer never came back, and in due time his wife began to worry about his absense and began making inquiries around Thornton concerning him. She found no one who could give her any information, and after several hours' of fruitless search she drove the team back to their home on the farm, and notified her relatives, who went to Thornton to make further inquiries. No information could be secured that would lead to any clue, and whether he left town on one of the trains due in Thornton along about noon no one seemed to know.

He had purchased the Burmester farm north of town, near the dry bridge, and $6,500 had been paid down on it, but he had no obligations on this deal to worry him, as he had his choice of either throwing up his deal, or to lease the farm for the coming year. He had not fully decided the matter, but told friends in Hampton a few days before his departure that he expected to let the farm go back and rent it for the coming year. He had cancelled a sale of live stock and other personal property which he had already made arrangements to advertise, because he expected to move his stuff down from Wisner township to the Burmester place.

He did not have any personal obligations so far as known, and went away leaving his wife considerable money in the bank and all of his live stock and personal property on the farm. The day he left Thornton he cashed a check for about $150 and this money he took with him, but members of his family do not believe that he had much other money on his person when he went away. The cause of his sudden departure is just as much mystery to his wife and other relatives as it is to his friends.

He is a son of the late August H. Schaefer, and was a fine young man in every way so far as known. He was a member of Uncle Sam's army from Franklin county and saw service in France, but he escaped injury in all battles, was not gassed, and it is evident that it was not because of any injury he received in the war which may have unsettled his mind and cause him to disappear. Previous to the war he clerked in the McKee clothing store, and other places in Hampton, and was always held in high regard by those who knew him.—Chronicle.

BIG FIGHT ON "GERMAN" AS NAME OF TOWNSHIP

GARNER, Feb. 27.—Red-hot arguments are on and a fight to the finish is scheduled between Legionaires of this, Hancock county, and residents of German blood of Liberty township over the move to change the name of the township from "Liberty" back to "German." The township was named "German" before the war. During the war the name "Liberty" was taken. Now 87 of the 102 male voters in the township have signed a petition filed with the board of supervisors asking that the old name be returned. All of the county's Legion posts, Garner, Britt, Crystal Lake, Corwith, Kanawha and Goodell, have adopted resoltions of protest.

Hearing set by the board for April 17.—Mason City Globe-Gazette.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate,' with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Neils Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Neils Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

"I move you, members of the syndicate, that the schooner Maggie II proceed to some barren, uninhabited island, and that upon arrival there this savage king and his still more savage subject be taken ashore in a small boat. I also move you, gentlemen of the syndicate, that inasmuch as the two aggrieved parties, A. P. Gibney and P. Scraggs, having in a sperrit of mercy refrained from layin' their hands on said prisoners for fear of invalidin' them at a time when their services was of importance to the expedition, be given an opportunity to take out their grudge on the persons of said savages. Now, I notice that the king is a miserable, skimpy, sawed-off and hammered-down old cove. By all the rules of the prize ring he's in Scraggsy's class." (Here Mr. McGuffey flashed a lightning wink to the commodore. It was an appeal for Mr. Gibney's moral support in the engineer's scheme to put up a job on Captain Scraggs, and thus relieve the tedium of the homeward trip. Mr. Gibney instantly telegraphed his approbation, and McGuffey continued.)

"I notice also that if I was to hunt the universe over, I couldn't find a better match for Gib than Tabu-Tabu. And as we are all agreed that the white race is superior to any race on earth, and it'll do us all good to see a fine mill before we leave the country, I move you, gentlemen of the syndicate, that we pull off a finish fight between Scraggsy and the king, and Gib and Tabu-Tabu. I'll referee both contests and at the conclusion of the mixup we'll leave these two murderers marooned on the island and then—"

"Rats," snapped Captain Scraggs. "That ain't no business at all. You shouldn't consider nothin' short of capital punishment. Why, that's only a petty larceny form of—"

"Quit buttin' in on my prerogatives," roared McGuffey. "That ain't the finish by no means."

"What is the finish, then?"

"Why, these two cannibals, bein' left alone on the desert island, naturally bumps up agin the old question of the survival of the fittest. They get scrappin' among themselves, and one eats the other up."

"By the toe-nails of Moses," muttered Mr. Gibney in genuine admiration, "but you have got an imagination after all, Mac. The point is well taken and the program will go through as outlined. Scraggs, you'll fight the king. No buckin' and grumblin'. You'll fight the king. You're outvoted two to one, the thing's been done regular, and you can't kick. I'll fight Tabu-Tabu, so you see you're not gettin' any the worst of it. We'll proceed to an island in the Friendly group called Tuvana-tholo. It lies right in our homeward course, and there ain't enough grub on the confounded island to last two men a week. And I know there ain't no water there. So, now that that matter is all settled, we will proceed to heave the anchor and scoot for home. Mac, tune up your engines and we'll get out of here a-whoopin' and a-flyin'."

It was an eight-hundred-mile run up to Tuvana-tholo, but the weather held good and the trade-winds never slackened. Ten days from the date of leaving Kandavu they hove to off the island. It was a long, low, sandy atoll, with a few coconut-palms growing in the center of it, and with the exception of a vast colony of seabirds that apparently made it their headquarters, the island was devoid of life.

The bloodthirsty McGuffey stood at the break of the poop, and as he gazed shoreward he chuckled and rubbed his hands together.

"Great, great," he murmured. "I couldn't have gotten a better island if I'd had one built to order." He called aft to the navigating officer: "Scraggsy, there's the ring. Nothin' else to do now but get the contestants into it. Along in the late afternoon, when the heat of the day is over, we'll go ashore and pull off the fight. And, by George, Scraggs, if that old king succeeds in lambastin' you, I'll set the rascal free."

Seeing that there was no escape, Captain Scraggs decided to bluff the matter through. "Let's go ashore and have it over with," he said carelessly. "I'm a man of peace, but when there's fightin' to be done, I say go to it and no tomfoolery."

"Clear away the big whaleboat with two men to pull us ashore," said Mr. Gibney to the mate. Five minutes later the members of the syndicate, accompanied by the captives, climbed into the whaleboat and shoved off, leaving the Maggie II in charge of the mate. "We'll be back in half an hour," called the commodore, as they rowed away from the schooner. "Just ratch back and forth and keep heavin' the lead."

They negotiated the fringe of breakers to the north of the island successfully, pulled the boat up on the beach and proceeded at once to business. Mr. Gibney explained to Tabu-Tabu what was expected of him, and Tabu-Tabu in turn explained to the king. It was not the habit of white men, so Mr. Gibney explained, to kill their prisoners in cold blood, and he had decided to give them an opportunity to fight their way out of a sad predicament with their naked fists. If they won, they would be taken back aboard the schooner and later dropped at some inhabited island. If they lost, they must make their home for the future on Tuvana-tholo.

"Let 'er go," called McGuffey, and Mr. Gibney squared off and made a bearlike pass at Tabu-Tabu. To the amazement of all present Tabu-Tabu sprang lightly backward and avoided the blow. His footwork was excellent and McGuffey remarked as much to Captain Scraggs. But when Tabu-Tabu put up his hands after the most approved method of self-defense and dropped into a "crouch," McGuffey could no longer contain himself.

"The beggar can fight, the beggar can fight," he croaked, wild with joy. "Scraggs, old man, this'll be a rare mill, I promise you. He's been aboard a British man-o'-war and learned how to box. Steady, Gib. Upper-cut him, upper—wow!"

Tabu-Tabu had stepped in and planted a mighty right in the center of Mr. Gibney's physiognomy, following it up with a hard left to the commodore's ear. Mr. Gibney rocked a moment on his sturdy legs, stepped back out of range, dropped both hands, and stared at Tabu-Tabu.

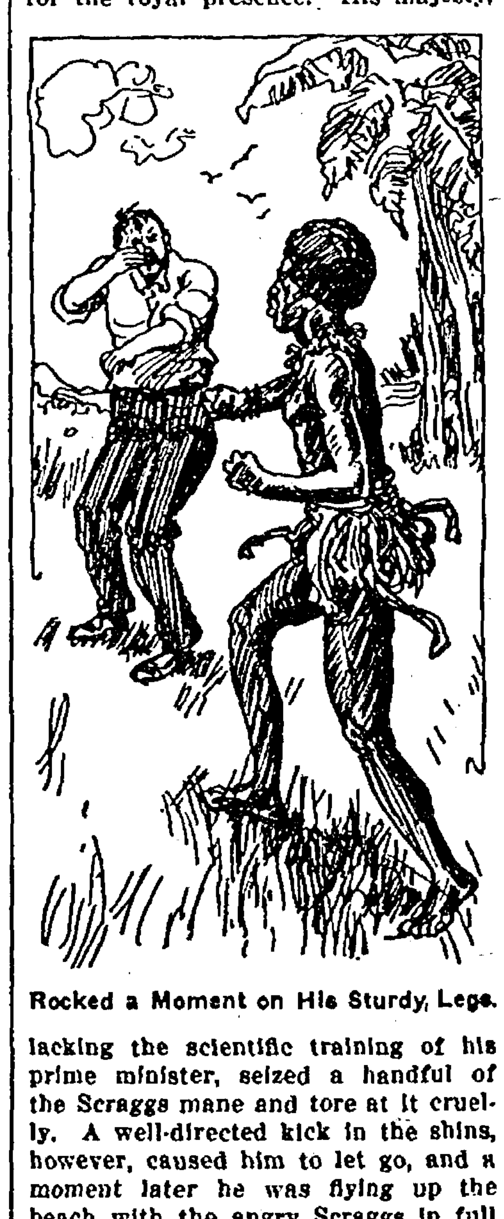
"I do believe the nigger'll lick you, Gib," said McGuffey anxiously. "He's got a horrible reach and a mule kick in each mit. Close with him, or he's due for a full pardon."

"In a minute," said the commodore faintly. "He's so good I hate to hurt him. But I'll infight him to a finish."

Which Mr. Gibney forthwith proceeded to do. He rushed his opponent and clinched, though not until his right eye was in mourning and a stiff jolt in the short ribs had caused him to grunt in most ignoble fashion. But few men could withstand Mr. Gibney once he got to close quarters. Tabu-Tabu wrapped his long arms around the commodore and endeavored to smother his blows, but Mr. Gibney would not be denied. His great fist shot upward from the hip and connected with the cannibal's chin. Tabu-Tabu relaxed his hold, Mr. Gibney followed with left and right to the head in quick succession, and McGuffey was counting the fatal ten over the fallen warrior.

Mr. Gibney grinned rather foolishly, spat, and spoke to McGuffey, soto voce: "By George, the joke ain't all on Scraggsy," he said. Then turning to Captain Scraggs: "Help yourself to the mustard, Scraggsy, old tarpot."

Captain Scraggs took off his hat, rolled up his sleeves, and made a dive for the royal presence. His majesty, lacking the scientific training of his prime minister, seized a handful of the Scraggs mane and tore at it cruelly. A well-directed kick in the shins, however, caused him to let go, and a moment later he was flying up the beach with the angry Scraggs in full cry after him. McGuffey headed the king off and rounded him up so Scraggs could get at him, and the latter at once "dug in" like a terrier. After five minutes of mauling and tearing Captain Scraggs was out of breath, so he let go and stood off a few feet to size up the situation. The wicked McGuffey was laughing immoderately, but to Scraggs it was no laughing matter. The fact of the matter was the king was dangerous and Scraggs had glutted himself with revenge.


Rocked a Moment on His Sturdy Legs.

"I don't want to beat an old man to death," he gasped finally. "I'll let the scoundrel go. He's had enough and he won't fight. Let's mosey along back to the schooner and leave them here to amuse themselves the best way they know how."

"Right-O," said Mr. Gibney, and turned to walk down the beach to the boat. A second later a hoarse scream of rage and terror broke from his lips.

"What's up?" cried McGuffey, the laughter dying out of his voice, for there was a hint of death in Mr. Gibney's cry.

(Continued Next Week).

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Rowan Local News

CHURCH NOTES

Methodist Church Notes

A great Inter-Conference Convention for missionary workers is to be held at Storm Lake beginning Monday, March 13 and continueing until the following Wedesday. A special array of orators and outstanding church workers from China, Japan, and South America, as well as from our own country. The Commerical Club of Storm Lake is making arrangements for the billetting of the 800 delegates that are expected.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will hold its annual social meeting at the home of Mrs. A.O. Pelley next Wednesday, (March 8) afternoon. A special program is being arranged by the ladies.

The annual public meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday morning, when the service will be taken charge of by the ladies of the missionary organization. The pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will deliver a special message from the subject, "The Strategy of Christian Womanhood." The offering will be given to the missionary work. This will be an exceptional interesting service, and you are cordially invited to be present.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church are planning on a social for St. Patrick's Day. Watch the papers for furthur particulars.

At the morning service next Sunday, in the Methodist Episcopal church Mrs. A. O. Pelley and Miss Jean Kirvink will sing a duet, and Mrs. Herbert Hadley will sing a solo.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Sunday March 12th.
Rev. W. H. Nye, Pastor.

11 a. m. Morning Worship.
12 a. m. Sunday School.
6:30 Christian Endeavor—Leader, Mary Rowen—Be sure and attend the endeavor.
7:30 Evening service.

We invite you and your friends to attend our services Sunday morning and evening, as the music ad the Sremons will help us in our Christian Life, and let the fellowship will make us stronger for the following week. We had good attendance at our service Sunday 5th, and we invite you to come and hear the good music and series of addresses that will help to make this Easter Sabbath, the best that we have ever spent.

Last Friday the Ladies Missionary societies of the M. E. and the Cong'l churchs met at the Cong'l church for prayer for the missionaries all over the world. There was a very good attendance at this meeting.

The Missionary society of the Rowan Cong'l church met at the home of Mrs. F. Brooks last Thursday afternoon, and they all say that their study on Mormonism was very interesting.

The Junior Endeavor will meet at the Cong'l church, at 4 p. m. Wednesday afternoon. We want all the children of the Cong'l church and their little friends to be present at this meeting.

The mid-week meeting at the chruch Wednesday evening at 7:30. "Lets go."

Remember——and be sure and attend the services and Sunday school this Sabbath, March 12th. Invite all your friends to come with you, as we need you and you need us.

Let our Motto be "Go to Church Sunday, March 12th,, both morning and evening.

Dean Fitz of Clarion was a Rowan visitor the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph were Dows callers Saturday where Guy purchased a Ford Roadster.

Mr. R. Virden was a Dows caller Monday.

Miss Alma Ramsey is assisting at the R. Virden home.

Miss Susan Duffy, who is teaching at Hansell accompanied the Hansell Basket Ball team to Cedar Falls where they entered the tournment.

Fred Aldinger had the misfortune to sprain his ankle Monday night.

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion entertained their fathers Monday evening. A large crowd atteded. Refreshments were served. The evening was very much enjoyed by all.

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Monday.

The Caveny Company in connection with the Lyceum Course gave a fine performance to a good sized audience in the Brooks Hall last Friday evening. This completes the season's program.

Mrs. Charlie Richards went to Thornton Monday to spend a week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sperry.

Jens Kjar was a business caller at Britt Wednesday.

D. M. Whitten is in the Steele Hospital at Belmond where he is taking treatments for his knee which was hurt in a runaway last fall. He is reported as some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jennings and family, of Clarion visited at the Carl Steffens home Friday.

Mrs. Julius Pepper and daughter visited at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. John Kehler, several days returning to her home in Dows Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten were Dows shoppers Tuesday.

The Misses Wilda Whitten, Elfrieda Whitten and Celia Azeltine were Dows callers Saturday.

Katie and Annie Peddle went to Clarion Saturday to spend the week end at the home of heir Uncle, Ed. Niggs.

Mrs. Willard McCallum and Roy Ryder went to Fort Dodge Wednesday to shop.

Mr. Ben Jennings, of Hampton visited relatives here one day last week.

Mrs. E. J. Jenkins and children, of Clarion visited at the William Tressidder home last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine were Dows shoppers Monday.

Mrs. Esther Andrews was a Clarion visitor Friday.

Herb Hadley was a Dows caller Tuesday.

William Steffens was called, Saturday to Spring Valley Minn.,by the death of his brother, John Steffens.

F. M. Myers returned Saturday from Minnesota where he has been the past few weeks.

Mesdames Georgia Rowen and Arthur Emerson visited at the Packard home in Belmond Thursday.

Mrs. Ed Riley visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fuller Bailey, in Belmond Thursday.

Miss Edna McCutcheon spent the weekend with her parents in Goldfield.

Miss Maude Cowley spent the week end in Cedar Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden spent the week end in Dows visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Unger.

Little Avron Peyton, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Peyton has been very sick the past week with abcesses in his ear. He is reported a little better.

Mrs. R. Plumb, of Minneapolis and Mrs. Mary Beaver, of Goldfield, both sisters of Mr. L. W. Stevenson, arrived Thursday for a weeks visit at his home.

Mrs. Roy Ryder went to Douglas Mich., Friday to care for an aunt.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Glen Jennings, Friday eve and Saturday.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten and Laural were Dows visitors Saturday.

A new baby arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hansen last week.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon passed away Sunday evening. Mrs. Gordon will be remembered as Miss Hattie Brandes. They have the sympathy of their many friends in this sad time.

Mrs. R. H. Kieth, Margeret and Kenneth were Belmond callers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Aldrich and Bernard Stumph were Belmond shoppers Saturday.

The many friends of Mrs. Edwin Nelson sent her a post card shower last week which she enjoyed very much. Mrs. Nelson is improving very slowly.

Mesdames Ben Hadley, C. W. Fowler, and F. M. Myers spent Thursday in Clarion at the home of Mrs. J. L. Sinclair.

Florence Fowler went to S. Dak., Thursday to visit his daughters.

John Muhlenbruck, of Alexander moved to the Mrs Andrews farm vacated by P. W. Fortner.

Herman Pepper, of Waterloo, was a Rowan business caller last Thursday.

Mrs. Kate Conn, Who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Whitten, left Wednesday for Waterloo and intends to go from there to Tulsa Olka., where she will visit her son Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hagen are the proud parents of a baby girl born to them last week.

Mrs. Walt Whitten has been very sick the past week. Dorothy Ramsey is assisting with the house work during her illness.

Mrs. Ida Ryder returned Thursday from her winter's visit at Grundy Center.

Mr. and Mrs. George Unger and daughters, of Dows visited at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Braden, last Friday.

Mrs. D. A. French is quite sick. Miss Florence Lent is assisting with the work.

Frances Virden was taken suddenly ill Sunday with appendicitis. Dr. George was called in consultation with Dr. Maker and it was decided to wait a few hours before taking her to a hospital.

Little Contance Tomkinson has been quite ill the past week.

Clara Anderson, of Dows, who has been visiting at the home of Tom Lindsey, returned to her home Wednesday.

D. W. Whitten, A. E. Emerson and Fred Hackley were Belmond callers Wednesday.

Mrs. Bert Harris and son, Leland, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson, returning to her home in Thornton Monday.

Mrs. A. K. Marsaa, of Rake spent several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Underdahl returning to her home Tuesday.

Mrs. Hessedahl, of Fertile, Minn., is visiting her son, Ed Underdahl and family.

Mrs. Pete Hansen and Joe were Hampton visitors Wednesday.

E. J. Lineweaver's are proud over the arrival of a new baby at their house.

Fred Aldrich went to Chicago Saturday with a car load of stock.

Wes Azeltine also went to Chicago with a car of stock Saturday night.

Mrs. Fred Brooks and son Edgar visited Friday in Clarion at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Smith.

Mrs. Jim Langdon was a Dows caller Saturday.

Star Theatre

FEBURARY 11, 1922
"BURGLAR PROOF"

He ate hash in cheap restaurants and hated to give tips. And his business was bringing in thousands every week! He was so tight that his acquaintances dubbed him "Burglar Proof," meaning that a charge of TNT was necessary to separate him from his money.

FEBURARY 14, 1922
Synopsis—Episode Six
"AT THE RISK OF HIS NECK"

Nancy Kellog's paper mill continues to prosper, but success is threatened when Marlow, allied with the Paper Trust, buys all timber tracts but one, upon which Nancy holds on option expiring at noon. She and Hutch, unaware that Marlow has sent Tigerly and Big Bill to detain them, set out. Tigerly opens the sluice gate of a dam, and Hutch and Nancy are in the rushing water. An overhanging tree saves them, but they are too late and the timber is sold to Marlow and the Trust.

In the lost formula for making paper from seaweed lies the only hope of salvation for Nancy's mill and for Harrison, the Harrison, the newspaper publisher, fighting the Paper Trust. He offers the use of his yacht to convey Bella and Nancy to the faraway coast where Brinkley is an exile from the law.

Ann learns of the trip and tells Marlaw who, after a futile effort to force from Bella the lace scarf and her father's location, succeeds in a plot to get Bella and Nancy on board his yacht, instead of the Harrison's.

After they have started, Hutch learns how the girls have been duped. He hurries to a bridge under which the yacht must pass and, from a lowered rope, plans to "board" the yacht by grabbing the mast. The boat approaches—he misses the first mast!

Last Thursday night the Y. P. S. C. E. met at the home of the Misses Ruth and Esther Emerson for their regular business meeting and social hour. About 50 young people were present and after a short business meeting in which it was decided to hold another bake sale the last Saturday of March, a pleasant evening was spent in various games after which refreshments were served. The evening was finished with the singing of songs by the crowd. All present enjoyed themselves very much.

Mrs. Charley Moon and little daughter went to Thornton Tuesday to visit at the home of her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stout returned to their home in Thompson after several weeks visit at the home of his brother, Sim and wife.

There was lots of moving last week Mr. and Mrs. Will Ferguson moved on a farm near Blairsburg, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ferguson moved into their residence vacated by the Holliday family. Charley Martin's moved from the S. A. Ferguson farm to the Joe Patton farm south of town. Mr. and Mrs. La Rue, who has been living in the Dr. Gordon residence the past month moved to the Ferguson farm vacated by the Martin family and will work for Mr. Ferguson the coming year.

W. A. Hoke moved to his residence vacated by the Ben Hackley family and the C. E. Johnson family moved into the Mrs. Mary Braden house vacated by the Hoke family, Mr. and Mrs. Milt Ramsey moved from Latimer to the Roscoe Robinson farm Pete Mathiason's moved to a farm near Coulter.

Amos Cowley has purchased the Budlong farm east of town and expects to erect a set of buildings on it this spring. He has rented the Friend Aldrich residence in town and expects to move about the fifteenth of his month. We will be glad to welcome this family to Rowan.

Chas Peddle has moved to the Burt farm vacated by Chas. Snyder. Mr. Snyder's have moved to Belmond.

Eddie Haupt and wife have moved to the farm which was vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Anderson, on Snarl street.

Will Azeltie has bought the A. C. Reitz property now occupied by the Charles Emerson family and expects to remodel the house into a larger one.

LeRoy Azeltine moved from the Roscoe Robinson farm to Dows. Saturday.

Miss Mildred Duffy went to Cedar Falls last week to enter the college again.

School Notes

Chester Moellering was a visitor at High school Monday Febraury 27th.

On account of the difficulty in getting enough teams to enter the tournament at Belmond Friday February 24th the Rowan girls did not have a chance to play at Belmond.

Much class spirit has been shown between the classes of the Rowan High School. First it is over the pennants and at last over Depertment and grades. Each class is ow trying to have highest averages in both.

Ruth and Neva Hinkley were visiting Miss McCutcheon's room last week.

CASH THIS COUPON
FOR $4
When you order a new suit at The New Belmond Tailor Shop. (Only one coupon accepted on a suit.)

Belmond Local News

Mrs. Ed. Patterson and children, from Galt, were recent visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Benson.

Hal Smith was a visitor at Mason City one day last week.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nissen was burned about her face and arms, recently, by falling on a hot stove, but is reported as recovering nicely.

The ladies of the Priscilla club are planning to hold their annual banquet on March 15, at the home of Mrs. Marvin Christie.

J. C. Janssen, a farmer residing near Meservey, was in town last week Thursday and Friday, visiting at the home of friends here. From here he went to Renwick to visit a nephew.

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SAVE THIS COUPON

It is good for $4 on any suit. (Only one coupon accepted on a suit.)

New Belmond Tailor Shop.
Phone 28 Belmond, Iowa.

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Over at Hampton, at a recent meeting, the people began talking about reducing the salaries of the teachers in the schools there. What action is to be taken, we knoweth not, but it appears to be a subject regarding which considerable information should be dug up before action is taken.

Mrs. Swartz and family, who had moved into the home hotel building have moved to the Parker residence in north Belmond.

Mrs. Wolle's division of the M. E. Aid society will meet this week Friday at the home of Mrs. Clyde Jennings.

Mrs. Ralph Christie suffered severe burns last Saturday when she slipped while carrying a dish of boiling water, spilling the contents over one limb.. Mrs. M. F. Christie is caring for her.

Joe Scott was in attendance at the auto show held in Des Moines last week, and returned with a fine new Oakland car.

Mrs. Wm. Schooler suffered an unfortunate accident last week Wednesday night, when she fell and broke her arm. She had been in town attending a lodge, and was taken home by Dr. and Mrs. L. R. Parsons. While walking from the car to the house, she slipped on a piece of ice and fell, breaking the bones in her left arm. She is suffering intense pain, but is coming along nicely.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison, who has been at Rochester the past couple of weeks, underwent a second operation at the hospital there last week. Mr. Harbison was telegraphed for and left immediately. The first operation was performed about two weeks ago and owing to her weakened condition, a pint of blood was transfused from her husband. Reports are that she is coming along as well as could be expected at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nihoof have moved to a farm near Goodell, where they will live this next year.

A good many changes were made the first of March. This necessitated a number of changes in our mailing machine, and we would appreciate anyone's telling us if their change in address has been incorrectly made.

Barley For Sale—300 bushels, good for seed, at 60 cents a bushel.—Chris Sorenson. 162*

The meeting of the Good Fellowship club held last week Wednesday evening was very well attended, and was enjoyed by all present. Judge Fry gave an excellent address which was much enjoyed, etc., etc. All of which would have been O. K.—had there been a meeting. But there wasn't—and nobody, apparantly, seemed to know that there wasn't to be—the imagination can fill in. Some severe criticism was heard on account of nothing being said either in the local papers, by placards, or word of mouth, that the meeting had to be postponed. Such things leave an unpleasant taste, and it would seem that some sort of notification should be given when meetings are for any reason unavoidably postponed. The meeting scheduled was laid over a week on account of the inability of Judge Fry, who had been scheduled to speak, to get away from court.

Miss Nora Finn has been ill the past week with a siege of the grip.

Mrs. I. Shaffer's division of the Methodist Aid society will hold a food sale this week Saturday, at the Cash Market.

Bill Clark, of Clarion, was in town the first of the week greeting old friends. Bill is just as happy as ever and seems to find the county seat a good place to live in.

E. G. Miller returned this week Sunday from his trip to points in South Dakota and Nebraska, where he was attending to business matters and visiting old friends and relatives.

Howard Moore was a recent caller at Whittamore, looking after business matters there. He owns an elevator at that place.

Mrs. Carl Wolle and children came last week for a visit at the home of relatives here. They have been living at Nevada, Iowa, but have moved to Boone, where Carl is working in a creamery.

Irma Leese, who is employed at the variety store is spending a few days at Dumont.

Miss Lucy Ludtke is reported as being on the sick list this week.

Miss Mabel Cramer, who is teaching near Clarion, was a week end guest of the home folks at Belmond.

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Mrs. Rosecrans came down from Garner last week and is visiting relatives here. Her many friends will be glad to learn that she is very much improved in health.

Funeral services were held last week Thursday for Gunder Gunderson, who committed suicide by shooting last week. Rev. Jensen, of the Norwegian church, was in charge, the services being held at the house on the farm.

Latest reports are that Mrs Wm. Harbison, who underwent two operations within a week at Rochester, is recovering very nicely and is making a rapid recovery.

The Belmond Cemetery Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. D. I. Mallory on Friday afternoon of this week, at 2:30.

If you want some interesting reading, read the various advertisments in this issue and see how Belmond prices compare with the mail order houses. You'll be surprised.

R. V. Goslin,, clerk of the district court, was in town last week greeting friends. Mr. Goslin is a candidate for re-election and should draw good support from here.

Mrs. Thorman was a Sunday visitor at Klemme.

Mrs. Sheffield, of Fort Dodge, was in town over the week end combining business with a visit to many old friends here.

The Chain of Ten met this week Monday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Wolle.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Benson were visitors with friends and relatives at Latimer over Sunday.

Mrs. Tolford Thompson went to Fort Dodge last Friday to spend a few days visiting at the home of relatives.

J. H. Nourse and family have moved into their new bungalow, moving last Saturday. Fred Fulton and family have moved into the house vacated by the Nourse family.

Miss Anna Finn, who has been teaching at Alexander, is enjoying a week's vacation at home.

County Agent Edwards was in town on Tuesday of this week looking after business affairs connected with his office.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

10 cents per line per week

A cordial invitation is extended the ladies to call at our shop and see the Early Spring hats. The hats are very good looking and reasonably priced.—Dorenkamp & Greenfield. 151c

STRAYED—Red sow, weight about 200.—M. J. Thompson, Belmond, Ia. Phone 1911. Reward.

Hides—I need a lot of hides this week and will pay top price. I buy Poultry, Eggs and Cream.—E. M. Lathrop. 1st door south of State Bank.

WOOL—I am taking in wool this week. The market is up, and I think it is a good plan to sell before the new crop is put on the market.—E. M. Lathrop, Belmond Ia. Phone 25.

Special price on bulk candies this week. Chocolates, Maple peanut dips and Mixed Mints. 25 cents per pound. Schultz Drug Co.

FOR SALE—Black walnut writing desk. Made in Belmond.—R. D. Kenefick.

HORSE SHOEING—Re-setting old shoes, 30c; new shoe and set, 60c; PLOW WORK—Pointing and sharpening, $1.50; sharpening lay, 75c; DISC WORK—Round disc, 12½c per wheel; cutaway disc, 25c per wheel. —R. Thompson... 162

FOR SALE—Choice Barred Rock eggs for hatching, from good laying strain. 75c per setting, $4 per 100. —Easton & Fetrow. Phone 2009. 162*

FOR SALE—Two houses and two lots, two blocks south of State Bank. —Mrs. Henry Smith. 162*

NOTICE

For Sale—Pure bred Poland China bred sows.—O. D. Jenison, Belmond. Iowa. 12tfc

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

A few good brood sows for sale, to farrow in April and May.—Ed. Jenison. 14tfc

Baby chicks for sale. See Mrs. J. H. Fetrow for baby chicks. Phone 332. 143c

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it. Thank you!

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

BROOD SOWS FOR SALE—April Farrow. Will sell by weight. Inquire of M. Halfwassen, one mile east and one mile north of Palsville.

FOR SALE—One of our best tailored to measure suits, new; size 38. Forty per cent discount.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR SALE—Three Ladies' suits. Excellent condition. Prices very reasonable.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

300 bushels of Rural New Yorker Minnesota potatoes for sale at $1.50 per bushel, at D. A. French's, Rowan, Iowa. 152

Taken from my dog's neck, a large brass studded collar, with name Buddy engraved. Please return to Wm. Dempsey. 161*

FOR SALE— 8 White Rock roosters.—Sheriff Bros. 161tfc

FOR SALE—About 70 bushels beardless barley seed. Phone 2809.—C. B. Allison. 161*

Special for Saturday

Sugar Cured Bacon - 19c
Chickens Every Saturday

FREE DELIVERY

City Meat Market

Nissen & Harbison, Props.

The Epworth League will present

The Home Talent play

"Out of the Shadow"

3 act Comedy Drama at the Belmond Opera House

Monday, Mar. 13

8:30 p. m. Sharp

Under the direction of Josephine Friel McAlpine

A good strong Cast of Characters.

Good Strong Plot

Seats on sale at Schultz Drug Co.
Friday, March 10th.
Prices 35c and 50c War tax included

Come! Come! Come!

The Cash Market

Sells quality Meats at prices livable to you and to us. You can buy cheaper---but not better.

LET US PROVE IT.

NOTICE!

I have taken Harold Smith's place on the Standard Oil Co's Tank Wagon and will appreciate your trade. Phone orders to 180.

Yours for Prompt Service.

CHRIS A. KRAGH

Kinseth's Store News

A Talk to you About Mail Orders

If you knew that you could save a dollar by sending away, you would be inclined to do it. We know it. And we are here to show you that you can save that dollar without sending away; that you can get what you want when you want it right here in Belmond, and that in many cases you can more than save by trading in your own home town. As proof of our contention we invite you to glance over the articles and prices given below; the prices you can get here and by sending away.

	Mail Order	Ours
Japan Tea, best grade, a lb.	78c	70c
Coffee, best grade, 3 lb. pkgs.	1.36	1.20
Bulk Peaberry coffee, 3 lbs	1.28	1.25
Bulk Cocoa ½ lb	.15	.08
Royal Baking powder, 2 cans	.96	1.00
Pineapples, sliced, No. 2½ cans	.34	.35
Peaches, sliced	.29	.25
(Mail Order No. 2 can; ours No. 2½)		
Lima Beans, best grade	.48	.30
(3 cans, No. 2 size.)		
Kippered Sardines, 3 cans	.70	.45
Fancy Rice	.25	.25
(We give you 3 lbs; the mail order 2½		
Grapenuts (standard article)	.17	.15
A guaranteed broom, high grade	.75	.75

WE WILL MEET THEIR PRICES AND SAVE YOU FREIGHT On all these prices, we have not added a cent for freight---which we are entitled to do. These are our REGULAR PRICES, folks, not doctored for the mail order houses. WE STAND READY TO MEET THEIR COMPETION ANY DAY.

Spend your money where you Can get the most for it—at

Kinseth's

Phone 19

Public Sale!

I will sell at public auction at my place 1 mile east and 3 1-4 miles north of Belmond, 2 miles east and 1 3-4 miles south of Goodell, and 6 miles west and 1-2 mile south of Meservey, the following described property, commencing promptly at 1 p. m. on

Wednesday, March 15

11 Head of Horses

Bay gelding coming 5 yrs. old, wt. 1150; 2 brown mares coming 5 and 6, wt. 1100; gray gelding 8 yrs old, wt. 1500; sorrel mare 7 yrs old wt. 1500; gray mare in foal; black geld-ing 5 yrs old wt. 1500; 3 roan colts coming 1 yr old; bay colt coming 1 yr old.

26 Head of Good Cattle

6 milk cows to be fresh soon, 17 head of yearlings consisting of 8 steers and 9 heifers, Hereford bull 2 years old, white Short Horn bull coming 2 yrs old, roan Short Horn bull 15 months old.

A FEW POLAND CHINA FALL PIGS, CHOLERA IMMUNE, AND 6 EWES

FARM MACHINERY

J.. I. Case corn planter and 100 rods of wire; 8 ft. cutaway disc; wheel disc; Emerson sulky plow; spring tooth harrow; 4 section iron lever drag 3 section wood pounder drag; drag cart; high wheel wide tire wagon; hay rack painted and bolted, hay rack bed; low wagon with iron wheels; tripple wagon box; top buggy; John Deere seeder, nearly new; John Deere haystacker nearly new; McCormick self dump hay rake; John Deere cultivator; Case cultivator; Moline cultivator; surface plow; tile rack; feed grinder; tank heater; feed cooker; feed bunk; swill cart; and numerous other articles.

This machinery is all in good repair, some of it being practically new.

ABSOLUTELY NO BY-BIDDING AT THIS SALE

TERMS—All sums of $10 and under, cash. Over that amount 10 months time will be given on approved security bearing 8 per cent interest. All property to be settled for on the day of sale.

Ralph Jenison
Proprietor

LEWIS HAUGE, Auctioneer C. O. FITTS, Clerk

BELMOND INDEPENDENT

VOL. 3 BELMOND, IOWA, THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1922 NO. 17

OPERATION OF SUGAR FACTORY NOW ASSURED

Fire Wrecks Store of Adam Hollman

Early Morning Blaze Totally Destroys Store Building Of Local Merchant

FIREMEN DO FINE WORK

The grocery and dry goods store of Adam Hollman was completely wrecked early Monday morning by fire, the blaze starting around 3:00 o'clock in the morning.

Nothing is left of the building but the shell, the inside being a total wreck, especially on the first floor. Nightwatchman Holver Pierson saw the blaze on his rounds about the time named, and turned in the alarm The fire company tumbled out of bed and got into action in most remarkably short order, and to their splendid efforts can be given credit for saving the rest of the block to the west. The fireman cannot be praised too highly for the excellent work they performed in figthing this blaze, as nothing but their promptness and fighting spirit saved a many-thousand dollar loss.

Fire Starts In Basement

The fire appears to have originated in the basement, from what cause has not been determined. The first flames seemed to come from the rear of the basement, and rapidly spread thruout the whole structure. Entrance was made by the firemen, who had three lines of hose playing, and water was poured into the building from almost every angle. While Ned Packard and Rich Thompson were in the building with one hose, the second floor caved in, missing the two men by but a few inches. Thompson suffered a gash on one hand from falling glass.

Mrs. Hollman was awakened by the siren, and opened the back door of the second floor rooms, where the family live, to see where the fire was, and was met by a cloud of smoke. Mr. Hollman was out of town on business. Practically all the family's furniture was more or less damaged, while the first floor, containing the stock of goods, is just about a total loss.

Loss Covered By Insurance

The building and stock of goods were covered by insurance to the amount of $11,000. The Independent has not yet learned what the future plas of Mr. Hollman are regarding the business. The location is one of the best in Belmond, and will undoubtedly be rebuilt for business either by Mr. Hollmon, or some other party.

Belmond can congragulate itself on and be proud of the fire department. For a volunteer outfit it takes the gold medal, and no mistake. And the town has given an excellent example of the advisability of having a night watch. A few minutes more headway for the blaze, or a few minutes more in the fire company getting into action, and there would undoubtedly have been a five times heavier loss.

ROBINSON OF HAMPTON IS OUT FOR CONGRESS

Recorder: The people of Franklin county will learn with pleasure that T. J. B. Robinson of this city, is a republican candidate for congress at the coming primary election. Mr. Robinson has had the matter under consideration for some time. His decision has been influenced in no small degree by the spontaneous and hearty expressions of fellow citizens of Franklin county, coupled with many letters received during the past few weeks from people residing in the other counties of the district asking him to run on proffering their hearty support.

He is a life-long republican, but has never sought office with the exception of having been chosen state senator from this district and making a record that placed him among the leading progressive members of that body.

Mr. Robinson has been very active in business and civic affairs, has reached the age of 54 years, which places him in the full strength of manhood, and is splendidly equipped to take up the duties of congressman.

His canvass will be thorough and dignified and if he wins the nomination his election is sure to follow and the third district will have chosen a splendid man for their representive in congress. The Recorder most heartly recommends his nominatioin and will take great pleasure in according him loyal support. We shall have more to say regarding his candidacy as the campaign progresses.

The Independent likewise heartily endorses Mr. Robinson and pledges him the hearty support of this paper.

Frank Miller, from Fort Dodge was in town Monday transacting busiess matters with W. H. Wolle.

LOCAL SCHOOL NOTES

Last Friday night Belmond finished their season of Basket Ball. Our boys played a creditable game with the Hampton team, the winners being in doubt until the final whistle. Altho Belmond lost the game by one point, the game was fast and exciting from start to finish. It was a clean game and showed good team work from both teams. Belmond has been unfortunate in losing the last seven games. The season stands 11 victores and 9 defeats. However, the games our boys won were by wide margins on the score board, while the last seven games played no game was won by more than five points, while two were won by one point only What should there be in victory if your team plays fast, and clean basket ball? Only one team can win in any contest, and we should not be knockers when we lose by the score of 26 to 27 or by only one point.

The Basket Ball Team wishes to thank the followers of their games for their loyal support in every contest of the season. Their only hope is that they can give you better games next year. They will miss the work of William Vestweber and Teddy Johnson in their respective positions. However, they have left Madsen, Tyrrell, Parsons and Christie of the first team, with a world of good material in our second string. Vere Jenison, Winston Tingen and Samuel Leinbach should bid well to fill the shoes of Teddy Johnson at guard, while Tyrrell and Fred Vestweber show signs of developing into a good center.

Coach Gruetzmacher issued his call Monday night for all students who wish to try out for base ball to meet in Room 37 for the preliminary understanding.

The present outlook shows plenty of good material to put out a winning team this spring.

Games have been scheduled with Dows, Garner and Klemme, and letters written to Rowan, LuVerne, Renwick, Iowa Falls and Sheffield.

There will be no Community night in the gymnasium March 16th, on account of the North Central Teachers' meeting at Fort Dodge.

Charles Kral has left the fourth grade to go to the country.

Marjorie Tomson has entered the fourth grade on trial.

The following people visited in the grades the past week: Mrs. G. F. Elder, Mrs. S. S. Packard, Miss Henrietta Pals, Mrs. H. H. Gowdy, Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Fitts and Mrs. Harberts.

BELMOND LOSES TWO GAMES BY ONE POINT

Play Hampton Teams Two Of Stiffest Games Ever Seen On Local Floor

For a genuine hair-raising,, nerve-racking exhibition, the two basket ball games staged in the school gymnasium last Friday night were the limit. Two of the finest, fastest, and most interesting games that have been played in Belmond were given, and those present certainly got the worth of their money.

Both games were lost by one point and while Belmond lost both games, it was simply on the turn of luck, and by but one lone, solitary point in both affairs. The girl's game was fast from the start, with no advantage on either side that was noticeable. The score sawed back and forth from one side to the other, and at the end of the last half the score was even. The referee stated five more minutes would be played, the leader at the end of that time to be declared the winner. This is the rule for boy's games, not girls,, but was allowed to slip by. According to the girl's rules the first two points in extra periods wins, but under the agreemnt the Hampton girls managed one point at the end, and took the game.

The boys game was a whirlwind from beginning to end. Hampton took the lead early in the game and the first half closed with the visitors in the lead, 14 to 10. Belmond seemed slow in getting started. But in the second half they started to play the Hampton bunch off their feet, and the audience was kept in a constant state of anxiety. Belmond made three field baskets in as many minutes and Hampton began to get uneasy. From that on the score was passed from one to the other, until the last three minutes of play, when Belmond tied. Hampton made two more points in the last couple of minutes, and in the last minute or two Hampton tied. A break of luck gave the visitors a free throw in the last minute, which they made, winning by the one point.

It was a humdinger of a game, with the fastest playing seen here yet, and while Belmond lost, they need not feel sorry over it, for it was simply up to Lady Luck in the end. The Hampton players are a fine lot of young men and women and played a clean game.

WANTED—Eggs. Eggs. 1 egg or a case. WE WANT EGGS.—Joe White.

Spring Fiction

DAY OLD CHICKS
SPRING FASHIONS
AUTOMOBILE

Judge Fry Addresses Good Fellowship Club

One Of The Best Ever Was Meeting Held Last Wednesday Evening

NEXT MEETING THE 22ND

By far one of the best yet, was the Good Fellowship meeting held last Wednesday evening in the library basement. Judge Fry, of the district court, was the speaker of the evening, with his topic the Federal Reserve Banking system. To say that the judge covered his subject thoroly only half states the matter. His address was among the most interesting Good Fellowship club members have ever had the pleasure of hearing, and was timely to every business man in the country. The Judge explained the Federal Reserve Banking system in a manner that made every detail plain, and illustrated the working of the system in a thoro manner. He cleared up, to his audience, things which they run across every day, but which they heretofor never understood. The system as Judge Fry described it, is one of the best things that the country has every had, and one which contains more power than has ever been given to any one bureau or department before in American history.

A selection by the quartette was the opening feature of the program. A solo by Bert Nelson followed a brief business session. After the address by Judge Fry, the members were favored by two good readings by Miss Shattock, head of the public speaking department at Ames. Miss Shattock, who gave a program at the school that evening, was secured thru the efforts of Prof. Fyler, and certainly entertained the crowd with her selections.

The usuaul good eats were enjoyey, and a social hour spent. Around 125 men were present, and the meeting in all ways, was among the best ever held.

The next meeting is planned for the 22nd of March, at which time Wilbur H. Bender, of Des Moines, a candidate for State Supt. of schools will be here. His address will not be in any way a political one, his subject being "Education For A Republican Democracy." Plan to be at the meeting, enjoy the program, hear an excellent address and partake of the "feed." If you aren't a Good Fellow, better become one.

I. O. O. F. MOVING PICTURES MONDAY

Next week Monday night the Belmond lodge of the I. O. O. F., No. 265, will give a free moving picture at the Lyric theatre. The pictures some eight views, are from the Odd Fellow's Home at Mason City, and are highly interesting of the work being done by this organization. In addition to the pictures, A. W. Stubbs of the organization will deliver an address on the home. Belmond people have often heard of the home; some have seen it; and these pictures will be of interest to many. No charge is made for the entertainment, and everybody is invited to attend. Mark Monday, March 20, on your calendar and be present. The entertainment is uder the auspices of the local lodge.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922.

Chas. DeVore.

Politics Likely To Be Mighty Hot Affair

Caucus Ticket Is To Be Opposed By Ticket Filed By Petition

WARM FIGHT IN PROSPECT

Politics, which cooled off somewhat immediately after the recent caucus, has begun to warm up, and the indications point to a hot time in the old town the 27th. A real old-time hot scrap is in prospect, with no quarter asked or given. The ticket placed in nomination at the caucus is to be opposed by another ticket filed by petition.

The Lineup For Battle

The citizens' caucus ticket nominated was as follows:

For Mayor—R. C. Morse.

For Councilmen—M. D. Sullivan, A. W. Russel, John Dorenkamp, C. J. Papousek, L. F. Simerson.

The ticket filed by petition is:

For Mayor—L. O. Skovlin.

For Councilmen—Ole Thompson, C. C. Griesy, John Greenlander, H. L. Gowdy, Chas. Sampson.

Variety is the spice of life, and the voters of the incorporated town of Belmond should be able to choose a pretty good from the two tickets. Prospets are for the heaviest vote ever cast in a municipal election in Belmond, especially as the ladies will have a say this year. And the feminine vote is the great big question mark that will probably decide the issue. Politically speaking, as has been said before, it looks like a warm spring.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

The Annual Township Meeting was held in the Central School last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Dorenkamp and family were visitors at the H. B. Dorenkamp home one day last week. Mrs. Charles Barkema and children were Saturday visitors at the parental home.

We are sorry to say that Mr. Sol Mennenga, who has taken treatments at Iowa City is not recovering as well as was expected.

Bertha Gartz, who has been attending the I. S. T. C. the past winter, returned home last Wednesday. She is now engaged in teaching school District No. 4, Wisner Twp., in Franklin County.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

There was just a little increase last Sunday over the week before, but twenty-eight more than were present a year ago. Let us keep the good work going. We hope to see many of the members of the Sabbath school come into full membership of the church on Easter Sunday. The choir is working hard on the cantata for Easter night and this service we know will be the climax of a glorious day.

A great many families are co-operating in the fellowship of prayer during the Lenten season. The gospel of Luke is a fine study to prepare us for the Easter Service.

Come to the Bible Study Thursday night at 7:30. We will begin with the fifth chapter of Luke and go through to the eighth.

Quite a number were kept away from the services last Sunday on account of sickness. We hope that all will be able to be in their accustomed places next Sunday.

Sabbath School at 10:00 a. m. Morning services at 11:00 and the evening young peoples and preaching services begin at 7:30.

DISTRICT COURT ITEMS

News: District court continues to grind away. The most important suit of the week was decided against the Great Western when the Bailey Co., of Belmond, won its suit against the railroad for damages alleged to have resulted from the failure of the road to deliver cars to the gravel pit at Belmond which the Baileys were operating. The company had a contract to furnish so many cars of gravel, and the road had agreed to deliver the cars to the pit, so many a day. They were not delivered and the Baileys asked around $3,000 damages. The jury awarded them $2,050. The costs added to this sum will amount to considerable more.

The county was winner in the suit brought against it by Lockerse Bros. who had done some drainage ditch work. Their sureties, the Lion Bonding Co., later went broke and Lokerse Bros. sued on a note given in payment for their part of the work, making the county a principal to the suit. The court held that inasmuch as the construction company failed to complete the contract, they were not obligated to pay Lockerse Bros., as the county had already paid out the mony due on original contract in order to complete the job. Lockerse Bros., therefore, will have to seek recourse from the contracting firm.

The Rossman habeas corpus case in which the father is asking for possession of the little girl, on the ground the mother is not a fit person to have the care and custody was continued until the April term of court.

Barbara Lance, who about two years ago broke into the store at Olaf, and was given a suspended sentence, was arraigned in court and given a five year sentence to the reformatory at Rockwell City. She had stolen some personal property at Mason City and her guardian asked her committment.

AGNES ENGER

Miss Agnes Enger died at Colorado Springs, Colorado, last Friday night, death being caused by tuberculosis.. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Enger, the family having made their home at Colorado Springs the past year or two in hopes that Miss Agnes would be benefited. The body was brought to Belmond Tuesday of this week, for burial, funeral services being held in the Trinity church Wednesday afternoon. The family have the sympathy of the community in their loss.

ORPHAN ORCHESTRA TO GIVE CONCERT HERE

Splendid Musical Organization To Give Concert Here On Easter Sunday

The Orpheus Orchestra of Luther college and seminary, of St. Paul, Minnesota, will make their appearance in Belmond on Easter Sunday night. The orchestra comes to us highly recommended as a college orchestra. For a number of years it has made annual tours, and has been very successful in the undertaking. As time has passed they have greatly increased their ability to handle the various instruments. Only the best material has been selected for this organization and after much time and patience and pains they have succeeded in building up an an orchestra which is well deserving of its name. The past record is sufficient evidence of their ability. It has been the experience of the past that wherever they have given a concert that those who heard them expressed a desire that they might be favored again on the next annual tour. Several times this desire was satisfied as in case with all ambitious young men, they sought new territory. The tours in Minnesota and Wisconsin have been very successful in the past. Therefore we may rest assured that we will not be disappointed. This occasion promises to be a good treat to all lovers of music.

SECOND ANNUAL RAT-KILLING CONTEST MAR. 17 TO APR. 7

The Second Annual Rat Killing Contest in the State of Iowa will be held March 17 to April 7, accordig to announcements received the first of the week. The Des Moines Register is offering $200 in prizes for the champion killers in the state, and many county farm bureaus, commerical clubs, community clubs and business concerns are offering local prizes.

Destroy Millions in Grain.

It is estimated that rats destroy $60,000,000 of grain in Iowa every year, besides $40,000,000 worth of poultry. Medical authorities state that the rodents have been the cause of many deaths by spreading diseases, such as scarlet fever, influenza, and the like. Many fires are laid to rats, and the loss in many other ways runs into gigantic figures.

Who visited at your home last week? Call 115 and tell us about it. Thank you!

Active Plans Under Way For Operation

Plant To Be Operated By Iowa Valley Operating Company This Year

ACREAGE IS SOLICITED

Belmond people are rejoicing over the assured operation of the sugar factory this year,, which fact was announced last Thursday. After almost innumerable obstacles were surmounted and a hundred different perplexing problems solved, operation of the factory was finally assured.

Creditors' Committee Agrees

The final problem to be solved was that of the objection placed by the chairman of the Creditors' Committee. The officials of the company were able to bring their viewpoint fairly before the chairman, who finally agreed with the balance of the committee and gave his consent to the plan. Immediately work was started toward operation.

Beet Contracts Being Placed Now

Fieldmen were placed in the various districts at once, and the fairest beet contract ever offered in this locaiy is being placed before the farmers. Around ten or a dozen fieldmen are on the job, and acreage is being signed, and has been in process of signing, for the past week or so. Good success is reported.

The factory will be operated this year by the Iowa Valley Operating Company, which is simply those who signed up for the campaign subscription. The factory is leased from the sugar company, as the Independent understands it for one dollar, and a half of the profits of the campaign. The most rigid economy is to be practiced in operating, and with anywhere near a normal year the Belmod factory cannot help but return a profit.

Funds Practically Assured

Funds for operating are practically assured now. While there are various details to be worked out, the officials are busy on them and the near future will see the year's compaign definitely mapped out. Operation of the factory means a great deal to every citizen in the community, and the boosting spirit of the town in putting up its money and moral support has played a large part in the successful conclusion of the plans. A successful year undoubtedly means many more, and very probably the salvation of the company.

Meanwhile, Belmond is on the job and will do all in its power to assist in making this year a successful one for the factory.

MUNICIPAL PLANT FOR MANUFACTURE OF HOOTCH

Last week a trasportation of lines in the local news of the Champion caused considerable comment. In mentioning the fact that other towns were having trouble with the electric service furnished by highlines, we wound up by saying that "Whittemore has a municipal plant." Another item told of bootleggers being found in a neighboring town and the line reading as above was attached to the end of that, making it appear as though Whittemore had a municipal booze plant. Some were mad because we had not informed of this fact sooner and some intimated that they knew it all the time. It is certainly hard to please everyone.—Whittemore Champion.

A CORRECTION

We have frenquently mentioned J. C. Janssen as a farmer near Meservey. We are informed that Mr. Janssen has not lived on the farm for about ten years. Possibly we got the wrong impression from his school article where-in he called to his brother farmers for help.

Mrs. A. Kessler, of Iowa City, grandmother of Mrs. M. C. Barry died Tuesday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Barry left Tuesday for that place to attend the funeral.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison, who has been at Rochester the past month where she underwent two operations, is getting along very nicely and is expected to be home the latter part of this week.

Geo. Brady moved his barber shop and pool hall the first of the week from the H. N. Hill building to the Aug. Foss building, formerly the Home Hotel, where he is now nicely located.

P. M. Gresemer, of Klemme, and Mr. Byers, for Garner, were in town the first of the week, transacting some business matters with W. H. Wolle.

Business Directory

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WANDERING HOG WAS "STEWED" ON MASH

A wandering hog from West Bend that had strayed from its owner's home (this was a real four-legged hog) got into the back yard of a man who was clandestinely conducting a still, and filled itself with mash that was just ready for the still. When the hog got home, which was in the small hours of the morning, it had a beautiful jag, from which it had not yet recovered. It owner is afraid to sell it, and he don't want to keep it, so there is trouble all around.

REFUSES TO PAY DEBT

San Jose, Cal., Mar. 9.—On paper Henry B. Staurt is unquestionably the richest man in the world. Twenty-five years ago he loaned George Jones $100 at ten per cent interest per month compounded. Jones went to Kansas, prospered, returned here recently and went into business. Stuart entered suit for the $100. Jones recalled the loan and confessed judgment.

Superior Judge Welsh started to figure the amount, called an accountant, who after two hours' work announced Jones owed Staurt $304,840,332,912,685.16. The judgement was duly entered.

"I wouldn't pay it," said Jones.—Chronicle.

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BELMOND'S FACTORY LUCKY

That the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. was lucky in not operating their factory here during the season of 1921 is illustrated very aptly by a report of one of the leading beet sugar companies in California, The Union Sugar company. This company operated in the year named, and their balance sheet on the 31st of December shows a net loss of $473,793.

The company entered the year 1922 with a carryover stock of sugar and molasses valued on the balance sheet at $846,825, but this stock has been materially reduced since then. Four hundred and seventy-three thousand dollars is some loss for any factory, and while the Belmond factory, had it operated, would not have lost anywhere near this sum, it would have lost, and that is the main point. It was lucky for the stockholders that the factory did not operate, for nothing but loss could have occured.

That the loss in operation was due to conditions over which those in charge had no control, was the opinions of the stockholders, and they backed their opinions up by re-electing all officers of the company, including the directors.

The president of the company, in discussing the 1922 outlook, was optimistic, and viewed the coming year with favor.

All this may be very approriately applied to conditions in the Iowa Valley Sugar Co.'s factory and campaign. Conditions in their year of operation were abnormal, and that a loss was sustained was not due to negligence or inability of the officers in charge. The men at its' head were capable, hardheaded sugar men who knew the business, and the company was fortunate in having them. The 1922 prospects are bright, very bright, and with half a chance the factory will return a profit. A successful year means a continuation of operation, and it is to be hoped that every effort will be forthcoming to make it so, on only on the part of the officials of the company, but the public generally as well. Petty jealousies and ambitions never get anything very far, and old man Gloom never yet brought happiness o rprosperity. If you can't boost, keep your mouth shut; you look better, if nothing else.

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I am a candidate for the office of Mayor at the spring election.

R. C. Morse.

Announcement For Mayor.

I hereby announce myself as a cadidate for Mayor of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, subject to the will of the voters at the general election to be held March 27, 1922.

L. O. SKOVLIN

OLAF

Our congenial blacksmith, Jacob Hess, is kept busy these days sharpening discs.

A number of farmers have been marketing their hogs at this place recently, some shipping for themselves while others sold to Henry Fritz, of Clarion.

Those wishing to buy eggs from full blooded barred Plymouth Rocks can get same at Mrs S. O. Windeckers for $3 per hundred or 50 cts. for a setting of fifteen.

Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Evans entertained a company of friends at their home Friday eveing, among those from here who went were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Emerson and Mr. and Mrs George Baxter. A very pleasant evening was held.

Henry Anderson from Belmond was in our community soliciting the farmers to sign a contract for raising sugar beets, the Belmond factory having decided to run if they get the necessary acreage.

George Baxter, wife and little Margaret, spent Sunday evening at the George Thompson home near Palsville.

Miss Gladys Hauge is having a vacation of a week from school.

Butchering seems to be the order of the day, among many of the farmers.

Among those who have moved to our community this spring are Geo. Cook, from Kanawha, Floyd Bailey, from Belmond, Ell Munson from Story county and Guy Lynch from Belmond.

Oscar Hanson and wife entertained the young married People's club at their home last Thursday evening.

Baxter and Scott now have their feed grinder in good working order and are ready to take orders.

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Government Officials Figure by End of Year o Million Apparatus Will be i nDaily Use

THE GROWTH IS REMARKABLE

Before the year is over there will be installed throughout the United States a minimum of 1,000,000 receiving apparatus to pick up the "chatter" that is being broadcasted daily through the air by radio, so government officials estimate.

No license and no record is required of receiving stations and there is no way of knowing just how many there are today, but where there were only about 25,000 a year ago, it is believed there are at least 200,000 now and of that number fully half have broken into the radio game in the past thirty days.

Washington has never witnessed anything like the way the wireless telephone has caught the imagination of the American people. All such matters here come under D. B. Carson. commissioner of navigation in the department of commerce, who is literally deluged with applications for licenses for sending stations, especially the big broadcasting plants. His bureau is swamped.

The big growth has come within the yast thirty days since the few successful demonstrations on a large scale of the wireless telephone.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Judges in Franklin County

Our local county agent spent Saturday in Franklin county judging the grain at the grain and poultry show which was held at Latimer, a small town near Hampton.

Judging from the exhibits in the various departments of the farm products it would seem that the farmers in Franklin are very much interested in growing corn of better quality because the greater part of the day was spend in judging the corn exhibits.

Shipping Association Meetings

Under the leadership of Knute Espe, secretary Iowa Cooperative Livestock Shippers, four meetings were held in Wright county last week for the purpose of discussing all problems connected with the shipping of livestock products.

Steps were taken in these meetings to incorporate these shipping associations under the state law and an effort was made in each case to sign the shipping association on the producer's contract. The shipping ass.sociations of Wright county have shown a wonderful growth in the past year and judging from the interest shown in the meetings of last week the livestock shipping association is an institution which has come to stay, simply because it has been rendering the farmer a service which has been long needed.

To Guide Agricultural Bloc

Last week the agricultural bloc of the senate met and elected Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas as chairman to take the place of Senator Wm. Kenyon of Iowa, who resigned from the senate to accept a federal judgeship. Senator Kenyon in formally resigning from the chairman of the bloc stated that it had been a source of more pleasure to him than any other activity in which he had been engaged since he entered the senate. He said:

"Many months ago Gray Silver of the American Farm Bureau Federation and I talked over the matter of agricultural legislation and the need for organizing to obtain it. As a result there was called a meeting down town (in the American Farm Bureau Federation's office) last spring for the purpose of discussing agricultural legislation and deciding upon ways and means of promoting it. The agricultural bloc has been maligned and lied about more than any other group in congress and I have enjoyed the whole proceeding. The idea has been sold to the public and is very favorably received at least in the west and south. It is gaining strength every day and we have, been able to be of much help to the country in the passage of a number of agricultlral bills."

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Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Lutz are the parents of a baby boy, who arrived last week Saturday.

Mrs. P. Strieby, of Garner, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Strieby of Belmond last week, from Tuesday to Friday.

The home talent play, "Out of the Shadows," presented by the Epworth League on Monday night, at the opera house, was quite well attended and was reported as being very good. The actors handled their various parts in nice fashion and gave an enjoyable entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings received word Tuesday morning of the death at Thornburg, Iowa, of Mr. Jennings's mother. Mrs. Jennings left Tuesday noon for that place to attend the funeral.

Mrs. C. O. Fitts and Miss Thera Fitts were callers at Mason City last week Thursday, between trains.

Mrs. I Shaffer's division of the M. E. Aid held a successful food sale last Saturday, at the Cash Market. A nice sum was realized from the good things offered.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson, of Meservey, was a caller in town last week Friday.

Mrs. Gus Nissen is enjoying a few days' visit with her home folks at Clayton, Iowa.

Reduced Price now in effect on all Edison Records. All records previously $1.35 now sold at $1.00. All records sold at $1.85 now $1.50.
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Mr. and Mrs.. J. B. Spitler, from Klemme, have moved to their farm near Belmond. One of their first moves here was to subscribe to the Independent, so as to keep track of events in their new home.

GOODELL NEWS

(Held over from last week)

Mr. W. L. Sherwood and Mrs. Julius Cook were in Belmond Tuesday.

Charles Weatherford who has been attending college at Ames, Iowa, this winter was in Goodell Thursday. After March 22 he will be employed in the dairy department where they retail bottled milk. He expects to take up his studies next fall. He has only words of praise for the Iowa State College.

Julius Cook was in Belmond last Wednesday having some work done on his car.

Supt. Nelson attended the teachers meeting at Garner on Saturday.

Miss Maude Griggs entertained her Sunday school class last Thursday night at her home.

Thursday evening Miss Adelaide Engeseth entertained a number of her high school friends in celebration of her birthday.

Mr. Fred Bachman fell on the ice last week and dislocated his wrist and broke one of the bones in the same arm.

Mrs. O. Nelson and daughter returned home on Saturday from Decorah where she had been visiting for some time.

Mrs. Leo Ahrenkiel is improving nicely.

Mr. E. T. Hetland is improving as fast as could be expected.

Mrs. Snearly was in Belmond on Friday.

Miss Martel Avery who has been in Cedar Rapids working in the trimming department of a wholesale millinery, returned home Saturday morning.

Mr. Geo. Griggs made a business trip to Ventura last Friday.

The Monaghen Garage has been rented to Ed. Kennedy, and Ed Hushes who will take possession March 15th.

The youngest son of Mr and Mrs. Geo. Zielie was taken violently sick last Wednesday night. It was discovered later that the little fellow had eaten some wall paper. As the coloring of wall paper is very poisonous this was the cause of his sickness. The only thing that saved his life was that he immediatly began to vomit and thus threw the poison out of his system.

Mrs. Fred Bachman has been sick the past week with a severe cold.

The Ladies Aid of the U. B. church will hold an apron and an exchange sale on Saturday afternoon, March 11th in the building west of Engeseth's store. They also will serve lunch at the same time.

Warner Butts purchased the Markle property on main street Monday, he also purchased three lots in the Cline addition.

George Griggs bought two of the Markle lots in the Cline addition on Monday.

CULLS.

Mary had a flock of hens,
  They looked like Joseph's coat.
When Mary went to view her pens
  She said, "They get my goat."
So Mary, when she had scme time,
  A breeding pen picked out.
The best of hens and cockerel fine
  Put all the scrubs to rout.

The undernourished child gets far less attention than the average automobile.

Good cows plus systematic feeding multiplied by good business judgment equals success in dairying.

It is never too late to plant trees, and now is a good time to make plans for a highway planting. Select hardy kinds adapted to windbreak use and plant not closer than 40 feet.

Make your head save your heels.

Every chick has a right to be well incubated and brooded. Give him a chance.

Individual hog houses are especially good for the renter to build, as they are easily moved.

Fill Your Cistern

By letting me repair the eave troughs, or placing new ones before the spring rains come. Don't wait until the last minute--we may be too busy then--do it now. Leave orders at Johnson & Wright's store.

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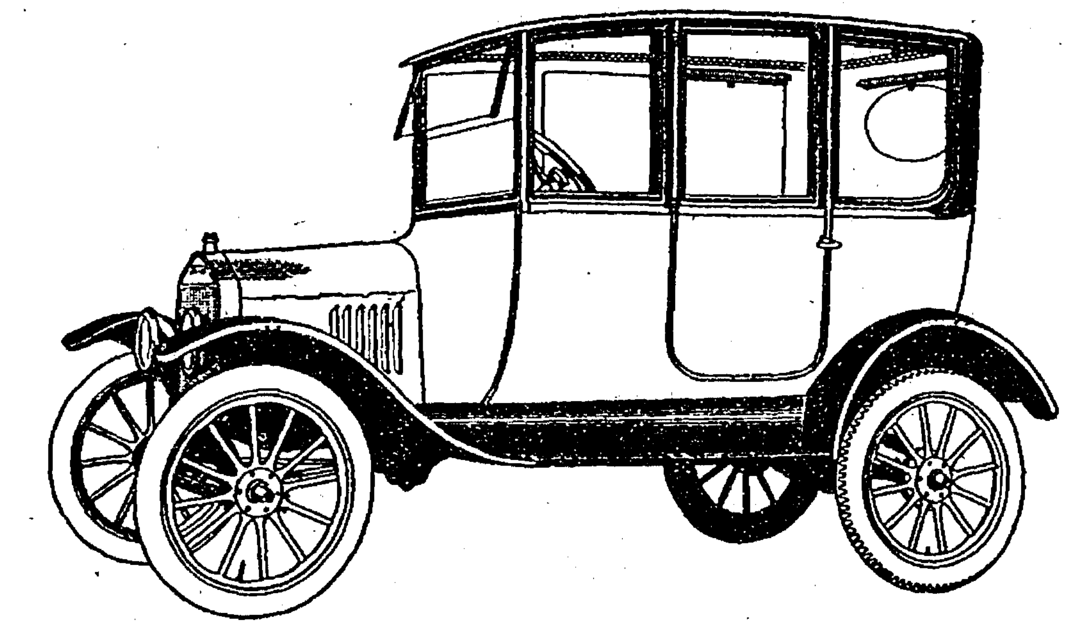

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1922

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By L. F. Van Zelm

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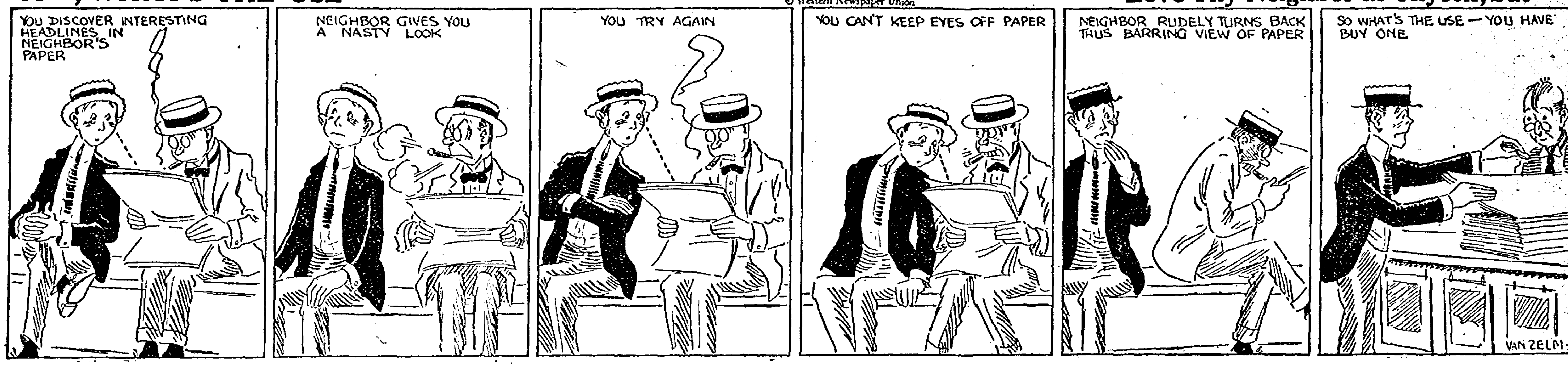
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NEIGHBOR GIVES YOU A NASTY LOOK
YOU TRY AGAIN
YOU CAN'T KEEP EYES OFF PAPER
NEIGHBOR RUDELY TURNS BACK THUS BARRING VIEW OF PAPER
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R. E. ECKHOFF KILLED BY TRAIN

Great Western Motor Hits Aged Citizen Killing Him Instantly

Meservey has had another sad accident, Mr. R. E. Eckhoff well known retired farmer of Meservey was struck by the C. G. W. train last Friday morning while walking on the track and killed instantly. Mr Eckhoff who is some where near the age of 68 years was very hard of hearing and visited at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Koenen about three-fourths of a mile west of town and was returning home about 11 a. m., when the steam train ,which was taking place of the motor struck him about 80 rods west of town, both of his legs were broken just above the ankle and he was thrown clear off the track down a steep bank and this last fall is thought to have broken his neck. A doctor who happened to be a passenger stated that death was instantaneous. It is thought that Mr. Eckhoff was under the impression that the 10 o'clock train had passed but the motor broke down and the steam train was substituted. No one is held at fault for this accident.

REINT EARNEST ECKHOFF

Friday March 10, the news of the sad and untimely death of R. E. Eckhoff, at Meservey, came with shocking suddenness to the large circle of friends and relatives in this commuity.

In the morning he left his home to call on his daughter, Mrs. John Koenen, not knowing he would never enter it again alive.

Mr. Eckhoff, who was deaf, was walking down the middle of the C. G. tracks, being on his way home from his daughter, failed to hear an incoming passenger train, was struck down by the engine, resultig in instant death and his lifeless form was carried to the Klemme Undertaking rooms.

O the tragedy of such an accident! Who can imagine the sadness, the heart anguish of this painful moment of those who had stood nearest to him in life, who would never again look into the face of him they loved so dearly.

On Monday the funeral services took place first in the home, and then in the Reformed church of which he was an active and faithful member. The Rev. H. Pannkuk pastor of the church had charge of the funeral services. The large numbers who had gathered long before the the services began filling the auditorium to overflowing, is a beautiful testimony of their esteem and love for him who had gone to his enternal rest.

R. E. Eckhoff was a man of good parts, he possessed a cheerful disposition, was always hopeful, kind and friendly to all he would meet.

He was born on the first day of April 1853 at Bunderhameirich Ostfr., Germany and died the 10th of March 1922 at the age of 68 years, 11 months and 9 days.

On the 8th of October 1882 he was married to Touke Meyer. The union was blessed with 8 children, namely, Mrs. Joe Suntken, Alexander, Iowa; Mrs. Ben Boelman of Meservey Iowa; Mrs. Reint Kasjens of Bradford, Iowa; Mrs. John Koenen of Meservey. Mr. George Eckhoff, Mr. Earnest Eckhoff, Mr. Simon Eckhoff and Mr. Carl Eckhoff all of Meservey, Iowa.

His sad and untimely death is mourned by his wife, the above named children, 26 grandchildren, 4 half sisters, besides other relatives and a host of friends.

His body was laid to rest in the Meservey cemetery to await the resurrection at the last day.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish tto thank the kind friends and neighbors and also the American Legion who assisted us so gennerously and kindly in our late bereavement and also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs R. E. Eckhoff and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiko Mennenga; of Belmond were here Monday attending the funeral services of R. Eckhoff.

THAT TAXI SERVICE IS GOING GREAT

Humboldt Republican: That yellow taxi service from Emmetsburg, south to Fort Dodge a nd back the same day is going great in this section of the state. The "bus" starts from Emmetsburg at about 6:30 P. M., and comes down through Mallard, Pocahontas, Gilmore City and Humboldt, passing through here about ten o'clock in the forenoon. It is supposed to arrive at Fort Dodge at eleven. It starts on its return trip at about four o'clock, and passes through Humboldt about five, hiking right along to Emmetsburg where it is supposed to arrive about eight o'clock.

It goes through Humboldt with a snort, and the driver seems to like to make all the noise possible as he hikes along.

It gives transportation between Humboldt and Gilmore and Pocahontas, which has been badly needed for many years. In fact, the dream of transportation between these points east and west through this section is at last realized. A man can now come from Pocahontas or Cilmore to Humboldt and get back the same day. There will be lots of travel on this road when the fact of its running becomes known to the people.

In the mean time we suggest that the company behind the enterprise advertise the trips and thus increase their patronage. At this time the only schedule that we know of is tacked up in the pool hall.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

To Detect Poisoning in Food Substances—"How can I detect canned goods, both meats and vegetables, which are likely to cause ptomaine poisoning," writes one reader. "It is necessary for me to keep large supplies of canned goods on hand and rather than serve my family suspicious food I have for my motto 'When in doubt throw away.' "

The only safe way to detect such poisoning is to send a sample of foods you suspect to your State college bacteriology laboratory for examination by expert bacteriologists. Food which is likely to cause poisoning is very often not noticeably altered in appearance, odor or taste. It pays to play safe in this matter.

Sour Cream Cookies—1 c. sugar, ½ c. butter, 2 eggs, 1 c. thick sour cream, grated rind of 1 lemon, 1 t. lemon extract, ½ t .salt, 3 c. flour, 1 t. soda and 2 t. baking powder. The less flour used for these cookies the more moist and tender they will be.

Discarded razor blades should be kept in the sewing basket. They come in handy for ripping garments and for cutting threads. There is less chance of tearing the material when ripping is done with razor blades instead of scisssors.

WRIGHT COUNTY TELEPHONES PROPOSES TO MAKE SALE

Humboldt Republican: Over in Wright county where they are having a jangle over the telephone rates, the telephone people are proposing to sell to the farmers and allow them to run the phones to suit themselves.

The company claims that there is no profit in the phones as they are now operated, and that there will be an actual loss if the rates the farmers seem to think are right, are put in force. Therefore the telephone people are desirous of selling to the farmers, and let them run their own phones.

It is believed by the telephone people that the farmers could perhaps manage the lines less expensively than they do.

Not to give advice, but to state what we do believe is a well-known fact: The people who are acquainted with an enterprise and who have had long experience in it, can operate it better and cheaper than any one who is new to the business. Of course if the experienced man is a crook this would not hold good. But the Wright county farmers had better "lay off" that telephone proposition.

Mrs. E. Edens left Monday for Rochester. Minn., for a visit with her husband who is still at the hospital taking treatments.

BOLD ATTEMPT AT JAIL DELIVERY AT EMMETSBURG

One day the last of the week some unknown parties secreted themselves at the foot of the southeast cellar windows of the old jail room beneath the county treasurer's office and, by using hooked wires, which they pushed through the bars on the inside, succeeded in pulling close to them jugs of hootch which the officers found some time ago in the possession of A. G. Frey. Small flat cans were shoved in between the bars and the jugs tipped to one side. In this way the cans were repeatedly filled and the contents of the jug conveyed to the outside and emptied into another vessel. The lovers of the beverage that exhilerates were getting along swimmingly well until one of them decided he would put his mouth between the bars and get a good drink fresh from the jug. The vessel and the hootch was soon scattered all over the floor of the jail. The hootch sippers then became alarmed and fled. The smell of the liquor, which was of good quality, soon reached the county treasurer's office. People who stepped in to pay their taxes asked Mr. Smith if he were "setting 'em up" to all to make settlements. They were reluctant to credit his statements when he replied that he did not have full supply of corn juice in his desk or in his vault. The brain subduing odor soon reached the court room where Judge Lee was trying a case. His honor became alarmed fearing the the anti-prohibitionsists had taken possession of the halls of justice and he hurriedly ordered an examination. We need not say that he was pleased to learn that the other jugs in the old jail had not been touched. The candidates for honors in the June primaries declare that they did not plan the attempted delivery of the prisoners and the outgoing officials are equally as earnest in their professions of innocence. Here is an opportunity for some federal inspector to make a reputation for himself by hunting down the criminal thirsty. —Emmetsburg Democrat.

HE WAS FAR FROM BROKE

Chronicle: John B. Bates ought to be at the head of some big advertising agency. He has the right idea. To make advertising pay one must have the goods to back up his advertising. John has the goods, and he proved it to a large crowd of people who saw him walk across the street last Friday morning with an armful of currency that would make an ordinary sized weight of the load.

Someone in Hampton recently circulated the story the "John Bates had gone broke." John heard of it away up in Minneapolis. He just drew about $100,000 out of his bank account there, placed the currency in his grip and started for Hampton, accompanied by his son, Guy Bates. Upon his arrival here he registered at the Hotel Franklin, and presently he stepped aside at the clerk's desk and opened his grip. When Hank Weeks saw him loading up his arms with the long green he just went dumb—dropped the cigar out of his mouth and could hardly catch his breath. He came to as John was leaving the lobby of the hotel with his load of money. People along the street stood in amazement as Mr. Bates passed them on the walk. They had not thought of knocking John down until after he had gone into the bank. However, Mr. Bates' son was following in the rear with a couple of modern sawed offs in his side pocket, and was ready for any emergency.

It pays to advertise.

Frank Guth, Louis Foss, C. Bier and Al Rooks motored to Mason City Tuesday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Karfens and children returned home Tuesday, Mrs. Eckhoff accompained them home for a short visit.

The Independent has had several inquiries recently for jobs on the farm, and will be glad to act as labor "agent" for any farmer needing help, or anyone desiring a job on the farm.

ARREST TWO AS CHECK ARTISTS

Eagle Grove Times: Two men giving their names as Jack Putrits and John Eutrey, of Mallard and Havelock respectively, were taken into custody here on Monday evening. They were taken from the Northwestern passenger train and placed under arrest by Officer Cline.

The two men were placed in jail here at the request of the authorities at Havelock, charged with forging checks on several parties in Mallard and Havelock. They were held here until Wednesday when they were turned over to the sheriff from Emmetsburg who returned with them to the county seat, where a charge of forgery will be lodged against them.

JOHN BARLEYCORN STILL FIGHTING

Now comes another prohibition industry.

It is already fattening on citizens throughout the state, according to a warning issued by the Iowa Anti-Saloon League.

The industry collects "dues" from citizens who were formerly of wet tendencies, under the cloak of agrition to bring back wines and beer as a *preliminary step to open the way for* whiskey and other intoxicants. The league's warning declares that several men working in Iowa have already made huge sums from such collections. League officials say that they have letters on file now, showing where one organizer in one of Iowa's counties collected 3,000 "membership" at $1 each, retaining 50c out of each dollar for himself and sending the other 50 cents to the "headquarters" of the organization in another part of the state.

"We know for a certainty that the state is to be invaded this spring by a host of these due-collectors," Supt. R. N. Holsaple of the anti-saloon league said. "Our investigators have been watching the scheme for some time and it is such a good money maker that there are now more than thirty-six such 'organizations' at work in the country at the present time."

One of the league investigators, working under the guise of a traveling man, received an offer of 50 cents on the dollar for every "membership" obtained and was assured of a "virgin field" and easy work, according to Holsaple's statement.

If they keep on these people will have a larger income than the saloons used to have, is Holsaple's prediction.

Roads about the country are getting pretty fair for traveling. Altho somewhat spongy in spots, with an occasional mud hole, they are rapidly drying up and rounding into shape for the numerous 'Lizzies' which their respective owners are getting anxious to excercise.

Dr. Brown, of Belmond was here on business matters Monday.

MUCH CORN BEING USED

If the farmers continue to dispose of their corn as rapidly as present the entire reserve now on hand in this country will be consumed before the 1922 crop is ready for marketing, according to a digest of official government crop surveys issued by Col. Leon W. Ainsworth.

Contrary to the talk about "over production," the present farm holdings of grains are the smallest that they have been in years, Ainsworth's report declares, Surplus corn states show 218,000,000 bushels less than last year and with anything like regular feeding in the corn belt, Iowa and these other states will have very little corn to carry over to the new crop. Corn has disappeared faster this winter than in any previous year recorded, Ainsworth says. About 300,000,0000 bushels have been marketed within the last four months, according to official government summaries.

Here are the official figures:

On March 1 there were 1,899,668,000 of wheat, corn, oats and barley on farms in the United States.

This is 641,189,000 bushels less than at this time last year.

Corn showed 1,313,000,000 bushels, a disappearance of 251,000,000.

Wheat reserves on the farm are 131,138,000, which is 86,000,000 less than last year.

There are 404,461,000 bushels of oats March 1, a loss of 280,000,000 in reserve.

Col. Ainsworth says that in actual volume the domestic commercial disappearance of corn this year to date exceeds that of the last two years by 30 per cent or more while we have exported double the amount of corn and the export clearances increase daily.

ACKLEY IS TO HAVE BASE BALL

World Journal: Fifty or more of the enthusiastic pushers and boosters for base ball in Ackley this coming season, assembled in accordance with the call of a week ago, Tuesday evening, and enthusiastically favored base ball.

It's a sure go; the same as in past seasons, only this season the prospects are even better than for several seasons past, for even a more powerful organization. Several of the enthusiastic sports made what might be termed their "maiden speech" that evening, and they were received with rounds of applause because of the good will and fervor with which they were presented.

Principally the evening's business consisted of perfecting an organization.

Unfair Advantage

"That's an elert office boy you have."

"This is his first day on the job," said Mr. Dubwaite. "Tomorrow I'll put him to the acid test."

"How?"

"I'll leave a 'dime novel' lying around where he can find it."

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Jennie Meinders has purchased the Noteboom house on the south side.

Every spring we hear the same old story, the stree's must be graveled, but as soon as the mud is gone no more is said; why not get out a petition while everyone is willing—and at the same time make it to Ventura; the rest of the county has paved and graveled roads and we help pay the bill and stick in the mud, we don't want any paving just now, gravel is the best road for the money.

Harm J. Groen was a Mason City business caller on Wednesday of last week.

J. L. Pals was at Mason City one day last week visiting his son at the hospital.

Mrs. Harm Dirks was a motor passenger to Mason City Thursday.

Rev. H. Pannkuk and wife and daughter, Lydia were shoppers at the county seat Thursday.

THE Y. P. A.

The Y. P. A. met last Tuesday evening at the A. E. Muller home. The evening was spent by first having the regular business meeting, followed by a short program and the playing of various games. A swell luncheon was served to which all did full justice. A number of about 36 were present and a splendid time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Bier were shoppers at Mason City on Friday.

Mrs. Harm J. Pals returned home from the hospital at Mason City Friday, where she has been taking treatment for the past few days.

Mrs. Henry Dirks was taken to the Park Hospital at Mason City Friday, where she will take treatments and may also undergo an operation in the future. She was accompanied by her husband.

Rev. Pannkuk, and Aiko Koenen were at Mason City on Friday on business matters.

Mrs. Hartfelder returned home from Thornton last week Tuesday, where she has been taking care of her daughter, Hazel. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Hartley Blewitt and little son who intend to make an extended visit here.

Harm J. Groen was a business caller at Thornton one day last week.

Harry T. Smith was at Mason City one day last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Robinson attended the dance at Rowan on last week Wednesday.

Mrs. Lambert Pals and daughter, Ollie were shoppers at the county seat Friday.

Garfield Reacker and Al Rook were motor passengers to Mason City Friday morning on business matters.

Jim Russel, of Clarion was in town concerning business matters on Thursday.

Hartley Blewitt, of Thornton visited at the J. F. Hartfelder home on Thursday evening of last week.

Miss Dora Jacobs was a shopper at Mason City Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiko Menninga, of Belmond were here Friday on business matters and visiting at the R. Boelman home.

Joe Courtney, of Thornton was in town between trains last Thursday. He was on his way to Belmond to visit his parents.

Mr. C. F. Alberty and Mrs. Carl Floy, two well known residents of Thornton died last week.

Misses Angeline Mussel and Hannah Boelmen spent several days last week at the home of Miss Mussel's sister, Mrs. Hans Willer north of Klemme, while there they also visited friends at Garner, they returned home Thursday.

Mrs. G. Lauster and daughter, Viola were shoppers at Mason City Saturday.

Joe Stadtlander and wife were motor passengers to Mason City Saturday on business matters.

As a rule Meservey can gain as much notoriety as any of our neighboring towns when it comes to a school or city election. In our school election last Monday H. K. Pals was elected director by a small vote and received all but one vote which was cast for a mule driver.

Special efforts have been made to have but one ticket in the field for the city election and from present indications Meservey will not again dig up past histories of its candidates.

Our school election was a quiet affair as far as the election was concerned—but the report was circulated on that day that a still was in operation at the school house which for a time caused quite a little excitement until it was found that there was no mash connected with the affair, but that it was only a bottle with a tube connected to the neck and was used to distill water in the labaratory.

The Mason City Globe Gazette carried an account of a large barn that was to be built on the Robert Enabnit farm south of town, and the contractor. Mr. Enabnit knew nothing of the cotract being let—Too much speed, Scoop.

H. J. Blewitt spent Sunday at the Hartfelder home visiting his wife and getting acquainted with his new son.

Rev. Schlesselman and Rev. Faust made an early trip to Sheffield Monday morning, only to find that the train had changed time and departed ten minutes earlier. They returned and Rev. Faust took the motor from here.

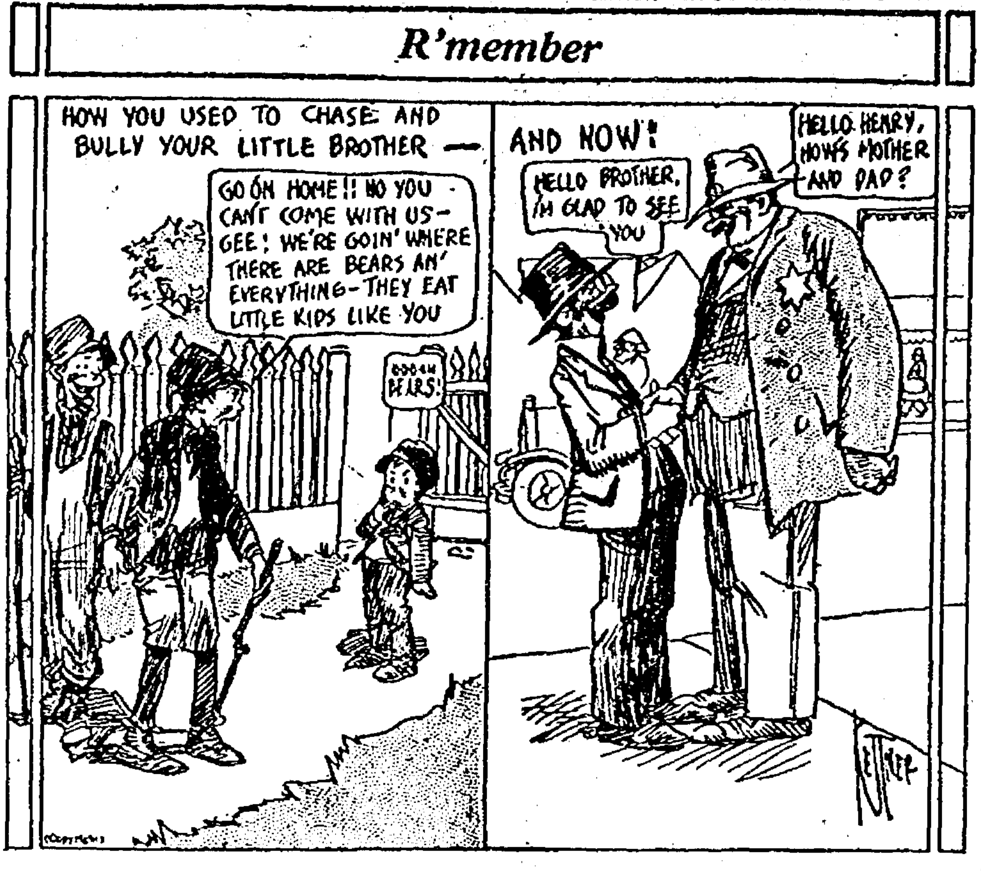
Miss Sadie Frohling, of Belmond, visited friends here last Monday.

Mrs. H. L. Ables and daughter, Greta of Swaledale were Sunday guests at the H. B. Fry home.

The roads are getting good, the ducks and robins are here; those who have the spring fever will soon be looking at the seed catalogues.

Roy F. O'donell, county agent, met with the Farm Bureau members Monday night.

Residents of the north end of town were priveleged to listen to an open air concert Monday evening. No harm was done.


R'member
HOW YOU USED TO CHASE AND BULLY YOUR LITTLE BROTHER —
GO ON HOME!! NO YOU CAN'T COME WITH US— GEE! WE'RE GOIN' WHERE THERE ARE BEARS AN' EVERYTHING—THEY EAT LITTLE KIDS LIKE YOU
BOOAH BEARS!
AND NOW!
HELLO BROTHER, I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU
HELLO HENRY, HOW'S MOTHER AND DAD?

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Rev. Faust will be with us Friday evening for Quarterly Conference. Communion services Sunday a. m.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30
Services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15
Services (German) 8:00

Catechism classes at the usual hour on Saturday afternoon.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

Mrs. Fred Fulton visited at the Henry Brater home home Sunday.

John Weed and Chris Lewis who are working at Rowan were here Saturday visiting friends.

Mrs. Boelman of Belmond was here the first part of the week visiting at the R. Boelman home.

Harm Meintz and family of Latimer visited at the Conrad Meintz home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stadtlander, and children of near Latimer were visiting relatives and friends here Monday.

Lou Millenbrook and family of Hampton were Sunday guests at the C. F. Lemke home.

Wm. Boelman and mother-in-law, Mrs. G. Boelman of Applington attended the funeral of R. Eckhoff here Monday and visited at the R. Boelman home.

Moody Quandt was a passenger to Mason City Friday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Smith were shoppers and business callers at Mason City Saturday.

Mr. Bent, the claim agent, of Clarion, was here Saturday on business matters.

Miss Dora Jacobs spent the week end visiting relatives at Belmond.

The Misses Gealow and Loats spent Sunday at their parental homes near Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Karfens and children of Bradford came Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kerfens' father, which was held here Monday.

Harm Dirks was a motor passenger to the county seat Saturday on business mattors.

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A registered Short Horn bull, 2 years old. $60 if taken at once—Peter Gruis, Alexander, Iowa. 171*

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Henry Koenen and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Koenen, Jerry Koenen and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Henies visited at the John Ruiter home and attended the funeral services here Monday.

Miss Sadi Frohling of Belmond, visited at the A. J. Nissen home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blau of Alexander attended the funeral services here Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk, Lydia and Esther Reverts autoed to Mason City Tuesday, where they visited Mrs. H. Dirks who is getting along as well as can be expected.

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We have the exclusive agency for the Lukme Tailoring. Prices right. Fit Guaranteed.
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Buy your seed potatoes now. We have Northern Early Ohio's at $3.60 per 2 bushel sack.
Special in Preserves, 1-2 gal. can pure strawberry for $1.00
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It Pays To Read the Ads

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, March 17-18
WILL BE
DE LAVAL
SERVICE DAY
For the benefit of our many customers and users of De Laval Cream Separators we have established a *De Laval Service Day.*
On this day we shall be glad to have any De Laval user bring his complete separator to our store for a thorough and careful inspection and adjustment, which will be made free of charge. Should any parts, due to unusual wear or accident, need to be replaced, this will be done, the only charge being for the price of the new parts used. ***No charge*** will be made for the service.
A De Laval representative will be with us to assist with this work. Bring in your De Laval Separator that day and receive the benefit of his advice on the care and operation of the machine, as well as the free service. It is our wish, and that of the De Laval Company, that every user of a De Laval Separator get the maximum of service at the minimum of cost, and we therefore urge you to avail yourself of this free and useful service.
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C. J. Wendel
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Idle Money
Loafing money is worse than a loafing man. The man injures himself only, while idle money withdrawn from industry and commerce means idle factories and stagnant business.
Had Columbus deposited $1 at 5 per cent compound interest when he discovered this country it would now amount to $67,505,039,580.00
Money deposited with us at 5 per cent interest is one of the few safe methods to provide for old age.
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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Ben Arends was a business caller at Eagle Grove one day last week.

Alfred Anderson was a caller at Belmond last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Winwood were visitors at Hampton Tuesday.

Misses Jessie Bernard Lillie Cornwell, Gertrude Berninghausen, Arthur Peters, Bert Kieslich and Theodore Beenen were among the visitors at Dows Sunday evening.

J. L. Conrad from Dows was a Dows visitor at J. C. Arends home last Sunday.

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, 45c per setting, put in your orders.—Claas Symens, Phone No. 2410.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends, George Dunn, Mrs. Lyle Hall and Mrs. A. M. Jones autoed to Belmond Friday in the formers car.

Will Ammerman is having a siege of the La grippe.

Mrs. Charley Hansen went to Iowa Falls last week to care for her mother Mrs. H. C. Yaw, who is suffering an attack of the grippe.

The Ben Bergmann family moved to Belmond last Friday, where they expect to make their future home.

Arthur Thomas and lady friend, Miss Baker of Iowa Falls spent last Sunday at the Fred Rodemeyer and Chas. Winwood homes.

Lewis Bell, Albert Larsen and Lewis Seegar were business callers at the county seat last Monday.

Earl Hall has purchased a new Ford car.

George Dirksen was a caller at Belmond last Friday.

Christopher McCallum of Rowan has spent the past week at the home of his son Bernard McCallum of this place.

Mrs. William Winwood and daughter, Miss Mary were shoppers at Hampton last Friday.

Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson spent over Sunday with their parents at Latimer.

Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter, June visited with relatives at Belmond the first of the week.

John Murphy was a business caller at Algona last Thursday.

The Dorcas Society will be entertained by the Misses Jessie and Nellie Bell at their home, on Wednesday afternoon March 22nd. A large attendance is desired.

Mrs. E. E. Butler and sons, of Hampton visited with relatives at this place last Saturday.

Theodore Beenen was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Finkle and daughter, Leona spent Sunday at the Joe Veeder home.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer spent the last of the week with relatives at Sheffield.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer is visiting with friends at Alexander this week.

Misses Lillie Cornwell and Gertrude Berninghausen were callers at Belmond last Saturday.

If you have an item of news of interest for the paper please phone No. 2407.

Mrs. Oscar Hempel, of Fort Dodge has been visiting at the Aldrich Beenen home several days the past week.

Several people of Alexander were at the corn show held at Latimer last Saturday.

Carl Griemann, spent over Sunday with friends at Hampton.

Monday was school election day, a large crowd gathered to vote, Henry Schulte and Otta Kieslich received the largest majority of votes.

Carl Bohlen was a business caller at Dows one day last week.

Wm. H. Wolle, real estate agent of Belmond was a visitor at Alexander last Sunday.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

Methodist Church Notes

Sunday School at 2 p. m.
Preaching at 3 p. m.

Be present at these services, all are invited.

Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

Alexander Congregational Church

The Christian Endeavor Society held its monthly business meeting and social at the home of Mr. George Dunn, last Friday night. All those who were present report a splendid good time. The aim of these meetings is to get the young people together for a social gathering, and to show them a good time, such as would not offend Christ, if he were there.

Your presence at church will help inspire the service. There is always a hearty reception at our church, especially for those who do not belong to any church, and are not in the habit of going.

Sunday school 10 a. m.
Morning service 11 a. m.
Senior C. E. 6:30 p. m.
Junior C. E. 6:30 p. m.
Evening service 7:30 p. m.

School Notes

Miss Eva Whetstone's condition does not improve as rapidly as her friends would like to see. She was unable to attend to her duties as Principal last week and reports from her bedside indicate that she will not be at school this week. She is suffering from an attack of flu.

The annual March moving has caused a decrease in our enrollment. The Bergman children are the latest ones dropped from the roll. Their parents moved to Belmond.

Our movie program for Tuesday March 21 will consist of the following reels: "Careless America" showing causes of many avoidable accidents; "Chu Chu" or the chewing gum industry and the usual type of comedy.

Rev. Wilkinson of Belmond gave a very interesting talk to our movie crowd last Tuesday evening. His subject was "Burbank and What He is Accomplishing in the Plant World." His remarks were right to the point well received and threw in many interesting side-lights on this great man and the wonders which he is preforming in the plant world.

Miss Harriet Lee, county nurse, examined the school children last week. The following is a synopsis of her renort of our school:

Number pupils examined	134
Notices sent to parents	68
Pupils refered to physicians	34
Pupils refered to dentists	24
Pupils with defective vision	24
Pupils with correction of vision	4
Pupils with defects of teeth	41
Pupils with correction of teeth defects	20
Pupils with defects of throat	9
Pupils with correction of throat defects	18
Pupils with defects of nose	10
Pupils with correction of nose defects	11
Number of pupils who have been vaccinated	10
Number of pupils drinking milk	94
Number of pupils drinking tea	78
Number of pupils drinking coffee	60

All defects are curable. The tea and coffee trusts do not need the wholesale patronage that the report indicates that they are receiving at the expense of child health.

FOR SALE—Rose Comb Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching.—Ole Foughty.

For Sale—Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, 45c per setting. Put in your orders. Clara Symens. Phone 2410.

READ THE ADS

EAGLE GROVE MAN IS GRAIN GROWERS DELEGATE

F. H. Allen of Eagle Grove, Iowa was elected a national delegate to the first annual convention of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc. last week, when the representatives of U. S. Grain Grower membership from each shipping station in the 3rd congressional district met at Hampton, Mr. Allen will carry the combined votes of 240 members in this district to the convention held in Chicago, beginning March 21, and represent them in the determination of importat policies and the election of a national board of 21 farmer directors for the ensuing year.

Frank M. Myers, Secretary of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc, of Fort Dodge and Adam L. Middleton of Eagle Grove, are on the U. S. Grain Growers board of directors this year. J. E. Wooters has been in active charge of the organization work in this state which has resulted in signing more than 4896 grower members and 135 elevators and local Grain Growers' associations to date. Nationally, the U. S. Grain Growers now has 50,000 members and 1050 contracts with facilities at shipping points. The organization is growing at the average rate of 2000 members and 20 elevators affiliations weekly. More than 110,000,000 bushels of grain are under contract through the national selling agency for five years. Hence the national delegates who will select the men to conduct this enormous and constantly growing association have a great responsibility.

Mr. Allen's Election as a national delegate of this organization is the highest honor that the grain growers of his district can confer upon him. It is a token of their confidence and respect for his business judgement. The 47 national delegates elected in the eleven states where organization work of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc. has been carried on, will serve for one year. They have full power to act in any special national convention that may be called in addition to the regular annual meeting. The national delegates constitute the supreme tribunal and governing body of this farmers' organization. This method of governing the association was chosen so the membership would have direct control.

Come in and advise us of your needs in the

Clover and Timothy Seed

line as it will soon be time to go to work. We have a line of the best seed that money will buy at prices that are right. Tested at Ames so you need not take a seed company's test for same.

Daniel Webster Flour at $2.40 in 5 sack lots.

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A full line of Feeds at reasonable prices.

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Alexander, Iowa

LEVY TAX TO SUPPORT BAND

Times: We notice in one of our exchanges that at Terril, Iowa a petition has been circulated around to bring the question of levying a two mill tax for band support before the voters. The last state legislature passed a law permitting a town to levy such a tax when approved by the taxpayers, which question can be brought up on a ballot at an election. Many towns have taken advantage of the two mills in the ordinary small town like Klemme will bring in from perhaps $200 to $300 per year for the support of a band, which is a very norminal sum for that purpose.

It is a good law for it takes the burden of the support of the band from the shoulders of a few public spirited business men and shifts it over the town so that all have a hand in giving a small sum toward the support of a band.

A community which wants a band ought to support one and general taxation is the only fair and honest way to do it. If the people of Klemme decide to support the band this right way they can vote a two mill tax for the purpose as they are doing in other towns.

Klemme ought to have a band this year and now is the time to get together so that the boys can get a director and get in shape for the summer concerts.

A town without a band is considered among the dead towns. Klemme has always been considered a live town let's not fall down on the band this year but get it started now and get some money together for the boys so they can hire a leader now.

Announcement

Dr. L. E. Maker

will be in Alexander 3 days a week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9 a. m. to 12, noon. Office at Drug Store.

Read the Ads

CLARION PHONE FIGHT

News: The telephone situation is not clearing very fast. If the local patrons, in town and country, expect to get any reductions in rates they will have to light a bigger fire than they have so far got started and carry the battle to towns represented by company exchanges, and by a concerted action it is very likely that reductions could be had. But the company practically admits that to grant a reduced rate here would call for wholesale reductions at their various exchanges, and that it could better afford to close the plant here than do this.

The company really prefers to sell the rural lines. They would rather get the money invested in them into cash. Then the rural lines would continue to pay switchboard charges and serve as feeder for the toll lines, admittedly profitable.

The final proposition made by the company was that the farmers should purchase the phone lines at an agreed price of $18 per phone, plus a switch charge of $6 per year for a five year period. The company would then furnish the switching service at $4.50 per year. The company claims it would cost $75 per phone to build a rural line at this time. In effect they would sell the present system at an average price of $25.00.

Another proposition submitted by the company, and which it hopes to see accepted, is that if the subscribers will continue the service at the present rate, the company will agree to spend $10 per phone for improvements. The company, by offering this improved service is not of the best at this time. The company, in a letter dated the 4th, says this latter offer apparently met favor with some of the committeemen named to represent farmers.

If the fight could be carried into the territories served by the Western Electric Co., it would probably win, but with Clarion making the proposition cold bloodedly and knows in dollars and cents that it could lose the business of the local plant and retain the present rates elsewhere and be ahead. This is one factor that cannot be changed.

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I have opened a produce business in the old Modderman building and am prepared to handle all kinds of produce.

Bring in your poultry and eggs or anything in my line and receive

Top-notch Prices

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Opal Goods

I just want to tell you we just got another shipment of Opal goods. Sauerkraut, Asparagus Tips, so tender they melt in your mouth, also Cut Beets and Blueberries that make pies like mother used to make. The Opal Brand is the best because they are always the same good quality. We will make good every can that goes wrong.

Sugar is going up. Better buy a sack now.

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Don't forget our grocery order, 25 lbs. of Sugar $1.00 with a grocery order for $10 cash. 100 lbs. for $4 with a $40 order, except Sugar or Flour.

We pay highest price for farm produce, cash or trade.

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Alexander, Iowa

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1 can milk hominy (regular price 20c a can)
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1 can pork and beans (regular price 12 1-2c a can)
1 can sweet potatoes (regular price 25c a can)

43c CASH

Above is a regular 73c value but for Friday and Saturday we will sell you the 4 cans for 43c cash; this is a saving of 30c. Limit is 8 cans to a customer. Do not fail to take advantage of this special.

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2 large pkgs. corn flakes	25c
5 lb box black tea, No. 1 quality	$2
5 lbs. oat meal, extra special	20c
5 lbs. cocoa, extra good grade	80c
5 lbs. peaberry coffee, No. 1 grade	$1.25
10 bars laundry soap, 10 oz bars	50c
5 lb. sack pancake flour	35c

Come in and look over our line of groceries—it is complete.

Our line of dry goods is complete. Spring goods have arrived; do not fail to see them before you buy your spring dry goods.

We have received our men and ladies spring oxfords. Come in and see them. We will be glad to show them to you.

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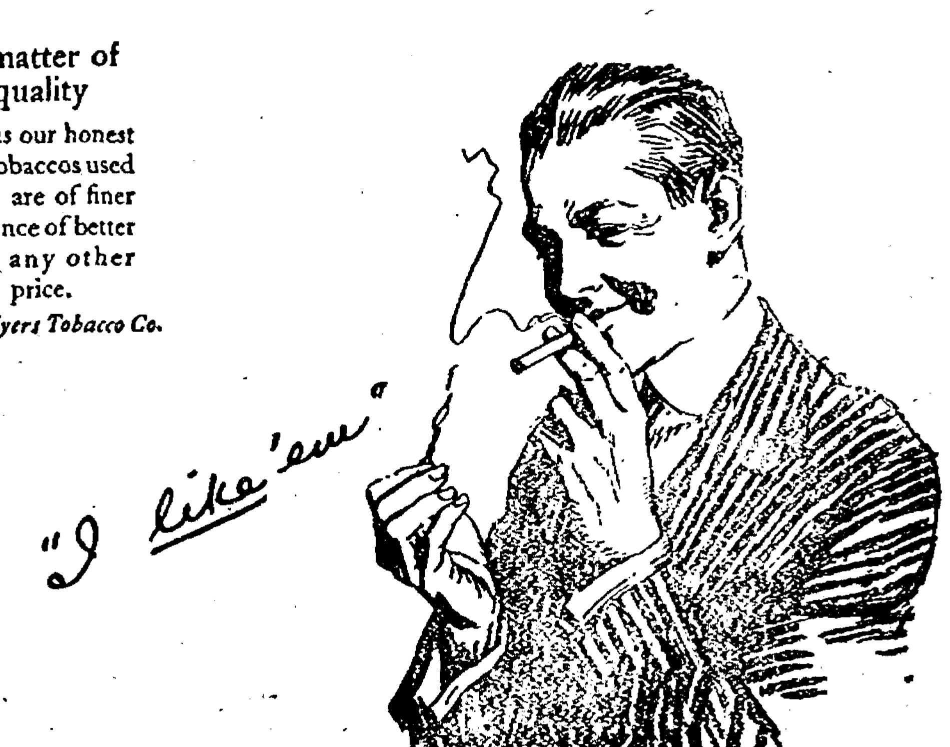

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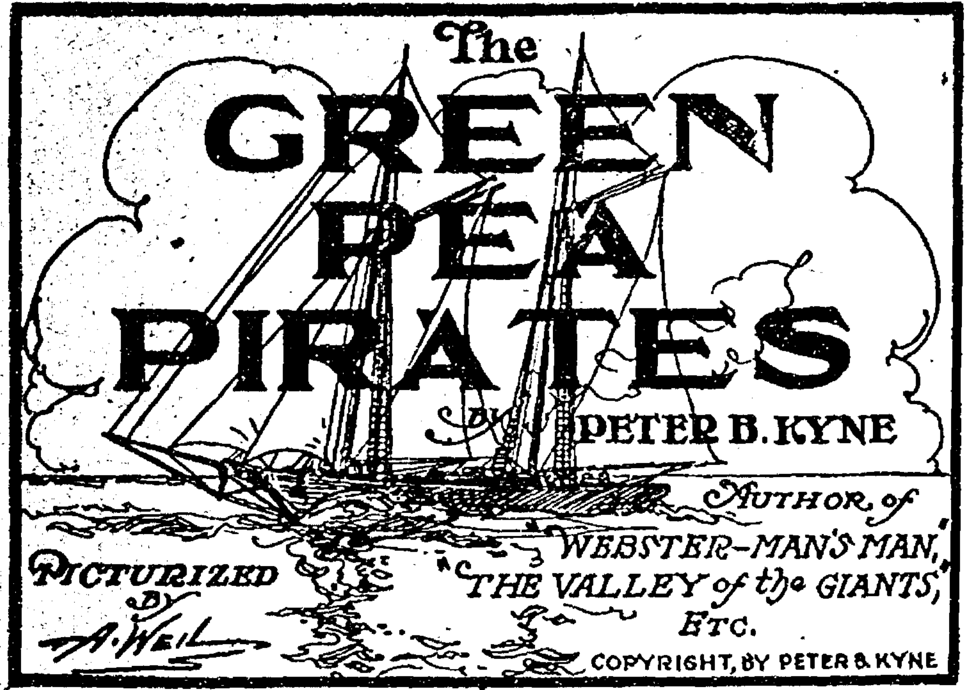

The GREEN PEA PIRATES

By PETER B. KYNE

Author of "WEBSTER—MAN'S MAN," "THE VALLEY of the GIANTS," ETC.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is skipper, Nells Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate,' with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Nells Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Nells Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

"Marooned!" said the commodore hoarsely. "Those two sailors have pulled back to the schooner, and—there—look, Mac! My Gawd!"

McGuffey looked, and his face went whiter than the foaming breakers beyond which he could see Maggie II, under full sail, headed for the open sea. The small boat had been picked up, and there was no doubt that at her present rate of speed the schooner would be hull down on the horizon by sunset.

"The murderin' hound," whispered McGuffey, and sagged down on the sands. "Oh, the murderin' hound of a mate!"

"It's—it's mutiny," gulped Captain Scraggs in a hard, strained voice. "That bloody fiend of a mate! The sly sneak-thief, with his pleasant smile and his winnin' ways! Saw a chance to steal the Maggie and her rich cargo, and he is leavin' us here, marooned on a desert island, with two cannibals."

Captain Scraggs fairly shrieked the last two words and burst into tears. "Lord, Gib, old man," he raved, "whatever will we do?"

Thus appealed to, the doughty commodore permitted his two unmatched optics to rest mournfully upon his shipmates.

He gulped and thoughtfully rubbed the knuckles of his right hand where the skin was barked off. He thought of the silly joke he and McGuffey had thought to perpetrate on Captain Scraggs by leading him up against a beating at the hands of a cannibal king, and with the thought came a grim, hard chuckle, though there was the look of a thousand devils in his eyes.

"Well, Mac, old sporty boy, I guess there ain't much to do except to make up our minds to die like gentlemen. If I was ever fooled by a man in my life, I was fooled by that doggone mate. I thought he'd tote square with the syndicate. I sure did."

For a long time McGuffey gazed seaward. He was slower than his shipmates in making up his mind that the mate had really deserted them and sailed away with the fortunes of the syndicate. Of the three, however, the stoical engineer accepted the situation with the best grace. He spurned the white sand with his foot and faced Mr. Gibney and Captain Scraggs with just the suspicion of a grin on his homely face.

"I make a motion," he said, "that the syndicate pass a resolution condemnin' the action of the mate."

It was a forlorn hope, and the jest went over the heads of the deck department. Said Mr. Gibney sadly:

"There ain't no more Maggie II syndicate."

CHAPTER XIII.

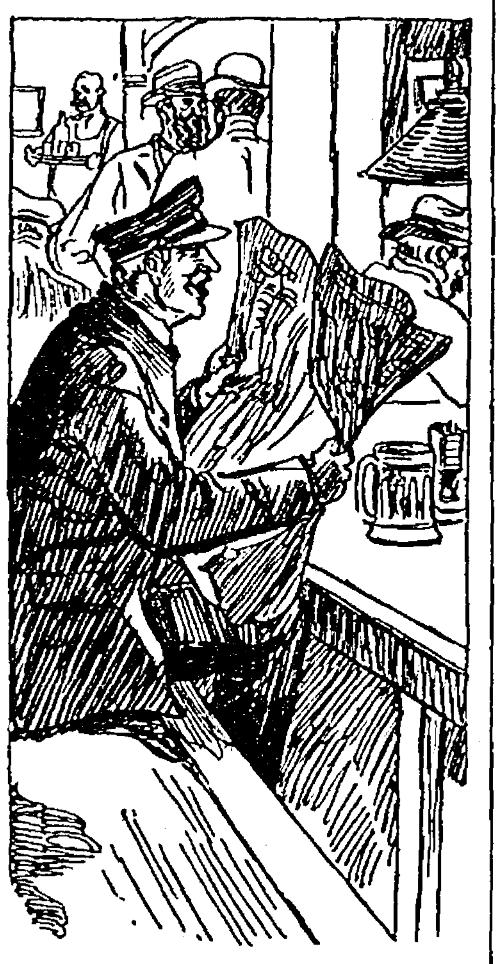
Nells Halvorsen often wondered what had become of the Maggie and Captain Scraggs. Mr. Gibney and Bartholomew McGuffey he knew had turned their sun-tanned faces toward deep water some years before Captain Scraggs and the Maggie disappeared from the environs of San Francisco bay, and Nells Halvorsen was wise enough to waste no time wondering what had become of them. These two worthies might be anywhere, and every conceivable thing under the sun might have happened to them; hence, in his idle moments, Nells Halvorsen did not disturb his gray matter speculating on their whereabouts and their then condition of servitude.

But the continued absence of Captain Scraggs from his old haunts created quite a little gossip along the waterfront, and in the course of time rumors of his demise by sundry and devious routes came to the ears of Nells Halvorsen.

Hence "The Squarehead" was puzzled. In fact, to such an extent was Nells puzzled, that one perfectly calm, clear night, while beating down San Pablo bay in his bay scow, the Willie and Annie, he so far forgot himself and his own affairs as to concentrate all his attention on the problem of the ultimate finish of Captain Scraggs. So engrossed was Nells in this vain speculation that he neglected to observe toward the rules of the ocean highways that nicety of attention which is highly requisite, even in the skipper of a bay scow, if the fulsome title of captain is to be retained for any definite period. As a result, Nells became confused regarding the exact number of blasts from the siren of a river steamer desiring to pass him to port. Consequently the Willie and Annie received such a severe butting from the river steamer in question as to cause her to careen and fill. Being, unfortunately, loaded with gravel on this particular trip, she subsided incontinently to the bottom of San Pablo bay, while Nells and his crew of two men sought refuge on a plank.

Without attempting to go further into the details of the misfortunes of Nells Halvorsen, be it known that the destruction of the Willie and Annie proved to be such a severe shock to Nells' reputation as a safe and sane bay scow skipper that he was ultimately forced to seek other and more virgin fields. With the fragments of his meager fortune, the ambitious Swede purchased a course in a local nautical school from which he duly managed to emerge with sufficient courage to appear before the United States local inspectors of hulls and boilers and take his examination for a second mate's certificate. To his unutterable surprise the license was granted; whereupon he shipped as quartermaster on the steamer Alameda, running to Honolulu, and what with the lesson taught him in the loss of the Willie and Annie and the exacting duties of his office aboard the liner, he forgot that he had ever known Captain Scraggs.

Judge of Nells Halvorsen's surprise, therefore, upon the occasion of his first trip to Honolulu, when he saw something which brought the whole matter back to mind. They were standing in toward Diamond head and the Alameda lay hove to taking on the pilot. It was early morning and the purple mists hung over the entrance to the harbor. Nells Halvorsen stood at the gangway enjoying the sunrise over the Punch-bowl, and glancing longingly toward the vivid green of the hills beyond the city, when he was aware of a "put," "put," "put," to starboard of the Alameda. Nells turned at the sound just in time to see a beautiful gasoline schooner of about a hundred and thirty tons heading in toward the bay. She was so close that Nells was enabled to make out that her name was Maggie II.



It Was Just a Squib in the Shipping News.

"Vell, aye be dam," muttered Nells, and scratched his head, for the name revived old memories. An hour later, when the Alameda loafed into her berth at Brewer's dock, Nells noticed that the schooner lay at anchor off the quarantine station.

That night Nells Halversen went ashore for those forms of enjoyment peculiar to his calling, and in the Pantheon saloon, whither his pathway led him, he filled himself with beer and gossip. It was here that Nells came across an item in an afternoon paper which challenged his instant attention. It was just a squib in the shipping news, but Nells Halvorsen read it with amazement and joy:

> "The power schooner Maggie II arrived this morning, ten days from the Friendly islands. The little schooner came into port with her hold bursting with the most valuable cargo that has entered Honolulu in many years. It consists for the most part of black coral.
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> "The Maggie II is commanded by Captain Phineas Scraggs, and after taking on provisions and water today will proceed to San Francisco, tomorrow, for discharge of cargo."

"By yiminy," quoth Nells Halvorsen, "aye bat you that bane de ole man so sure as you bane alive. And aye bat new hat he skall be glad to see Nells Halvorsen. I guess aye hire Kanaka boy an' he bane pull me out to see de ole man."

A Jacob's ladder was hanging over the side of the schooner as the canoe shot in under her lee quarter, and half a minute later the expectant Nells stepped upon her deck. A tall dark man, wearing an ancient palmleaf hat, sat smoking on the hatch coaming, and him Nells Halvorsen addressed.

"Aye bane want to see Cap'n Scraggs," he said.

The tall dark man stood erect and cast a quick, questioning look at Nells Halvorsen. He hesitated before he made answer.

"What do you want?" he asked deliberately, and there was a subtle menace in his tones. As for Nells Halvorsen, thinking only of the surprise he had in store for his old employer, he replied evasively:

"Aye bane want job."

(Continued Next Week)

GET YOUR FINE JOB PRINTIN AT THE INDEPENDENT OFFICE

Rowan Local News

Russell Olson came from Iowa Falls Friday to spend the week end with relatives here.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten is on the sick list with grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reitz were Hampton callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ferguson were Clarion callers Friday.

L. A. McCallum was at Bradford last week doing some repair work on his farm buildings.

Mrs. Carl Wolle and children, of Boone, visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jesse Steffens a few days last week.

Mrs. Edwin Nelson who is in the hospital in Hampton is improving slowly.

Mr. Virden and Mrs. George Pirtchett went to Belmond Monday to visit Frances Virden.

J. F. Howell was a Fort Dodge business caller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Duffy entertained at the following guests, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval.

Mrs. J. W. Azeltine fell the past week and injured her back.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

S. B. Stout went into Chicago Satnight with three car loads of hogs which he raised.

Mr. and Mrs. Tice Streveler were Dows callers Monday.

Mrs. D. K. Stout and Mrs. S. B. Stout were Dows callers Monday.

John Rave went to Popejoy Tuesday to visit friends.

Clarence Lindsey was a Belmond caller Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder, of Clarion, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder.

Mrs. Morris Sullivan spent spent Tuesday night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher, returning to her home in Fort Dodge Wedesday.

Dave Smith was visiting friends in Rowan Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Meservey spent a couple of days with Rowan friends last week.

Mrs. L. W. Stevenson was a Dows caller Wednesday.

Mrs. Raymod Temple came from Burt, Tuesday to assist with the care of her mother-in-law, Mrs. D. A. French who has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph were Clarion visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller, Thursday.

Mrs. Gay Fletcher went to Clarion the latter part of last week for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitz. She returned home Thursday.

Rev. Nye went to Dubuque Friday where he was called on business.

Mesdames Willard and Leodard McCallum were Fort Dodge shoppers Saturday.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens visited in Belmond Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard.

A. J. Azeltine returned home Wednesday evening from a few days visit with relatives at Thornton.

J. W. Azeltine has been on the sick list the past week with tonsilitis.

Rev. Nye was a Belmond caller last week and Friday was called to Dubuque on business.

We understand the Will Azeltine family have rented the tenant property of Ray Azeltine which was lately vacated by the Clarence Johnson family.

Monday was school election. The following men were elected on the board; Irvin Knuths was re-elected for three years; A. C. Reitz was was elected for three years and Theo Hansen was elected for one year to fill the vacancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher and Miss Izetta Fletcher spent Sunday at the home of Chester Conn and family at Coulter.

William Steffens and daughter, Dorothy, returned from Spring Valley, Minn., Thursday. They were called there last week by the death of Mr. Steffens' brother.

Miss Frances Virden, who was taken with an attack of appendicitis a week ago Sunday was taken to the Steel hospital at Belmond Sunday. At the present writing she is resting easier and it has been decided not to operate at once unless she has a turn for the worse.

D. M. Whitten returned from the Steel hospital in Belmond where he had been taking treatments for his limb which was hurt last fall in a run-away. He is much improved.

Maude Aldrich is staying with Mrs. S. B. Stout while Mr. Aldrich is in Chicago.

Fred Aldrich returned from Chicago Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval were Belmond callers Monday.

George Ballou was a Dows caller Saturday.

Erdine Unger, of Dows, spent Friday night at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Braden.

Celia Azeltine was a Dows caller Saturday.

Grace Hubbell was a Dows caller between trains Saturday.

Mrs. J. L. Sinclair, of Clarion, spent the week end at the home of Mrs. C. W. Fowler.

Mrs. William Tresidder has been ill with pleurisy the past week.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten was called to Dows last Wednesday by the illness of her brother's family.

Mrs. Claude Allie, of Clarion, came Wednesday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manley Francomb.

Mrs. J. E. Rowen received word Wednesday of the death of her sister at Goldfield.

Rev. H. Tomkinson is attending the Inter-Conference Convention at Storm Lake this week. Over 800 delegates are expected at the gathering.

Miss Mildred Azeltine it spending the spring vacation of two weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Azeltine.

The representative of the Western Lyceum Bureau, of Waterloo, is expected in Rowan next Thursday. The local committee of guarantors have to meet a deficit of $169, so poor has been the patronage.

Rev. J. W. Bonnell, former pastor of the Congregational church here, writes the Rev. H. Tomkinson that he is having a good time at the Great Shrine gathering at Savannah, Illinois. Mr. Bonnell is an enthusiastic Mason.

Arthur Hansen returned to his home Saturday from the hospital in Hampton where he has been the past eleven weeks. He is much improved but it will be some time before he is able to walk.

The nice weather the first of the week caused the local horseshoe players to move from the sales pavillion to their out doors court east of the C. R. I. P. Depot.

H. J. Whitten and Clarence Currie were at Des Moines the first of last week attending a Threshers Convention. They returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. Tom Whitten and son, Clinton were Dows callers Thursday.

Word has been received from the three boys who drove from here to California last fall stating that they are well and are all employed in good positions. They are stationed at Los Angeles. Duncan Farren is on the police force. Wilford Carmon is employed as a machanic in a garage and Kenneth Ballou is working for the government.

School Notes

The Juniors had a class party at the Brook's home Monday night, March 6th. They were enjoying a good time when they noticed a group of other class students outside the house. It was then they noticed that their eats were gone. The trouble makers ate all that they wanted then returned the rest. The troublers did not get away so easily for the Juniors had their revenge by tieing up several of the outsiders.

Florence Lent and Grace Hubbell were visitors at the Rowan High school Tuesday.

The Senior class play "The Man on the Box" is now being started. Plans have been made to give this play April 6th and 7th, at the opera house. Don't forget the date.

Mrs. Fred Aldrich was a school visitor Thursday.

The Sophomores had a party at the school house Thursday night. The other classes broke it up by getting away with a freezer of ice cream, and a pound of cookies. Sophies look at the windows after this to see if they are locked.

Stella Emerson, a senior, is on the sick list.

Ralph [illegible], a Senior, and a contestant in the Declamatory Contest left Friday morning March 10th for Dyke where one of the sub-district contests is being held.

The Freshies had a party at the school house Friday night. They fared about as good as the Juniors and the Sophies did at their parties.

J. D. Pritchett was a Belmond caller Monday.

Methodist Church Notes

The morning service last Sunday morning, was conducted by the members of the W. F. M. S., it being the anniversary occasion. Mrs. Tomkinson offered the prayer, Miss Nora Shaffer read the scriptures, whilst Mrs. Theadore Hansen and Mrs. Guy Sheldon acted as ushers and also took up the offering which amounted to $80. Mrs. A. O. Pelley and Miss Jean Kirvink sang a duet, "Holy Spirit be our Guide" in a beautiful manner, whilst Mrs. Herbert Hadley and Miss Esther Fowler rendered an equally pleasing selection, "The Gift." The service was thruout very impressive. The pastor spoke on "The Strategy of Womenhood," and in the evening he spoke on "Things not Generally Known," and touched some of the fundamental things of the christian faith.

The Womens Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church are planning a special program for their mite box opening, which is to be held in the basement of the Methodist church. There'll be lots of fun and entertainment, and a plenty of green stuff to eat. Make your plans for this social affair. Next Friday March 17.

The pastor of the Methodist church Rev. H. Tomkinson, will be glad to see a large congregation next Sunday morning and evening. He'll give you the glad hand of welcome. Will you be there?

Rowan Congregational Church Notes March 19th, 1922.

Pastor—Rev. W. H. Nye.

11 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon—"Should The City Fathers Be Ashamed?"

12 a. m. Sunday school.

6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor—Leader, Miss McCutcheon.

7:30 Evening song.

The services were well attended like they have been for some months on last Sunday, and we invite you to be present this Sabbath Day for the morning and evening services. Also, we have classes in our Sunday School for all ages. Our Sabbath School needs you. Come and bring your friends.

The Junior Endeavors will meet at the Cong'l church Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m. We desire that all the children be present at this meeting. We want the little ones to come for this service.

The Mid-week meeting at the church on Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. H. W. Hardy supplied the pulpit for Rev. Nye last Sunday, as Rev. Nye was called away to Dubuque on business. There was a good attendance at the services, and Rev. Hardy gave us two Sermons that were a great uplift.

The Cong'l church Missionary society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box last Friday evening. This was a special gathering of the Missionary society, and the ladies invited their husbands for this social time. There was a large number present, and all agreed that they had a real social evening and the refreshments and other things that go to make up a social time were all in evidence at this Ladies Missionary Society gathering. We need more of these such gatherings of the people, as it is good for those who attend, and for the great work of The Masters Kingdom.

Be sure and attend the Christian Endeavors meeting Sunday evening at the Rowan Cong'l church at 6:30. This meeting is for you, "COME."

You want to be present at the Rowan Cong'l church Sunday morning and hear the music, and sermon on "Should The City Fathers Be Ashamed?" This is a question for your consideration, and it is worth while your attendance. Also, there will be special services for the evening. "Come and see for yourselves." Our young folks of the church are very talented in addresses and music. Come Sunday evening.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks Wedesday March 15th. Miss Liddle, county nurse, will speak on Child Welfare. Come and bring your friends.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Howell Thursday afternoon of this week.

The Spring Conference of the Ladies Missionary Society will meet at Webster City March 23rd. Ladies try to arrange to attend this helpful meeting.

NEAR EAST GIFT CORN ACCEPTED TO APRIL 1

Campaigning for Near East Relief gift corn is to be resumed thruout Iowa until April 1.

The last two Iowa railroads have now come in with an extension of free transportation until April 1.

Iowa shipped 38 carloads of corn last month, according to the local committee's report received here from state headquarters. All states west of the Mississippi sent 519 cars of corn, 95 of flour, 91 of grits, 21 of wheat and 15 of beans.

Keokuk patronized home industries and sent one carload each of Purity Rolled Oats and Hubinger Corn Syrup, manufactured in Keokuk.

A strong effort is to be made everywhere in the state to follow Keokuk's lead and help create a market for home products by buying food for starving people of the Near East. The Iowa "Eat More Corn" campaign and Near East Releif have been successfully combined in many places.

H. B. McAfee, former president of Parsons College, Fairfield, Iowa now in Beirut sent a special message to Iowa chairmen this week warning against the growing seriousness of the situation in Syria where refugees are flocking from Cilicia.

Amputation of the feet of children as a last resort after repeated freezings is one of the many tragedies reported from the Near East.

Belmond Local News

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The Auction Sale

There are many kinds of places
 That I sort of like to go
Where I see the many faces
 Of the neighbors that I know;
But if I should be a choosing—
 I would meet them on a rail
Where the pitch is slowly oozing
 At a public auction sale.

There is something rather pleasing
 Just to hear the auctioneer,
Just to listen to the sneezing
 In the open atmosphere;
Then there's lots of satisfaction
 Just to start the bid along
Slipping from he scene of action
 When it gets to going strong.

But there's still one other matter
 Which endears the sale to me,
Has to do with tin cup clatter
 As it sounds across the lea .
Buns and crackers for the taking
 Over flowing coffee pail;
Yes, if I a choice were making—
 Let me meet them at the sale.
 —H. O. Smith.

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Dwight Purcell and Kenneth Harriet, of Hampton, came over last Friday to attend the basket ball games held that evening between the boys' and girls' teams of Hampton and Belmond.

The two-day combination sale held last week Friday and Saturday was a good success. An immense lot of stuff was listed and sold, and large crowds were in attendance both days.

Friends of Earl Madsen, who has been on the list of sick for several weeks, will be glad to learn that he improving, and it is hoped will soon be able to be around again.

Over at Eagle Grove they have been having more or less of a fight over electric service rates, and an agreement was finally reached last week that a reduction would be made. There was considerable talk in the town of starting up a municipal plant. Garner is still chewing the rag with the Iowa Falls company over service and rates there, with the town of Klemme seconding the motion. Clarion, which had a greivience too, with the northern people, came in under the same proposition that was made to Eagle Grove.

Our cleaning and pressing is guaranteed to be first class. None better. Pre-war prices. Send your Easter work in now, New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

R. H. Klemme was a business caller last Tuesday at Mason City.

Oscar Walsh, one of the leading merchants of Alexander, was in town last week looking after business interests

March 15th was the last day that income tax returns were supposed to be in, and the last minute stragglers —to which we plead guilty— were hot on the job getting the necessary "dope" together for their reports. Making out this income tax business is a good deal like riding on a merry-go-round; you get off the same place you got on, and you've spent your money but where have you been? It is one of the best things ever invented for filling the asylums, for by the time you get thru making out the blamed thing, and are completely enveloped in red tape, you're a fit subject for the bughouse, and no mistake.

A. L. Luick left last Saturday for points in the east, on business connected with the sugar company.

A dozen Luick cousins met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mallory last Friday evening, for a social time. The evening was spent in games and a general good time.

Joe Stadtlader of Meservey, brother of Mrs. Joe Sprenzel, was a guest at the Sprenzel home last week.

The two Norway township men who were injured in the Great Western crossing accident, have recovered and returned home from the hospital.

Come in and hear the latest Victor Records. Prices reduced.
Schultz Drug Co.

Clyde Jennings left last week for Terre Haute, Indiana, where he was called by the serious illness of his mother. His mother died later, funeral services being held at Thornburg, Iowa. Mrs. Jennings left Tuesday of this week for that place to be present at the funeral.

Would like to buy a good second hand hay rake. Inquire at Independent.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenison are the proud and happy parents of a baby girl, who arrived at their home on last week Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Haupt have moved into the Thomas residence in South Belmond, recently vacated by the Thomas family who moved to their new home on Fourth avenue Northeast. Mr. and Mrs. Haupt moved to town last fall, and spent the winter with Mrs. Schanck.

Mrs. J. N. Johnson and Mrs. Peter Kaufman were in Chicago recently where they attended the funeral of a niece.

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The Womens' Missionary society of the Congregational church will hold a food sale at the Tyrrell Market next Saturday afternoon. All kinds of baked foods and candy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harms, of Alexander, were ivsitors this week Sunday at the home of Theo Bonte.

Mrs. Jake Meyers and son Glenn returned to their home in Titonka last week, after a two weeks' visit with her mother, Mrs. Ben Stadtlander and other relatives and friends near Meservey.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Leonard, of Swaledale, came down yesterday for a brief visit at the home of Mrs. Leonard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Rankins.

Would like to buy a good pair of young mares, 3 to 5 years old, wt. 1200 or better. Inquire at Independent.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh and daughter drove to Hampton on Sunday where they visited with friends.

Mrs. W. H. Trafford entertained her mother, Mrs. Maitland, from Klemme, last week.

Belmond won the triangular declamatory contest Tuesday by taking four firsts. Garner and Britt were the other towns.

Mrs. Fred Mortimer was a caller at Mason City on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Halfpop are rejoicing over the arrival at their home of a fine baby girl, who arrived on Monday of this week.

The local lodge of the Royal Neighbors held their regular monthly meeting last Saturday, at the home of Mrs. E. M. Lathrop. An enjoyable social hour was had after the business meeting.

Rich Ziska, the genial city mail carrier, attached signs to the various mail boxes about town giving the hours at which mail was gathered from the respective boxes. A good move. Now, if some one in authority will see that the street names are displayed on every corner, and the houses in the town numbered, we will be in pretty good hape to find out where folks live, and to direct strangers to the right place without having o tell them so many blocks one way, so many another, cut across the vacant lot, and it is the third house on the other side—you can't miss it.

The city authorities dragged the roads in town the first of the week, and flushed off the pavements. Begins to look like spring all right. Besides, two robins have been seen, and the kids are playing marbles, which proves it.

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Wm. Voiles was a caller at Mason city on Tuesday of last week, attending to some business affairs at that place. Bill is a rustler, and reaches out far for business.

Mrs. Howard Moore returned last week Friday from Cedar Rapids, where she has been the past month or so visiting at the home of her folks.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

10 cents per line per week

STRAYED—Red sow, weight about 200.—M. J. Thompson, Belmond, Ia. Phone 1911. Reward.

HORSE SHOEING—Re-setting old shoes, 30c; new shoe and set, 60c; PLOW WORK—Pointing and sharpening, $1.50; sharpening lay, 75c; DISC WORK—Round disc, 12½c per wheel; cutaway disc, 25c per wheel. —R. Thompson... 162

FOR SALE—Choice Barred Rock eggs for hatching, from good laying strain. 75c per setting, $4 per 100. —Easton & Fetrow. Phone 2009. 162*

FOR SALE—Two houses and two lots, two blocks south of State Bank. —Mrs. Henry Smith. 162*

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.
Herb Harberts.

A few good brood sows for sale, to farrow in April and May.—Ed. Jenison. 14tfc

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

FOR SALE—One of our best tailored to measure suits, new; size 38. Forty per cent discount.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR SALE—A few ladies' suits. Excellent condition. Prices very reasonable. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR SALE—Timothy seed, 1921 crop. Recleaned.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 17tfc

FOR SALE—Two sets of harness; 1 cultivator; 1 team; 1 hay loader; truck wagon; set of wood drags; 2 fresh cows; 2 Poland China brood sows.—A. Traeger, Belmond. Phone 1711. 171*

FOR SALE— 8 White Rock roosters.—Sheriff Bros. 16ttc

FOR SALE—22 Calibre Winchester rifle, nearly new.—Alfred Mennenga. 161*

FOR SALE—White Plymouth Rock eggs for setting. 75 cents per setting of 15, or $4.50 per hundred. —Mrs. Chas. Gealow. Phone 2712. 173*

FOR SALE—Three Ladies' suits. Excellent condition. Prices very reasonable.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

WANTED—Your eggs and cream. Will pay cash.—Joe White.

WANTED—Second hand washing machine, boiler, tub, irons.—Mrs. Bertha Allen.

FOR RENT—Three housekeeping rooms.—Mrs. Will Starnes. Phone 312. 173*

Robt. Gates, Piano Tuner. Trafford Music House, Mason City, Ia.

Funeral services for Louis Helland were held at the Methodist church last Friday afternoon, the Rev. Wilkinson being in charge. Interment was made in Franklin Grove cemetery. Mr. Helland was one of the most successful farmers in this locality, and was a genial gentleman with a host of friends. He leaves to mourn his loss, four sons, his wife having died about two years ago. The relatives have the sincere sympathy of the community in their loss.

Fresh Meats

All kinds of Fresh and Cured Meats

Chickens Every Saturday

FREE DELIVERY

City Meat Market

Nissen & Harbison, Props.

Your House is as Clean as Your Rugs

and we want you to know that we thoroughly clean your rugs. We put back the lustre and make them look like new. Demonstration Free.

New Belmond Tailor Shop

F. J. TUFFREE BELMOND, IOWA Phone 28

Townsan Hardware

Saturday Special

- - SEE OUR WINDOW FOR BARGAINS - -

1 Qt. Floor Oil, $1.00
1 Floor Mop, FREE
BOTH FOR $1.00

SEEDS We are headquarters for all kinds of Seeds. Its a good time to sew your grass seed now. We have the highest grade Northland Kentucky Blue Grass and White Clover.

Clean Up! Paint Up!

Our stock of House Paints, Flat Wall Paints, Floor Paints, Varnishes, Varnish Stains and Alabastine is now complete.

TOWNSAN HARDWARE

THE STORE OF SERVICE Phone 34

Good used Fords at a reasonable price. Come and see them before you buy. From $50 and up.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108 or 258.

The examiner who was here Tuesday and Wednesday of this week going over the books of the banks, is a former Belmond boy, E. R. Moss, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moss, old-time residents of Hickory Grove, and will be remembered by many of the inhabitants of that neighborhood. Mr. Moss left Belmond about fifteen years ago, and is now living at Spencer. He is one of Iowa's State Bank Examiners.

ROBINSON'S

$1 Buys

4 lbs. good Bacon
20 lbs. Rolled Oats
4 lb. Special Pea Berry Coffee
8 lbs. Lima Beans
10 lbs. Macaroni
16 Bars Big 4 Soap
24 bars Swift White Laundry Soap
12 lb, Navy Beans
12 lbs. Rice
2 good Brooms
10 cans Corn
10 cans Baked Beans
7 1-2 lbs. Peanut Butter
10 cans good milk

WE DELIVER

Eggs and Butter Wanted

HAVE YOU A SYSTEM?

HAVE YOU EVER STOPPED TO THINK THAT YOU CANNOT ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING WORTH WHILE, WITHOUT SOME SYSTEM?

ALL LARCE BUSINESS IS DONE BY A SYSTEM BECAUSE IT GETS BETTER RESULTS.

IF YOU WILL PUT A LITTLE SYSTEM INTO YOUR MANNER OF SAVING; WE THINK WE CAN SAFELY SAY IT WILL DOUBLE YOUR DEPOSITS.

IT WILL COST YOU NOTHING TO TRY THE EXPERIMENT AT THIS BANK.

The Belmond Savings Bank

Belmond, Iowa

Griesy's Store News

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The success of your incubator hatch depends a great deal on the heat. We have high test kerosene for your incubator.

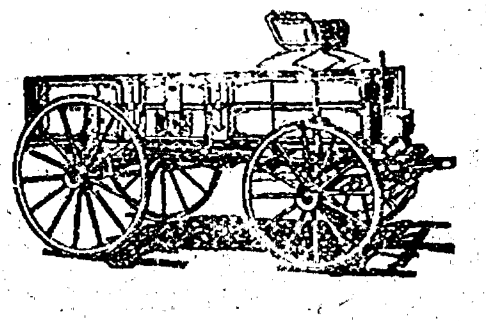
Place your orders for seed now. We have the best seeds at the lowest prices.

And remember, when the spring housecleaning campaign starts, that we have a full line of paints and varnishes.

We take pleasure in announcing that Mr. Christ Rise is now employed with us in the implement line. You know Christ; come in, he will be glad to give you the same good service as of old.

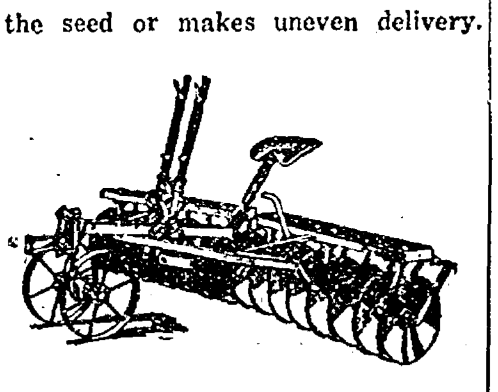
Learn to greet your friends with a smile; they carry too many troubles in their own hearts to be bothered with any of yours.

It's better to lose smilingly than to win whiningly.



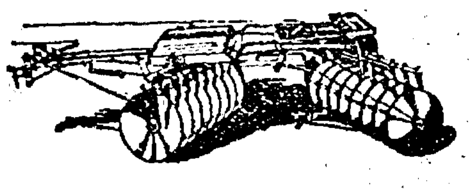
Do This Job Right

Good seeding and bigger yields go hand in hand. Top profits do not follow a seeder that cracks part of the seed or makes uneven delivery.



This year be sure the seed goes in right. If your seeder is too worn to do good work or you doubt its reliability, then buy or borrow a seeder worthy of your confidence,—a Hoosier.

The seed bed has been the foundation of good crops since tne world began—and will be till its end. When measured by results there is no more wonderful art in farming than the preparation of the soil for planting. It's a job that can't be overdone. And time and weather demand that it be done quickly. But you need not approach the task with fear that you may be forced to neglect it. The right kind of equipment will solve



the problem completely. In the International Line, you will find the kinds and sizes of tillage implemets that can remove for you the handicaps of time, weather, and stubborn soil. See them —from plows to planters.

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BELMOND BALLOT BATTLE NEXT MONDAY

Operation Plans for Factory Progressing

Officials Going Ahead With Plans For Finances And Securing Acreage

COMMITTEE OF THREE

Plans for operation of the sugar factory this year have been going steadily forward, and it is believed are nearing completion. Fieldmen have been soliciting the necessary acreage the past two weeks, and considerable acreage has been contracted for.

In a recent letter sent out to stockholders, the plan of operation was outlined in brief.. It is proposed to have stockholders contribute a fund of money sufficient for operation, contributions equalling around 15 per cent of their preferred stock holdings. The fund from operating is to be used first to pay indebtedness incurred in operation, next to return to the contributors their respective contributions with 8 per cent interest, and the balance divided 20 per cent to the contributors and 80 per cent to the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. For securing contributors to this fund, an amount of the Series A Bonds equal to the amount of contributions to this fund will be deposited. These bonds are the same as bonds issued to creditors and will be ratably secured therewith. The bonds are a lien subject to the lien of the Dyer mortgage, on the main plant and first lien on all the other fixed property of the company not covered by the mortgage.

All details connected with the manner in which this operation is to be carried out are to be determined and put into effect by a Committee, composed of Henry Martini, of Sebewaing, Michigan; W. C. Tyrrell, of Belmond; and H. J. Klemme, of Belmond.

Payments of Contribution to the operating fund are to be made one-third April 1, one-third June 15, and the remainder whenever called for by the committee.

It appears as tho the operation was now an established fact, and working out of the plans is going forward so that Belmond and Wright county may look forward to a revival of business this summer and fall.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Ladies' Missionary Society will meet in the church parlors on Thursday afternoon at 2:30. The subject of the study is the Eskimo and Mrs. Geo. Elder will be the leader. All the ladies of the church and friends are invited.

The Bible study class will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 and will begin the study at the 7th chapter of Luke.

The young people of Mrs. Tyrrell's class will give a basket social in the church basement on Friday evening to which all are invited. Ladies will please bring baskets.

The regular services on next Sabbath: Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship at 11:00 and the evening services at 7:30 . Miss Marjorie Williams will lead the young people's service.

The heavy rains and bad weather caused us to reach a low mark Sunday It was the first time this year that we fell below the record of the same Sunday of the previous year. We hope to be able to bring the record up next Sunday. .

Ms. Hildbrand will represent our Ladies' Missionary Society at the Ladies' Missionary meeting of the Webster City Association which will be held this week Thursday at Webster City.

We are hoping that the many who have been sick will soon be well again and able to take their places in the work of the church.

The choir is very busy on the work of the Easter Cantata which will be given Easter night.

GRAIN GROWERS START ORGANIZATION HERE

Mr. Bliss, of Corning, Iowa, an organizer of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., was in the city and surrounding territory last week, getting the farmers and elevators lined up to ship thru this organization. Mr. Bliss secured some sixty or more farmers to sign that they would ship their grain thru the U. S. Grain Growers, and the Farmers' Elevator here has agreed to handle the shipments.

GOOD FELLOWSHIP MEETS

The Good Gellowship Club held its meeting last evening in the library basement, with Wilbur H. Bender, of Des Moines, as the speaker. The Independent goes to press too early to give a report of the meeting, but it was doubtless on a par with the previous ones, well worth attending. A report will be given of the meeting in the next issue.

SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

Community night Thursday evening of this week. This is the last community night of the year. Make it the best.

Spring vacation will be the week of April 3. School year closes June 2nd.

Call for track was given Monday night and about twenty-five responded. We hope to hold two or three meets in Belmond this year, which will prove interesting to all who enjoy foot races and similar events.

School was dismissed last Friday in order to give the local teachers an opportunity to attend the meetings of the North Central Secion of the State Teachers Association. Twelve of the teachers took advantage of the opportunity and attended Friday's sessions.

The school is in receipt of thirty new steel lockers for the gymnasium. These were purchased through the Library Fund without expense to taxpayers, at a cost of $135.

Since 1919 the cost of all athletics has been paid from this fund. Over $300.00 has been spent for Library Books and Magazines. A projection lantern was purchased for the school, one set of sterograph views and twelve scopes, $175.00; physics apparatus for laboratory, $60; one set of dishes for Home Ecomomics Room, $51.40; thirty-six folding chairs for use in gymnasium, $50. In addition to what has been mentioned, the cost of commencement speakers and all declamatory contest expenses have been paid.

An itemized account of expenditures of the funds is in the hands of the Secretary and may be seen by calling upon him. This statement shows how all money in this fund is spent.

Tuesday evening March 14, Britt, Garner and Belmond held their Tri-Angular Declamatory. Each school had a contest. Mrs. Peterson went to Britt with Leona Smith, Eloise Brooks and Beatrice Davenport. Miss Sharon went to Garner with Raphael Kernan, Luella Hauge and Irving Madsen. Our representatives at the home contest were William Vestweber, William Tyrrell and Bill Butts.

Belmond won first in the oratorical class at all the contests and first in the dramatic class at Britt. This gave Belmond four firsts, Britt three firsts and Garner two firsts. Belmond winning the greatest number of first places is the winner of the tri-angular.

Miss Liddle, County Nurse, is at the school house this week checking new pupils who were not here last fall.

A High School Band has been organized and entered into the musical contest to be held at Garner April 14. When all the material matures, there will be approximately twenty pieces.

The orchestra, which now numbers twenty-seven pieces, is planning on giving a public concert, to be followed by a one act play. This is to be a benefit program for athletics and music. Watch for further announcements.

Mrs. C. Norby and Mrs. Ned Packard visited in the grades on Wednesday.

"FAMINE WEEK" HELD IN IOWA NEXT MONTH

"Famine week" in Iowa was tentatively set for the week of April 16 by executives of the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief. During "famine week," citizens of the state will be urged to respond to the needs of millions who are starving in the Volga valley of Russia.

All relief supplies and funds collected by the American committee in Iowa will be distributed by the American Friends Service committee (Quakers), who have a large field in Russia.

In preparation for the state-wide appeal, local organizations of the American Committe for Russian Famine Relief will be strengthened to insure effective results. The committee now has oganizations in every county, James H. McGill, secretary said.

State headquarters will be established in Des Moines in a few days.

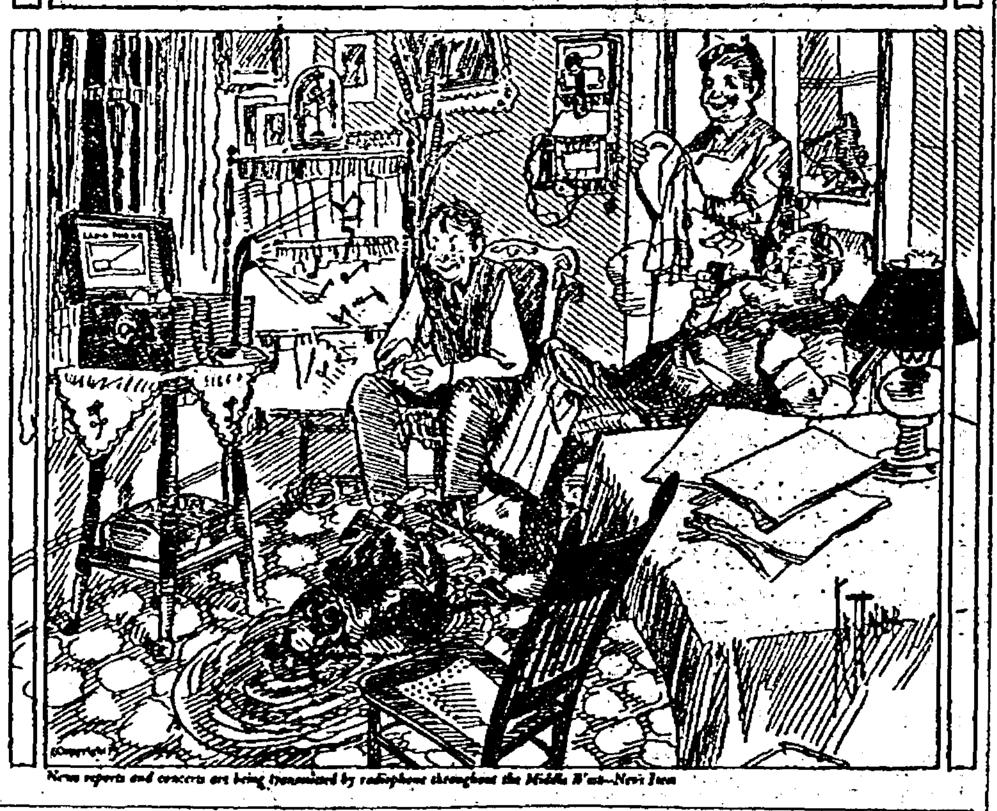
Reports from Russia say the death toll, constantly increasing, now approximates 40,000 a day. Fifteen million people face certain death from starvation and disease, unless all available aid is vastly increased, according to Wilbur. Thomas, excutive secretary of the American Friends Service committee.

Immanual Reformed Church Notes

A. W. Waalkes, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:20 a. m., English.
Services 10:20 a. m., German.
C. E. 7:30 p. m.
Topic for march 26:
What Our Country owes to Home Missions.
Luke 10: 1-17.
Wednesday evening 7:30 Teachers
Wednesday evening 8:00 catechism and choir.
Saturday 1 p. m. catechism 6 to 21 years.

The World Do Move



News reports and concerts are being transmitted by radiophone throughout the Middle West—News Item

DISTRICT COURT ITEMS

Many Divorce Cases Occupy Attention Of Court This Last Term

(From the Monitor)

Judge Fry finished the work of the term and adjourned court on Thursday. A large amount of business was disposed of and matters generally pretty well cleaned up for the Aprl term, which convenes on April 10, with Judge Thompson presiding.

Tolford Johnson and A. C. Lundberg have settled their case and paid the costs.

W. H. Campbell has secured judgment for $252 for rent due from his tenant Fred Schwab.

State Bank of Belmond is given judgment for $326 against B. B. Silvey on his promissory note.

Bernstein & Co. is given judgment for $833.47 against G. H. Vivian.

The case of I. H. Benedict vs. Iowa Valley Sugar Co. has been settled.

Everett Sadler et al of Eagle Grove is given judgment against James Keena for the sum of $2500.

The case of H. Fischer vs Fred Staehle and wife of Belmond has been dismissed at plaintiff's costs.

H. B. Cole, assignee of the People's Cooperative store of Eagle Grove is allowed $600 for his services.

A judgment for $195 against Frakes & Kahl of Woolstock is entered in favor of the Detroit Vapor Stove Co.

U. B. Tracy has been discharged as administrator of the Anna Fullerton estate, the sale of her property having been approved.

In the damage suit of Dell Culmer vs Elmer Peters of Eagle Grove the court allowed plaintiff the sum of $117. The defendant's auto collided with plaintiff's car and damaged the same.

The Frank-Helmke Threshing association of Boone township is awarded judgment against Glenn and Byron Hall on account of grain thresh ing in the sum of $131.50.

The Brunswick-Balke Collender Co. is given judgment against Anderson Music Co. of Eagle Grove on two counts, one for $1491.56 and the other for $688.78.

Sheriff Lang is ordered to destroy the intoxicating liquors seized by the state in the Umland case. The same entry is made in the Clarence Martin case.

Chas. Buchanan of Belmond has been granted a divorce from his wife Mabel Grace Buchanan, the mother being given the custody of the two minor children.

The divorce case of Helen Norman vs Harry Norman of Dows was decided in favor of the wife, who may remarry within a year on proper showing to the court.

The divorce granted Lovina Loraine of Clarion from her husband John Loraine last week was later set aside when it was found that proof of service was not on file.

In the suit on the note given the Renwick Auto Co. by Mrs. W. C. Frakes the court ordered a special execution against a Buick automobile and a Deering binder for $502.

Ethel Beach of Dows has been allowed $25 per month as alimony pending the trial of her divorce case against Frank Beach. The husband is also directed to pay $75 for plaintiff's use and $25 attorney fee.

Mrs. Lena Ferguson of Jasper county was given a bill of divorce from W. D. Ferguson and $10 monthly alimony, but she cannot remarry within a year. She also secured the custody of the child.

Chas. Robb of Dows is ordered to pay Clerk Goslin the sum of $50 for his wife's use pending the settlement of her divorce suit, also $65 for attorneys fee and $25 per month temporary alimony.

Barbara Lance, who formerly resided near Olaf, was taken to the women's reformatory at Rockwell City last Wednesday by Mrs. Henry Lang to serve a five year sentence. About two years ago Mrs. Lance was indicted by the grand jury for the theft of some merchandise from a traveling man's trunk while in the baggage room at the Olaf station. Later County Attorney Rogers secured her conviction and the court imposed a five year sentence. This was suspended during good behavior and the woman paroled to M. F. Birdsall, of Clarion. Of late Mrs. Lance has been working for a family at Mason City. Last week when she left a $400 diamond lavalier simultaneously disappeared. When the woman reached Belmond the officers were at the train to meet her and perchance she came on to Clarion Sheriff Lang was at the depot. The woman was wearing the lavalier when she stepped from the train. Since her first escapade a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lance and after her conviction the husband secured a divorce. Judge Fry ordered the parole revoked and the women sent to Rockwell City to serve her sentence.

Additional new cases for the April term of court:

Carrie Bernard of Woolstock will ask for a divorce from her husband John Bernard at the next term of court. For cause of action she alleges her husband has been guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment ad the frequent use of abusive language.

Elmer L. Nelson vs. John E. Nelson et al is a suit in partition of the estate of Amandus Nelson.

Grand Jurors For 1922

On account of a technicality in the drawing of the grand jurors for the year 1922 Judge Fry ordered the board of supervisors to make up a new list for both grand and petit jurors.

The following named gentlemen were chosen as grand jurors ad will report for duty on Monday, April 10th:

E. Bock, Belmond.
John Beyers, Dows.
A. W. Moseley, Goldfield.
D. McBride, Lake.
H. J. Whitten, Rowan.
John Meyer, Wall Lake.
C. M. McDonald, Clarion.
Cryder Wicks, Norway.
Albert Schroeder, Galt.
J. H. Flurer, Grant.
John Knudson, Eagle Grove.
J. H. Mechem, Lincoln.

Jurors For April Term

The petit jurors for the April term will report on the second Monday of the term, April 17, at 1;30 p. m. Those from the vicinity of Belmond are:

Belmond township—Lee Shanan, T. J. Copeland.

Belmond—Ida Courtney, Ray Klemme, T. Goeman, Mary Johnson, M. C. Madsen, Ella Clausen, Chas. Chapman.

Rowan—A. H. Emerson, Chas. Rowen, Mrs. J. E. Thomas.

Pleasant—Knut Berven.

The Larson Auto Co. of Eagle Grove has commenced suit against Ole Millang to collect $2057.10 on his four promissory notes.

Another suit growing out of a land sale is that of C. E. Hill vs. Otto Bjelland, who asks judgment on an unpaid note for the sum of $6533.

Esther Yearous Walster asks the foreclosure of a certain mortgage given by Abraham Comstock et al on his Eagle Grove property in the sum of $650.

Engineer Hilton and the entire membership of the board of supervisors will attend a state meeting of engineers and supervisors held at Ames on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

Miss Blanche Bock goes to Des Moines Wednesday to attend a committee meeting called by State Superintendent McClenahan. Miss Bock and two other county superintendents comprise the committee.

Robert Healy of Fort Dodge, well known to the Wright county bar, settled his $15,000 damage suit last

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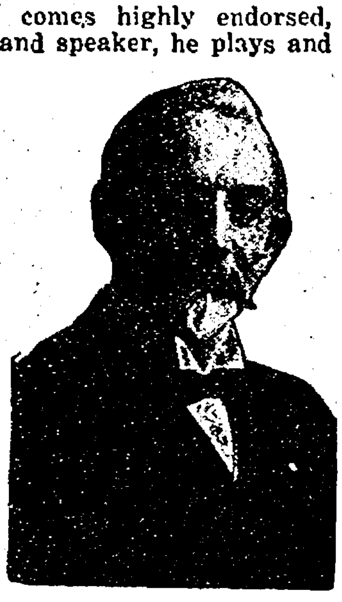
EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

Evangelist J. C. Ludgate of Wheaton, Illinois will begin a series of Evangelistic meetings in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning at 11 a. m.

He comes highly endorsed, as a man and speaker, he plays and sings, making the musical part of his services unique.



Services each evening of the week except Saturday.

All the people of Belmond are invited to attend these services.

TRADING AT HOME

Iowa Falls Citizen: Along through the course of the years the writer has occasionally written an article on trading at home. Conditions do not materially change and an article written twenty years ago applies fairly well to this day and time. The arguments are about the same and the results of a discussion about the same. People will go on doing as they please.

Of course we all feel that it is best to trade at home or any way we talk that way in public. The people at home pay the taxes, build the school houses, support the churches, make the public improvements, build the roads, bury the dead, sing at the funerals, preach the sermons, etc., etc. A man can easily write a column of good argument along this line, still people trade away from home. The reason is always the same. They think they are getting something better or cheaper.

In the course of years it is interesting to sit in the printing office and listen to the various arguments of all classes of people. A business man comes in. He is ugly at the catalog houses and is provoked at the farmer for sending to Chicago. Sometimes he touches on most of the arguments in favor of trading at home and sometimes he just gets a hold on the tail of the animal.

However, the business man is not the only complainant. In comes a farmer. He is ugly. Some business man has sent away for potatoes and the farmer has potatoes to sell. The business man, like the farmer thought he could buy cheaper or better in Minnesota, so he does it.

Now here comes an interloper. He has been in Des Moines and is rolling a choice morsel under his tongue. He has seen, actually seen, a bunch of women coming home with bundles bought in the city, costing no doubt, hundreds of dollars. They are, so he says, the wives of the main advocates of trading at home. The argument is all the same, something better or cheaper.

A printer from a neighboring town comes in. He is disgusted. Enough printing is being set out of town to keep five or six families. He says that the banks arethe worst offenders in his town and that they buy only such printing at home as they cannot buy elsewhere, Poor idiotic printer! He as been keeping his surplus millions at one bank for two decades, more or less, and still he is limited to a few crumbs, perhaps names on checks. The excuse is always the same. They think that they are buying something cheaper or better.

To make matters more amusing, in comes a firm from a neighboring town and want to buy a hundred dollars worth of advertising space. The printer looks at the $100, steps to this side then to that side, smells of it, touches it, bows low, and arises saying no, I must protect the banker and the home merchant. Selah.

FARMERS' ELEVATOR HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING SAT.

The farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company held its annual meeting last week Saturday, March 18th. Three directors were elected: Marvin Christie, C. P. Luick and John Blank. The C. P. Luick, and John Blank. The annual report of the elevator showed that the year 1921 had not been a profitable one, and several thousand dollars was chalked up as loss. The company bought during the year a total of 343,703 bushels of grain which was valued at $97,518. This was the business of the elevator in Belmond, and the one at Palsville, which is owned by the same firm.

Indications Point To A Record Vote

Stiff Battle In Prospect Next Monday—Feminine Vote Will Decide

ALL WOMEN CAN VOTE

Next Monday, March 27th, is the Big Day in the municipal politics, when a mayor and five councilmen, a treasurer and an assessor are chosen.

"There'll be a hot time in the old town" that day, judging from present indications. Not in several years has there been the determined feeling in evidence this year. The Citizens' Ticket and the People's Ticket go forth to the battle next Monday determined to carry home the bacon. The two tickets are well lined up, and the voters may be assured of a real hop-to-it scrap.

L. O. Skovlin vs R. C. Morse for Mayor appears to be the objective, with the councilmen following close behind. Both tickets carry a strong line-up; both are being bitterly pushed; and the day of the battle will witness the heaviest bombardment of ballots that Belmond has ever beheld, or there's nothing in signs.

The People's Ticket contains L. O. Skovlin for Mayor, and as councilmen Ole Thompson, John Greenlander, Cato C. Griesy, Chas. Sampson, Dr. H. L. Gowdy.

The Citizens' Ticket contains R. C. Morse for Mayor, and the councilmen M. D. Sullivan, Dr. A. W. Russel, John Dorenkamp, C. J. Papousek, Lud Simerson.

Women can vote March 27th for any of the candidates. The prospects are for scratched ballots almost entirely; the heaviest vote ever cast; and some time. As the ladies vote, so will the election go seems to be the universal opinion. At any rate, their vote will certainly have a large bearing on the outcome. The polls will be open from 8 a. m. until 7 p. m., at the city hall.

There is no contest on treasurer and assessor; C. M. Morse for the former, and O. Young for the latter office, have the support of all.

COMMUNITY WELFARE CLUB

The regular meeting of the community Welfare Culb will be held in the High school auditorium, Friday afternoon March 31, at the regular hour, 2:30.

Mrs. M. N. Volding from Woodward Iowa will give a talk and demonstration on "Better Shoes and Better Health.".

Mrs. Volding is very highly recomended. Mrs. A. E. Martin heard this talk given by Mrs. Volding at the State Fair last fall and said it was fine.

Mrs. Volding is also chairman of one of the committees of the State Federation of Womens Clubs, chairman of the Child Health committee. Her husband is in charge of the Epileptic Hospital at Woodward.

The Principal of the local school is co-operating with the club in arranging this program and the people of Belmond are fortunate in being able to get Mrs. Volding to come here and talk. Everyone should plan to hear her.

Don't forget the time and place of this meeting—School Auditorium, 2:30 p. m., March 31.

WELL, HOW ABOUT THE BAND?

Are any arrangements being made towards securing a band for Belmond this summer? If there are, we have not heard of them. Belmond cannot afford to be without a band this summer; it is just the question of whether we want people to come here or go somewhere else. It woud seem that it was time some definite action was being taken if we are to have concerts this summer. Why make Belmond dead? Let's look alive and get something started before it is too late.

At the election next Monday, this question will be submitted to the voters:

"Shall a tax not exceeding two (2) mills be levied each year for the purpose of furnishing a band fund?"

This was authorized by the city council at their meeting February 6th. While, if this is voted, it will help some, yet the amount will not be sufficient. The business men will make up the difference. We understand, however, that this cannot take effect until next year. This year the business men will put up $1,000. The money is waiting; who'll see about the band?

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

Business Directory

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Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I am a candidate for the office of Mayor at the spring election.

R. C. Morse.

Announcement For Mayor.

I hereby announce myself as a cadidate for Mayor of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, subject to the will of the voters at the general election to be held March 27, 1922.

L. O. SKOVLIN

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ARE THE WOMEN SLACKERS?

After the years and years of agitation for their rights; after the long, hard struggle for suffrage, are the women going to use their privilege of voting now that they have it? Are they going to "take the trouble" to go to the polls and cast their vote for the candidate they think should be chosen, or are they going to consider that it is "too much bother," and "let George do it"?

Voting, whether the voter be masculine or femine, is a privilege and a duty—the one as much as the other. If we had our way, we would make voting compulsory upon every citizen 21 years of age, and excusable only only on conditions similar to those of jury duty. The ladies, now that they have the right, are in duty bound to their government—national, state and city— to excerise it. "Too much bother" has put many a man into office who should not have been there, and kept many a man from the office who would have been elected had the voters turned out as they should.

If you don't vote, don't crab after it's over; you have no right to holler if you didn't do your share. If the "other fellow" is elected, and you failed to cast your vote, you have nothing to say whatever; you failed to do your duty, take your medicine. No one has a right to criticise who stayed at home because there was a party, or bread to bake, or it was too much trouble to dress up, and the hundred and one other trivial, insignificant excuses usually put forward. The women of the country now hold equal position with the men; they are as much to be credited if things "go right," and as much to blame if they "go wrong," as the men; neither can lay it on the other. Women the country over hold the balance of power today in every election; as they excerise their privilege and fulfill their duty, so will the returns be. If they cast their votes and express their opinion, they will decide the questions; if they stay at home, they will have to take the outcome and keep quiet about it. One vote is as good as another, one way or the other, and should be cast. "One vote won't make any difference" is as silly an excuse as can be found; if everybody felt that way no-one would vote but the candidates. It takes votes to secure public choice; your's is a part of the whole. Do you want to have something to say about it, or don't you care? If you do, cast your vote at every election; in other words, do your duty as an American citizen. You wanted the vote; you've got it; what are you going to do with it?

A POEM FROM KANSAS

A Kansan with nothing else to do wrote this:

Legs to the right of us,
Legs to the left of us,
Legs to the front of us
How thy display them!
On they go, tippingly,
Dainty and skippingly,
Frost that bites nippingly
Does not dismay them.

Straight legs and bandy ones.
Bum legs and dandy ones,
Awkward ad handy ones
Flirt with the breezes!
Round legs and flatter ones,
Thin legs and fatter ones,
Especially the latter ones
Showing their kneeses!

Knock kneed and bony ones,
Silk-covered tony ones,
Second to none.
Straight and distorted ones,
Mates and ill sorted ones,
Home and imported ones,
Ain't we got fun!

—Wright County News.

Why They Wear Out

Every battery has two kinds of wear—the natural slow wear due to use, and the more rapid wear that comes from abuse.

Keep the proper amount of water in your battery by putting in a little every two weeks. Test with the hydrometer to make sure there's enough charge. Come in to Battery Headquarters at the first faint sign of trouble.

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Belmond, Iowa

The Bank for Everybody!

Nine Reasons Why You Should Vote the People's Ticket March 27th

1---For a business like administration. A city's business should be conducted as efficiently and economically as your own.

2---The People's Ticket is headed by a man with the business training necessary to such an administration.

3---The Council on the People's Ticket is composed of representative business and professional men.

4---The men on this Ticket are men of conviction and ability and will protect your city's interests.

5---For progressive economy. We promise to maintain those things which are necessary without undue expenditure of the city's funds.

6---For Law and Order.

7---For a clean town with wholesome and properly regulated amusements.

8---Because we solicit the support of the people who are proud to call Belmond their home.

9---Because we make no rash promises, but we pledge ourselves to exert our every effort to give Belmond a clean and efficient administration.

People's Ticket

For Mayor
☒ L. O. SKOVLIN

For Councilmen
☒ OLE THOMPSON
☒ JOHN GREENLANDER
☒ CATO C. GRIESY
☒ DR. H. L. GOWDY
☒ CHAS. SAMPSON

For Treasurer
☒ ____________

For Assessor
☒ ____________

Be Sure to Vote the People's Ticket!

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Grant Social at Reed Home

The E. G. Reed home, one mile east of Cornelia, was the scene of a lively community social on Tuesday evening, March 16th, when the Grant Township Farm Bureau held its regular monthly social.

About 150 farmers of the township packed themselves into the Reed home to enjoy the interesting program which was given entirely by talent from within the bounds of the township. Grant is one of the townships in this county which insists upon having its regular monthly social affair and the spirit of cooperation which prevailed throughout this meeting is evidence of the fact that these people are able to work together as well as play together.

The evening program consisted of several dialogues, a number of readings and a few musical selections. The program committee had hoped to secure an outside speaker for this occasion but being unsuccessful in this plan the county agent was called upon for a short address. Following the program sandwiches and hot coffee were served and before the happy crowd disbanded everyone had forgotten the troubles of the day and had entered into the spirit of the occasion.

To Organize Poultry Club

The officers of the Wright County Farm Bureau have decided to organize a county-wide poultry club to be carried on in connection with the poultry division of the extension department at Ames. All boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 20 inclusive are eligible to membership in this poultry club.

The plan of the poultry club stated breifly is as follows: Each boy or girl will be expected to purchase fifteen eggs from some reliable poultry breeder of purebred poultry. The club member will be expected to care for chicks until four months of age after which the birds must be exhibited at some poultry show of county fair. Poultry breeders will be asked to furnish eggs at half price to the boys and girls. In case the boy or girl has poor luck with the first hatching the breeder will be asked to furnish a second setting free of charge. It is thought that breeders will be willing to do this in order to create more interest in poultry production and above all to assist the younger set to get a start in the purebred breeds of poultry.

Any boy or girl between the ages of 10 and 20 inclusive, who is interested in becoming a member of this poultry club is urged to write to or call at the office of the county agent and get further information regarding the details of membership in this club.

Iowa Feeder's Day

Come Wednesday, April 12, to the Iowa cattle feeders' day Ames, Iowa, new agricultural building, 9:30 a. m. sharp.

Cattle feeders everywhere have found much of practical dollars and cents interest in the experimentally fed cattle at the Iowa station in previous years—this year is no exception.

The two-year-old steers on feed are demonstrating the place of alfalfa, clover, mixed and timothy hays, corn silage, and limited grain in the rations.

The live question of how to best feed, and the puzzling question of "What Roughage and Other Feeds to Use" will be thoroughly gone into; and real cattle in the Ames feed lots, ready for market and fed in different ways so as to gain data on "today" problems, will, in combination with their feed and cost record, tell you a live, clearcut, and authoritative story.

Bring your practical questions in. We will all discuss them together. We will have a regular question box and answers.

Expect cattle men, buyers and sellers from the yards, will place actual valuations on the cattle, give talks and answers feeders' questions. The packers will be represented. Markets and marketing will be discussed.

Limited grain rations, value of corn silage, value of corn fodder, and other roughage considerations, salting and other essentials will be covered, and it should be a gala day for everyone present. This will be a day of exchange ideas and to build for a more profitable future.

Come with your neighbors to Iowa cattle feeders' day, on Wednesday, April 12. The animal husbandry section of the Iowa station Ames bids you welcome—Ames is at your service. Come let's all enjoy a practical livestock feeders' day together.

As Others See the County Agent

Country Gentleman: This week closes the tenth year of county agent work in the northern and western states. It has been a decade of wonderful accomplishment. The full scope and value of the forces set in motion by the county agent cannot be gauged now; that is a task for history. But in the wide application of better methods of production and distribution, the realization by farmers of the inportance and the needs of their industry, we can now see and credit the hand of the county agent.

The stimulus the county agent has given to farm cooperation would justify all the expense and labor involved in county agent work. Business done by cooperative organizations which county agents helped to create in the northern ad western states grew from $3,764,783 to $375,714,660 from 1915 to 1920. And it is estimated these cooperative organizations save the farmers more than $20,000,000 a year.

But better even than the direct saving has been the sense of self-help this cooperative work has engendered in the farmer himself to solve many of his problems. Moreover, he has caused farmers to see that they, as well as other business men, can afford to hire a skilled man to do for them the things they haven't the time or training to do themselves.

We might go on for many columns telling of the beneficial work of the county agent. It can be found in increased soil fertility, seed improvement, better farm management, elimination of scrub sires, boys' and girls' clubs and community betterment.

The county agent has measured up to the task to which he was assigned, that of helping establish a profitable, economically sound agriculture and a satisfactory home and community life. He has been one of the most useful Americans in the decade just closed."

The Farm Bureau in Washington

The proposal to reorganize the administrative departments of the government at Washington is causing a deal of controversy between the departments involved. The changes causing most criticism are the proposed transfer of the forestry service from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Interior and the bureau of markets from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Commerce.

Secretary of interior, Albert B. Fall, has just announced a new plan for the development of Alaska which involves the forestry service. The secretary would have congress set aside a revolving fund to be used by him in buying saw mills, paper factories, smelters, and railroads in Alaska. These enterprises would be operated by the government until they became self-supporting, at which time they would be sold to private corporations. He would also have the government sink experimental oil wells and prospect for mineral deposits.

It is certain that transfers of any of the bureaus of the Department of Agriculture to other departments will meet with the opposition of the American Farm Bureau Federation and many other farm organizations as already recorded in their resolutions.

ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS IS SLOGAN

Recorder: The announcement made last week by the newspapers of Hampton that T. J. B. Robinson of Franklin county would enter the race as a republican candidate for nomination at the primary election to succeed Burton E. Sweet as representative in congress from the Third district, not only received practically a unanimous indorsement from the voters of this county but seems to have voiced the sentiment of leading citizens from other counties of the district. Mr. Robinson is the recipient of hundreds of letters offering him loyal support, which is indeed gratifying for it shows that he is universally recognized as a man possessing ability to fill the post admirably. It can truly be said that his candidacy is growing daily and so far not a discouraging feature has arisen. A few words regarding Franklin county's candidate for congressman will prove of especial interest to our readers.

T. J. B. Robinson was reared in Hampton and has practically spent his entire life here. For many years he has been closely indentified with the business and civic interests of Hampton and Franklin county and is known as a leader always in affairs that tend toward the betterment of the community. He is high minded, clean as a hound's tooth, a christian gentleman and splendid citizen. He is distinctively a self-made man and while his business views are conservative and safe, he possesses in a marked degree deep earnestness and great energy. While he takes a decided stand always in matters pertaining to the public welfare, he never loses his head when discussing them, and is so affable and genial in temperament and habits that he holds the respect of he people who disagree with him.

In politics Mr. Robinson is a dyed-in-the-wool republican and has worked incessantly for the success of the party and never asked for or held a political office, excepting that of state senator for the 43rd district, and while filling the place made an enviable record. He never failed to work and vote for measures that would contribute to the success of the Iowa farmer. He advocates woman suffrage when that issue was far from being popular with politicians. His record in the state senate is an open book which he points to with pardonable pride.

Mr. Robinson had two sons in the world war, both serving overseas. He was chairman of the Liberty Loan committee in Franklin county and chairman of the Red Cross. It is needless to add that his sympathies are with the ex-service men and that he is strongly in favor of the soldier bonus bill. He says that Congressman Haugen expressed his thought recently when asked how he stood on the matter replied: "I believe the quicker the soldier bonus is passed the better. If Canada can raise $85,000,000 as a starter for the relief of her boys, Uncle Sam ought to be able to do at least as well, and if the government can pay other war claims aggregating enormous sums, some of which were merely moral obligations, it can and should pay the bonus."

The Recorder is for Mr. Robinson for congressman for several reasons: He is congressional size and in the primo of life; a clear thinker and ready debater; right on every issue confronting the farmer so far as relief measures go; a true friend of the laboring man which he proved conclusively when in the state senate fighting for the passage of the employer's liability insurance law. He is strong and capable and if chosen to represent this district in congress will give an account of stewardship that will reflect high credit to himself and the people. He will make a worthy successor to Burton E. Sweet, our present congressman who has shied his hat into the senatorial ring.

Get behind Franklin county's congressional candidate. The going is good. Hop into the Robinson band wagon.

MUNICIPAL BAND TAX MEANS BUT LITTLE

News: Last week, George Richards, secretary of the Clarion Municipal band, circulated a petition asking for an election on the proposition to authorize a levy of not to exceed two mills, for the support of the band, and he secured practically every signature asked. No one seemed to oppose it. The petition will be filed with the city council and a ballot will be prepared to give the voters an opportunity to decide whether or not Clarion is willing to give this measure of support to the band.

Means Little to Individual

The authorization of the two mill levy for the band will mean but a little to the average taxpayer. On the average home in the city it will be in he neighborhood of fifty or sixty cents. The business man will pay his proportionate share of the levy also, and the railroad companies will pay more than any individual.

City Support is Not Unreasonable

Support of the band by the entire city is not unreasonable. It is a cummunity enterprise, and the entire community benefits. Heretofore, the business men have borne practically the entire load which a band necessitates. The band was financed last year by individual pledges of $5 to $25 a year by the business and professional men. Under the levy, the financial support would be divided. The News does not believe that many of the taxpayers will begudge the fifty cents to the support of the band. On some of the smaller homes the cost would be less. The average man who pays on personal property only would not know the difference.

The band is a worthy institution, and now that the people have a chance to endorse its work, they should be glad to do so.

COAT CAUGHT IN GEAR —STRIPPED FROM BACK

Humboldt Republican: Ben Stoebe had a narrow escape last week. He was standing near a corn sheller, and the wind caught the tail of his blouse ad threw it against the gear of the corn sheller. The gear promptly gathered in the coat, and Mr. Stoebe braced himself and kept free from the whirling wheels as they chewed up his coat. One side of the coat was entirely torn away, and one sleeve was taken.

It was a narrow escape, and lucky that he escaped without injury.

THIS IS THE RECORD

We are going to like the Congressional Record. For twenty or thirty years it has been coming to our exchange table and getting dumped off into the waste basket by the office boy before we could get our hands on it, and so we never knew what a fine paper it was until the other day we found some nice obituary poetry in it that made the tears come to our eyes. And today we rescued from the grimy hands of the office boy a copy that he was just ready to fire into the basket, and turning over the pages we came to the great oratorical effusion of Senator Heflin, who said, dramatically:

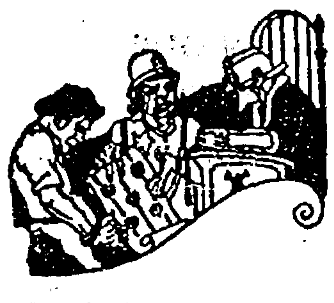
"There stood the kaiser on the battle plains of France, with folded arms, gazing into the distance thru his field glasses."

Wouldn't it be just lovely to see the kaiser looking through field glasses that were strapped to his head so he could strike an attitude with his arms folded? But perhaps it was Senator Heflin who said of the Goddess of Liberty:

"There she stands in all her majestic glory, one foot on the Atlantic, one on the Pacific, and one on the Gulf of Mexico."

Yes, we are going to like the Congressional Record, and it doesn't cost anything. Uncle Sam is the publisher ad he sends it out free of charge.—Hampton Chronicle.

GET YOUR FINE JOB PRINTIN AT THE INDEPENDENT OFFICE



Schinkel Goes To Jail

THE first martyr in the wall paper industry was one Herman Schinkel, a Dutch printer, who was brought to trial in 1568 for "printing roses and stripes on the back of ballad paper." It was considered sacrilegious! Today wall paper is accepted by everyone as the cheapest, cleanest, and most durable of all wall coverings. Come to our store today and let us show you the great progress that has been made in wall paper manufacture since poor Schinkel's trial.

Schultz Drug Co.

Griesy's Store News

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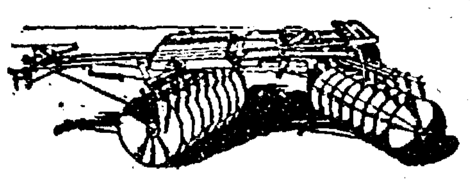
The Hoosier end gate seeder is practically double throughout. There are two large size fluted force feed rolls, two cut-offs, two distributing wheels, two seed tubs, double gears, etc. The path of distribution is from 36 to 40 feet in width for oats, 42 to 52 feet for wheat, 20 to 26 feet for flax, 24 to 28 feet for clover, and 20 to 24 feet for timothy.

Always criticise a mule to his face.

Considering the size of your farm, the power at your disposal, and your crop rotation methods, what size of disk harrow should you buy? And should it be a large single disk or a smaller double disk? We can be a wonderful help to you in answering such important questions. We know of other farms where conditions are similar to yours and how those farmers are meeting the problem. Why not get our suggestions? It will not obligate you in any way, for that is a part of the indispensable service we render to our customers.



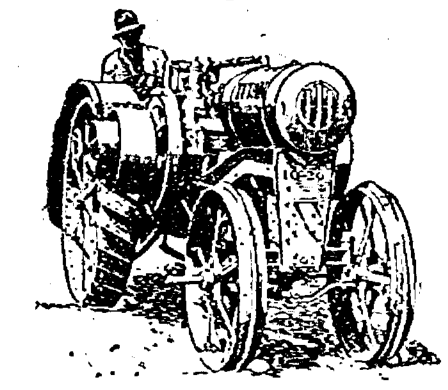
The girl who goes to the big city to get a job on her looks soon finds out what her mother has known for a long time—that peaches are about the first to be canned.

HAVE A FERTILE SOIL

It's the fertile acres that pay best, because they produce more bushels at less cost per bushel. On your farm it costs about as much to grow a half crop as to grow a big one. Why not have a fertile soil and get a bigger income? It's mainly a matter of lime, manure and clover. The clovers you can grow but manure and lime must be spread. Hand spreading is slow, tedious and inefficient. International manure spreaders and Hoosier lime sowers do the job cheaper, quicker, and many times better.

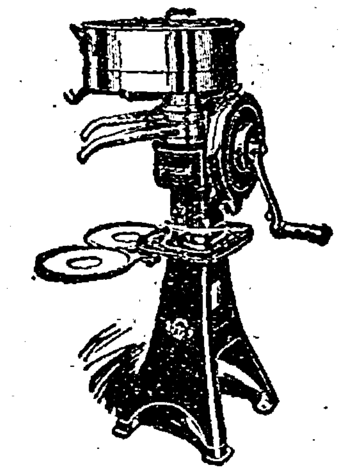
The world is blessed most by people who do things, and not by those who merely talk about them.

With the world's standard 3-plow tractor now selling at the lowest Price ever quoted, and a P & O 3-bottom plow free, the economy and profits of Titan power are within the reach of every farmer. The Titan 10-20 at the new price of $700 f. o. b. Chicago, is the greatest tractor value on the market today—bar none. Neither horses nor any other tractor can equal it. Remember, the Titan 10-20 is a THREE-PLOW tractor, and just as much at home on the belt as it is on the draw-bar. It comes to you COMPLETELY EQUIPPED.



It has truly been said that a mule makes no progress when he is kicking. Neither does a man. Be a booster.

If there is electric power available at your home, why not use a motor driven Primrose cream separator? When you are ready to skim, all you have to do is to turn the switch and let the motor do the work.



It gives a smooth even speed from the beginning to the end of the run. The attachment of the electric motor does not interfere with the operation of the separator by hand if you prefer. The motor can be applied to Primrose separators already in use.

Chief Rain-in-the-Face

Chief Rain-in-the-Face consiered himself a progressive Indian, so when a settler told him that feathers were comfortable to sleep on he decided to give the idea an impartial trial.

Procuring a nice shiny crow feather, he put it on the ground and lay down on it for his night's rest.

In the morning the Chief awoke tired ad stiff and very displeased with himself. He arose and said, "White man heap damn liar. Feather no good bed."

If you use advertising in the same way that Chief Rain-in-the-Face used feathers you will get the same proportion of results. A single advertisement in a year is worse than wasted because it leads you to believe that advertising itself is no good. If advertising is to produce good results, it must be taken steadily, presistently and in sufficent quantities to be effective—just like feathers.—Publishers Review.

READ
THE
ADS

Fill Your Cistern

By letting me repair the eave troughs, or placing new ones before the spring rains come. Don't wait until the last minute--we may be too busy then---do it now. Leave orders at Johnson & Wright's store.

W. J. PECH

Res. Phone 229

NOTICE!

I have taken Harold Smith's place on the Standard Oil Co's Tank Wagon and will appreciate your trade. Phone orders to 180.

Yours for Prompt Service

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Supreme in their versatile creation, the new modes in two and three piece Suits, Caps and Beaded Style Frocks, Gowns, Wraps, Capes, Sport Coats, Skirts, Blouses and Sweaters are individual masterpieces of Exclusive Fashions.

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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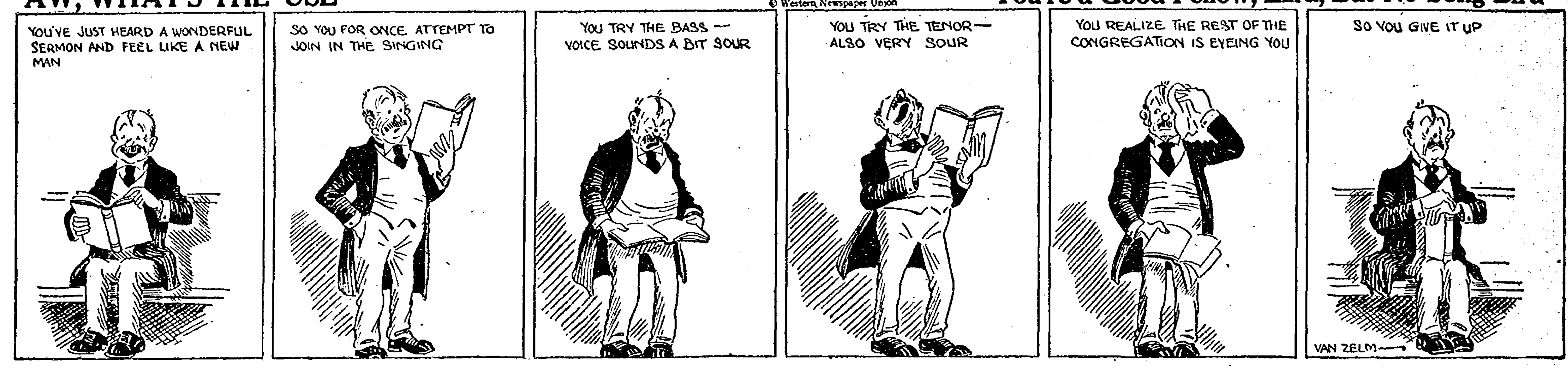
You're a Good Fellow, Ezra, But No Song Bird


YOU'VE JUST HEARD A WONDERFUL SERMON AND FEEL LIKE A NEW MAN
SO YOU FOR ONCE ATTEMPT TO JOIN IN THE SINGING
YOU TRY THE BASS — VOICE SOUNDS A BIT SOUR
YOU TRY THE TENOR — ALSO VERY SOUR
YOU REALIZE THE REST OF THE CONGREGATION IS EYEING YOU
SO YOU GIVE IT UP
VAN ZELM

YOU

wouldn't want your new and expensive home to have

Cloudy

Windows

By the same logic you wouldn't want cheap, poorly arranged printing for your business correspondence, as good printing is the window of your business thru which your outside business associates look you over and judge you.

From us you get only the

Best in

Printing

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Belmond, Iowa
Phone 115

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

THE FARMER SAVINGS BANK

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 10th day of March, 1922.

RESOURCES		
Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities ...		$280,473.49
Overdrafts	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank		None
Banking House	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		47,766.90
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)		None
Total Resources		$337,270.39

LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock	20,000.00	
Surplus fund	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)		5,633.87
Individual deposits subject to check	118,137.84	
Time certificates of deposits	155,312.95	
Savings Deposits	4,185.73	277,636.52
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank		29,000.00
United States bonds borrowed	None	
Total Liabilities		$337,270.39

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, President; Conrad Bier, vice president; and K. Clarence Ruigh, Cashier of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN, President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.
K. CLARENCE RUIGH, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, Conrad Bier and K. Clarence Ruigh this 14th day of March, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.
(Seal)

Attested by Frank Hafermann, Jacob Nissen and Wm. Messelheiser, Directors.

The Dollar You Can't Afford to Lose

Is the dollar to put in this Bank.

We have thousands of such dollars here, and you will be in good company. Absolutely safe; ready for you when needed; and the older it grows the more it will be worth.

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
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MESERVEY, IOWA

A banquet was tendered the school board last Monday evening by W. F. Butz the retiring member. The bill of fare consisted of cakes, ice cream, apples and soft drinks. Evidently Mr. Butz was very appreciative of being relieved and took this method of showing it. It was voted that Mrs. Butz did not need any course in domestic science.

H. K. Pals, the new member, was elected President of the Board to take the place of Harm J. Groen, who has been president for many years. Mr. Groen has taken a deep interest in the school while he held the position, but asked to be relieved.

The new school board has some real problems confronting them for the next year. The matter of fire escapes for the old building had been held back thinking that this amount could be saved for the district in case bonds were voted; there is also talk of renting some other buildings in which some of the scholars can be housed.

Some idea of the housing conditions may be had when one thinks of the amount of space available in the present quarters. 28 years ago a building was built to take care of the town and a small territory adjoining; since that time about 20 sections have been added to the district, and only one small country school building has been provided to house this additional increase in scholars.

The condition is far from being pleasant or satisfactory; it is what the majority wished and this should settle the matter. Since the election it has been rumored that if the plans of the new building had provided for an observatory the bond issue might have carried.

TESSIER INSTALLS RADIO STATION AT HIS STORE

Garner Signal: C. C. Tessier has installed a radiophone station at his electrical supply store. One end of the receiving wires are attached to a pole on top of his building and the other end to a pole on top of the postoffice building. The receiving instruments are in his store. He was unable to get the horn attached at the time and only has sort of telephone receiver. Later he expects to get the horn attachment and then parties can listen to concerts and news reports that are sent out a long distance.

There are broadcasting stations at the Des Moines Resgister building in Des Moines, besides others at Mason City and Iowa City, in this state, and at other large cities at a distance. On clear nights it is expected that it will be possible to catch reports from as far as Pittsburgh. The weather conditions make a big difference in how these reports may be received from.

This apparatus is a wireless telephone. The parts have been difficult to secure because there is such a big demand at this time.

Later Mr. Tessier expects to equip his station more fully and organize a club to enjoy the benefits that may be derived from the station. He has taken the agency for the equipment and it is likely that many others will install like outfits.

School Notes

Friday the 17th the school celebrated St. Patrick's Day. Nearly all the pupils wore green but only two wore orange.

Anna Pals and Mildred Koehler were absent Monday.

Ruth Smith returned to school Monday after several days of absence.

The pictures that were taken of the school the 8th of March came Tuesday. They are fine pictures and only 25 cents apiece.

Mr. H. K. Pals was elected president of the school board at the meeting Monday night. The board made him cut the cake and sit at the head of the table.

The next program of the Philomathean Society will be held on the 31st of March in honor of Iowa Day.

John Pals appears to have developed spring fever. He acts so sleepy that the teacher allowed him to take a nap one day.

Marie Lauen entered the sixth grade last week.

Wilma was absent Friday on account of illness.

The 5th grade have written a class letter to the 5th grade of the consolidated school at Hornick, Iowa.

The county nurse examined the 5th and 6th grade pupils Thursday and Friday. Fourteen of the pupils did not receive cards showing that they were perfect.

Fredona Lemke was absent last week because of illness.

Six of the third and fourth grade children did not receive cards showing that they are perfect.

We are decorating our room in blue and white for Easter.

There was a man who came from a land across the sea
Where people never make a stronger drink than tea.
In Meservey, he was horrified to the fill
When he heard the seniors had a still,
He got in his car on Monday night
And came to town in a terrible fright;
He went to the school board and "By Heck
Stop this moonshining or I'll break your neck."
The board laughed and said "You go to grass
They haven't any still that wouldn't pass."
He went to the chief of police and told
A tale. that made the latter's blood run cold,
How corn whiskey was made in the school every day
(A costly occupation for which taxpayers had to pay.)
How raisins and yeast and corn meal mash,
Wood alchol and all such trash
Were kept in the science room for future use,
He said "It's cruel injustice and horrid abuse."
The marshall got alarmed and said,
"We must interview the Meservey school head."
The interview, alas, too good to say,
Was a victory for the school that day;
For the still, a bottle and a tube of glass,
Was used for distilling water in the class.
Now, dear readers, don't you believe it's best,
When you hear half a story to wait for the rest?

HOW DID YOU DIE?

Did you tackle the trouble that came your way
With a resolute heart and cheerful?
Or hide your face from the light of day
With a craven soul and fearful?
O, a trouble's a ton, or a trouble's an ounce
Or a trouble is what you make it,
And it isn't the fact that you're hurt that counts,
But only how did you take it?

You are beaten to earth? Well, well, what's that?
Come up with a smiling face.
Its nothing against you to fall down flat,
But to lie there—that's disgrace.
The harder you've thrown, why, the higher you bounce;
Be proud of your blackened eye!
It isn't the fact that you're licked that counts;
It's how did you fight—and why?

And though you be done to the death, what then?
If you battled the best you could,
If you played your part in the world of men,
Why, the critic will call it good.
Death comes with a crawl, or comes with a pounce,
And whether he's slow or spry.
It isn't the fact that you're dead that conuts,
But only how did you die?

—Edmund Vance Cooke.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Earl Clark made a business trip to Forest City last week.

On March 15th Ed Kennedy and Ed Hughes assumed charge of the garage, under the new name of The Hughes-Kennedy Auto Co..

Mr. L. G. Avery is in the hospital at Hampton at the present time. Last week he underwent a very serious operation for cancer. It is reported that he is getting along as well as could be expected considering his case.

Saturday Mrs. Hio Harberts was taken suddenly sick with acute appendicitis. She was immediately taken to the hospital at Hampton, where she was operated on Saturday night.

Mrs. Frank Quigley Jr. visited Mrs. Frank Dominey on Wednesday.

Friday the Twin Lake Home Bureau met at the home of Mrs.. Framer Cordes. Mrs. Graeber and Mrs. H. T. Miller were guests at the meeting

Last Friday a number of the farmers of North Avery Township with their families met at the home of W. L Sherwood for a social time and to organize a community club. They elected the following officers: President, Julius Cook; Vice President, W. L. Sherwood; Secretary, Mrs. Clarence Arnold; and Mrs. Sherwood chairman of Entertainment Committee.

Joe Cordes now drives a new tractor which was purchased from L. W. Wesenberg.

Mr.. Farmer Cordes is improving his farm by putting in two carloads of tile.

Mrs. Curtis Luick is under the doctor's care.

Frank Quigley Jr. has so regained his strength that he is able to take up his work on the railroad.

Miss Maude Griggs visited her sister, Mrs. W. L. Sherwood last Friday.

Miss Edith Sandberg entertained a number of her friends last Thursday.

Saturday D. M. Conlan shipped a car load of hogs to Chicago.

L. W. Wesenberg's implement sale on Friday was well attended.

Charles Nelson, of South Dakota is visiting his sister, Mrs. John Ahrenkiel.

Wm. Nelson, of Belmond visited his sister, Mrs. John Ahrenkiel on Tuesday.

Mr. Hio Harberts and family drove to Hampton Monday night to see Mrs. Harberts, who is dangerously ill.

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

AID SOCIETY

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Thursday p. m. at the hour of 1:30 in the church basement The good number of sixteen were present and refreshments were server by Mrs. Lambert Pals.

Mrs. Hartly Blewitt and little son returned to their home at Thornton after spending nearly a week at the J. F. Hartfelder home.

Helping Hand Society.

The Helping Hand Society met Thursday p. m. at the Mrs. C. Bier home. A goodly number were present and the afternoon was spent by by having the business meeting and working. A luncheon was served to which all did full justice and a nice time is reported.

The motor passengens to Mason City Saturday were: Mrs Erwin Bier, Mr. Klenker, Supt. Sifert, T. T. Lieuwen and son, Bert, Ecko Becker, Robert Smith and daughter Orpha, Mrs. E. Thomas and daughters, Lois and Viola.

J. F Hartfelder, Billie Hartfelder and Nels Faaburg autoed to Mason City on business Saturday.

WORK TO WIN

The Work to Win class metTuesday evening at the Evangelical church basement. A large crowd was present. Refreshments were served by Mrs. H. F. Rief and Mrs. Henry Braiter. A nice time is reported.

KING'S DAUGHTERS

Miss Mildred Gealow entertained the "King's Daughters" at the A. J. Nissen home. The evening was spent by having the regular class business meeting and various games played. Dainty refreshments were served and a splendid time is reported

The Rev. Schlesselman S. S. class met at the home of Vern Schulter. A nice crowd was present and all report a very enjoyable time. Refreshments were served.

CEMETERY SOCIETY

The Cemetery Society met Tuesday p. m. at the Harm Groen home. A number of twenty were present. Refreshments were served and the afternoon was spent by having the regular business meeting. A fine time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Langlitz are the happy parents of an 8 pound baby boy, born last Tuesday. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Mrs. A. E. Muller and Mrs. C. E. Brogan attended the regular annual meeting of the O. E. S. Tuesday evening at Thornton.

A. Koenen and son Aklo were at Mason City Wednesday visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital, who is reported not much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiteland and daughter, Arelene spent the day Tuesday at the Henry Koenen home at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kuhlers Sr. and daughter, Alice were at the county seat Thursday on business matters.

Mrs. C. E. Brogan and son, Merle motored to Mason City on Saturday to do some shopping and on business matters.

Harm Dirks and son, George, and Mrs. John Dirk, Mrs. Carl Stadtlander and little son motored to Mason City Thursday to visit, Mrs. Henry Dirks.

Mrs. John Riekens and children of Kanawha spent the week end at the home of her parents, Engle Ruiter and family.

Dan Smith and family of Alexander spent Thursday evening at H. Dirks home.

Herman Kuhlers and George Dirks autoed to Mason City Friday, where they attended to some business matters.

Mrs. Joe Stadtlander was a motor passenger to Mason City Friday, Mrs. Stadtlander is taking treatments.

Postmaster Smith and wife were shoppers at the county seat on Friday.

Our cleaning and pressing is guaranteed to be first class—none better. Pre-war prices. Send in your Easter work now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

State Bank Examiner Maus examined the Farmers Savings Bank last Friday.

In times past these examinations were not near so thoro as they are at the present. Not only must the books be in balance and all documents in place, but a signed borrower's statement is now requested, in which resources and liabilities are shown in full. These statements have been in use by the larger banks for years, and by those banks that have received advances from the War Finance Corporation, as they would not make advances unless the statement was furnished.

When your bank asks for a statement it is not any reflection on your credit but is one of the requirements of the Banking department.

K. C. Ruigh has been steppng high on account of the arrival of a new boy, Sunday morning.

Peter Thompson is loading his tiling machine this week and will move same to a new location in the Southwestern part of Minnesota, where he has a contract for ten miles of work.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Pals were shoppers at Mason City Monday.

Miss Jennie Meinderts spent Sunday visiting her sister at Klemme.

Miss Mildred Koehler was a passenger to Mason City Monday to do shopping.

Al Rooks was at the county seat Tuesday taking his regular treatments.

Word was received here the other day by friends of E. G. Hamilton, of Bruce Wisconsin that Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton are the proud parents of a baby boy. Mr. Hamilton used to be the depot agent here a number of years ago.

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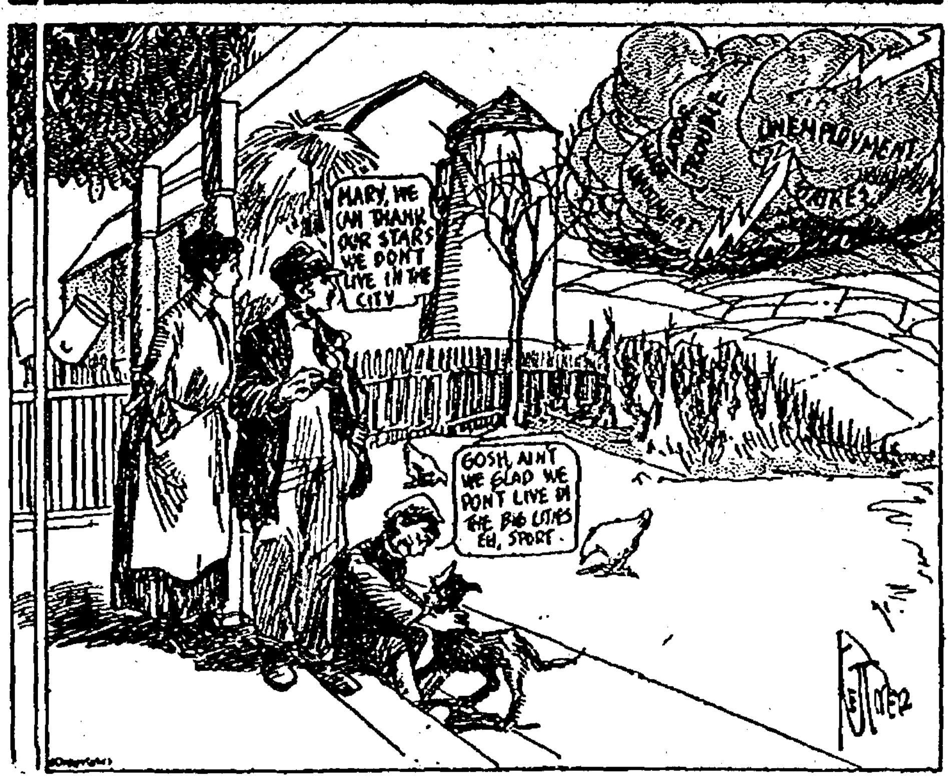
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Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Rev. Faust will be with us Friday evening for Quarterly Conference. Communion services Sunday a. m.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30
Services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15
Services (English) 8:00

Catechism classes at the usual hour on Saturday afternoon.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

Miss Loats spent Sunday visiting her parents at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh are rejoicing over the arrival of a big baby boy born Sunday morning.

The Misses Kate, Anna, and Alma Gruis and Mr. H. Goeman autoed to Aplington on Wednesday of last week to attend the wedding of a relative of the Misses Gruis.

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs 75 cents per setting, 4.50 per 100. Excellent layers—Mrs. Jno. H. Wenzel, Meservey, Iowa.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pals were at Mason City Monday, where they also visited Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital. The many friends of Mrs. Dirks are glad to hear that she is doing fine.

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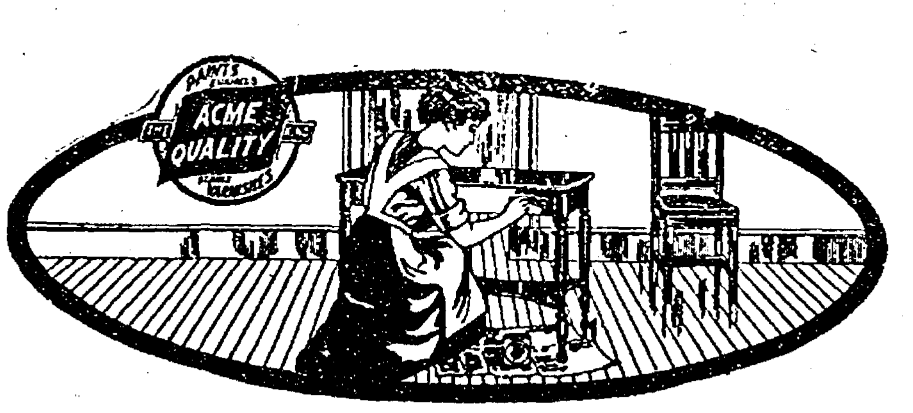

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

John F. Bell was a business caller at Belmond last Tuesday.

John Murphy was a business caller at Latimer Monday.

Mr.and Mrs. G. J. Porter were transacting business at Belmond between trains Saturday.

Miss Ruth Johnson visited with her parents at Latimer Sunday.

Dr. Steele of Belmond was a professional caller in town last week.

Mrs. Leslie Borne returned home from Spirit Lake the first of the week after a visit with her parents at that pace.

Miss Wilma Foughty visited relatives at Belmond on Saturday and Sunday.

Will Seegar of Twin Valley, Minn., vsited at the Albert Larsen home the last of the week.

Mrs. H. O. Kromminga of Abbot came Friday, for a few weeks visit with relatives at Alexander.

Henry Schulte Jr. and Jelto Beenken, visited the Brook Pony Farm west of Belmond one day last week and while there purchased little Henry Beenken a fine little pony.

Miss Gladys Hauge of Belmond visited with her friends the Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson several days the past week.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen was having dental work done at Belmond last Saturday.

Miss Lottie Beenken was a week end guest was of her friend Miss Hannetta Schulte.

Miss Jessie Bernard was a caller at Belmond between trains last Saturday.

Miss Joyce Seegar spent the last of the week visiting her mother at Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Jelto Beenken were called to Lakota last Tuesday to attend the funeral services of Mr. Beenken's nephew.

R. L. Carlock, returned here Friday after spending the past two months at Bloomington, Ill. He expects to remain in this vicinity for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals were shoppers at Belmond Monday.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer visited at the Beenen home several days the past week.

Dave Pierce of Belmond was a caller at Alexander last Monday.

Theodore Beenen was a Hampton caller Tuesday.

School Notes

We expect to order our new Encyclopedias this week. It is the new International, twenty-four volumes. We will also order a new dictionary and an Atlas. Remember the school is paying for these books by giving programs and by using the proceeds from our movies. Moral attend our programs and the movies and save taxes.

Miss Eva Whetstone who has been under the doctor's care during the past two weeks, was able to assume the duties of the principalship last Monday morning.

The class in American constition completes the work this week. This makes the second class this school year, that has been given instruction in the constitution.

By the way the text that cost us a dollar and twenty-fixe cents last fall can now be purchased for fifty-seven cents. We sometimes wonder if the backers of the law requiring the constitution to be taught, were really doing it on account of their patriotism. Why can't the constitution be taught along with high school Civics.

A health program will be put on in the near future. We will announce the date later. A couple of reels will be shown in regard to sanitation, accompanied by a lecture. Health posters will be made by the school children. Also a health program will be given by the school.

Joe Pals who has been taking work in agriculture during the last three months, has discontinued school and has accepted in the Farm Corps Department of the Jesse Latham farm.

Either the writer of this column or the department at Ames made a misake in announcing the movie programs for this week. The movie program for next week March 28th is "The Oliver Plow Film," a story of soils, soil preparation, seed bed preparation, etc. "Going South," southern secnery or historical interest, and a comedy.

Albert Larsen, visited at the Ed. Miles home at Clear Lake on Saturday and Sunday.

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FOR SALE—One of our best tailored to measure suits, new; size 38. Forty per cent discount.—New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, 45c per setting, put in your orders.—Claas Symens, Phone No. 2410.

ALEXANDER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

We are all aware of the fact that it does not take much to keep folks away from church, and especially noticed that last Sunday. However, we are thankful for those who are always in their place, and oh, what a wonderful world this would be if we could say the same of everybody, but that sounds too good to be true. It would be a fine thing if we would sometimes ask ourselves the question "What kind of a community would this be if everybody took as much interest in the church as I do?" How sad would be the picture of a community without a church, and yet some must confess that it would be such, as far as they are concerned. Let us show our loyalty to God and our community by attending church next Sunday.

The Helping Hand Society will meet with Mrs. Forest Gillet next Wednesday, March 29th. A good attendance is desired at this time, as the quarterly business meeting will be held.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Service, 11 a. m.
Junior and Senior C. E., 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.

IOWA FALLS COMPANY IMPROVES AT GARNER

Signal: H. P. Williamson and Ray Ingham of the Iowa Falls Electric Company were in Garner yesterday.

Mr. Ingham is here superintending a lot of work that the company is doing in way of installing new wires. A new line will be run to Concord and an effort made to get the people out that way good service. A number of new transformers will also be installed and anyone who has any grievance against the company because of poor service they are getting is requested to report it.

Mr. Williamson says that the company wishes to try out the new rates and see whether the people are satisfied or not. He took issue with us on what he said last week regarding their new schedule, and especially the minimum charge they have established. The minimum charge now is $1.25, and the old minimum charge was $1.00. He says that figuring the interest on their investment and the taxes their cost per customer is nearly $1.00 per month, and then there is the cost of producing the service, meter reading, etc. Figuring it as he does a customer that does not use at least $1.25 of service a month, is a losing proposition to the company.

Perhaps his way of figuring is correct. We are not an authority on the matter. But we have always contended that the rates charged were excessive according to their franchise and that if there was some other company that could give us better rates, we should make a change. If the Iowa Falls Co. will make the necessary changes to improve the service, it is not likely that there will be the complaint on rates that there has been.

We understand from talking with Mr. Williamson that the company will charge under the new schedule of rates for the next month of two, and then take the matter up through the city council.

THE IDEAL NEWSPAPER

Arthur H. Folwell, in Leslie's Weekly: A newspaper publisher, wishing to please his readers, asked for suggestions.

"How can I make mine the ideal newspaper?" he inquired.

"Cut out the crimes, the murders, the sensational divorce case reports," said the nice people.

"Cut out the accidents, the railway and steamship disasters," said the people who "couldn't bear" to read such things.

"Cut out the politics," said the old-fashioned woman, "I don't understand it, and haven't time for it."

"Cut out the League of nations and all that heavy stuff," yawned the flappers of both sexes." What's it all about anyway?"

"Cut out the so-called funny pictures," said the careful mother, "Such pictures aren't funny, and they're bad, very bad for children."

"Cut out the ponderous editorials," snapped the man who merely scans the headlines. "Nobody reads 'em nowadays."

"Cut out the wonan's page," said the female with the strong mind, "It's mushy, trashy, trivial; an insult to our sex."

"Cut out sports and theatres," said the intellectual. "Both are bad influences, and both have received altogether too much notice."

"Cut out—" began another and still another, but the publisher beat them to it.

"Stop all of you," he cried. "On second thought, I have decided to cut out myself. It is no use trying to publish the ideal newspaper until I come across the ideal reader."

Saying which, he shut up shop and went into the wholesale saxophone business for rest.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE AFTER SOME OFFICIALS

Iowa's first pre-election bomb was sprung today by the Anti-Saloon League.

The sheriffs of twelve counties, two district judges and a number of county attorneys and minor officials are already on the league's blacklist for the coming elections, Superintendent R. N. Holsaple announced.

Te result of the complaints which have reached the office of the Anti-Saloon League this week will be immediate campaigns against the reelection of these officials, and their supplanting by men who are pledged to prohibition enforcement in the full measure of the law. Every official in every county is having his record looked into at the present time and those who have performed their full duties with regard to prohibition will have the League's backing, officials said here.

Holsaple said investigation was revealing comparatively few complaints against officers unsympathetic with prohibition enforcement. The situation as a whole is good, he said, and practically all officials are co-operaing to the fullest in seeing that the law is observed.

The Anti-Saloon League has refused to divulge the names of those officers against whom the power of the organization has been directed. Holsaple promised, however, that the full record of each officer who has failed to preform his duties will be published by the League in his home community shortly before the primaries.

Committees are now at work on this in practically every county in the state, Holsaple said.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

Sioux City Journal: "Why I Am Glad that I Married a Farmer," was the strangest subject discussed by Mrs. C. W. Sewell, an Indiana woman, at the farm and home week gathering recently at the Kansas state agricultural college. Strange? To be sure. Why should any woman be glad that she married a farmer? Mrs. Sewell supplied five reasons, which breifly, are as follow: (1) The farmer seldom is in need or lacks the necessities of life; (2) he and his wife do not often appear in the divorce court; (3) when he goes to town he usually takes the children with him and he has no time, if he has the money to pursue an affinity; (4) his wife is never in doubt as to where he spends his evenings; (5) the farmer and his family generally are the closest of busiess partners.

It is Mrs. Sewell's opinion that the farmer's wife has a wonderful career—a career "worthy of the attainments of the most educated, cultured and refined women of the land." It is quite evident that Mrs. Sewell likes her job. It is gratifying when so much has been said on the other side of the question to hear her reassuring report.

FACTORIES THAT WERE MOVED

Ogden. Utah, February 4, 1922.
Editor of SUGAR:

I believe that the trade will be interested in the following list of beet sugar factories which have been moved from the original locations to the present locations. This list covers the period from 1901 to date. Present location. Scottsbluff, Neb., from former location, Ames, Neb.; Lovell, Wyo., from Monte Visto, Col.; Spanish Fork, Utah, from Nampa, Idaho; Chaska, Minn., from East Tawas, Mich.; Anaheim, Cal., from Lyons, N. Y.; Janesville, Wis., from Dresden, Ont.; Lamar, Col., from Norfolk, Neb.; Sterling, Col., from Saginaw, Mich.; Waverly, Iowa, from Bay City, Mich.; Madison, Wis., from Rochester, Mich.; Blackfoot, Idaho, from Binghampton, N. Y.; Burley, Idaho, from Le Grande, Ore.; Cornish, Utah, from Rymond, Alb.; Fallon, Nevada, from Watsonville, Cal. and Wiarton, Ont.; Sheridan, Wyo., from Holly, Colo.; Kitshener, Ont., from Benton Harbor, Mich.; Toppenish, Wash., from Grand Pass, Ore.; Gunnison, Utah, from Waverly, Wash.; Hooper, Utah, from Visalia, Cal. and part from Rome, N. Y. and St. Louis Park, Minn.; Preston, Idaho, from Corcoran, Cal.; Mitchell, Neb., from Missoula, Mont.; Santa Ana., Cal., from Wiarton, Ont.

SOME PLAIN TALK

Spencer, Iowa, News-Herald

If we were in the merchandising business we would want to be an advertiser, but we would hate to spend our money with an editor who was too lazy or did not have the courage to print a good newsy, fearless, independent paper. This paragraph is prompted by a perusal of some of our exchanges. It is a fact, moreover, that the paper that seems to be just "getting by" are not the ones which carry the biggest amount of advertising either. Those boys who work day and night, and we know nearly every one of them in this section of the state, who get the news of their respective communities, who print a neat, newsy, readable paper, conduct an editorial column, and classify their departments. are the ones who are making things hum, and they are nearly always well patronized in a business way.

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Oscar Walsh
GENERAL MERCHANDISE
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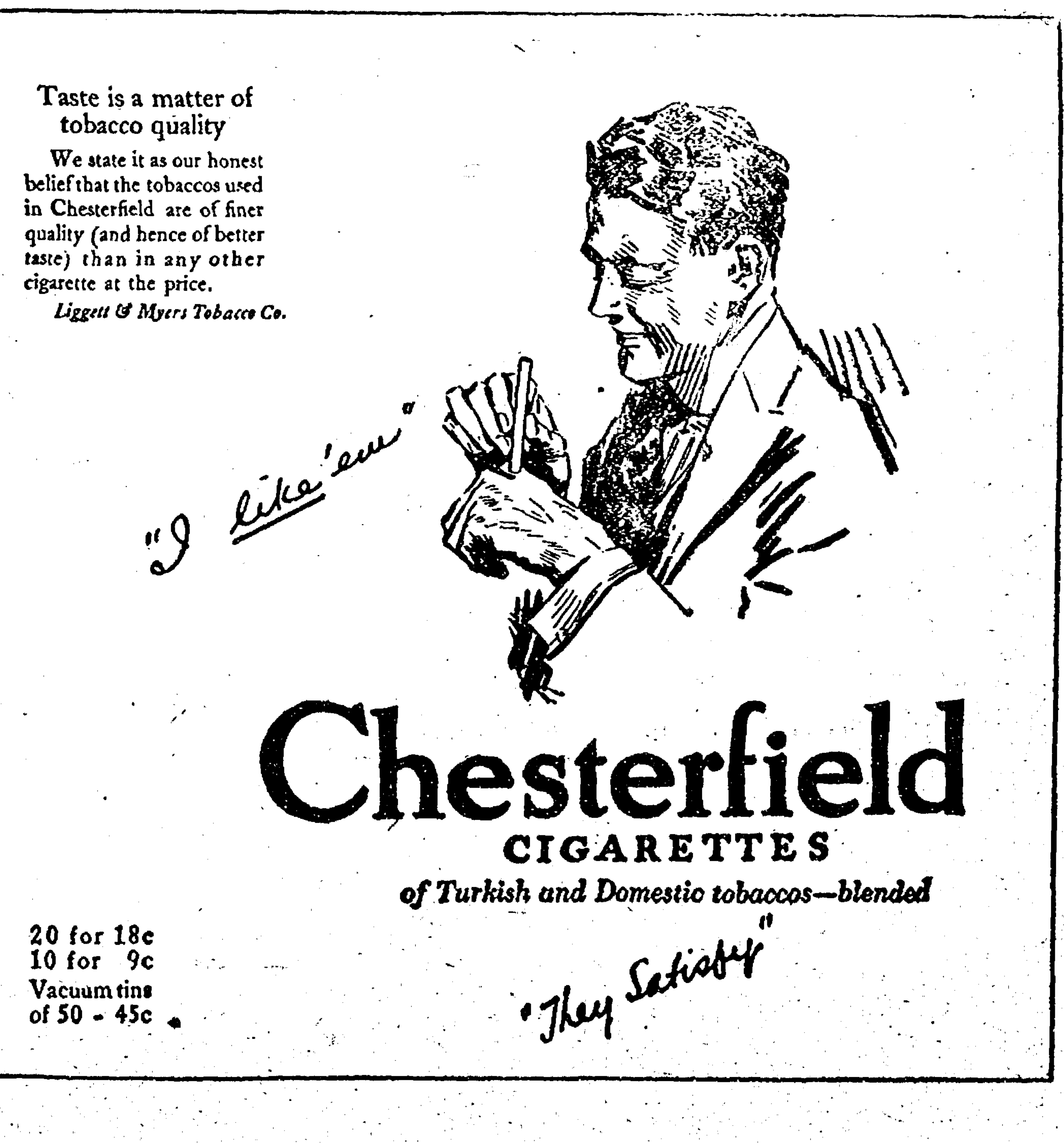

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate," with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Neils Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Neils Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

"Well, I'm Captain Scraggs, and I haven't any job for you. Get off my boat and wait until you're invited before you come aboard again."

For nearly a minute Neils Halvorsen stared open-mouthed at the spurious Captain Scraggs, while slowly there sifted through his brain the notion that he had happened across the track of a deep and bloody mystery of the seas. There was "something rotten in Denmark." Of that Neils Halvorsen was certain. More he could not be certain of until he had paved the way for a complete investigation, and as a preliminary step toward that end he clinched his fist and sprang swiftly toward the bogus skipper.

"Aye tank you bane d—n liar," he muttered, and struck home, straight and true, to the point of the jaw. The man went down, and in an instant Neils was on top of him. Off came the sailor's belt, the hands of the half-stunned man were quickly tied behind him, and before he had time to realize what had happened Neils had cut a length of cord from a trailing halyard and tied his feet securely, after which he gagged him securely with his bandana handkerchief.

A quick circuit of the ship convinced Neils Halvorsen that the remainder of the dastard crew were evidently ashore, so he descended to the cabin in search of further evidence of crime. He was quite prepared to find Captain Scraggs' master's certificate in its familiar oaken frame, hanging on the cabin wall, but he was dumfounded to observe, hanging on the wall in a similar and equally familiar frame, the certificate of Adelbert P. Gibney as first mate of steam or sail, any ocean and any tonnage. But still a third framed certificate hung on the wall, and Neils again scratched his head when he read the wording that set forth the legal qualifications of Bartholomew McGuffey to hold down a job as chief engineer of coastwise vessels up to 1,200 tons net register.

It was patent, even to the dull-witted Swede, that there had been foul play somewhere, and the schooner's log, lying open on the table, seemed to offer the first means at hand for a solution of the mystery. Eagerly Neils turned to the last entry. It was not in Captain Scraggs' handwriting, and contained nothing more interesting than the stereotyped reports of daily observations, currents, weather conditions, etc., including a notation of arrival that day at Honolulu. Slowly Halvorsen turned the leaves backward, until at last he was rewarded by a glimpse of a different handwriting. It was the last entry under that particular handwriting, and read as follows:

> "June 21, 19—. Took an observation at noon, and find that we are in 20—48 S., 178-4 W. At this rate should lift Tuvana-tholo early this afternoon. All hands well and looking forward to the fun at Tuvana. Bent a new flying jib this morning and had the king and Tabu-Tabu holystone the deck. A. P. GIBNEY."

Neils Halvorsen sat down to think, and after several minutes of this unusual exercise it appeared to the Swede that he had stumbled upon a clue to the situation. The last entry in the log kept by Mr. Gibney was under date of June 21st—just eleven days ago, and on that date Mr. Gibney had been looking forward to some fun at Tuvana-tholo. Now where was that island and what kind of a place was it?

Neils searched through the cabin until he came across the book that is the bible of every South sea trading vessel—the British admiralty reports. Down the index went the old deckhand's calloused finger and paused at "Friendly Islands—page 177;" whereupon Neils opened the book at page 177 and after a five-minute search discovered that Tuvana-tholo was a barren, uninhabited island in latitude 21-2 south, longitude 178-49 west.

Ten days from the Friendly islands, the paper said. That meant under power and sail with the trades abaft the beam. It would take nearer fifteen days for the run from Honolulu to that desert island, and Neils Halversen wondered whether the marooned men would still be alive by the time aid could reach them. For by some sixth sailor sense Neils Halvorsen became convinced that his old friends of the vegetable trade were marooned. They had gone ashore for some kind of a frolic, and the crew had stolen the schooner and left them to their fate, believing that the castaways would never be heard from and that dead men tell no tales.

He rushed on deck, carried his prisoner down into the cabin, and locked the door on him. A minute later he was clinging to the Jacob's ladder, the canoe shot in to the side of the vessel at his gruff command and passed on shoreward without missing a stroke of the paddle. An hour later, accompanied by three Kanaka sailors picked up at random along the water front, Neils Halvorsen was pulled out to the Maggie II. Her crew had not returned and the bogus captain was still triced hard and fast in the cabin.

The Swede did not bother to investigate in detail the food and water supply. A hasty round of the schooner convinced him that she had at least a month's supply of food and water. Only one thought surged through his mind, and that was the awful necessity for haste. The anchor came in with a rush, the Kanaka boys chanting a song that sounded to Neils like a funeral dirge, and Neils went below and turned the gasoline engines wide open. The Maggie II swung around and with a long streak of opalescent foam trailing behind her swung down the bay and faded at last in the ghostly moonlight beyond Diamond head; after which Neils Halvorsen, with murder in his eye and a tarred rope's end in his horny fist, went down into the cabin and talked to the man who posed as Captain Scraggs. In the end he got a confession. Fifteen minutes later he emerged, smiling grimly, gave the Kanaka boy at the wheel the course, and turned in to sleep the sleep of the conscience-free and the weary.

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Darkness was creeping over the beach at Tuvana-tholo before Mr. Gibney could smother the despair in his heart sufficient to spur his jaded imagination to working order. For nearly an hour the three castaways had sat on the beach in dumb horror, gazing seaward. They were not alone in this, for a little further up the beach the two Fiji Islanders sat huddled on their haunches, gazing stupidly first at the horizon and then at their white captors. It was the sight of these two worthies that spurred Mr. Gibney's torpid brain to action.

"Didn't you say, Mac, that when we left these two cannibals alone on this island that it would develop into a case of dog eat dog or somethin' of that nature?"

Captain Scraggs sprang to his feet, his face white with a new terror. However, he had endured so much since embarking with Mr. Gibney on a life of wild adventure that his nerves had become rather inured to impending death, and presently his fear gave way to an overmastering rage. He hurled his hat on the sands and jumped on it until it was a mere shapeless rag.

"Let's call a meetin' of the Robinson Crusoe syndicate," said Mr. Gibney.

"Second the motion," rumbled McGuffey.

"Carried," said the commodore. "The first business before the meetin' is the organization of a expedition to chase these two cannibals to the other end of the island. I ain't got the heart to kill 'em, so let's chase 'em away before they get fresh with us."

"Good idea," responded McGuffey, whereupon he picked up a rock and threw it at the king. Mr. Gibney followed with two rocks, Captain Scraggs screamed defiance at the enemy, and the enemy fled in wild disorder, pursued by the syndicate. After a chase of half a mile Mr. Gibney led his cohorts back to the beach.

"Let's build a fire—not that we need it, but just for company—and sleep till mornin'. By that time my imagination'll be in workin' order and I'll scheme a breakfast out of this Godforsaken hole."

At the first hint of dawn Mr. Gibney, true to his promise, was up and scouting for breakfast. He found some gooneys on a rocky crag and killed half a dozen of them with a club. On his way back to camp he discovered a few handfuls of sea salt in a crevice between some rocks, and the syndicate breakfasted an hour later on roast gooney. It was oily and fishy but an excellent substitute for nothing at all, and the syndicate was grateful. The breakfast would have been cheerful, in fact, if Captain Scraggs had not made repeated reference to his excessive thirst. McGuffey lost patience before the meal was over, and cuffed Captain Scraggs, who thereupon subsided with tears in his eyes. This hurt McGuffey. It was like salt in a fresh wound, so he patted the skipper on the back and humbly asked his pardon. Captain Scraggs forgave him and murmured something about death making them all equal.

"The next business before the syndicate," announced Mr. Gibney, "is a search of this island for water."

They searched all forenoon. At intervals they caught glimpses of the two cannibals skulking behind sand-dunes, but they found no water. Toward the center of the island, however, the soil was less barren, and here a grove of coconut palms lifted their tufted crests invitingly.

"We will camp in this grove," said the commodore, "and keep guard over these green coconuts. There must be nearly a hundred of them and I notice a little taro root here and there. As those coconuts are full of milk, that insures us life for a week or two if we go on a short ration. By bathin' several times a day we can keep down our thirst some and perhaps it'll rain."

"What if it does?" snapped Captain Scraggs bitterly. "We ain't got nothin' but our hats to catch it in."

"Well, then, Scraggsy, old stick-in-the mud," replied the commodore quizzically, "it's a cinch you'll go thirsty. Your hat looks like a cullender."

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Rowan Local News

MAYOR OF ROWAN DIES SUNDAY NIGHT

S. A. Ferguson, who has been Mayor of the city of Rowan for the past several years, passed away Sunday night at his home after an illness of less than a week. His death was caused by pneumonia together complications.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes
Sunday March 26th.
11 a. m. Morning worship.
12 a. m. Sunday school.
6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor.
7:30 p. m. Evening worship.

Be sure and attend these services this Sabbath, and also stay for the Sabbath School. The services have been well attended and the Sunday school is growing. We have classes for all ages. "COME"

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Howell last Thursday afternoon and there was a large attendance.

The young ladies study club met at the home of Miss Florence Box last Thursday evening. The interest has been good the last month and there was a good representation of the young ladies at this gathering.

Rev. Nye gave a sermon last Sunday on "Should Our City Fathers Be Ashamed?" This was a very interesting topic, and the thought was given that, an IDEA may come to us through inspiration, but the power of the IDEA comes more particularly from prespiration. The power of a gun rests in its explosion. It may be loaded but its power is felt only after it is brought into action. It is so with IDEAS, they must be put into action. An idea becomes powerful only when it becomes operative. The idea pushes the man in radio to the way the man pushes the IDEA. We can apply this to any walk of life.

Rev. Mohr of Alexander was a caller on Rev. Nye last week Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Nye and Master Wilfred and Mrs. Keith were Hampton callers last Tuesday and made some visit on friends.

The Junior Endeavors, will meet at the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m., and we invite all the children to attend, as we need you.

The Rev. Nye, was at Mason City last Monday, and made some business calls on some of his many friends.

We are in need of some young people for our 6:30 Sunday evening Christain Endeavor, and we are planning on giving the young folks a good time, and we need your help, be sure and be there this Sabbath evening.

Rev. Nye and his son, Harry called at Belmond last Thursday afternoon and called on the dentist and some friends.

We want you to attend our services this Sabbath, and here you get the IDEA, next Sabbath morning and evening determination on your part to carry the idea into application and practice. Your idea will become powerful only when it becomes operative.

"Lets go to the Congregational church next Sabbath—Both morning and evening. Bring your friends. The Rowan church needs you.

Services Will Be Held in the Methodist Church Next Sunday.
Pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson
10:30 Public worship.
11:30 Sunday School.
6:30 Epworth League, Subject, "Buried Talents."
7:30 Evensong.

School Notes

The Seniors gave the Juniors a party Monday night March 13th. It had been planned to give it in the form of a trip around the world. Owing to molesters, of which there were about fifteen, they were unable to carry out the plans. The outsiders cut the electric wires so that the Senior and Juniors would have no lights. This did not bother the latter people for they quickley obtained lamps. In fact all the outsiders got was one dozen bananas.

Marshall Myers was a visitor at school Tuesday.

Geraldine Huey and Erdine Unger, of Dows, were visitors at school Thursday.

Clesson Azeltine a sophomore had a serious accident Thursday noon. The high school boys were playing baseball. One of the boys and Clesson ran together throwing Clesson to the ground. It was very evident that Clesson was badly hurt. Dr. Maker was called and Clesson was taken to the hospital at Belmond. An Xray picture was taken and it was found that he had broken his collar bone and cracked a rib. He is at home now and is reported as feeling better.

Ralph Moellering, Rowan's representative, who was sent from the sub-district contest, left for Osage Friday morning.

The teachers of the Rowan school attended the Teachers meeting at Fort Dodge Friday, returning home Friday night.

Amos Cowley went to Des Moines Monday night to see about purchasing material for his new set of buildings which he expects to erect this summer.

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Monday where she had several teeth extracted.

Kenneth Kieth was a Belmond caller Saturday.

Miss Florence Box was a Fort Dodge shopper Saturday.

Our cleaning and pressing is guaranteed to be first class. None better. Pre-war prices. Send your Easter work in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

The young ladies Missionary Study club met at the home of Miss Florence Box Thursday night, with Miss Thelma Brooks and Mrs. J. F. Howell as assistant hostesses. This was mite box opening night. The money is to be sent for home missions.

Mrs. Esther Andrews was a Clarion business caller Thursday.

Mrs. J. S. Farren visited at the Charlie Lynch home in Lanesboro last Thursday.

Nels Hansen, of Sheffield, was in town Thursday making arrangements to move here in the near future.

Miss Laura McCallum visited in Clarion Friday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Glenn Jennings and family.

S. F. Stout returned from his Chicago trip Friday.

L. W. Stevenson went to Rechester Minn., last week. He expected to have a slight operation Monday.

Donald Farren came from Iowa City, where he is attending school, Saturday, for a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Farren. He expects to return to his work Tuesday.

Marshall Myers is spending a few days with relatives and friends here and will leave about the 1st of April for his work in Des Moines.

J. A. Whitten was at Fort Dodge Tuesday attending a meeting of the Goodyear Tires Dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ferguson, of Blairsburg, have been spending the past week in Rowan helping care for Mr. Ferguson.

Word has been received announcing the arrival of a baby daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Howell in Napoleon, Ohio.

Mrs. Harold Steffens suffered a light stroke of paralysis the first of last week. She is some better.

J. A. Whitten has been on the sick list since last Friday unable to attend to his duties at the Harness shop.

Mrs. W. H. Nye and Mrs. R. H. Kieth were Hampton callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tice Steveler went to Dows Wednesday where Mr. Steveler had some dental work done.

Mrs. Ed. Riley spent Wednesday in Belmond at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fuller Bailey.

She claims the record hatch for early spring. She set a hen on 15 eggs and hatched out 14 chickens which are all doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Spillet, of Thompson, spent a part of the day Thursday with her father, Mr. Charley Ball.

Guy Stumph was a Fort Dodge caller Thursday.

Mrs. Dee Halbrook was a Dows caller Monday.

Mrs. L. E. Young and baby, of Mason City came Wednesday to visit a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wessells. They returned home Saturday.

The Misses Wilda and Elfrieda Whitten were Mason City shoppers Saturday.

Mrs. W. G. Bingham and children went to Thornton Friday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Ellen McCallum.

Angie Baines has been on the sick list the past week and unable to attend to her duties at the telephone office.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

The local camp of the Woodmen put on a free moving picture show on Friday evening, the hall being filled. The lecturer of the evening gave an account of the splendid work that is being done by this fraternal organization.

Dr. Maker has been quite busy during the past week, in town there being much sickness.

Supt. and Mrs. Holiday, Mrs. Agnew, Messrs Kirvink, Drahelm, McCutcheon, Osterhouse, Cowley, attended the North West Iowa Teachers Convention, last Friday, at Fort Dodge. They report an interesting and instructive meeting.

About fifty young people of the Enworth League whiled away a evening on Saint Patrick's day. All kinds of Irish games and competitions were participated in by those present. Refreshments were served at the close.

Col. Cowley and family have moved into town and are gradually getting settled in their home.

A VIOLATION OF 16 HOUR LAW

Two of our promising young men, who wanted to make a little spare change and get some experience in the world of salesmanship, started out one day last week, taking orders for an Eastern Shirt mill.

They took the 7:56 from Rowan and went to Goodell, having such good success selling shirts that they missed the evening passenger train. After waiting around Goodell till 9:30 p. m. looking for a ride to Belmond (which they could not find) they started to "hoof" it. Leaving Goodell on high, they arrived in Belmond about 12:30 p. m. with a good appetite which they satisfied as best they could and started on their final journey for Rowan, (on intermediate) arriving in Rowan about 4 a. m.—sore, hungry and tired and only about 2½ lb of steam left—they were unable to whistle for the crossings.

Both are using foot ease and inside of two weeks will be able to take in more territory—train or no train.

The Womens Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church held their annual mite box opening at the home of Mrs. Hannah Whitten. A special program was given under the leadership of Mrs. Tomknson.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter, LaVonne, started for California Wednesday night. They expect to be gone about six weeks. They will visit at the home of their son LeRoy and wife in Whittier and also at the home of Mrs. Hattie Ballou at Pacific Grove.

Mrs. George Strayhorn is very ill with pneumonia.

Miss Frances Virden, who was in the Steele Hospital at Belmond returned to her home last Tuesday. She is doing very nicely now.

Mrs. Frank Hake, of Belmond spent a few days at the home of her aunt Mrs, Jennie Rowen.

Dale Hiams has been ill with yellow jaundice but is recovering nicely now.

I. N. Howell, of Humboldt, came Monday to make a short visit at the home of his son, J. F. and family.

E. Bingham is on the sick list.

Miss Mabel Azeltine and a friend, Miss Evans, who graduated with Miss Mabel from the hospital at Des Moines, left for Alabama last week where they will work in a hospital. Miss Mabel has the positon of head nurse. We want to congratulate her and also her parents.

Miss Tillie Muhlenbruch, of Latimer, spent the week end with her friend Dorothy Ramsey.

The M. E. Ladies Aid society met with Miss Nora Shaffer last Thursday afternoon. A good crowd attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stout, of Thompson came Tuesday to spend a short time at the home of his brother, S. F. Stout and wife.

Dale Ramsey, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Ramsey has been quite sick the past week.

LAW AFFECTING GARAGE OWNERS

County officials have received word from the officials that the new law governing the conduct of public garages must be complied with in every respect. The law affects public garages and repair shops to the extent that specials records must be kept daily in these places of business to show a complete report on the cars taken in at each garage. The provisions of the state law are designing to make it more difficult for the driver of a stolen car to leave the machine at any public garage without the police knowing the whereabouts of the car.

The garage section of the automobile law reads as follows:

"It is hereby made the duty of each and every person, firm, association, corporation, co-partnership, operating a public garage in this state to keep for public inspection a record of the license number and engine or factory serial number of all motor vehicles taken in or held in charge by said garage for the purpose of selling rental, livery, storage or repair. Said record shall be filled out and signed personally by the owner or driver of the motor vehicle taking such vehicle to the garage, and if signed by other than the owner then the owner's name must be signed first, followed by the name of the driver, and shall contain the name and address of the owner of the motor vehicle, the name and address of the person delivering or taking the motor vehicle to the garage and the license number and the engine number thereof, and record shall be verified by the operator of the garage.

"The alteration or obliteration of said engine number shall be prima-facia evidence of larceney of said motor vehicle, and the proprietor, agents, servants or employes, immediately upon the discovery of such obliteration or alteration shall notify the sheriff and police officers of the proper county and shall hold the said motor vehicle for a period of 24 hours or until inevsigation shall have been made by the sheriff or police officers. Provided, however, such record need be made when a motor vehicle is taken in or held in charge a second time when the owner or driver is personally known to the proprietor of such garage, his agent or employee"—News.

Belmond Local News

NEWSPAPER QUESTIONS

The editor sat in his sanctum,
Regarding with sad, earnest eyes,
The huge pile of questions his readers
Had sent with demands for replies.

"Why, these," said the weary quill driver,
"Would fill up a moderate book,
I'll publish the whole lot together,
And let the people see how they look!"

"Who was it that wrote that sweet ditty
Beginning 'I saw from somewhere"
"Pray, tell me some certain specific
For changing color of hair."

What is the name of the author
of "No, I'll Never Go Home'?"
Did Shakespeare write 'Down in a Coal Mine'?"
"Who was the third Pope of Rome?"

"Do north polar fishes have feathers?"
"Was Wat Tyler quartered or hung?"
"Where was the first man cremated?"
"Who was it invented the bung?"

"Do buffalo eat sauerkraut?"
"Where can I get some snail's horns?"
"Which of the muses is the oldest?"
"Did Bonaparte ever have corns?"

"What was the air Nero fiddled?"
"Do apple trees ever yield pearls?"
"How many boils did poor Job have?"
"What will cure squinting in girls?"

"Why are some people redheaded?"
"Why don't my young man propose?"
"What is the matter with Hannah?"
Why don't I turn out my toes?"

"Tell me where Moses was buried"
"Did Noah take fleas in the Ark?"
"What was Eves middle initial?"
"Why is it that hens do not bark?"

"I like," said the editor, smiling,
I like these good people who seek
For knowledge, and I like to give it—
I'll answer their questions next week."

—Anonymous.

Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans returned the first of the week from Garner, where she has been the past few days visiting with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Pritchard, of Garner, was in town on Tuesday of this week, in attendance at the funeral of her uncle, E. P. Finch.

The Progress Club held a very pleasant meeting last week Tuesday at the home of Mrs. E. W. Luick on East Main Street.. Each member of the club brought a guest with her to the meeting. Being Saint Patrick's week, the house was appropriately and prettily decorated in green and white. Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen favored the members with an excellent book review on the "Light in the Clearing." by Irving Bacheller.

Mrs. T. B. Wallace moved last week Thursday into the house she recently purchased, east of the C. A. Church residence.

Mrs. F. P. Dibble was under the weather the first of the week, suffering from a severe attack of the tonsilitis, but is reported much better at this writing.

We heard yesterday that a Russian over near the county seat, who was engaged in the manufacture of his own private hooch, made a mistake the other day and drank some of his own stuff. He should be in line for a gold medal for life saving, because by his act he saved someone else. He died, let us say, saving others. Maybe, of course this is an untrue report; it sounds sort of fishy in the fact that he would drink his own suff. We'll ask Bro. King.

E. F. Bailey moved this week to the H. J. Klemme residence.

Mrs. W. O. Butterfield returned from her visit to Mason City Thursday.

The Belmond Cemetery Aid Society will hold a food and Easter Gift Sale on April 15th. The Cemetery Aid society is a new organization, recently formed, with officers as follows: President, Mrs. D. L. Mallory; Recordng Secretary, Hannah Pals; Treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Bullard; Vice President, Mrs. E. W. Luick. The society meets on the second Friday of each month The object of the society is to beautify the Silent City, and they will be glad to accept any flower seeds, bulbs or plants which may be offered them for this purpose. The object of the coming food and gift sale is to raise money to help construct a cement road in the center entrance to the cemetery. The society has around thirty members now, and many more have signified their intention of joining. The membership fee is only one dollar, and any one is eligible.

The School Board met on Monday evening of this week at which time they picked their officers and various committees. Wallace Ramsey was chosen as president, with H. F. Luick as Chairman of the teachers committee; A. L. Luick, chairman of the finance committee and Herman Schultz chairman of the schoolhouse committee.

E. F. Bailey was a visitor at the county seat on Wednesday evening of last week.

Mrs. Gus Nissen returned last week Thursday from Paton, Iowa, where she has been spending the past week or so visiting at the home of her parents.

Local teachers in attendance at the teachers' meeting held in Fort Dodge last week were the Misses Eastman, Newgard, Sharon, Rorick, Quigley, Leavy. Prof. and Mrs. Fyler Mr. and Mrs. Gruetzmacher, and C. C. Christie. They attended the Thursday evening and Friday sessions of the meeting. Prof. Fyler was leader of the manual training part of the meeting, and Mr. Christie delivered a paper on this subject. Miss Cockrane and Miss Baumgartner went to Clarion Thursday evening, and on to Fort Dodge the next day to attend the afternoon session.

Roy Ingham, of Cedar Rapids, and Mr. Williamson, of the same place, were brief business callers in town last Thursday. They came here from Klemme, W. O. Eaton driving up to bring them down in a car.

Mrs. W. O. Eaton went to Eagle Grove last Saturday where she spent the week end with friends and relatives.

Come and bring a basket to the Basket Social at the Congregational church, Friday night at 8:00, March 24. Everyone invited. 181c

A. C. Lieuwen, from near Alexander, was in the city on Tuesday of this week, greeting old friends, visiting relatives and attending to business matters.

Have you seen the new Liberty Dollars? I will buy eggs and cream Friday and Saturday and Saturday giving the Liberty dollars in payment. Get some Liberty dollars—See Joe S. White. adv.

The Iowa Falls Electric company has co-operated with Garner officials and last week had the meters about town tested.

Mr. Trafford, of the Belmond Furniture Co., was a Klemme caller the first of the week, driving up by car.

Howard Wolle came up last week Saturday to spend a few days visiting at the home of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle. Howard is now at Sioux City, where he is employed with the telephone company.

Rose Comb White Wyandotte eggs for hatching. Price 75c a setting, $4 per hundred.—A. C. Lieuwen, Alexander, Iowa. 18tfc

Bert Butterfield took a business trip to Clarion Tuesday.

The Priscilla Club will be entertained next week Wednesday at the home of Mrs D. E. Packard..

The F. E. and C. D. Snyder families spent the week-end with the Clarence Scott family at Olaf.

Muscova duck eggs for sale. Also goose eggs.—A. W. Martin. 181c

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Snyder, from South Dakota, were guests this week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Snyder.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard, of Swaledale, was in town a couple of days last week, visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Rankins.

If there is anything you need for this spring in the Nursery Line, there is time yet until the 5th of April. See Wm. Voiles, Phone 314. 181*

Have you seen the new peace dollars yet? The banks hero received a supply last week, and we had the pleasure of giving one the once over (we couldn't manage to get one for good) and they seem to be worth as much as any other kind. But we'll be satisfied to see some of the old ones for a while yet.

It's nearing Easter, and pretty soon you'll see the annual parade of Easter lids going down the street. If you've noticed, there are a few early ones out now.

A. L. Luick was a caller at Mason City on business matters the latter part of last week.

Joe S. White is issuing instead of checks for payment of cream and Eggs sold him, Friday and Saturday, the new Liberty Dollars. Have you seen one yet? If not sell your cream or eggs to Joe and he will give you some adv.

Dressmaking and Tailoring. Come early and avoid the rush. Phone 116. Mrs Bench. 18tc

NOTICE—I have given my son, Glen Nihoof, his time, and I will not collect his wages nor pay any of his debts. On this 14th day of March, 1922. Harry Nihoof. 18tc

Mr. and Mrs. L. Carlston, of Kanawha, were visitors with his brother, Ed., and family a couple of days this week.

Ralph Stanberry, from Mason City was a guest of the Klemme families over the week-end.

Mrs. Randall, of Mason City, is visiting at the home of her daughtr, Mrs. R. H. Klemme, this week.

Mrs. Missman and son, of Klemme were guests last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ely.

Miss Matilda Skovlin came up from Des Moines last week for a short visit with the home folks.

Mrs. Louise Veeder left for Rochester last week to enter the hospital at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings returned this week Monday morning from Thornburg, Iowa, where they had been to attend the funeral of Mr. Jennings' mother.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

10 cents per line per week

A few good brood sows for sale, to farrow in April and May.—Ed. Jenison. 14tfc

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

FOR SALE—Pure bred hatching eggs; White Ebden geese, 7 for $3.50; Rouen duck, 11 for $2.50; Columbian Wyndotte, 15 for 75c; White Wyandotte, 15 for 50c.—Mrs. F. E. Christie, Goodell, Iowa. 181*

TO YOUR BENEFIT—Remember we can give your children insurance from six months or up to 60 years. W. H. Wolle, Agt. 10tfc

FOR SALE—A few ladies' suits. Excellent condition. Prices very reasonable. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR SALE—Timothy seed, 1921 crop. Recleaned.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 17tfc

WANTED—Your eggs and cream. Will pay cash.—Joe White.

FOR RENT—Three housekeeping rooms.—Mrs. Will Starnes. Phone 312. 173*

Robt. Gates, Piano Tuner. Trafford Music House, Mason City, Ia.

Good used Fords at a reasonable price. Come and see them before you buy. From $50 and up.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108 or 258.

Reduced Price now in effect on all Edison Records. All records previously $1.35 now sold at $1.00. All records sold at $1.85 now $1.50.

Schultz Drug Co.

FOR SALE—Team, heavy breeching harness, and wagon. Also Shetland pony, mare, 3 years old.—Dr. R. G. Brown. 181c

FOR SALE—Team of brown mares, 4 and 9 years old, weight 1200. Well matched. Will sell cheap. Inquire this office. 181*

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte eggs for hatching, 75 cents per setting of 15, or $4.50 per hundred. —Mrs. Chas. Gealow. Phone 2712. 173*

For Sale—I will sell at the First National Bank corner on Saturda, March 25th, one dining room suit, some extra chairs,, table, two bedsteads and springs, and numerous other hosuehold articles. Mrs. Gunderson. 181c

For Rent—Good seven room house and barn. Call 247. 18tc

Come in and hear the latest Victor Records. Prices reduced.

Schultz Drug Co.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

READ THE ADS

DISTRICT COURT ITEMS

(Continued From Page One)

week by paying the plaintiff $5000. Mr. Healy's automobile struck a boy by the name of McCurdy and seriously injured him.

The Buchanan divorce case from Belmond was decided in favor of the wife in place of the husband as stated in the court notes last week. The husband brought the suit and then failed to put in an' appearance at the trial. The wife proved her cross petition and judgment was entered in her favor.

The foreclosure of a $15,000 second mortgage in the suit of James Kenefick of Belmond vs. Rube McFerren et al of Webster City is the outcome of a land deal in Belmond township, Wright county. John Dorenkamp brings suit against the same defendants for a like amount, being a third mortgage against the same land.

The board of supervisors was in session Tuesday for the purpose of letting the contract for grading and draining approximately thirty miles of county road. The roads included in this milage are located south of Kanawha, south of Eagle Grove, near Wall Lake and southeast of Dows. There were nearly a dozen bidders present.

Andrew Norem seeks to recover the sum of $1709 from Iowa Implement Mutual Insurance association of Nevada. For cause of action plaintiff alleges he purchased a residence property in Belmond on contract and applied to the company's local agent for a $2000 policy of insurance, which was paid for when delivered. A few months later the house was practically destroyed by fire. The company settled with James Kenefick, holder of the contract. In this petition Norem alleges he imformed the company's agent, W. H. Purdy, of the conditions of purchase and relied upon him to make proper entry in his application, which was not done, hence the suit.

Sams Purchases Fair Grounds

The sale of the Clarion fair grounds was made the first of the week to Dr. Sams, he buying the same from the Farmers Elevator Co., which acquired ownership some months ago. In company with his son, Lynn the doctor expects to convert the same into a stock farm. The consideration is reported as $11,000. The deal puts an end to the annual fairs for the present at least.—Monitor.

NEW REPORTS TELL OF FAMINE'S TOLL

Famine and disease in the Volga valley are taking a frightful toll, according to the recent reports received by the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief from the Russian Red Cross.

In Aktubinsk there is no medical aid whatsoever: Among 123,000 people, there are only three physicians. The death rate is terrible. Lacking sufficient help, the corpses are buried in shallow trenches, which threaten a new epidemic in the spring.

Field workers of the Red Cross report that 30 per cent of the inmates of children's home in Orsk died during December. The condition are no better in other districts in this territory. The death rate among children in Uralsk is 36 per cent.

There are 600,000 persons starving in Ekaterineslay district, almost one-third of them children. Only 9,000 children are being fed.

Ninety-six thousand are officially registered as starving in the Kherson district, 48,000 of them children. The figures are not complete, the Red Cross report adds.

These scattered reports from a district as large as Wisconsin, Illinois Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas having a population estimated between 25,000,000 and 33,000,000 will give a hint of the devastation.

Forty-two per cent of the physicians of Russia have died within the last two years or gone insane. Overwork in ministering to the suffering people, weakened their constitions and made them susceptible to disease.

Don't Ruin Your Rugs

Many valuable rugs are ruined by beating, which breaks the sizing and spoils the nap and causes them to become limp and unshapely.
We thoroly clean your rugs, put back the lustre and make them look like new. Demonstration free on a small rug.

New Belmond Tailor Shop
F. J. TUFFREE BELMOND, IOWA Phone 28

White Buys Eggs
Phone 272

City Meat Market
Nissen & Harbison, Props.

All Home Killed Meat
Fresh Fish Friday
Chickens for Sunday
Home Made Bologna
Phone 207

ROBINSON'S
$1 Buys

4 lbs. good Bacon
20 lbs. Rolled Oats
4 lb. Special Pea Berry Coffee
8 lbs. Lima Beans
10 lbs. Macaroni
16 Bars Big 4 Soap
24 bars Swift White Laundry Soap
12 lb, Navy Beans
12 lbs. Rice
2 good Brooms
10 cans Corn
10 cans Baked Beans
7 1-2 lbs. Peanut Butter
10 cans good milk
WE DELIVER
Eggs and Butter Wanted

Townsan Hardware
The Store of Service
Phone 34

This is the Story of two Chicks---
Once upon a time
There were two chicks.
One of these chicks
Was lucky.
It was raised on
STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH,
IT GREW
AND GREW
AND GREW.
The other little chick
Wasn't so lucky.
It didn't get any
Sterling Buttermilk Mash.
It died.
MORAL---To raise chicks get your chick feed at
Townsan Hardware

Spring work will Soon Commence

This is a year when you need to use every means that will bring you a bigger crop. Every farmer has his hands full with work during the spring and summer, and anything that will be of any help to him is something he is interested in.

John Deere Implements

are one of the greatest helps to any farmer.
They are long lasting, substantial pieces of machinery which do the work better. Care and proper preparation of the soil is half the success. The use of JOHN DEERE IMPLEMENTS means that your success is half assured.
We shall be glad to demonstrate them to you, to show you their many superior points; and to prove that the JOHN DEERE line is the best in quality and price.

Johnson & Wright--Sampson Imp. Co.
BELMOND, IOWA
Ben Johnson Theo. Wright Charles Sampson

BELMOND INDEPENDENT

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SATURDAY TO DETERMINE BAND QUESTION

Straight Citizens' Ticket Is Elected

R. C. Morse Defeats Opponent ByLarge Majority-- Council Too

BAND TAX LOST BY FOUR

The straight Citizen's Ticket was elected at the municipal election, Monday, by an overwhelming majority. Voting was the heaviest in the history of the town, the feminine vote adding immensely to the total. Seven hundred and seven ballots were cast, which comes very near covering the limit of possible votes.

Morse Wins by 210 Majority

The big fight was doped to be the mayor, and R. C. Morse came thru the battle with his colors flying high, having a majority of 210 votes over L. O. Skovlin, the vote being 451 to 241. The returns when finally counted showed as follows:

For Mayor—Morse 451; Skovlin 241.

For Councimen—Sullivan 493; Russell 447; Simerson 426; Dorenkamp 428; Papousek 400; Thompson 265; Greenlander 203; Griesy 215; Gowly 209; Sampson 167.

Very Few Votes Spoiled

But a very few ballots were spoiled considering the large number cast, there being only eight thrown out. Of the total vote 38 per cent were women. The judges and clerks finished counting between 11 and 12 o'clock Monday night. As usual there were a great many more or less excited folks waiting up for the returns, and getting the returns as they went along. The council room was packed to overflowing by the crowd watching the count and keeping tally as they went along.

The question of a municipal tax of two mills for the support of a band lost by but four votes. Had the ballots all been voted on this question it would very probably have carried but there were 92 ballots handed in blank, unvoted. The vote went 293 for, to 297 against, with 20 spoiled ballots which is remarkable, especially so when but eight were spoiled in the election of city officials with two tickets on the ballot.

The new city officials take office next Monday night.

OBITUARY OF ED. FINCH

Leader: The body of E. Finch was shipped to Belmond Tuesday of this week for burial. He passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs Bertha Maben at Minneapolis, some time Sunday. His daughter, Mrs. Maben and son, Arthur, accompanied the body. The direct cause of his death was pneumonia, but for several years he has not been in good health. He was 78 years of age and a pecular circumstance of his passing is that he was called on his birthday. Ed. Finch was one of the four Finch brothers who are entitled to a place among the pioneers of Garner. It is now nearly thirty-five years since the Ed. Finch family left Garner. They first went to Davenport where they resided for a short time. They returned to Garner and lived here for about a year. Their next move was to Popejoy. Mr. Finch was indentified with his brother, Wm. Finch, in the grain business for many years. Their Garner property is now owned by the Greimen Ditcher Company. He is survived by his wife, Aunt Rose, who by the way, has been poorly for several years, being a sufferer from paralysis; one daughter Mrs. Bertha Maben, and two sons, John and Art, both of Cheyenne, Wyoming. It will be recalled by the older inhabitants that another daughter, Celia, met with a tragic death by being burned in a fire at Belmond, now all of twenty-five years ago. His nieces, Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans and Mrs. W. S. Pritchard, both of this place were present at the funeral service in Belmond, Tuesday. Word of his death was first telegraphed to his niece. Mrs. Mame Martin of Belmond, and it was she who notified other relatives. Art Finch stopped off here Wednesday for a visit with his old friends. Mrs. Maben went to Forest City the same day, but stopped in Garner today for a short time. His sons, John and Art are in the grain business in Wyoming. Of the four brothers who formerly resided here, there is but one living—Frank, of Box Elder, Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Enger and daughters, left for their home at Colorado Springs Wednesday of this week.

Meetings of the Chain of Ten have been postponed until after the revival meetings.

Mrs. Adolph Thompson returned from Cedar Rapids Monday, where she has been visiting her daughter.

Ladies Free Monday night, April 3rd. at the Opera House with one paid adult ticket, for the Berniece Allen Stock Co.

SCHOOL NOTES

Remember the athletic teams are still sending in subscriptions to the Country Gentleman, Saturday Post and Ladies Home Journal.

Baseball and track work has begun but the cold weather is a serious handicap. Dual meets have been scheduled with Goldfield and Clarion and the baseball season will open in Bemond April 7.

If you want a pair of Belmond Auto Plates, tell any of the members of the athletic teams and they will see that you get them. Boost for Belmond wherever you drive your car. These name plates are durable and neat.

School will close Friday March 31 for a week spring vacation.

The Coe College Glee Club which was to appear under the auspices of the Junior Class has cancelled its date.

Prof. Wilbur H. Bender, candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction talked to the High School and upper grades last Wednesday afternoon on the Importance of Character.

The parents can greatly aid the teachers in helping get rid of the present trouble in school, they will co-operate with the work at home, especially during the week of spring vacation.

Mrs. Guy Baker visited the fourth grade Thursday afternoon.

Miss Helen Enger visited the Kindergarten and First Grade Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Adams and Mrs. L. R. Parsons visited the First Grade Friday afternoon

YOUR GRANDFATHERS YOUR GRANDMOTHERS AND YOU

The date was 1857, the place Northern Missouri. Civil war was only a few years ahead. Two people were sitting on a fence—a farmer and a merchant. Topic was what? "Think."

The world of finance was twisted; interest was high; money scarce and hard to get. Why? Everybody trying to get the other fellow. Men with money were hoarding it to get the fellow somewhat pinched. Farmers said prduct was too cheap, corn selling at 14 cents, oats too cheap to haul to market. What did they do? Lay Down? No. They all faced the situation, had hope and succeeded. Produce went up.. Land values went up, making this country what you have now, a glorious. free America. What? Yes, you live in it now, just because they boosted. Today the grandsons and the granddaughters are, or rather have, faced the same situation. Only one thing will save the next generation. Get busy; quit talking, look forward; assume the habit of helping the other fellow; buy and dig; let your money out; don't hoard; when you are laid to rest you will only have a shroud the same as the man with 15 cents.

The same sun shines today that shone in 1857; the same true God lives and reigns as did then. Just have faith; 1921 was good but 1922 will be better; it is up to you. It stands before us. It challenges you and me to spend less, earn more, save the small earnings; endure a few hardships, for that steels us to better things. Help one another; show the world we are from the old 1857 stock and 100 per cent American rustlers, out to win.

Oh well, the city election is over and no bones broken. Put your shoulder to the wheel—make Belmond a city to be respected. Look at the large sugar factory and its tall smokestack—it stands for INDUSTRY and a prosperous community. EVERYBODY SAY "HALLELUJA," LET'S GO"

W. H. WOLLE.

OPERATION FINANCED

Practically all the funds needed for operation of the sugar factory have been raised at this writing, and the plans for operation of the plant are rapidly going forward. The various fieldmen out soliciting the very necessary acreage, are meeting with quite good success, and more acreage is being contracted every day. It is understood that, at this writing, some three thousand acres have been contracted for the Iowa Valley Operating Co. this season, which certainly is an excellent record for the brief time that has been spent in working. It is probable that in the near future, work will begin towards get- the factory in shape for the campaign, overhauling the machinery, etc.. The Dyer Company, we understand, are to do this. An immense amount of detail work has to be gone thru, and much still remains, but the affairs appear to be rounding into good shape and active plans are well under way for the fall campaign.

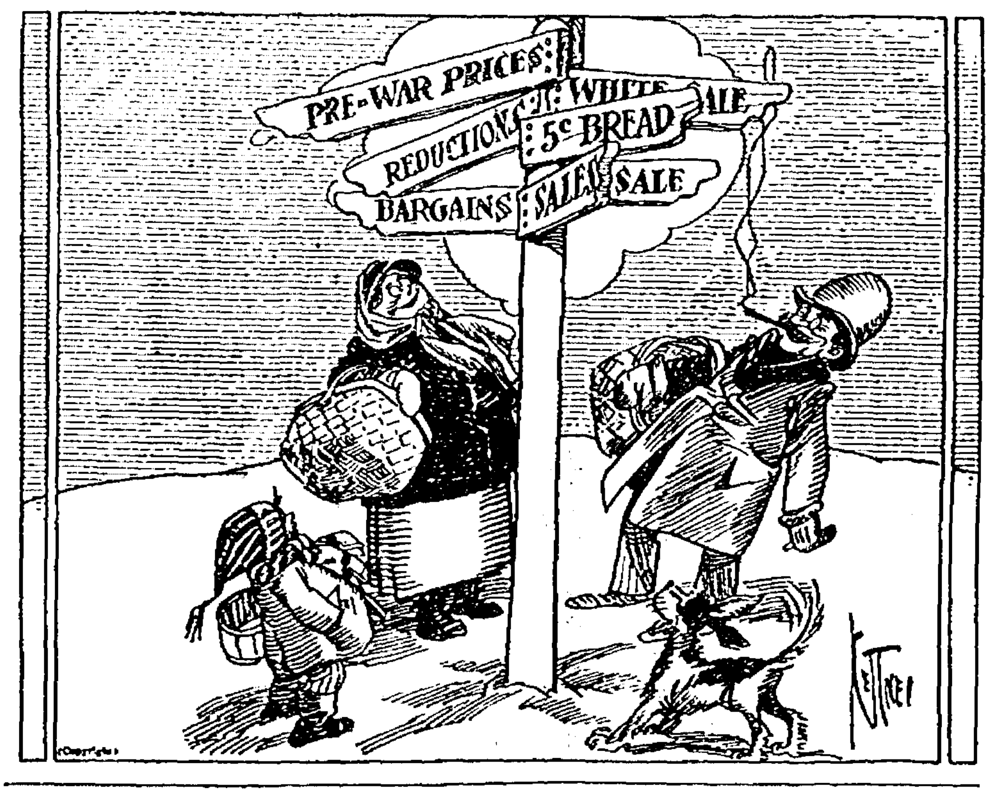
Representative

I hereby formally announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of representative of Wright county, subject to the decision of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922.

Oscar Ulstad.

The Priscilla Club met at the home of Mrs. D. E. Packard Wednesday.

All Indications Point to Normal



TO INSTALL RADIOPHONE IN BUSINESS HOUSES

Belmond Battery Co., Clem Cannon And Independent To Co-operate

Joe Scott, of the Belmond Battery Station Co., Clem Cannon, and the editor of the Independent are cooperating in the installation of a wireless receiving station, or radiophone, which is to be installed in the Independent office. It is expected to have the outfit up and ready for operation within a few days, or as soon as the equipment reaches Belmond and can be erected.

A radiophone of sufficient magnitude is being installed capable of "listening in" to concerts, market reports, and the thousand and one things being broadcasted every day, as far as Pittsburg, or farther. Two receiving sets are to be placed, one in the Battery Company office, and one in the Independent office. Later it is planned to install an amplifier, with which concerts received can be heard for considerable distance from the receiver.

When ready for operation, the public will be cordially invited to come in and listen to the concerts being received. The wireless phone is the outstanding wonder of the 20th century, and while still in its infancy, has yet been developed to the point where it is no longer impractical. The Independent expects to give its readers later on the latest market reports, received from Chicago and Omaha. Mr. Scott handles special radio batteries for wireless work, along with his automobile batteries, and Mr. Cannon, who has been studying electricity at Ames, is familiar with the line.

Owing to the many improvements and changes which are constantly being made in wireless equipment, the three men named are not going as far now as had been planned, but expect later to add to their "plant" as desired. You are invited to come in and "see what makes it tick" as soon as installed.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

The young people of the Immanuel church are preparing an Easter program. The date will appear in a later issue.

This township is under the ravages of a number of Scarlet fever cases.

Mr. Geo. Thompson delivered some hogs to Goodell last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling and children were Sunday visitors at the home of Henry Schulte Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm H. Pals were visitors at the Chas. Barkema home one evening last week.

Mrs. D. D. Pals, who was very ill the past wek is somewhat improved at this writing

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Braner are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy at their home.

Mr. Fol Mennenga, who was sick at the home of his parents in Belmond, visited his children on the farm last Sunday.

LOUIE FASTER THAN HIS CARS

As a salesman, Louie Tokman appears to take not only the cake but the whole bakery as well. Louie handles the well known and justly famous car popularly called 'Henry" technically known as the Ford, and during the past three weeks has sold a carload a week. Which we claim is going some, especially as each carload contains seven or eight cars. Therefore Louie has sold in the past three weeks a total of 21 to 24 cars. Not half bad. is it? Especially in these "hard times." Cars are not the only sellers, however, as he says it looks like there would be a big demand for tractors this spring, also.

Mrs. Winey and children, from Spencer, were guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynch, last week.

CITY FORMALLY ACCEPTS TYRRELL'S PARK GIFT

Special Meeting Of Council Last Saturday Acknowledges Fine Gift

BELMOND, IOWA,
March 25, 1922

Hon. W. C. Tyrrell, Sr.,
Beaumont, Texas.

My Dear Mr. Tyrrell:

I am writing you today in behalf of the local administration of the incorporated town of Belmond, Iowa, and thru them the whole people of the community, to inform you that at a called meeting of our City Council Saturday, March 25th, 1922, a motion was adopted accepting your gift of "The Tyrrell Park" adjoining Belmond; and to convey to you our appreciation of your very generous gift, with the hope that it may thru many years to come provide for the people of Belmond and this community, and the traveler thru the gates of our city a place for welcome, rest and refreshment.

In closing, I wish to thank you in behalf of the Town of Belmond and this community.

Respectfully,
M. C. BARRY,
Mayor

The foregoing is the formal acceptance of Cap. W. C. Tyrrell's gift to Belmond of the beautiful natural park, located in Franklin Grove, as reported in the Independent some time ago. Bemond people will wholeheartedly unite with Mayor Barry in expressing their thanks to Mr. Tyrrell for his generous gift, which is something that Belmond has needed and which will prove a source of much enjoyment and use. The gift is thoroly typical of Mr. Tyrrell, and the park was appropriately named in his honor.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Belmond, Iowa
March 25, 1922

Special meeting of town council held in the office of M. C. Barry, on call of Mayor, for the acceptance of a certain deed to a piece of land to be used for Park purposes only.

Members present:—Greenlander, Gfeller, Wright, Thompson, Johnson.

Members absent:—None.

Mover by Johnson seconded by Gfeller that the Town of Belmond accept a certain deed to a piece of land, (outside the Incorporation) to be used for park purpose only, said land being a gift from W. C. Tyrrell, and that the Clerk be hereby instructed to draw a warrant for ($1.00) one dollar, in full payment for same.

Motion carried.

On motion and second council adjourned.

Guy Byers, Clerk

SANDS MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

There will not be a meeting for Bible study on Thursday night on account of the protracted meetings which are in progress at the M. E. church.

The young people have been planing for a long time for a social evening and have chosen Friday night for it.

Last Sunday was a red letter day for attendance and we made up what we lost the Sunday before. We hope next Sunday to start the new quarter with an attendance which will break the record for the year. Be sure to be present at 10:00 a. m. The morning worship at 11:00 and the evening at 8:00. Miss Elizabeth Leinbach will be leader of the young peoples meeting.

The choir is working hard for the Easter services and we are praying for a day in which the power of the Spirit shall be greatly manifested. There are many who ought to come to the full fellowship of the church on that day.

DISTRICT COURT ITEMS

(From the Monitor)

The board of supervisors will meet in regular session April 3.

Mary Braeffle vs. Eliza Benedict of Eagle Grove is a suit to recuver $571 on a promissory note.

Lampert Lumber Co. of Clarion asks judgment against S. S. Hamilton in the sum of $207.

J. G. Johnson vs. C. O. Solbery is a suit to recover $86.46 due for the husking of defendants corn.

W. L. Clough confesses judgment in favor of F. M. Clough in the sum of $1149 for the loan of money in 1916.

Baker Bros. of Eagle Grove seek to collect the sum of $150 from Roy Tillman of Clarion on his promissory note.

John McCarley vs. John Hill et al is the outcome of a land deal. A $6000 first mortgage and a $4000 second mortgage are involved.

C. I. McCallum vs. Otto Ostendorf et al is a suit to collect the sum of $22,912.87, being the amount due on a land deal in which defendants have default.

Painters and decorators are treating the walls and ceilings of the various offices at the court house with a fresh coat of paint which has brightened things up considerably.

Geo. L. Webster, ex-treasurer of Wright county, has started foreclosure proceedings against Amos H. Thompson et al. Six $2000 notes were given in a land sale and plaintiff asks judgment in the aggregate of $14,564.

Lawrence McLean, a Great Western brakeman, who alleges he accidently discharged the contents of a shot gun into his foot while hunting rabbits last fall is suing the Massachusetts Insurance C. on his accident policy, seeking to recover the sum of $2400.

Another foreclosure suit growing out of a land sale is that of W. L. Robinson vs. Archie McCallum et al. Suit is brought by the holder of the second $8000 mortgage; there is also a third mortgage for $2000, besides several hundred dollars in interest, taxes and costs.

Because of the non-payment of a $792 note Geo. and John Whyte of Goldfield ask the foreclosure of a $14,400 mortgage given for the purchase of a 160 acre farm by Chris Christenson et al. On the following day Chas. Troyer, one of the defendants in the above case, filed a foreclosure suit against the same defendants to collect the sum of $10,695.40 on a similar transaction.

Chris Christenson of Woolstock asks damages in the sum of $1041 from the Independent Grain & Lumber Co. For cause of action plaintiff alleges his tenant Leo Johnson delivered his share of the 1921 corn crop, 1958 bushels, to the foresaid company on or about February 7, 1922, which defendant's had agreed to store free of charge for fifteen days; that ten day later plaintiff called and learning the price offered his corn for sale; that defendant refused to comply with the request, claiming they had purchased said corn from the tenant; this plaintiff denies as his tenant had no authority to sell

Taxes will become delinquent next Saturday, April 1st, and according to Treasurer Alen the prepayments are about on an average with other years at this time. Strictly speaking taxes are delinquent March 1st, but the one per cent penalty does not attach until April 1st. The complaint is quite general that taxes are much higher than last year. This is true only in rural districts where advantage was taken of the law permitting the school boards to issue warrants for the needed funds to carry on the school work. The total amount for the county was only $75,000. The levies for this year and next will take up these warrants.

GOODFELLOWSHIP CLUB

The regular meeting of the Good Fellowship Club was held last week Wednesday evening, in the library basement, and was very enjoyable. Wilbur H. Bender, of Des Moines, was the speaker, his subject being "Education for a Republican Democracy." Mr. Bender handled his topic in an able manner, and brought out some excellent points along the line of his subject.

A crowd of around 90 men was present, and good fellowship was in evidence. The audience was favored by a couple of selections from the quartette. Owing to the absence of one of the quartette, W. T. Gfeller substituted, and so well did he render his part that Mikesell, on behalf of the club, presented him with one of the bouquets. Mr. Gfeller's acceptance was as graceful as his singing was excellent, and both were thoroly enjoyed by the crowd.

The usual good eats were had, and a social hour spent. The Good Fellowship club is rapidly gaining in membership, and its programs are improving with every meeting, so much as it is possible for them to improve, for they are all excellent. If you aren't a Good Fellow better get in; you're missing something.

Last Effort To Be Made For Home Band

Defeat Of Band Tax Causes Business Men To Feel Much Discouraged

ONE MORE EFFORT MADE

Does Belmond want a band? If we do, we have just one last resort to secure one this summer. The people will be given an opportunity Saturday of this week to give their last answer.

The business men of Belmond are much in favor of a band, and, with the tax failing to carry Monday, they were somewhat inclined in disgust to let the matter drop. However, as a last resort, the following proposition is presented to Belmond citizens:

On Saturday afternoon, April 1, the Belmond High School Boys' Band of twenty pieces will give a concert on Main Street at three o'clock. Prof. Greutzmacher, the leader, has agreed to have the boys give a short concert to acquaint Belmond people with the organization. Listen to the boys, consider that their concert is given after only four rehearsals, that many of the players never played an instrument before in their lives, and, if after hearing them, you want to consider the following proposition, be prepared to drop your nickle in the fund:

The boys' band will give four months concerts this summer without pay; all they ask is their expenses and the expenses of the concerts. Prof. Greutzmacher will donate his time in keeping the boys in practice, and in addition, if the people will support them, donate each member of the band a free lesson a week thruout the summer. The business men will donate their time and money to keep the boys going.

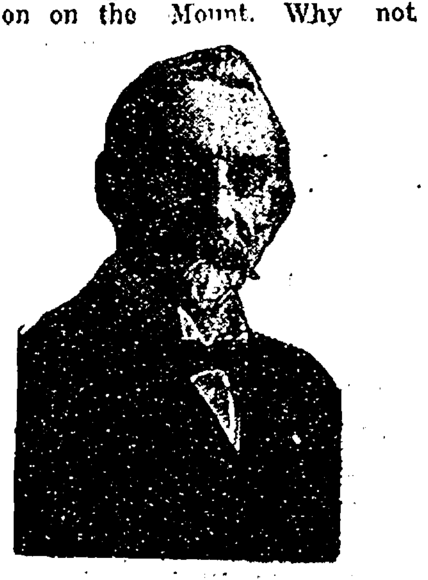
The plan of financing is this: You are asked to give whatever you wish; a dime, a dollar, or ten or twenty; whatever you want to. The money will go into a band fund for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses; and if, at the end of the season there is anything left, give the boys something. A full account will be published of everything given and spent. The boys are willing; the leader is willing; the business men are willing; are you? It is the last chance.

Belmond had a boys' band several years ago, when Prof. Scarbro was here, and it gave universal satisfaction. Prof. Greutmacher guarantees to have the boys in good shape by the time of the opening concert. During his absence of seven weeks this summer attending summer school, Adolph Skovlin agrees to take charge of the band. If the people of Belmond want to keep Belmond on the map, let them signify it by supporting the boys.

Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Hear them; form your opinion; and then ACT.

REVIVAL MEETINGS

Rev. J. C. Ludgate is pleasing those who hear him. He has been greeted with good audiences. All who hear him in his afternoon talks want to come again. At 2:30 each day he will give an address on the Sermon on the Mount. Why not give an hour each day to this study?



Services each evening at 7:30 p. m. Come learn a new song each evening.

Sunday services: Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.; Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m; Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

We surely appreciate the friends of the Congregational church giving up the Thursday evening prayer service in order to attend the services.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

Mrs. Postel, of Wisconsin, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. Louise Veeder, at the hospital in Rochester, stopped over one day last week with her sister, Miss Anna Massman, who is staying with Miss Mildred during her mother's absence. Miss Massman just recently returned from California. Mrs. Veeder is reported as recovering nicely from her recent operation.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG.

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Now that the all-absorbing political fight is over, perhaps we can get back to normal again and review the field for further endeavors. First among them, perhaps, is the question of a band.

Are we going to have one? The Independent is informed that the chances are exceedingly slim. No-one seems to take sufficient interest in one to start anything. The Chamber of Commerce, upon which rightly rests the problem of providing Belmond a band, appears to have passed the buck, along with the bunk, and left it up to "George." As an organization, Belmond's Chamber of Commerce is a first-class cubist picture, starting nowhere for nowhere and arriving at the same place. It has the sleeping sickness in an acute form. If some kind-hearted person will kindly arrange for the flowers, it can be laid to rest from its' weary labors any time.

The writer has talked with many of the business men, and without exception found them in favor of the band, even anxious, and willing to back it with their hard-earned coin. We found them willing to do their part in securing concerts this summer. The business men will put up a thousand dollars. We are told the band will not play for this sum. If so, then let the band and the business men get together and see if they cannot compromise, or else let the Chamber of Commerce step in and arrange the matter. It was the Chamber of Commerce band last year, and rightly so; is ought to be this year. You never will get Belmond anywhere by lying down on the job; if the town needs something, it seems to us that a way can be arranged to get it.

If Belmond lets the band go, it will let hundreds of people go also every Saturday evening this summer. To jump in the car and drive to Clarion or Garner on a nice evening will be an easy thing to do; a nice, pleasant little trip, for Belmond folks; and we cannot imagine, no matter how hard we try, people from Rowan, Alexander, Meservey and Goodell coming to Belmond on Saturday night just to walk up and down Main street and gaze at the electroliers.

If we're going to be dead this summer, let's publicly announce the fact and save a lot of people from entertaining false hopes. It might, just possibly might, have a bearing in business also. What do you think?

ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS

T. J. B. Robinson, of Hampton, is a candidate for United States Representative from this district, and wherever he has campaigned so far, has met with almost unqualified support.

Mr. Robinson is pretty well known in this part of the country. He has been one of the most prominent bankers at Hampton for many years, has been activly interested in the farming industry in Franklin and the surrounding counties, and is a practical, hardheaded business man. He is a prominent member of the Methodist church at Hampton, and his philanthrophies have been the means of assisting more than one young man to get ahead.

He was a member of the Iowa senate for four years, where he was one of the leaders, and he is fully aware of the "ropes" and the game. His record thruout his private and public life has been clean and straightforward, and the Independent believes he will make a good man for the place. Mr. Robinson will doubtless be in Belmond during the campaign, and local people will have an opportunity to "size him up." We believe he will pass the test O. K.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

Well, now that the election is over how did you like it? Funny how the American people raise such a hullabaloo over politics, and then after the big fight forget all about it until the next time.

And the town, like the nation always does, will go right along just the same as ever—despite the wild ideas of some before the election.

Pretty soon you are going to meet the slogan in every periodical you pick up: "Have you a little wireless in your home?"

One thing about this wireless phone, it's going to let some folks in on concerts without any charge—which will be attractive.

CLIPPINGS

"A Prophet Without Honor"

You know that a prophet is always without honor in his own country. D. M. Stephens was a candidate for the school board in Goldfield last week and was defeated, 74 to 143 votes. Evidently the Goldfield people themselves do not approve of Mr. Stephen's proposals for cutting off funds for athletics, which was one of the things the Stephen's petition called for.—News.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The market quotations of the Chicago Board of Trade are to be distributed by radio telephone at half hour intervals during each business day beginning Monday morning, March 6, at the opening bell at 9:30 o'clock. This epoch marking innovation in the dissemination of market news will be a means of bringing the market closer to producers, dealers and handlers of grain.

Distribution of the price quotations will be through the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., through its KYW radio station by arrangement with the Commonwealth Edison Co., from the hall of the exchange on a wave length of 360 meters.

The opening price quotations will be sent at 9:30 A. M. Every half hour thereafter the current quotations will follow, the close being sent at 1:15 P. M. Market news of importance will be included in the radio report at each sending interval.

Tune your instrument to 360 meters to receive the report.

MRS. PREENY'S VICTORY

Country Gentleman: For years Mrs. Tom Preeny agreed with her husband when he said it made no difference what people thought of them, but she changed her mind, or rather she has begun saying what she really has felt all the time. Recently when she told him that everybody wondered why they didn't live better, he once more announced that it made no difference what people thought.

"Well I can tell you right now," she said, "that it does make a difference to me. I have spent a good many years of my life with the people of this neighborhood, and I expect to spend the most of my days here, and it makes a big difference to me what they think. It is all very well to say that we are just what we are regardless of other people's opinions, but to an extent at least my pleasure depends upon what they think of me and my family I don't want to be looked down upon and I don't want to be pitied. I want people to come and see me, and I want the home fixed up so I won't be ashamed for them to come here. It may be true that men think just as much of a man when he goes around with his clothes in shreds. altho I doubt it; but I know that women don't like to go anywhere with a women who always looks as if somebody had given her a lot of cast-off clothes. I believe in being good. but I believe in keeping up appearances."

When Mrs. Preeny finished making this talk she left the room, but she was so noisy with her house cleaning that Tom could tell that she was in a real state of revolution. He waited half a day for her to bring up the subject again, but when it began to look as if she were never going to say anything else to him he asked her how much money it would take to fix everything so the family would be as good as the neighbors.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

A well cooked egg dish is always a welcome substitute for meat for the light meal of the day. Escalloped eggs, curried, scrambled, shirred and stuffed eggs, egg salad and omelet are some of the ways of using eggs which have a food value comparing favorable with meat, milk, cheese and other animal foods.

The following is a tested recipe for foamy omelet: 4 eggs, 4 T. milk or water, 1 T. salt, pepper and 2 T. butter. Separate the yolks and whites of the eggs. Beat the yolks of the eggs until creamy; add seasoning and milk or water. Then beat the whites until stiff and cut and fold them into the yolk mixture. Place the butter in a pan, heat, and turn the omelet into it. Cook slowly (this is an important rule in good omelet making) occasionally turning the pan so that the omelet may brown evenly. When the omelet is set and delicately browned underneath, place it in a hot oven for a few minutes to dry the top. Fold and serve immediately.

To fold an omelet properly—first run a spatula under the omelet to loosen it, then make a slight incision with a knife through the middle of the omelet at right angles to the handle of the pan. Grasp the handle of the pan in the right hand, placing the back of the hand underneath with the thumb pointing away from you. Turn the omelet upon a platter.

Don't let the March winds tear your sheets and tablecloths when they are hanging on the closeline. A few moments spent in hanging them carefully so that both ends are well over the line will save time in darning holes.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Wright County farm bureau has decided to take up the project of determining the varieties of corn which yield best under our growing conditions. You probably think that your variety of corn is giving best results, but if it were compared with other varieties under the same growing conditions you might find another variety which would give higher yield.

Each farmer who is interested in finding out just how good a yielder his corn is in comparison with other varieties is asked to furnish his township chairman with ten ears of his best seed. Plots of ground will be selected which are as nearly uniform in fertility as possible. Two rows of each variety of corn will be planted side by side with other varieties with two check rows at regular intervals throughout this field. The corn will be planted at the rate of five kernals per hill and will be thinned down to three so as to get a perfect stand,, and the same varieties will be planted in the various test plots.

The county agent will assist the co-operator who furnishes the land for the demonstration in planting the corn,, marking the rows and in keeping all records. In the fall of the year meetings will be held when we will get together, each bringing a team and wagon, if possible, to husk his corn. Rows about 40 rods long are best, so that an hour's work from each furnishing the seed will husk the corn which is weighed tested for moisture content and final results figured up.

This is your opportunity to compare your seed corn with other varieties. If you have been in doubt as to the yielding quality of your corn then get in on this test. Don't put it off, but act now and let the county agent know what you want to be included in the test. Plans are being made for four test plots in various parts of the county.

Officers and directors of Wright county farm bureau have decided to begin looking over the interests of the boys and girls, the men and women of tomorrow, by organizing Junior Poultry Clubs throughout the county. Boys and girls between the ages of 10-20 inclusive are eligible to membership in the poultry club.

Club members are required to set fifteen or more eggs from some standard variety of poultry, raise the chicks to four months of age after which time they may be disposed of or kept for breeding, do the work of caring for the chicks, except in case of illness or unavoidable emergency and exhibit one or more birds at a poultry show. preferably at the Iowa state fair, where very liberal prizes will be given, also a handsome banner to the county making the best exhibit. Members will be furnished with bulletins which will treat on all subjects regarding poultry. By the end of the season, club members will practically have been given a full course on poultry husbandry.

Parents are repuested to get back of this work and help their children in getting started. Poultry is the one sure means of revenue on the farm today and this work should be encouraged by every farm bureau member..

Boys and girls, if you wish to enroll in this work, get in touch with the county agent. Members should get their eggs set as early as possible so as to have chicks ready to show at the state fair.

Mr. I. W. Van Nice, assistant agent leader for this section of Iowa, met with the board of directors of our local county farm bureau last Tuesday, March 28th.

Mr. Van Nice is sent out from the state office at Ames, to reorganize the work in the various offices in his territory and give suggestions for carrying forth the work more efficiently. Most members have met Mr. Van Nice and know that he is entirely familiar with the administrative department of the county agent work. Mr. Van Nice's coming is generally welcomed by the board members because of helpful suggestions which he usually gives out. which he usually gives out.

There is one great satisfaction in paying an income tax. You can always brag about it.

If you still want say it five years after it first occured to you, it is probably worth saying.

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Deposit your savings in
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The Start
& the Finish

We would all like to start something and finish it in a big way.

It can be done by all of us by putting a few dollars away at regular intervals.

The start is as important as the finish.

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Belmond, Iowa

The Bank for Everybody!

Rowan Local News

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear Tires.

Dean Fitz of Clarion, visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. Gay Fletcher Wednesday returning to his home Thursday.

Eddie Haupt was a Clarion caller Thursday.

Mrs. Clint Kercheval has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Henry Hansen went to Hampton Wednesday for a short visit with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bingham and son, Duane, have all been on the the sick list the past week.

Mrs, Roy Hyde fell last Tuesday striking her knee and injuring the knee cap. It is thot it is broken.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens visited in Belmond Thursday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard.

Mrs. Frank Toyne was a Belmond dental caller Thursday.

Mr. William Tresidder visited in Clarion Thursday at the home of his son, Howard, and family.

Charlie Rowen spent Friday in Clarion at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cady Templeton.

Mrs. Hathaway, who has been spending the winter with relatives in Rowan, returned to her home in Mitchell, So. Dak, Saturday.

Miss Dollie Riley visited Thursday in Belmond at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fuller Bailey.

Mrs. Whiting, a sister of Mrs. S. A. Ferguson, who came last Tuesday to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Ferguson, returned to her home in Eldora Friday.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson spent the week end with her son, Will and wife at Blairsburg, returning home Monday.

Mrs. Everett, of Williams, is visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. A. Hoke.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver and baby, Kenneth went to Clarion Saturday to visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Heathershaw.

Mrs. Harm Brinkman and children, of Coulter, came Saturday to visit with relatives in Rowan over the week end.

Mrs. Etta Carr and son, Frank, returned from Latimer, Monday where they have been visiting relatives.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Clarence Currie who has been visiting at the John Kehler home started for Highmore, So. Dak. Saturday where he will work this summer.

Mrs. Earl Jacobs, of Goodell, is visiting at the home of her son, Edgar and wife.

Charles Berger was a Hampton business caller Tuesday.

Guy Sheldon was a Clarion business caller Monday of last week.

Mrs. O. F. Braden was a Clarion shopper Wednesday

Theo Hansen was a Coulter visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. W. A. Hoke, who has been ill, is improving and able to be about the house again.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers motored to Clarion Wednesday where Mrs. Myers had some dental work done. They also met Mrs. Howard Myers and children who have been visiting at their home since.

Mrs. W. H. Nye was a Belmond caller Wednesday where she had some dental work done.

Mrs. Morris Sullivan, of Fort Dodge came Monday to spend a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher. She returned to her home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hyde, Fort Dodge, visited at the home of his brother, Roy and family Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Henry Rietz has been sick the past week but is better at the present writing. Mr. Reitz is now quite sick.

Miss Wilda Whitten was home a few days the first of the week on account of sickness. She returned to her school duties Thursday.

Miss Nordmeyer and Miss Newman two of the Rowan school faculty of last year, were visiting friends in town over the week end. Miss Nordmeyer was taken sick with the la grippe while here and was unable to return to her school duties at Livermore the first of the week.

Mrs. W. W. Bailey has not been so well the past week.

Mrs. Frank Drury went to Waterloo, Wednesday to visit her sister.

Mrs. L. W. Stevenson and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Beaver, were Belmond callers Thursday

George Whitten was a Clarion caller Thursday.

Garnett and Bernard Stumph went to Clarion Saturday to visit at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller.

Mesdames F. M. and Howard Myers were Clarion callers Saturday.

Charles Emerson is on the sick list this week.

Miss Frances Virden was quite sick again Saturday night. She is reported better at the present writing.

Lowell Hoke is sick with yellow jaundice.

Mr. William Tresidder is quite sick with a light attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow, of Goldfield, visited at the Will Whitten home Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham are on the sick list. Mr. Bingham is able to be out again but Mrs. Bingham is still confined to her bed.

Mrs. F. H. Brooks has been ill the past week caused from having several teeth removed.

Mrs. H. J. C. Box and daughter, Mrs. Agnew were Clarion callers Saturday.

Mrs. Vaughn and grand daughter, Pearl Giddeon, left Monday night for Lebanon, Mo. to spend some time with her daughter at that place.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lineweaver was taken suddenly ill Sunday with convulsions caused from congestion of the lungs. She is some better now. Mrs. Milt Ramsey is helping to care for her.

Laural Whitten Baines has been quite sick with an attack of pneumonia but is reported better now.

L. W. Stevenson, who has been taking treatments at Rochester, returned home Saturday night.

Miss Angie Baines is able to attend to her duties at the telephone office again this week.

Monday was city election and the following officers were elected:

Mayor—L. A. McCallum.
Councilmen—A. E. Emerson, W. H. Whitten, R. Virden, D. A. French, O. E. Ballou.
Treasurer—W. R. McCallum.
Assessor—O. F. Braden.

The funeral of the late Mr. Steven Ferguson was held on Tuesday, March, 21, at the Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, the pastor, conducting the service and preaching the sermon. The church was full of friends who had come to offer their sympathy to the family. Floral decorations were sent by the American Legion and the fraternal order of the Woodmen, of which the deceased had been a member for a number of years, and there were other wreaths, and a large supply of flowers. The town quartette Mrs. A. O. Pelley, Miss J. Kirvink, Mr. F. Kercheval and Mr. D. Whitten sang three hymns suitable to the occasion. Mr. Ferguson was mayor of the town fr the last three years.

OBITUARY

Steven Ferguson was born at Moscow, Juneou County, Wisconsin, Nov. 19, 1853. When twelve years of age he with his parents moved to Story county and settled on a farm near Ames, where he grew to manhood. He was later engaged in business at Grundy Center. He was married at Eldora, March 10, 1880, to Essie M. Reynolds. To this union were born five children, two dying in infancy, Wesley and Maude. Those living are, Gertie (Mrs. Luther Howell), Alma (Mrs. D. Harris), and William. In 1891, he moved to Rowan, Wright county where he lived to the time of his death.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Sunday April 2nd
Pastor, Rev. W. H. Nye.

The morning worship 11. a. m.
The Sabbath school 12. a. m.
The Christian Endeavors 6:30 p. m. Leader, Miss Francis Farren. "Lets go tonight."
The evening song 7:30 p. m.

There was a large attendance at the Rowan Cong'l Church last Sabbath, and we invite you to be with us this Sabbath April 2nd, as we have special music and address, which you cannot afford to miss.

The mid-week meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Let us come together for prayer. The Junior Endeavors will meet at the church Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m. "Children come."

The Rowan young people of the Cong'l church had a bake sale at the D. W. Whitten store on Saturday and there was a large return for the labour. Our young people are workers, and invite you to come to their meeting next Sabbath evening.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Ed Riley on Thursday of this week for work. Our ladies are the main springs of our church, and like many other churches "The church work would be a dead thing without the ladies." Our church, like others "Need more men with real backbone and Veneration for God and their fellow Man and with hearts ready to serve and not to sit at home and kick about the other fellow.

If you have a light, don't put it under a bushel, but let it shine this Sabbath as an example by your attendance at church. Let us ask ourselves this question, "What kind of a community and church would our church and community be if its members were all like me?" Be sure and attend some church Sunday.

The Rowan Cong'l Sabbath school is growing and yet we have room for any and all that desire to come. In fact, we want and invite you to come this Sabbath.

The officers and members of the Rowan Cangregational church invites you and your friends to attend its services this Sabbath.

Rowan Methodist Church Notes

The Rev. Harold Tomkinson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church will during the Sunday evenings of April preach a series of sermons on the following subjects:—

"The King of Dimonds."
"Prodigal Daughters."
"The Morals of the Automobile."
Butterflies or Bees—Which."

The subjects are vitally related to the young people of our communities and shoud be helpful to those who are perplexed with the problems of our day.

CHARACTER AS AN ASSET

Character wins many times when cash is apparently beyond reach.. Business loans always hinge on the character of the man who needs them. If his character is doubtful the loan must be abundantly secured by collateral, and in many cases where the character is bad, loans are flatly refused regardless of security.

No man in business knows what may turn up to put him in financial distress, particularly in times such as the present, when credit is more or less uncertain, and sudden and unexpected needs swamp all cash reserves and demand large amounts in addition. Then character counts heavily and decisively. The reputation of a business is one thing; the character of the men who conduct it is quite another. Banks give reputation all due consideration; but in times of stress and desparate need it is character that decides the future of many a man in business. Therefore, build character as you go along. It is a pillar of strength.—Exchange.

When We Promise

If we say your battery is going to be ready for you at ten a. m. Saturday, you can depend on having it then; or of getting a phone call from us in advance explaining *why* it won't be ready.

And it doesn't make a bit of difference whether it happens to be a Willard Battery or some other make—you get the same consideration, the same courtesy, the same skilled workmanship.

Bring your battery to Battery Headquarters! You may be sure we won't try to sell you a battery if repair of your present one is going to save you money.

Belmond Storage Battery Co.
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NOTICE!

I have taken Harold Smith's place on the Standard Oil Co's Tank Wagon and will appreciate your trade. Phone orders to 180.

Yours for Prompt Service
CHRIS A. KRAGH

Griesy's Store News

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CORN WANTED

More corn—more bushels to the acre, lower production costs. It's the way that farmers can make money in 1922. You spend just as much time plowing, harrowing and cultivating whether your planter works or not. Don't risk your crop—buy a new Hayes or International Planter, priced right.

FOR RENT

We have a few good lots for garden purposes which we will rent very reasonable. Call No. 10 or 105.

Did you know that high test kerosene and gasoline is the cheapest to use in the long run. We have both.

For any street errand your wish done, don't hesitate in calling Phone No. 10.

Just arrived—A large shipment of bulk and packet garden and flower seeds and onion sets.

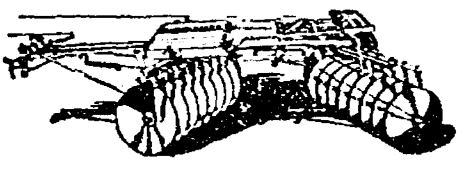
PLAN NOW FOR BETTER YIELDS

Farmers blessed with a keen sense of observation have noticed that an A-1 job of seeding is absolutely essential to the growing of big yields. Too much seed—or if it is bunched and scattered—is just as bad as not enough. Old Mother Nature will not be fooled. Do your seeding with a Hoosier seeder—a seeder that does not "skip" or "bunch" and does not crush or crack kernels—then Nature will generously reward your good judgment at harvest time.

Smile a while, and while you smile
another smiles,
And soon there's miles and miles
of smiles,
And life's worth while because you
smile.

NO HUMP HERE

The International disk harrow cannot hump up in the middle. The adjustable snubbing block, together with the shape of the strong connection bars, holds the gangs just where you put them. There are other features on International harrows you will like. There's the built-in weight box, for example. And the angle-steel, wedge-shape frame. Spring tension scrapers, easy-to-fill grease cups, dustproof bearings, bumper gang construction, etc. Next time you're in town drop into the store. We have a full line of tillage implements and you'll enjoy looking them over whether you expect to buy or not.



Make a better friend of everybody you deal with and your success and happiness will be assured.

CHICKENS—SURE

Then come in and let us show you our brooders that take the place of the laying hen. To be sure and get good strong heathy chicks use our Quaker chick starter. It's guaranteed.

CLEAN UP. PAINT UP.

Before you contract that job of painting or interior decorating investigate our line of Minnesota Paints, Oils, Varnishes and Dutch Boy White Lead. Not the cheapest but the best.

PROBLEM IN SUBTRACTION

Find how much a farmer really pays for a stripped Titan tractor, formerly sold at $900 but now sold at a reduction of $200 including complete equipment worth $130, and a plow worth at least $175, free.

Former Titan price	$900
Amount of reduction	200
Value of 3-bottom plow given free	175
	525
Value of necessary equipment included in regular price	130
Answer	$395

A farmer actually pays $395 for a stripped Titan. Remember the Titan is a 3-plow tractor.

It's a useless task to strike a match and look into your tank to see if you need gas—you won't need any.

Easter is Not Far Away--

--it is high time that you purchase your footwear before the stocks are picked over.

We have a splendid assortment now at

$5 to $10

Woodruff's
115 N. Fed. Mason City

Use our two day repair services

The Good Clothes Habit Will Save You Money

Good Clothes are always Economy.

One good suit will give you more wear and satisfaction than two that are just "So-So."

Our clothes are for the man who buys carefully.

Their style is tailored in.

There are no better fabrics.

Spring Styles are splendid values at 1922 prices.

$25.00 to $60.00

Patton Bros. Co.
WHERE A DOLLAR DOES ITS DUTY
Mason City and Manly, Iowa

Quality,
Style,
Service

Manleys

Facts Only
Truth
Always

East State Street Mason City, Iowa

Rare Charm -- Alluring Fabrics

$25.00 $33.75 **Wrappy Coats** $38.75 $43.75

First, they are new---new as the buds on the trees and secondly, they are in the wanted Wrappy Styles. Shawsheen -- Poiret Twill -- Tricotine -- Talama, in Navy Tans -- Reindeer and Sovrents.

Wraps that will be the outstanding styles in the Easter Promenade. They come to us at a special low price--hence the low retail price.

Outstanding Values in Our Shoe Department

Mens Brown English Oxfords	Women's one strap Kid House Slippers	Ladies' Broad Toe, two-strap Patent leather, flat heel Slipper	Baby Louise heel-- patent one strap slipper
$3.95	$1.85	$5.50	$3.95

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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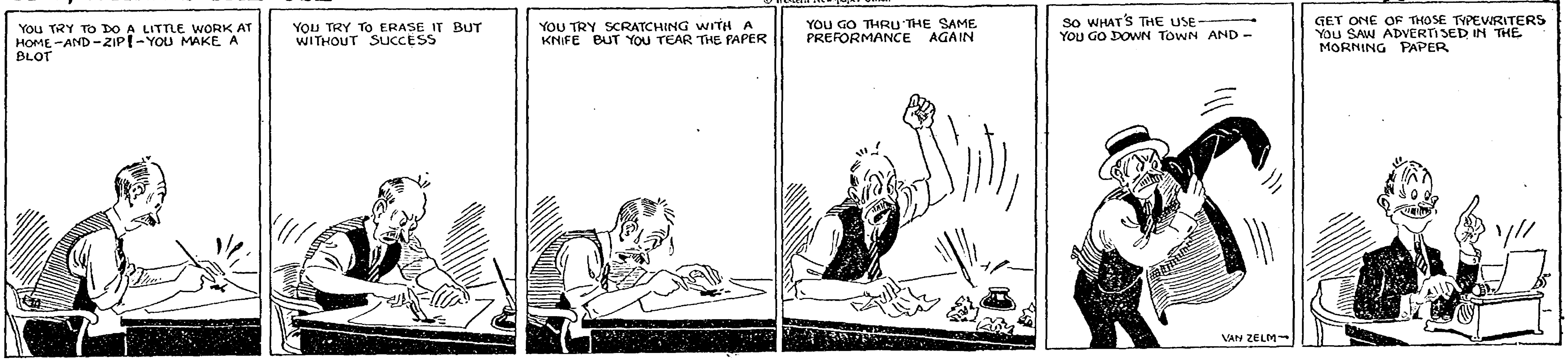
Did it Ever Happen to You?


YOU TRY TO DO A LITTLE WORK AT HOME-AND-ZIP!-YOU MAKE A BLOT
YOU TRY TO ERASE IT BUT WITHOUT SUCCESS
YOU TRY SCRATCHING WITH A KNIFE BUT YOU TEAR THE PAPER
YOU GO THRU THE SAME PREFORMANCE AGAIN
SO WHAT'S THE USE——YOU GO DOWN TOWN AND –
GET ONE OF THOSE TYPEWRITERS YOU SAW ADVERTISED IN THE MORNING PAPER
VAN ZELM

YOU

wouldn't want your new and expensive home to have

Cloudy Windows

By the same logic you wouldn't want cheap, poorly arranged printing for your business correspondence, as good printing is the window of your business thru which your outside business associates look you over and judge you.

From us you get only the

Best in Printing

Belmond Independent
Belmond, Iowa
Phone 115

Read
the
Ads

Mrs. Joe Stadtlander was a passenger to Mason City Saturday, taking her treatments.

Miss Alice Kulhers was a shopper at Mason City on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Aiko Koenen, Mr. and Mrs. Harm Koenen autoed to Mason City on Thursday to visit Mrs. Henry Dirk at the hospital, who is improving nicely.

Ralph Strasburg of St. Paul Minn., is here at present visiting parents and relatives.

K. K. Pals was a business caller at Mason City Thursday.

Miss Margurite Galbraith left Wednesday for Mason City to visit her mother. She returned home Thursday.

Mrs. Anna Bunte and daughter, Virginia visited several days last week at the home of relatives and friends in Belmond.

Theodore Wendell was a motor passenger to Mason City Saturday on business matters.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and Alma Witt were shoppers at Mason City Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Boelman autoed to Sheffield last week on business matters.

Herman Dirks who is attending college at Pella arrived home Friday to spend his two week's spring vacation at the home of his parents.

Miss Rika Gerdes who has for the past few weeks, been working in Belmond returned home Saturday for a visit with her parents.

A. A. Sifert was at Mason City Saturday on business matters.

TO HEAR NEW YORK CONCERT

Chronicle: The Hobbie Auto Company and the Iowa Battery Service Station are jointly installing a radio receiving station in the Hobbie garage and have already a great deal of work done. At the present they are waiting for the arrival of more parts before the station will be ready for use and it will probably be about ten or more days before the outfit is completely set up.

All of the equipment will be of the latest and most improved type and with it messages may be received from navy, commerical, special land and ship to shore stations. Concerts by fine orchestras and bands, lectures, church services on Sunday and many other novel entertainments may be heard from the radio broadcasting stations at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Chicago; Sprinfield. Massachusetts; Newark, New Jersey; Detroit, Michigan and many other cities.

As soon as the receiving station is ready the public will be given an opportunity to hear anything from market reports to first class vaudeville patter at the Hobbie Auto Company. The set is to be equipped with a system of amplifiers that will make a band in New York City sound as if it were playing out in front of the Hobbie garage.

L. W. Hobbie, manager of the Hobbie Auto Company, announces that he will probably handle a complete line of radio supplies as soon as the business becomes so standardized as to enable him to do so. Already the Iowa Battery Service Station has started to receive a stock of radio batteries of every type to take the place of dry cells usually used.

A receiving set has already been sold to the Farmers Elevator Company by the Hobbie garage and as soon as this set is installed Manager C. C. Scantlebury reports that the Farmers Elevator Company will always have the latest market reports.

GOODELL NEWS

Last Thursday Mr. Hio Herbarts came from Hampton where he had been to see Mrs. Herbarts. Mrs. Herbarts is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

Friday Mrs. H. T. Miller went for a visit with her parents who live at Gladbrook, Iowa.

Mr. Charles Nelson, who had been been visiting his sister, Mrs. John Ahrenkiel and his brother, Wm. Nelson of Belmond, returned to his home in South Dakota last Friday.

Mr. Howard Reika came from Ames last Saturday. He returned on Tuesday. About the 10th of April he will enter the employment of the Russell Ice Co., of Cedar Rapids.

On Saturday, Mrs. Kirkwood moved her household goods to Klemme.

Miss Sawyer of Cedar Falls was visiting Miss Alva Matson the latter part of last week.

Mr. L. G. Avery is rapidly improving.

The town election Monday resulted in the following persons being elected:

Mayor—B. Vance.
Councilmen—Anton Ahrenkeil, D. M. Conlan, O. F. Conwell, L. G. Avery and L. Ericson.
Treasurer—Warner Butts.
Assessor—Charles Conklin.

U. B. Church Notes

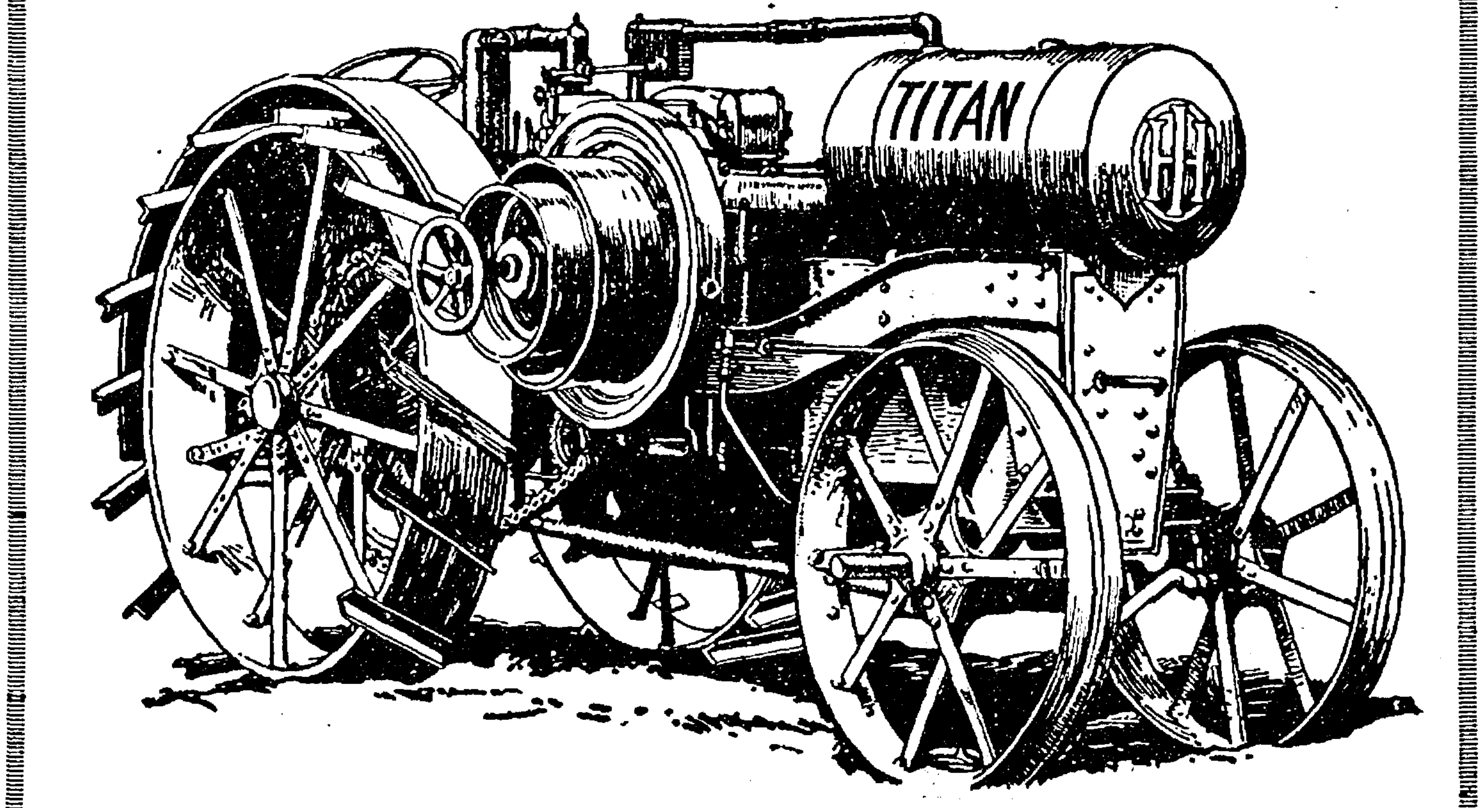
April 2nd, Dr. Wm. F. Cronk, State Supterintendent of the United Brethren Iowa Conference, will preach at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. He will also conduct the Second Quarterly Conference of the year.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

You are invited to all these services.

H. T. Miller, Pastor.



BOYS

Boys are well-known. You don't have to go to far lands or to the County Fair to look upon them. Everywhere, it is still the style to have Boys.

Perhaps you are trying to run one or more Boys right this minute. Then you will know that since the world began they were never so tremendously important as now. Your hopes and your aims center on them. You must deliver them out of Boyhood into successful Manhood.

Will your sons stay with the land, or will the will-o-the-wisp of the cities call them away? Armies of country Boys, who could be happiest and most successful on farms, respond to the artificial glamour of town life before they are old enough to know their own minds. They do not know that the rewards of country life—in money, health, and happiness—are far greater. Make them realize that! Guide the restless ambitions of your Boys and spare no pains!

Machines have been a powerful factor in stemming the flow to the cities. Machines banish drudgery and make labor interesting; machines foster the love of mechanics in the Boy; machines are builders of fortunes.

You now own many of the machines made by the International Harvester Company. We are headquarters for the International Full Line, including Titan tractors, International engines, and manure spreaders, Primrose cream separators, McCormick and Deering harvesting, haying, and corn machines, tillage tools, P&O plows, etc. Give the Boys every chance for liking farming and farm life. Perhaps more of these machines will help keep them contented.

A SUGGESTION FOR KEEPING YOUR BOY ON THE FARM

CATO C. GRIESY

The Dollar You Can't Afford to Lose

Is the dollar to put in this Bank.

We have thousands of such dollars here, and you will be in good company. Absolutely safe; ready for you when needed; and the older it grows the more it will be worth.

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
MESERVEY, IOWA

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

A good used Fordson tractor A-1 condition at a real bargain.—Belmond Auto Co. Belmond Ia.

For real bargains in second hand cars, see the Belmond Auto Co. Belmond, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Setting eggs, from English W. Leghorns Second cross from Imported stock. $5.00 per 100 —P. H. Pals. tfc

Mr. and Mrs. George Watermuller of near Kanawha spent Sunday here at the Henry Gerdes home.

Joe Smith was at Mason City Monday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith and little daughter of near Alexander spent the day Sunday at the Henry Hiteland home.

Hans Barkema left Saturday for Rochester Minn., to spend Sunday with his brother-in-law, Mr. Eden, who is still in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Koenen autoed to Mason City on Monday, visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital, who is doing very nicely at the present writing.

The Misses Jennie Ostendorf, Esther Reverts, Katie Koenen, Gertie Pals and Ollie and Tillie Pals were Sunday guests at the J. R. Schmidt home.

Joe and Ike Koenen motored to Mason City Sunday, visiting their sister Mrs. Dirks.

H. Fischer left Monday for an extended visit with relatives and friends at Ackley. He will also attend the annual conference at Van Horn, Ia., before returning home.

Rev. Schlesselman left Tuesday morning for Van Horn, Iowa where he will attend the annual conference of the Evangecial association. The conference will last over Sunday.

R. L. Robinson and family autoed to Rowan Friday evening, visiting friends.

Have your Easter cleaning done now. Suits cleaned and pressed, $1.50. New Belmond Tailor Shop.

L. B. Hulsebus was a business called at the county seat, Tuesday.

Miss Freda Schroeder of Latimer is visiting at the Henry Hiteland home this week.

M. E. Church

Regular Service, Sunday 2:30 p. m. The Reverend J. J. Bushnell, D. D., District Superintendent, will preach. After the service there will be a business meeting, the regular Quarterly Conference of the church. The public are invited.

C. W. Loughlin, Pastor.

MISSIONARY PROGRAM

The Young Women's Missionary circle of the Evangelical church will give the following program, Sunday evening, April 2.

Opening Song—Y. W. M. C.
Scripture Reading—President.
Prayer—Mrs. Schlesselman.
Song—The Plea.
Reading—Evelyn Thomas.
Play—The Mission Circle at Averagiville.
Violin Solo—Viola Thomas.
Reading—Eva Sprau.
Instrumental Duet—Irena Butz and Agnes Fischer.
Reading—Mrs. Schlesselman.
Trio—My Creed.

Everybody is cordially invited. Please bring this program.

The interior of the meat market is receiving a new coat of paint this week. H. B. Frey is the artist.

The town election Monday was rather quiet and the complete vote was as follows:

For Mayor—
Harm J. Groen 51.
F. S. Agler 21.
Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus 6.
C. Bier 1.
Mrs. H. Reif 1.
For Council—
H. Fischer 76.
A. E. Muller 78.
G. E. Raecker 77.
E. A. Strasburg 72.
C. J. Wendel 79.
C. Shove 1.
Mrs. Reif 1.
A. D. Brogan 2.
C. H. Halfpop 1.
For Treasurer—
K. C. Ruigh 79.
A. Guth 1.
For Assessor—
H. F. Reif 70.
Mrs. Reif 8.
John Langlitz 1.
F. S. Agler 1.
Mrs. Shove 1.

There was but one ticket on the ballot and this accounts for the mixture of votes—the old guard apparently made little effort to carry the election. Several young wouldbe Tammany Hall leaders were out soliciting votes but did little good.

The men elected are all business men and have interests on main street and should have the united support of all the citizens to make Meservey a better place to live.

FOR SALE

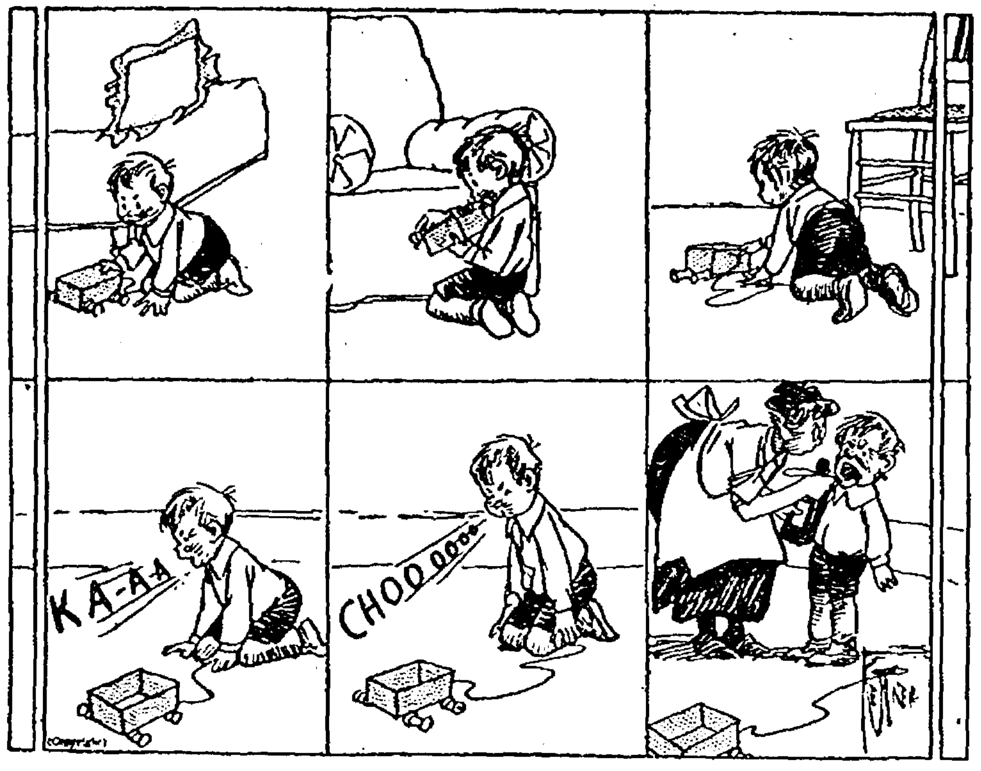
A registered Short Horn bull, 2 years old. $60 if taken at once—Peter Gruis, Alexander, Iowa. 171*

The lumber for the new addition of the Reformed church arrived Tuesday, and the members are busy hauling.

WANTED—Eggs, Eggs, 1 egg or a case. WE WANT EGGS.—Joe White.

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs 75 cents per setting, 4.50 per 100 Excellent layers—Mrs. Jno. H. Wenzel, Meservey, Iowa.

The End of a Perfect Day



CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Rev. Faust will be with us Friday evening for Quarterly Conference. Communion services Sunday a. m.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30
Services (German) 10:30
Young People's meeting 7:15
Services (German) 8:00

Catechism classes at the usual hour on Saturday afternoon.

H. Pannkuk, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen were shoppers at Mason City on Wednesday of last week.

Alma Witt of Clear Lake came Tuesday of last week spending a few days at the L. B. Hulsebus home.

Jacob Nissen was a motor passenger to Mason City last week Wednesday on business matters.

Ono Ulrich who is attending college at Ames came Wednesday for a short vacation at the Lelan Jacobson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wendell moved into the Theodore Wendell home last week which was vacated by H. Kefoed and family who will make their future home on a farm in Minnesota.

The American Legion will meet next Thursday, April 6, in the basement of the bank.

Al Rooks was a motor passenger to Mason City Friday morning.

Henry Grosz and Mrs. Frank Grosz and daughter were at Mason City Friday on business matters and pleasure trip.

FOR SALE Rohe and single comb Rhode Island eggs for hatching. Fertility guaranteed.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

Miss Dora Jacobs spent the week end at her home near Belmond.

Miss Sadie Frohling of Belmond spent several days here visiting friends. She returned home Friday.

Dr. F. S. Agler
Physician & Surgeon
Meservey - - Iowa

Meservey Barber Shop
H. F. REIF, Prop.
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EASTER CARDS
Will have a Special Assorted Line of
EASTER CARDS & BOOKLETS
Buy them at Home
P. O. CONFECTIONERY
Meservey, Iowa

Meat Meat Meat
Anything you want.
Come in and see what we have and you sure will take something home.
We Buy Cream.
City Meat Market
R. L. Robinson
Meservey, Iowa

Reduction in Dental Prices
In order to give you an opportunity to have your teeth put in first class condition at a material saving, I am placing the best grade of Dental Service within reach of all.
Gold Crowns, any size, $5
Upper or Lower Plates, no extra charge for Gold Dust Rubber, $10 and up.
Silver Fillings, any size, $1.00
Gold Fillings, $3 and up
Dr. C. E. Rivers
Dentist
9th Year in Mason City
Over 10c Store - Central Trust Bldg.

Undertaking & Funeral Director
F. D. FULTON
Licensed Embalmer
Calls Answered Day or Night
HARM J. GROEN, Mgr.
Phone--Residence 17: Office 20
Meservey, Iowa

Repair Work
Now is the time to have your car overhauled.
Ford Magnetos re-charged without removing engines from car.
Meservey Garage
G. E. Raecker
Phone 44 Meservey, Iowa

Combination Sale
At Meservey, Iowa
Saturday, April 1st

Live Stock
16 Horses, 5 to 11 years old, wt. from 1200 to 1700
Cows, Brood Sows, grade and regular, Mules, etc.
1 Hereford Bull, 2 yrs. old
Collie Shepherd Dog, reg.

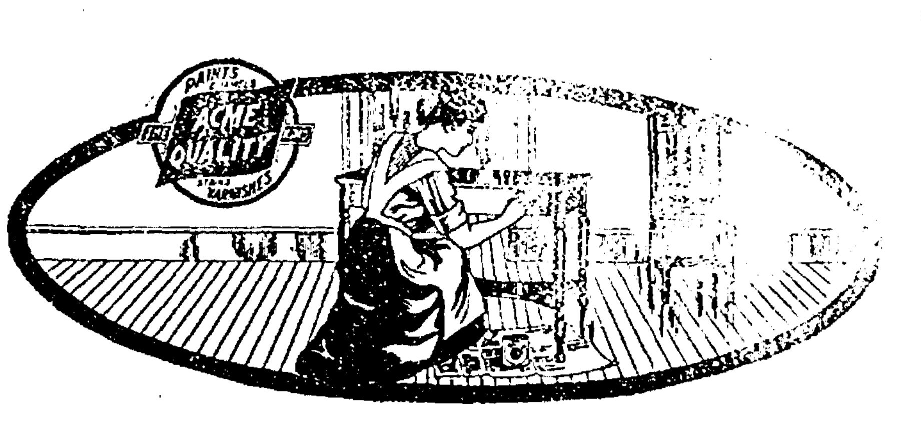
Miscellaneous
Spring wagon
10 ton tame hay
2 Great Western Manure Spreaders
1 set Breeching Harness
2 new Hoosier seeders
1 new wagon, complete
1 4-sec. Harrow
1 heating stove
1 washing machine
1 One Minute Washing Machine
Deering Binder
1 1-2 H. P. I. H. C. gas engine on trucks.
2 Ford Touring Cars
1 Organ
35 bushels potatoes
Ford Car Power attachment
1 manure carrier complete with 100 foot cable and Posts
100 3-week old Chicks
1 practically new chain tug harness
1 Deere riding stubble Plow, 16 in.
1 Deere riding corn plow
Walking stubble plow
Harrow cart, high wheel

The above is but a partial list of what will be offered, more being listed every day.
Listing terms very reasonable, if sold fee is returned and 3 per cent interest is charged.
Bring what you have no use for---and take home what you need. We expect to have a real old fashioned sale, so come.
AUCTIONEERS: Pals, Cooper, Floy and Morris.
COMMITTEE

SPECIAL!
Ton-Gors Powdered Buttermilk
Baby Chick Feed. 10 lb. Bag for $1.00
Hulsebus Muller Co.
MESERVEY, IOWA
Poultry and Eggs Wanted

Now is the Time---
to build that Hog House and that Chicken House that you put off building until prices were right. They are right now. Come and see us.
Car Salt just arrived in barrels of 280 lbs., medium and granulated in sacks from 100 lbs. to 25 at the right prices.
H. J. Klemme Lumber Co.
Harm J. Groen, Mgr.
Phone 20 Meservey, Iowa

It Pays To Read the Ads



Clean Up & Paint Up
We are headquarters for all kinds of paints, varnishes, etc. In fact, everything for the needs of all those that are cleaning house
"TO BRIGHTEN UP THINGS"
is our motto. With a standard brand of paint like Acme quality, we can stand behind the brand.
C. J. Wendel
Meservey, Iowa

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Earl Hall and Forrest Gillett were visitors at Hampton last Sunday.

Miss Lillie Cornwell spent the week end with friends at Manly.

Mrs. Lewis Bell and children and Mrs.. Fred Larsen and two sons visited with relatives at Hampton the first of the week.

Ben Hensel of Webster City is a guest at the home of his brother, Oscar Hensel this week.

Vernon Finkle of Hampton was a business caller in this vicinity last Monday.

Miss Vivian Meirbachtol of Tripoli is visiting friends at Alexander this week.

C. I. McCallum of Rowan is a visitor at the home of his son Bernard McCallum and of old friends at Alexander.

Mrs. John Lieuwen of Belmond visited at the home of her son, A. C. Lieuwen a few days the past week.

Mrs. Otis Nelson of Belmond has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Carl Greenfield, returning to her home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and two sons, Rex and Franc were visitors at Hampton Thursday evening.

John F. Bell was a caller at Belmond last Tuesday.

Carl Griemann visited with friends at Hampton on Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Mohr were called to Des Moines last Friday by the serious illness of Mrs. Mohr's mother.

Theodore Beenen was a Hampton caller last Thursday evening.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Eldora.

Miss Alma and Ruth Johnson spent the last of the week at their home in Latimer.

The Cemetery socitey will meet at the Fred Dunn home next Thursday afternoon April 6th. All members are requested to be present. Entertaining committee for this meeting are Mrs. George Peck, Mrs. Carrie Reed and Mrs. Fred Dunn.

Mrs. Anna Pekerak and little daughter, Josephine are visiting with relatives at Hampton this week.

School Notes

The entire faculty went over our physical labaratory last Monday evening in order to be sure that the promiscious placing of apparatus did not form anything that might look suspicious to the causual observer. The only thing found which might draw criticism, was a piece of rubber tubing about two feet long, that had a one and a half turn twist in it. This was immediately straightened out. We are sure that it will stand a Volstead inspection.

The class in agriculture is very busy figuring our balanced rations for all classes of live stock this week. They use the terms, proteins, Carbohydrates, fats and nutritive ratio as glibly as a housewife speak of coffee and tea.

The high school play for this year is "Deacon Dubbs." The participants are hard at work upon it now. It will be given just as soon as possible.

We don't want to be placed at the mercy of rainy weather that always assists us in the last week activities.

The high school pupils were entertained at a party given last Friday night in the auditorium. All report an excellent time.

Everything moved along smoothly. There was just enough evidence of the eternal triangle to make it interesting. Bennie and Water were two sides of the triangle. Now if you are a mathematican you should be able to find the third side. The Misses Whetstone and Benard chaperoned the party.

The Domestic Science girls are very busy indeed. In fact they are at top speed. Those who have sampled their wares in the Culinary Art say that they are improving right along.

A Mr. Williams representing the "Near East Relief," will visit our community in the near future. Several reels will be thrown upon the screen showing the actual conditions and the sad plight of our neighbors asross the sea. No admission will be charged. All contributions will be voluntary.

Miss Gladys Hauge of Belmond visited our school one day last week. Miss Hauge was the guest of the Misses Alman and Ruth Johnson.

The reels for next Tuesday night April 4th are "The Panama Canal," "Current Occurences," showing the manufacturing and the use of electrical household utensils. We are supposed to have a comedy if we don't get beat out of it again.

Alexander Congregational Church

Beginning next Sunday, April 2, the evening services will begin half an hour later. Let us also remember that next Sunday is communion Sunday.

There was a splendid attendance at Sunday school last Sunday morning, but we can do still better. The Sunday School is the place for your children if they are not already going.

"Stop, Look, Listen." Next Friday night the Christian Endeavers will have a social gathering at the Hotel. Many interesting games and contests will be provided, and also a box supper will be held in connection with it. The boxes will not be auctioned off, but a small price will be charged for them. Ladies come and bring your box, and we'll leave it to the men to perform the rest.

Mr. Lloyd Green, Mrs. George Dunn, Mrs. Fred Murphy and son Charles and Rev. Mohr and son, Arthur motored o Webster City last Thursday to attend a Missionary meeting.

Sunday school 10:00 a. m.
Morning service 11 a. m.
Junior and Senior C. E. 7 p. m.
Evening service 8 p. m.

MAIL CARRIERS COUNT THE HOGS

A special report that will indicate the probable pig population of the leading swine states this spring and next fall will be made by the United States department of agriculture cooperating with the United States post office department early in May, it was announced. Over 24,000 rural mail carriers connected with 9,500 post offices in the fourteen representative states will collect the necessary data about May 1.

The plan is to secure reports on simple card questionaires from not less than twelve farms on each rural route in the various states. This information will be collected by rural mail carriers in the regular course of delivering mail and returned to the department of agriculture at Washington for tabulation.

The card can be filled out in less than two minutes.

In Fourteen States

The states to be covered are Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, Special efforts will be made to have the returns truly representative of the territory from which they are taken. From these "sample returns ratios, percentages, and state totals can be worked out of farms in these states.

The information on each card will be confidential, and only percentages and totals will be published. The card will indicate the total acreage in each farm and total acreage of crop land, including hay land. The number of sows which farrowed or are due to farrow between Jan. 1 and June 30 1922, will be shown as well as the number of sows on farms last year which farrowed between the same the same dates in 1921. Similar information will be given with regard to sows farrowing between July 1 and Dec. 31. The average litter for the first six months of 1921 will be shown.

Of Value To Farmers

The questionaire is so simply arranged that the giving of all this information requires the notation of only nine figures and the name and address of the farmer. The survey and estimate will be made at remarkably small cost.

An accurate estimate of the probable pig population for the year will be of great value to hog raisers. This information, considered in connection with the estimate consumptive demand, will enable growers to plan their operations and marketing so that the supply at all times will be in proper relation to the demand which in turn will tend to stablize prices throughout the year and prevent wide range in prices. Both the producer and consumer will be benefited by such a condition.

CULLS

Grain weevil and bran bugs caused South Dakota grain to be docked at the terminals in 1921 for the first time in the history of the state.

The last man to starve will be a farmer.

A sheltered shed, a rack of hay,
Is all the milk cow wants.
Just feed her well three times a day
And then you'll have no runts.

It is a poor workman who finds fault with his tools; but he who goes on the job with dull tools is still worse.

Questions are the key holes in the door of success.

The use of poisoned bait in the control of grasshoppers , cut worms and army worms is discussed in a State college extension circular which is now being printed.

The silo causes many folks
To open wide their eyes,
The quality of feed therefrom
Gives many a surprise.

Drys have no objection to brandy in mince pies; but they won't trust the wets with the brandy.

IOWA WAR ON CORN BORER PEST

Agricultural interests over the state are considering what plans of attack should be used against the corn borer, which is proving to be very destructive to the corn crop in some states. In districts where the corn borer has secured a start, the destruction is reported as ranging from fifty to one hundred percent of the corn. College authorities at Ames are planning to inspect as much of the seed corn brought into the state as possible in an effort to prevent this pest from gaining a foot hold on the corn crop of Iowa. Farmers all over the state are asked to be on the lookout for this pest and to give the state college authorities every assistance possible to prevent unnessary destruction of the crop.

The president of Iowa State College at Ames, R. A. Pearson, together with F. A. Fenton, acting state entomologist of the college met with Governor Kendall several days ago to consider the advisability of issuing a quarantine on the European borer, which has proven so destructive in the eastern states. The purpose of this quarantine is to prevent the intrastate shipment of corn, broom corn and other plants which can carry the eggs of this destructive insect. The federal government has issued a quarantine against interstate shipment of the egg carrying grains from the state affected, it was stated.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate," with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Neils Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Neils Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

Captain Scraggs choked with rage, and Mr. Gibney, springing at the nearest palm, shinned to the top of it in the most approved sailor fashion. A moment later, instead of coconuts, rich unctuous curses began to descend on McGuffey and Scraggs.

"Gib, my dear boy," inquired Scraggs, "whatever is the matter of you?"

"That hound Tabu-Tabu's been strippin' our coconut grove," roared the commodore. "He must have spent half the night up in these trees."

"Thank the Lord they didn't take 'em all," said McGuffey piously. "Chuck me down a nut, Gib," said Captain Scraggs. "I'm famished."

In conformity with the commodore's plans, the castaways made camp in the grove. For a week they subsisted on gooneys, taro root, coconuts and coconut milk, and a sea-turtle which Scraggs found wandering on the beach. This suggested turtle eggs to Mr. Gibney, and a change of diet resulted. Nevertheless, the unaccustomed food, poorly cooked as it was, and the lack of water, told cruelly on them, and their strength failed rapidly.

At the end of a week, all hands were troubled with indigestion and McGuffey developed a low fever. They had lost much flesh and were a white, haggard-looking trio. On the afternoon of the tenth day on the island the sky clouded up and Mr. McGuffey predicted a williwaw. Captain Scraggs inquired feebly if it was good to eat.

That night it rained, and to the great joy of the marooned mariners Mr. Gibney discovered, in the center of a big sandstone rock, a natural reservoir that held about ten gallons of water. They drank to repletion and felt their strength return a thousand-fold. Tabu-Tabu and the king came into camp about this time, and pleaded for a ration of water. Mr. Gibney, swearing horribly at them, granted their request, and the king, in his gratitude, threw himself at the commodore's feet and kissed them. But Mr. Gibney was not to be deceived, and after furnishing them with a supply of water in coconut calabashes, he ordered them to their own side of the island.

On the eighteenth day the last drop of water was gone, and on the twenty-second day the last of the coconuts disappeared. The prospects of more rain were not bright. The gooneys were becoming shy and distrustful and the syndicate was experiencing more and more difficulty, not only in killing them, but in eating them. McGuffey, who had borne up uncomplainingly, was shaking with fever and hardly able to stagger down the beach to look for turtle eggs. The syndicate was sick, weak and emaciated almost beyond recognition, and on the twenty-fifth day Captain Scraggs fainted twice. On the twenty-sixth day McGuffey crawled into the shadow of a stunted mimosa bush and started to pray!

It was the finish. The commodore knew it, and sat with bowed head in his gaunt arms, wondering, wondering. Slowly his body began to sway; he muttered something, slid forward on his face, and lay still. And as he lay there on the threshold of the unknown he dreamed that the Maggie II came into view around the headland, a bone in her teeth and every stitch of canvas flying. He saw her luff up into the wind and hang there shivering; a moment later her sails came down by the run, and he saw a little splash under her port bow as her hook took bottom. There was a commotion on decks, and then to Mr. Gibney's dying ears came faintly the shouts and songs of the black boys as a whaleboat shot into the breakers and pulled swiftly toward the beach. Mr. Gibney dreamed that a white man sat in the stern sheets of this whaleboat, and as the boat touched the beach it seemed to Mr. Gibney that this man sprang ashore and ran swiftly toward him. And—

Mr. Gibney twisted his suffering lips into a wry smile as he realized the oddities of this mirage—it seemed to him that this visionary white man bore a striking resemblance to Neils Halvorsen. Neils Halvorsen, of all men! Old Neils, "the squarehead" deckhand of the green-pea trade! Dull, bowlegged Neils, with his lost dog smile and his—

Mr. Gibney rubbed his eyes feebly and half staggered to his feet. What was that? A shout? Without doubt he had heard a sound that was not the moaning of their remorseless prison-keeper, the sea. And—

"Hands off," shrieked Mr. Gibney and struck feebly at the imaginary figure rushing toward him. No use. He felt himself swept into strong arms and carried an immeasurable distance down the beach. Then somebody threw water in his face and pressed a drink of brandy and sweet water to his parched lips. His swimming senses rallied a moment, and he discovered that he was lying in the bottom of a whaleboat. McGuffey lay beside him, and on a thwart in front of him sat good old Neils Halvorsen with Captain Scraggs' head on his knees. As Mr. Gibney looked at this strange tableau Captain Scraggs opened his eyes, glanced up at Neils Halvorsen, and spoke:

"Why if it ain't old squarehead Neils," he muttered wonderingly. "If it ain't Neils, I'll go to hades or some other seaport." He closed his eyes again and subsided into a sort of lethargy, for he was content. He knew he was saved.

Mr. Gibney rolled over, and, struggling to his knees, leaned over McGuffey and peered into his drawn face.

"Mac, old shipmate! Mac, speak to me. Are you alive?"

B. McGuffey, Esquire, opened a pair of glazed eyes and stared at the commodore.

"Did we lick 'em?" he whispered. "The last I remember the king was puttin' it all over Scraggsy. And that Tabu boy—was—no slouch." McGuffey paused, and glanced warily around the boat, while a dawning horror appeared in his sunken eyes. "Go back, Neils—go back—for God's sake. There's two niggers—still—on the—island. Bring—'em some—water. They're cannibals—Neils, but never—mind. Get them—aboard—the poor devils—if they're living. I—wouldn't leave a—crocodile on that—hell hole. If I could—help it."

An hour later the Robinson Crusoe syndicate, including the man Friday and the Goat, were safe aboard the Maggie II, and Neils Halvorsen, with the tears streaming down his bronzed cheeks, was sparingly doling out to them a mixture of brandy and water. And when the syndicate was strong enough to be allowed all the water it wanted, Neils Halvorsen propped them up on deck and told the story. When he had finished, Captain Scraggs turned to Mr. Gibney.

"Gib, my dear boy," he said, "make a motion."

"I move," said the commodore, "that we set Tabu-Tabu and the king down on the first inhabited island we can find. They've suffered enough. And I further move that we readjust the ownership of the Maggie II syndicate and cut the best Swede on earth in on a quarter of the profits."

"Second the motion," said McGuffey.

"Carried," said Captain Scraggs.

CHAPTER XIV.

The lookout on the power schooner Maggie II had sighted Diamond head before Commodore Adelbert P. Gibney, Captain Phineas P. Scraggs, and Engineer Bartholomew McGuffey were enabled to declare, in all sincerity (or at least with as much sincerity as one might reasonably expect from this band of roving rascals), that they had entirely recovered from their harrowing experiences on the desert island of Tuvana-tholo, in the Friendly group.

At the shout of "Land, ho!" Mr. McGuffey yawned, stretched himself, and sat up in the wicker lounging chair where he had sprawled for days with Mr. Gibney and Captain Scraggs, under the awning on top of the house. He flexed his biceps reflectively, while his companions, stretched at full length in their respective chairs, watched him lazily.

"As a member o' the Maggie syndicate an' ownin' an' votin' a quarter interest," boomed the engineer, "I hereby call a meetin' o' the said syndicate for the purpose o' transactin' any an' all business that may properly come before the meetin'."

"Pass the word for Neils Halvorsen," suggested Mr. Gibney. "Bless his squarehead soul," he added.

"We got a quorum without him, an' besides this business is just between us three."

"Meetin'll come to order." The commodore tapped the hot deck with his bare heel twice. "Haul away, Mac."

"I move you, gentlemen, that it be the sense o' this meetin' that B. McGuffey, Esquire, be an' he is hereby app'inted a committee o' one to lam the everlastin' daylights out o' that sinful former chief mate o' ourn for abandonin' the syndicate to a horrible death on that there desert island. Do I hear a second to that motion?"

"Second the motion," chirped Captain Scraggs.

"The motion's denied," announced Mr. Gibney firmly.

"Now, looky here, Gib, that ain't fair. Didn't you fight Tabu-Tabu an' didn't Scraggsy fight the king o' Kandavu? I ain't had no fightin' this entire v'yage an' I did cal'late to lick that doggone mate."

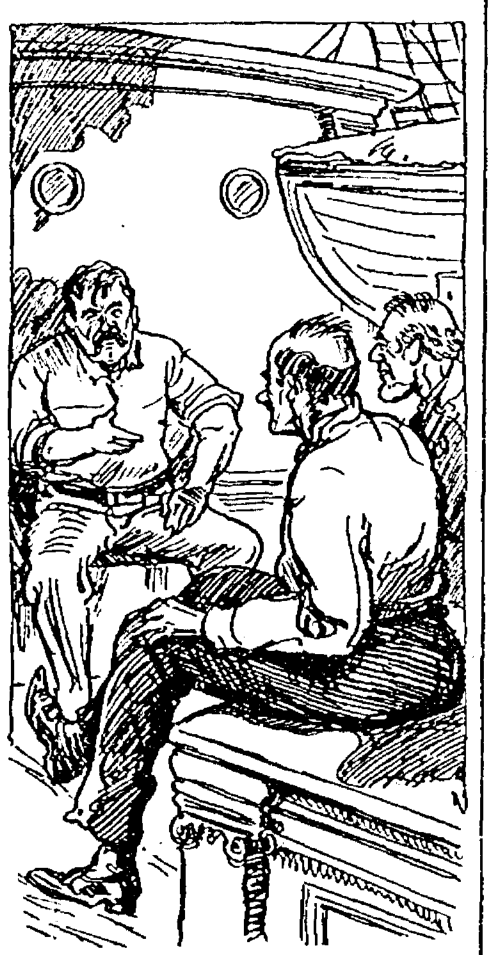
"Mac, it can't be done nohow."

"Oh, it can't, eh? Well, I'll just bet you two boys my interest in the syndicate—"

"It ain't that, Mac, it ain't that. Nobody's doubtin' your natural ability to mop him up. But it ain't policy. You wasn't sore agin 'em cannibal savages, was you? You made Neils go back an' save 'em, an' it took us two days to beat up to the first inhabited island an' drop 'em off—"

"But a cannibal's like a dumb beast, Gib. He ain't responsible. This mate knows better."

"Ah!" Mr. Gibney leveled a horny forefinger at the engineer. "That's where you hit the nail on the head. He's too fly, and there's only two ways to keep him from flyin' away with us. The first is to feed him to the sharks and the second is to treat him like a long-lost brother. I know he ought to be hove overboard, but I ain't got the heart to kill him in cold blood. Consequently, we got to let the villain live, an' if you go to beatin' him up, Mac, you'll make him sore an' he'll peach on us when we get to Honolulu. If us three could get back to San Francisco with clean hands, I'd say lick the beggar an' lick him for fair. But we got to remember that this mate was one o' the original filibuster crew o' the old Maggie I. The day we tackled the Mexican navy an' took this power schooner away from 'em, we put ourselves forty fathom plumb outside the law, an' this mate was present an' knows it. We've changed the vessel's name an' rig, an' doctored up the old Maggie's papers to suit the Maggie II, an' we've give her a new dress. But at that, it's hard to disguise a ship in a live port, an' the secret service agents o' the Mexican government may be a-layin' for us in San Francisco; and with this here mate agin us an' ready to turn state's evidence, we're pirates under the law, an' it don't take much imagination to see three pirates swingin' from the same yard-arm. No, sir, Mac. I ain't got no wish, now that we're fixed nice an' comfortable with the world's goods, to be hung for a pirate in the mere shank o' my youth. Why, I ain't fifty year old yet."


"We're Pirates Under the Law—"

"By the tail o' the Great Sacred Bull," chattered Scraggs. "Gib's right."

McGuffey was plainly disappointed. "I hadn't thought o' that at all Gib. I been cherishin' the thought o' lammin' the whey out'n that mate, but if you say so I'll give up the idee. But if bringin' the Maggie II into home waters is invitin' death, what in blue blazes're we goin' to do with her?"

Mr. Gibney smiled—an arch, cunning smile. "We'll give her to that murderin' mate, free gratis."

Captain Scraggs bounded out of his chair, struck the hot deck with his bare feet, cursed, and hopped back into the chair again. McGuffey stared incredulously. "Gib, my dear boy," quavered Scraggs, "say that agin."

"Yes," continued the commodore placidly, "we'll just get shet o' her peaceable like by givin' her to this mate. Don't forget, Scraggsy, old tarpot, that this mate's been passin' himself off for you in Honolulu, an' if there's ever an investigation, the trail leads to the Maggie II. This mate's admitted being Captain Scraggs, an' if he's found with the schooner in his possession it'll take a heap o' evidence for him to prove that he ain't Captain Scraggs. We'll just keep this here mate in the brig while we're disposing of our black coral, pearl, shell and copra in Honolulu, an' then, when we've cleaned up, an' got our passages booked for San Francisco—"

"But who says we're goin' back to San Francisco?" cut in McGuffey.

"Why, where else would men with money in their pockets head for, you oil-soaked piece of ignorance? Ain't you had enough adventure to do you a spell?" demanded Captain Scraggs. "Me an' Gib's for goin' back to San Francisco, so shut up. If you got any objection, you're outvoted two to one in the syndicate."

McGuffey subsided, growling, and Mr. Gibney continued:

"When we're ready to leave Honolulu, we'll bring this mate on deck, make him a kind Christian talk an' give him the Maggie II with the compliments o' the syndicate. He'll think our sufferin's on that island has touched us with religion an' he'll be so tickled he'll keep his mouth shut. Then, with all three of us safe an' out o' the mess, an' the evidence off our hands, we'll clear out for Gawd's country an' look around for some sort of a profitable investment."

The commodore sighed. "She's a love of a boat an' it breaks my heart to give up the only command I've ever had, but the fact is, Mac, her possession by us is dangerous, an' we don't need her, an' we can't sell her because her record's got blurs on it. We can't convey a clean an' satisfactory title. Anyhow, she didn't cost us a cent an' there ain't no real financial loss if we give her to this mate. He'd be glad to get her if she had yellow jack aboard, an' if he's caught with her he'll have to do the explainin'. When you're caught with the goods in your possession, Mac, it makes the explainin' all the harder. Besides, we're three to one, an' if it comes to a show-down later we can outswear the mate."

Captain Scraggs picked his snaggle teeth with the little blade of his jack-knife and cogitated a minute.

"Well," he announced presently, "far be it from me to fly in the face o' a felon's death. I've made a heap o' money, follerin' Gib's advice, an' bust my bob-stay if I don't stay put on this. Gib, it's your lead."

"Well, I'll follow suit. Gib's got all the trumps," acquiesced the engineer. "We got plenty o' dough an' no board bills comin' due, so we'll loaf alongshore until Gib digs up somethin' good."

"How about Neils?" queried Captain Scraggs. "Do we continue to let that ex-deckhand in on our fortunes?"

"If Neils Halvorsen had asked you that question when he come to rescue you the day you lay a-dyin' o' thirst on that desert island, wouldn't you have said yes?"

"Sure pop."

"Then don't ask no questions that's unworthy of you," said Mr. Gibney severely. "I don't want to see none o' them green-pea trade ethics croppin' up in you, Scraggsy. If it wasn't for that Swede the sea-gulls'd be pickin' our bones now. Neils Harvorsen is included in this syndicate for good."

"Amen." This from the honest McGuffey.

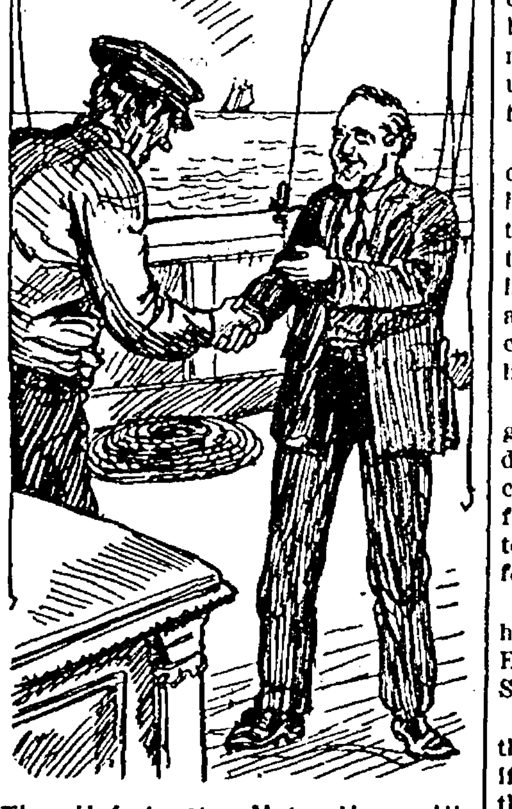
"Meetin's adjourned," said Captain Scraggs feelly.

Under the direction of the crafty commodore, the valuable cargo of the Maggie II was disposed of in Honolulu. During the period while the schooner lay at the dock discharging, Captain Scraggs and McGuffey prudently remained in the cabin with the perfidious mate, in order that, should an investigation be undertaken later by the Treasury department, no man might swear that the real Phineas Scraggs, filibuster, had been in Honolulu on a certain date. The Kanaka crew of the schooner Mr. Gibney managed to ship with an old shipmaster friend bound for New Guinea, so their testimony was out of the way for a while, at least.

When the Maggie II was finally discharged and the proceeds of her rich cargo nestled, in crisp bills of large denomination, in a money belt under Mr. Gibney's armpits and next his rascally skin, he purchased tickets under assumed names for himself, Scraggs, McGuffey and Halvorsen on the liner Hilonian, due to sail at noon next day.

These details attended to, the Maggie II backed away from the dock under her own power and cast anchor off the quarantine station. The mate was then brought on deck and made to confront the syndicate.

"It appears, my man," the commodore began, "that you was too anxious to horn in on the profits o' this expedition, so in a moment o' human weakness you did your employers an evil deed. We had it all figgered out to feed you to the sharks on the way home, because dead men tell no tales, but our sufferin's on that island has caused us all to look with a milder eye on mere human shortcomin's. The Good Book says: 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those what trespass agin us,' an' I ain't ashamed to admit that you owe your wicked life to the fact that Scraggsy's got religion an' McGuffey ain't much better. But we got all the money we need an' we're goin' to Europe to enjoy it, so before we go we're goin' to pass sentence upon you. It is the verdict o' the court that we present you with the power schooner Maggie II free gratis, an' that you accept the same in the same friendly sperrit in which it is tendered. Havin' a schooner o' your own from now on, you won't be tempted to steal one an' commit wholesale murder a-doin' it. You're forgiven, man. Take the Maggie II with our blessin', organize a comp'ny, an' go back to Kandavu an' make some money for yourself. Scraggsy, are you a-willin' to prove that you've given this errin' mate complete forgiveness by shakin' hands with him?"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"I forgive him freely," said Captain Scraggs, "an' here's my fin on it."

The unfortunate mate hung his head. He was much moved.

"You don't mean it, sir, do you?" he faltered.

"I hope I may never see the back o' my neck if I don't," replied the skipper.

"Surest thing you know, brother," shouted Mr. McGuffey and swatted the deluded mate between the shoulders. "Take her with our compliments. You was a good brave mate until you went wrong. I ain't forgot how you sprayed the hillsides with lead the day Gib an' Scraggsy was took by them cannibals. No, sir-ee! I ain't holding no grudge. It's human to commit crime. I've committed one or two myself. Good luck to you, matey. Hope you make a barrel o' money with the old girl."

"Thanks," the mate mumbled. "I ain't deservin' o' this nohow," and he commenced to snivel a little.

Mr. Gibney forgot that he was playing a hypocrite's part, and his generous nature overcame him.

"Dog my cats," he blustered, "what's the use givin' him the vessel if we don't give him some spondulicks to outfit her with grub an' supplies? Poor devil! I bet he ain't got a cent to bless himself with. Scraggsy, old tarpot, if we're goin' to turn over a new leaf an' be Christians, let's sail under a full cloud o' canvas."

"By Neptune, that's so, Gib. This feller did us an awful dirty trick, but at the same time there ain't a cowardly bone in his hull carcass. I ain't forgot how he stood to the guns that day off the Coronados when we was attacked by the Mexicans."

"Stake the feller, Gib," advised McGuffey, and wiped away a vagrant tear. He was quite overcome at his own generosity and the manner in which it had touched the hard heart of the iniquitous mate.

Mr. Gibney laid five one-hundred-dollar bills in the mate's palm.

"Good-by," he said gently, "an' see if you can't be as much of a man an' as good a sport hereafter as them you've wronged an' who's forgive you fully and freely."

One by one the three freebooters of the green-pea trade pumped the stricken mate's hand, tossed him a scrap of advice, and went overside into the small boat which was to take them ashore. It was a solemn parting and Mr. Gibney and McGuffey were snuffling audibly.

The next day, as the Hilonian steamed out of the harbor, bearing the syndicate back to San Francisco, they looked across at the little Maggie II for the last time, and observed that the mate was on deck, superintending three Kanaka sailors who were hoisting supplies aboard from a bumboat.

Commodore Gibney bade his first command a misty farewell.

"Good-by, little ship," he yelled and waved his hand. "Gawd! You was a witch in a light wind."

Seven days after leaving Honolulu, the Hilonian steamed into San Francisco bay. The syndicate could not wait until she had tied up at her dock, and the minute the steamer had passed quarantine Mr. Gibney hailed a passing launch. Bag and baggage the happy quartette descended to the launch and landed at Meiggs wharf. Mr. Gibney stepped into the wharfinger's office and requested permission to use the telephone.

"What's up, Gib?" demanded Captain Scraggs.

"I want to 'phone for a automobile to come down an' snake us up town in style. This syndicate ain't a-goin' to come rampin' home to Gawd's country lookin' like a lot o' Eyetalian peddlers. We're goin' to the best hotel an' we're goin' in style."

With the assistance of the wharfinger an automobile was summoned, and in due course the members of the syndicate found themselves ensconced in a fashionable suite in San Francisco's most fashionable hotel. Mr. Gibney stored the syndicate's pearls in the hotel safe, deposited an emergency roll with the hotel clerk, and banked the balance of the company funds in the names of all four; after which the syndicate gave itself up to a period of joy unconfined.

At the end of a week of riot and revelry Mr. Gibney revived sufficiently to muster all hands and lead them to a Turkish bath. Two days in the bath restored them wonderfully, and when the worthy commodore eventually got them back to the hotel he announced that henceforth the lid was on—and on tight. Captain Scraggs, who was hard to manage in his cups and the most prodigal of prodigals with steam up to a certain pressure, demurred at this.

"No more sky-larkin', Scraggsy, you old cut-up," Mr. Gibney ordered. "We had our good time comin' after all that we've been through, but it's time to get down to business agin. Riches has wings, Scraggsy, old salamander, an' even if we are ashore, I'm still the commodore. Now, set around an' we'll hold a meetin'."

He banged the chiffonier with his great fist. "Meetin' o' the Maggie syndicate," he announced. "Meetin'll come to order. The first business before the meetin' is a call for volunteers to furnish a money-makin' idee for the syndicate."

Neils Halvorsen shook his sorrel head. He had no ideas. B. McGuffey, Esquire, shook his head also. Captain Scraggs wanted to sing.

"I see it's up to me to suggest somethin'." Mr. Gibney smiled benignly, as if a money-making idea was the easiest thing on earth to produce. "The last thing I remember before we went to that Turkish bath was us four visitin' a fortune teller an' havin' our fortunes told, past, present an' future, for a dollar a throw. Anybody here remember what his fortune was?"

It appeared that no one remembered, not even Mr. Gibney. He therefore continued:

"The chair will app'int Mr. McGuffey an' himself a committee o' two to wait on one o' these here clairvoyants and have their fortunes told agin."

McGuffey, who was as superstitious as a negro, seconded the motion heartily and the committee forthwith sallied forth to consult the clairvoyant. Within the hour they returned.

(Continued Next Week)

Belmond Local News

Oscar Ulstad of Holmes, representative from this county, and a candidate for the office again at the the coming primaries, was in town the first of the week greeting old acquaintances and making new ones. His announcement will be found in this issue of the Independent.

Spring is here; the signs are too many to fail. Chief among them lately have been the kites flying around town, big ones, little ones, and in-between ones. Among the big ones were two made and flown by Ned Packard, which were from 8 to nine feet long, and required a good husky man to hold in the stiff breeze. Joe White utilized the means for an unusual advertising scheme, and had "White Buys Eggs" painted on one. Monday one of the big kites carried a Morse sign for mayor.

Mrs. W. H. White is spending a week or so at Fort Dodge, visiting at the home of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Claire White.

W. H. Trafford, of the Belmond Furniture company, was a caller at Kanawha on Monday of this week, driving over on business for the company.

Geo. Ballou, of Rowan, was in town last week Saturday, attending to some business matters here.

W. C. Tyrrell was out of town several days this week, on business connected with the sugar company.

Floyd Bailey was in town Monday of this week, attending to business matters and visiting relatives and friends. Floyd is trying the farming game this year on a farm near Kanawha.

Sheriff Lang was in town last week Friday, on official business for the county. Sheriff Lang is a candidate for the office, to which he was appointed at the death of Bert Fischer, and is well qualified to fill the place to the satisfaction of the people. He will doubtless poll a heavy vote in this community where he has many friends and is universally liked.

The Independent starts this week on the bar docket for the district court, at the next term. The docket is a fairly heavy one.

At a special meeting of the city council last week, the gift of Cap. W. C. Tyrrell of a beautiful park in Franklin Grove, was formally accepted.

For a good bargain in second hand cars, see first the Belmond Auto Co.

E. G. Miller, of the Belmond Welding Co., was a business caller at Swaledale last week three days, where he worked on the boiler at the creamery.

Clem Cannon is the new electrician at the Belmond Battery Station Co. Clem, who is a Belmond boy, has been studying electrical work at the State College at Ames, and has become very proficient in this line.

We now have a high grade Baby Chick feed on the market. Ask your dealer for EVERGOOD.—T. S. Wallace & Co.

Chris Norby went to Minnesota last week called there by illness of his brother.

B. R. Lau, from Minneapolis was an over Sunday visitor at the Chris Norby home.

Mrs. W. A. Connor visited her sister, Mrs. C. Norby several days last week.

Mrs. C. L. Groh returned Friday from a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. T. B. McCauley, at Des Moines.

Carion had quite a bitter political fight at the municipal election, the scrap being between the old officials, who were out for re-election, and a new ticket. The slogan seemed to be "Why swap horses in the middle of the stream," and half page ads in the Clarion papers were used to bring the idea before the voters..

Everybody is cordially invited to attend the lecture on "Better Shoes and Better Health" by Mrs. Volding, at the school auditorium Friday afternoon. No admission will be charged.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey went to Clarion Sunday to visit friends there.

Members of the Community club should plan to attend the lecture by Mrs. Volding on "Better Shoes and Better Health," Friday afternoon and bring all their friends or tell them to come.

TO USERS OF MILK

From now on, I will sell milk at 7c a quart from the wagon, 6c a quart from Kinseth's grocery. Cream is sold from the wagon.—H. H. Hawley Phone 298. 194

Have your Easter cleaning done now Suits cleaned and pressed, $1.50. New Belmond Tailor Shop.

Cleveland tractor plow and disc for sale or trade.—Geo. Coburn, Cornelia. Iowa. 192*

The Community Club meets at the school auditorium this week Friday. The meeting will open promptly at 2:30. After a short business meeting Mrs. Volding from Woodward Iowa will give a lecture on "Better Shoes and Better Health."

Chas Moore from Lidderdale came Saturday to visit at the home of his son, H. D. Moore.

Mrs. Schanck returned from Omaha last week Monday after a few weeks visit at the home of her brother, Charles Owen.

Cato C. Griesy left Tuesday night for Minneapolis on some business affairs connected with the Pump jack company recently formed in Belmond.

Miss Cloe Jenison came home last week to spend a few days with the home folks during the vacation at the State College at Ames, where she has been attending school since last fall.

Evangelist Ludgate has been conducting meetings at the Methodist church since Sunday. The meetings are to last for three weeks.

Milk dropped. Now seven cents delivered. six cents at the meat market.—Ash Grove Dairy. 192

Mrs Anne Bonte, of Meservey, is visiting this week at the home of Theo Bonte.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Bonte and family autoed to Alexander Sunday to spend the day at the Harm Harms home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Braner are the proud parents of a fine new baby boy, who came to their home Sunday.

The ladies of the Priscilla Club enterained their husbands to a fine seven o'clock dinner week ago Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Christie.

C. T. Fenton was in town over Sunday on some business affairs of the sugar company.

Miss Dodd, of the teaching force, spent the week end at her home in Grundy Center, where a family reunion of her people was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Snyder left for their home in South Dakota last Saturday afternoon, going by way of Minneapolis where they spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Snyder.

Mrs Fred Mortimer is spending a few days this week in Minneapolis where she is visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Stieby are moving this week to the Morse house recently vacated by the E. F. Bailey family.

"My Dad From Wyomng," a real "peppy" comedy with a western "punch" will be the opening play of the Berniece Allen Stock Co. at the Opera House Monday night.

For a good bargain in second hand cars, see first the Belmond Auto Co.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS
10 cents per line per week

FOR RENT—Seven room house, one block north of Community Oil Station.—F. T. Meacham. 19tfc

FOR SALE—Four brood sows, due to farrow in April.—John H. Wenzell, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

Wanted: Eggs, Eggs. One dozen or 50 cases Je S. White.

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

Wanted to Buy: I will buy your eggs and cream at all times. Open Saturday evenings. Joe S. White.

Wanted: Cream and Eggs at all times. Joe S. White.

FOR RENT—Three housekeeping rooms.—Mrs. Will Starnes. Phone 312. 173*

FOR SALE—Timothy seed, 1921 crop. Recleaned.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 17tfc

Good used Fords at a reasonable price. Come and see them before you buy. From $50 and up.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108 or 258.

eggs for hatching, 75 cents per setting of 15, or $4.50 per hundred. —Mrs. Chas. Gealow. Phone 2712. 173*

For Rent—Good seven room house and barn. Call 247. 18tc

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

FOR SALE—A few ladies' suits. Excellent condition. Prices very reasonable. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

White and Buff Plymouth Rock Eggs for hatching. 50 cents a setting—Mrs. O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 19tfc

Dressmaking and Tailoring. Come early and avoid the rush. Phone 116. Mrs Bench. 18tc

NOTICE—I have given my son, Glen Nihoof, his time, and I will not collect his wages nor pay any of his debts. On this 14th day of March, 1922. Harry Nihoof. 18tc

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Kinseth's Store News

There is one thing we want to call your attention to in our service, and that is that we will deliver your order to your door any time of day.

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We have some real shoes for $1.95. Why pay more?

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Chickens for Sunday

Home Made Bologna

Phone 207

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You may get the Cake.

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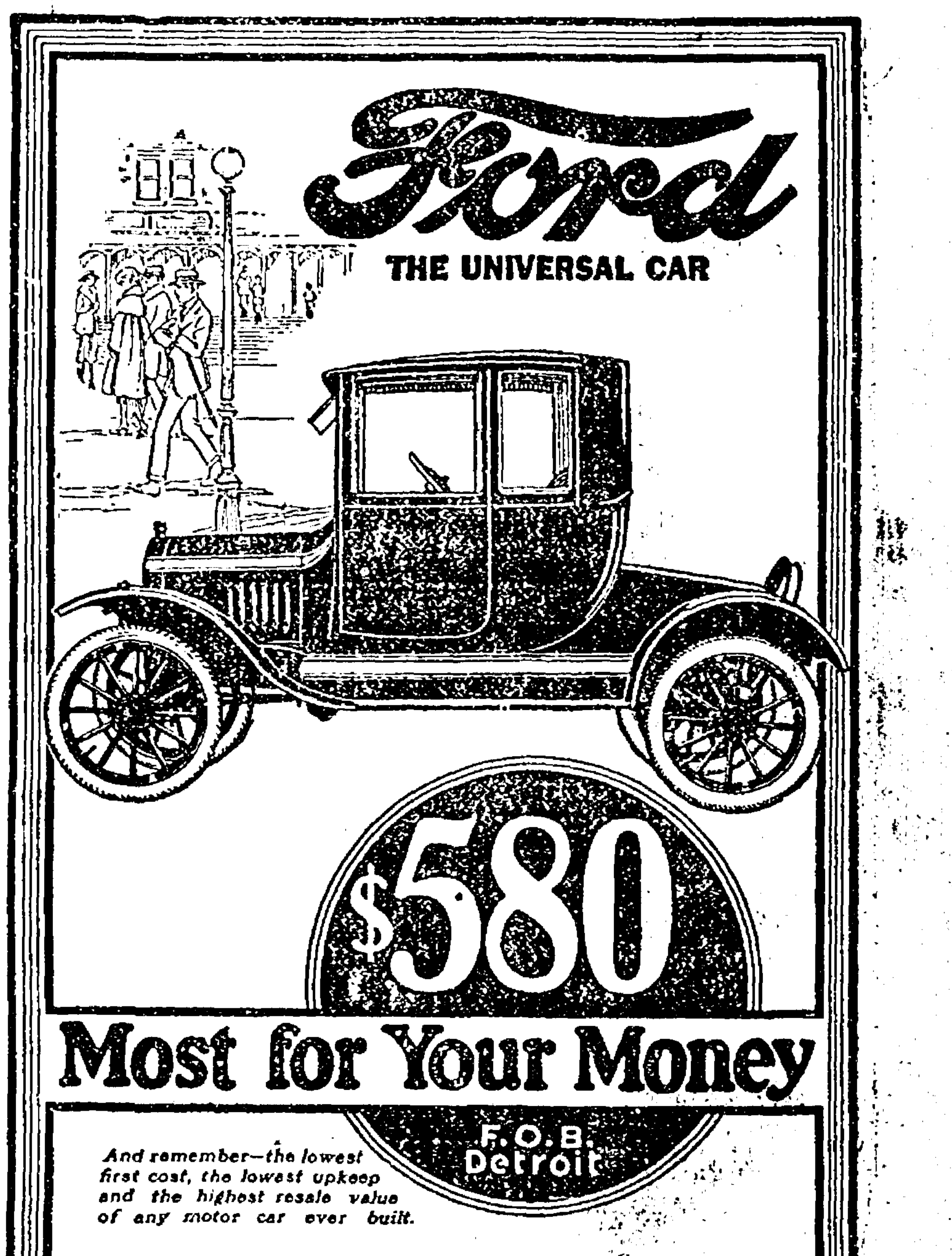

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BELMOND BOYS' BAND TO GIVE CONCERTS

Youthful Forgers Meet Fate of Crooks

Young Men On Parole From Penal Institutions Pass Worthless Checks

TO BE SENT BACK AGAIN

The way of the transgressor is surely hard, and was found so last week by two young men, McDaniels and Hougham, when they were taken into custody by the authorities for forging checks.

The two men were paroled from state penal institutions, and had been employed on farms in this vicinity the past several months. Apparently they were attending strictly to business making good on the job, but it proved otherwise.

For several months checks have been turning up in Belmond stores, and in business establishments in surrounding towns, given for goods purchased, and signed by ficticious names. In many instances, the checks called for more than the bill of goods purchased, the balance being received in cash. Investigation disclosed that the two men named were the guilty parties, and they were hauled into the city jail, where Sheriff Lang and County Attorney Rogers came to get them last Friday. They were taken to Clarion, where they will be sent back to serve out their respective sentences. Another heavy sentence could, however, be added to the ones they now have.

WIRELESS OUTFIT IS DELAYED

The radiophone outfit which the Belmond Battery Station Co., Clem Cannon, and the Independent are installing, has been delayed, and the parties in the deal are waiting for Iowa's mud roads to dry sufiiciently so that the outfit can be gone after. It was originally planned and expected to have the autfit in working order this week, but owing to inability to go after it, and the condition of the roads, it is expected now to have it when it can be secured, whenever that may be. The demand for radiophone outfits is so immense that every factory in the country is working 24 hours a day to fill orders, and yet are from two to four months behind. Over 23,000 outfits are in use in Iowa, or ordered, now. The outfit to be installed by the three parties named is much more powerful than the ordinary amateur outfits, and can be tuned to 825 meters, which would catch messages from either coast.

NOTED RILEY ENTERTAINER COMING WED. APRIL, 12

Mr. C. J. McCalley, an interpreter of James Whitcomb Rileys' poems and a violinist of ability, has been secured by the Junior class to appear here at the H. S. auditorium April 12. Testimonials from other schools and societies who have employed him are unanimous in praise of the high yet popular quality of his seclections.

We have made the prices 35c and 25c so that everyone may feel that he can afford to come. The Juniors will make a thorough canvas of the town next week. Remember the date. Riley's philosphy is good for what ails you now.

ANNOUNCE BATTERIES FOR RADIO WORK

A storage radio "B" battery has been recently announced by the Willard Storage Battery Company of Cleveland, Ohio. Instructions to its service stations state that productoins will begin at once and the first deliveries will be made during the early part of April.

A quiet "B" batery will be received by the million and more radio fans of the country with open arms. Too many of them have overhauled their receiving sets on the quest for the cause of the "noise" and finally found it in the slowly polarizing dry cells they were using in the plate circuit. The well informed know the difficulties caused by the internal action that is constantly taking place in the "B" batteries generally used at present.

A big market is assured this new rechargable "B" battery as soon as it reaches the dealers salesrooms. Individual cells are enclosed in covered glass jars, each separated from its neighbors by partitions in the case The ample space between cells prevents electrical leakage from too close contact. The well known Willard Threaded Rubber Insulation is used between plates and unusual thickness of the plates themselves gives exceptional length of service without repairs. The low demand of current with the phone circuit places in the "B" battery makes recharging seldom necessary.

April 1 was the April Fools date on taxes, and there was quite a rush at the last minute to avoid paying the penalty.

FARM BUREAU TO STAGE RAT KILLING

Officers and directors of our local county farm bureau decided at their last regular board meeting to ask the cooperation of the various commerical clubs of the country in putting on a county wide rat killing crusade.

Each commerical culb in the county is being asked to contribute towards the prize money which is being arranged for the boy who kills the highest number of rats between now and May 20th. The matter of determining the different prizes to be awarded has been left to a committee of three and announcement will be made later of the number of prizes and amount of each.

This contest is open to any boy up to and including 18 years of age in Wright county. Here's your chance boys to get some easy money. Prizes will probably range from $10 to $25 Boys who enter the contest will be required to bring their rat tails to the county agent's office a the end of each week until the contest is completed. Remember anything is fair in this war on rats. We have an account of one boy who backed his Ford up to a rat hole and with the exhaust of his Ford gassed the rats out of the hole.

Let's go boys! Te contest begins today and will close May 20th. If you wish to enter the contest all you need to do is to report to the county agent at the end of each week, the number of rat tails to your credit.

MAKE WALL LAKE A STATE PARK

Eagle Grove Times: Local sportsmen and those interested in preserving some vestige of the fast disappearing lakes and woods of Iowa, were highly pleased Tuesday when it was learned that the Executive Council appointed to consider the Wall Lake controversy had voted three to one in favor of setting aside eleven acres on the east side of the lake to be used as a state park.

The controversy first came up last spring when several hundred people in Wright and adjoining counties put forth an effort to preserve the shore line of Wall Lake. In past years it has been impossible for anyone to gain access to the lake without crossing privitely owned property and some of the property owners have been anything but gracious in premitting hunters or others to cross their land.

Last spring a delegation of sportsmen visited the secretary of state and requested that about five acres be set aside as a state park so that free access to the lake might be had. In addition to this a subscription fund was started and volunary contributions from twenty-five dollars down swelled this fund to over twenty-eight hundred dollars. This amount was offered to the executive council to help pay for the condemned property.

This lake, which is situated in Wright county, comprises about 900 acres and is considered the finest lake for duck hunting in the northern part of the state, so that sportsmen all over the state are highly exuberant over the decision of the state board. This decision will end once and for all, all controveresy over the rights of hunters and others to use the lake as a pleasure ground, and will in addition preserve the lake for what wild life remains in the state.

BELMOND BOY IS HELD UP

In a recent letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Kenefick, Leo Kenefick, who is attending the government school at Ft. Collins, Colorado, writes that two thugs tried the hold up game on him. He was going to his room late one night last week, when two men in an alley ordered him to "put 'em up." "Kenny" says he didn't stop to talk it over with them but threw his speed gear into high and went away from that immediate vicinity. The night before a fellow student was relieved of a goodly sum. He writes of a shooting scrape between a cattleman and a sheep herder, in which the latter died. Evidently the west still retains a little of its wild and wooly character. Leo is coming aong very nicely with his studies.

IMMANUAL REFORMED CHURCH

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Morning service (German) 10:20.

Sunday school (English) 9:20 a. m.

Remember offering Sunday for starving Russian Children.

Christian Endeavor 7:30.

Topic—The Master's Invitation. Luke 14:16-24, John 3:16.

Address by pastor 8:00.

Catechism classes Saturday 1 p. m.

Representative

I hereby formally announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of representative of Wright county, subject to the decision of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922.

Oscar Ulstad.

T. J. B. ROBINSON, Candidate for U. S. Representative

DISTRICT COURT ENDS THE TERM

Large Number Of Cases Are Up For Trial At The Next Session

Monitor: Up to the present time Auditor Walker has sold 950 dog tags for which he has collected $1113.75. The fees thus obtained will create what will be known as the domestic animal fund, from which wolf bounties and the matter or reimbursing owners of sheep killed by dogs will be paid. In former years a tax was levied for this purpose, but of late money for this purpose was taken form the general fund.

Monitor: L. L. Sams of the firm of Severe & Sams of Dows, has served notice on A. D. Severe, the senior partner, renouncing the co-partnership, alleging fraudulent mis-representations at the time the partnership was formed, June 28, 1920. Two days later Mr. Severe filed suit against Mr. Sams seeking to enforce the terms of the co-partnership. He first requires a full accounting of the business, after which plaintiff asks for a decree to liquidat said co-partnership and dispose of the property. He further prays that said L. L. Sams be compelled to pay unto plaintiff the sum of $80,000 which he agreed to contribute as capital to the partnership and lastly that the defendant be enjoined from interfering with the plaintiff in disposing of the property pursuant to the authority prayed for herein.

The plaintiff and defendant entered into the business of buying and vending pure bred stock on the date above mentioned, said partnership to continue for a period of ten years. That on or about February 8, 1922, said defendant apparently abandoned said enterprise and removed from the premises and has since absented himself. The firm owns about 150 head of pure bred hogs and about twenty-six head of Holstein cattle, besides a large amount of other personal property. The debts of the firm aggregate about $3,200, consisting of a promissory note and current accounts. Defendant was to have charge of the books of the firm and during his management of the affairs has failed to render a full and complete accounting of the receipts. and disbursements. The firm was capitalized at $200,000, one-half of the real estate (95 acres) and the personal property being agreed at $100,000 of this sum $20,000 has been paid.. That by reason of said renunciation and abandonment the plaintiff is without any remedy save in equity to the end that a full account may be had and taken of the said partnership business, and to the end that the said L. L. Sams may be compelled and required by the decree of the court to make and render a full accounting in accordance with the contract, stipulation and covenants of the parties and to the end that the plaintiff may be committed with the authority to liquidate the said business under proper direction from said court and after the liquidation thereof, to the end that there may be enforced against any share and interest of the said L. L. Sams therein, or in the profits thereof, a lien for the payment of all indebtedness and obligations growing out of the capital contributions made by plaintiff to the said co-partnership; and in order that in the event of liquidation and loss or losses may be made good by the equal contribution of the partnership in accordance with said contract; and that there may be full and final accounting and settlement of all of the said partnership businesss, including an accounting and settlement requiring the said L. L. Sams to make good the deficiency in his capital contribution, and that the plaintiff may have judgment and decree accordingly.

Andrew Norem of Belmond is suing the Iowa Implement Mutual Insurance Co., of Nevada, Iowa, to collect $1,709.68, alleged to be due on a policy. He had bought a house from Jas. Kenefick of Belmond, and had applied for a policy asking that it be made to protect the equities of himself and Kenefick. Thru negigence or fraud, he doesn't know which he claims the policy protected Kenefick only, and when the house burned down the company paid Kenefick his equity and refused to pay him the balance on the $2,000 policy.

John Dorenkamp is suing Rube McFerren et al to foreclose on a farm, the SE qr 27, and the adjoining part of the farm, on which a total of $15,825 is now due. John Kenefick is also suing the McFerrens to foreclose on the same farm on which he has mortgaged a similar amount.—News.

(From The News.)

G. H. Jameson, of Dows, files an amended and substituted answer in the suit of J. R. Paul vs G. H. Jameson, in which he admits giving Pual the note in question but makes a counterclaim for $8,000 damages arising out of the land deal for which the note was given in payment. Jameson bought some land in Wilkins county, Minn., at $24,000, but claims it was misrepresented to him. He asks cancellation of the note and a verdict for $8,000 damage.

Hester J. Moore is suing W. H. Anderson to recover $1,000, with interest and costs, due on a land contract. She sold Anderson a 42-acre farm, with $1,000 cash payment, $2,000 March 1, 1921, and $1,000 on March 1, 1922. The latter payment, with interest, is delinquent. The total due is $1,112.67, and she asks judgment in this sum plus interest and costs.

The Waltham Piano Co. is suing the Anderson Music Co. to recover on a note originally for $449.85, protected by a chattel mortgage on pianos, which plaintiff alleges were sold to John Lavos and a man named Johnson. Judgment for balance of $350 and foreclosure of chattel mortgages is asked.

The Rockford Silver Plate Co. is suing George H. Vivian to recover $115.71 alleged to be due for merchandise sold defendant.

L. Gutman & Son are suing Geo. H. Vivian to collect a merchandise account of $902.68.

Kubitschek & Kaster are suing Norris & Son, B. A. Norris, principal, to recover a balance of $159.46. alleged to be due on a check given in payment for merchandise on which are some cash credits.

The Adrain Wire & Fence Co. is suing W. W. Frakes for $1,123.33 and interest and cost, and Frakes & Kahl for $87.24 alleged to be due

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ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS IS SLOGAN NOW

T. J. B. Robinson of Hampton, a candidate for the office of United States Representative from this district, accompanied by T. W. Purcell, publisher of the Hampton Chronicle, and Charlie Peterson, also of Hampton, and a former Belmond citizen, was in town Monday getting acquainted with the voters here. Mr. Robinson, whose photograph appears on this page, is a much more cheerful and jolly fellow than his picture shows him to be. He has been one of Hampton's and Franklin county's prominent bankers for many years, and is actively connected and interested in agricultural and business lines thruout this part of the country. He has many qualifications for the office to which he aspires, and is receiving earty support thruout Wright county from all classes. The Independent feels that in Mr. Robinson the people are getting a higher calibre man than political offices usually secure, and believes that he is the man for the job.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Interest is good in the special services. All enjoy hearing Rev. Ludgate sing and preach. Come and learn a new song each evening.

Special address at the Sunday school at 10 a. m. Sunday Morning.

11 a. m. regular evangelistic services. Address by Rev. Ludgate.

6:30 p. m. Epworth League.

7:30 p. m. We appreciate the fine attendance. Let us all stand by the meeting.

Woman's Foreign Missionary society meets for a short business session Thursday immediately following the afternoon address by Rev. Ludgate.

Kings Heralds meet at the church Saturday at 2:30 p. m.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor

JOHN J. SHARON DIES

John J. Sharon died at the home in Belmond on April 3, 1922, after an illness of many months. Funeral services will be held at Buffalo Center this, Thursday, morning, with the Rev. Fathers Eardley of Belmond and Woerdehoff, of Buffalo Center, in charge. Services will be held at the St. Patrick church, interment being made in Buffalo Center.

Mr. Sharon was born in New York, January 15, 1849. In 1875 he came to LaPorte City, Iowa, and in 1882 moved to Davenport, where in that year he assisted in founding the Iowa Catholic Messenger, which is still published by the family, at Davenport. June 1, 1887, he was united in marriage to Mary M. McGuire to which union four children were born: Gerald F., Frank L., James P., and Adelaine M. For the past 24 years he has been connect ed with the Hayward Shoe Co, of Omaha.

The relatives have the sympathy of their Belmond friends in the loss of their loved one.

SANDS MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

We were glad to see a number who have not been able to attend services for awhile back in their places last Sunday. We hope soon that all will be well again.

Our new books for the Sunday School are here and the way the school took hold and sang the new selections Sunday was fine. Be on hand just a little before 10 a. m. so that we may have a short practice before opening time. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and we hope to have a victorious day. The pastor will preach in the morning on the "Supremacy of Jesus." There will be no evening services on account of the revival services at the M. E. Church. We are glad to see so many of our people attending these services and also those of our Sunday School taking their stand for Christ.

A number have given their names to the pastor to be received into the church on Easter Sunday. We hope to receive many more. Make this Easter a great day in your life by joining with God's people in His church. The Easter Communion in the morning and in the evening the Eastor Contata, "The Living Christ" which will be rendered by the choir.

Every one at his post next Sunday promptly at 10:00 a. m. The quarterly business meeting of the church will be held on Tuesday, the 11th at 8:00 o'clock.

Chas. Luick, son of Louis Luick residing on a farm near Clear Lake, met with an accident a short time ago when he was hurt by a falling horse. Returning from Mason City on horse back, a dog ran out from a farm house and grabbed the horse by the heel, throwing the animal. In the fall, the horse fell on Charles, breaking his leg in two places below the knee. The bone was set, but did not seem to knit as expected, and had to be rebroken and reset. It is understood that the owner of the dog has agreed to stand all costs in the matter.

Contributions To Finance Concerts

Business Men Donate For The Expenses Of Summer Entertainment

CITIZENS TO BE ASKED

Concerts every Saturday evening this summer will be given by the Belmond Boys' Band, composed of boys in the high school and grades in Belmond.

This has been made certain by the voluntary subscriptions from the business men and citizens of the town, to defray the expenses of the entertainments. The minimum amount necessary has now been raised, but if the boys are to have anything for their services the citizens will have to do their share.

After the defeat of the band tax at the recent election, it would have been almost impossible to secure a lead nickel among the business men for anything but the boys' band. For this they were glad to do what they could to help out, and they have done their share. Enough has been raised to pay the expenses, so that the concerts are assured, inasmuch as the boys are willing to play for nothing. But we do not believe that anyone is willing that they should put in sixteen weeks for nothing, and it is desired to raise enough more so that each member of the band can be given something at the end of the season.

To this end, a canvass will be made of the resident districts of the city, for voluntary contributions from private citizens, and this money will go toward giving the boys something at the end of the season. You are asked to give whatever you wish, from a dime to a dollar. Help make the boys' band a real Belmond band. If 16 concerts are worth a nickel apiece to you then drop that much in the hat. All money raised will be accounted for by the editor of the Independent, together with all expenditures of the fund; the list of donations will be published, as well as the list of expenses, and at the end of the concert season what is left will be divided among the boys and used to keep them in music for practice purposes thru the winter. In this way the boys will be enabled to keep going thruout the winter and next spring, so that by next summer they will be in first class shape to give you real high grade entertainments.

It is believed that the public generally will heartly support the boys, and that their concert on Main street last Saturday was very favorably spoken of by everyone and, with two months' more practice before the season opens. Belmond will be treated to a good band.

Do your bit, therefor, when you are solicited, and give your donation and name to the solicitor, who calls upon you. If you want the boys to entertain you for nothing, turn them down; if you think they are entitled to a little something for their playing, help them out. Just a little amounts to much in the end, and it is now up to you.

COMMUNITY WELFARE CLUB

The Community Welfare Club met at the school auditorium last Friday afternoon. Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans, the new chairman, gave a nice little talk. Miss Baumgardener's fourth grade music class sang two songs which were enjoyed very much and Miss Baumgardener was given a vote of thanks for her work.

After a short business meeting the chairman introduced Mrs. M. N. Volding from Woodward, Iowa, who gave a splendid lecture on "Better Shoes and Better Health." The girls from the upper grades and high school had been invited to hear the lecture and Mrs. Volding had some of the girls wear samples of the right kind of shoes and act as models.

Mrs. Volding had very pleasing ways and her talk was exceedingly interesting. She also spoke a few words about their work in the State Epileptic Hospital, of which her husband has charge.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Most of te schools have started their last month of school for this year.

The Misses Gladys, Virgie and Vida Jenison were Mason Ciy shoppers last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Halfpop were Sunday visitors at the parental W. A. Gartz home.

Little Ruth Frohling underwent an operation at the local hospital last Friday afternoon. The little girl had a gathering in the head, which was the after effects of scarlet fever from which the family was released last week.

Joe Scott was numbered on the list of sick folks last week, suffering from the more or less prevailing grippe.

Business Directory

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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GETTING STUNG

Why is it that the public generally expects the business men to "foot the bill" when there is anything to be financed? From A to Z, and half way back, it is put up to the man who is in business to "help out" on anything and everything from bands ball teams, bazaars, to plays, parades and parties. He is eternally and continually getting stung.

That's all right; the business man is perfectly willing to "help out," but when said helping comes frequent and often, not to say steady, it becomes monotonous and tiresome and he wouldn't mind being "helped out" some himself.

Business men every year are stung for a good many dollars on various affairs. If any society's solicitor comes to town the first place he or she, strikes for is the business house. A half dollar or a dollar is wheedled out of the pocket and into the other. As soon as one agent goes out another comes in; the b. m. gets it coming and going—and standing still. The roads need fixing; see the business men. The streets need sprinkling; see the business men. The town needs a band; see the business men. We ought to have a ball team; see the business men. Let's put on a play; see the business men. Wouldn't some more lights look good; see the business men. The hill ought to be paved; see the business men. What abut a short course; see the business men. The business man is "George," and "let George do it" must have originated thru some business man who was digging down that he might dig up.

For affairs of public welfare and benefit, the business men will cough up promptly and willingly. They are as a whole a progressive and public-spirited bunch of citizens. But the public generally does not realize how often and how much they are being stung for donations; in any business the year's total mounts into money. The public asks too much. Business men are only human, and not in business just for health; if there are any who are groaning under their income taxes we would like to meet them—they are as rare right now as the dodo. Be reasonable with them and they'll come across, but "have a heart," folks; "have a heart."

The business men have put up their share for the boys' band, now do your part. When the solicitor calls around, ask yourself whether the sixteen concerts are worth six and one-fourth cents each. If they are, drop in a dollar. Don't ask someone else to carry the full burden; be willing to help.

But said business men were certainly peeved over the way the band tax vote went. They thought that if folks wouldn't put up 40 to 80 cents, why should they put up 40 dollars?

Had the voters known what the tax meant, we do not doubt but what it would have carried. But they didn't; some of them had wild ideas of 15 to 20 dollars added to their already heavy burden. Which goes to prove the value of advertising.

That restless, uneasy, irritable manner you have noticed in your wife the past week doesn't mean that you are losing her affections; it just signifies that housecleaning time is here.

Will someone please tell us, why is housecleaning?

It's chicken time, too; never saw so many chicken enthusiasts as there are this year. Nearly every back yard has a flock of 'em.

As one of the first things to be taken up by the new administration, we suggest the cleaning off the streets.

Whether you were for or against, get behind the new city officials and boost. Bickering and post mortems, grudges and grouches will do no one any good. Give them your earnest support.

We heard a bright one the other day; fellow wanted to know what would happen if you bumped into one of these wireless waves.

CLIPPINGS

Mrs. Charles Burns, of Atlantic, Cass county, is thought to be the champion chicken picker of the state. She has a record of 250 chickens a day. With the assistance of her husband, who is not an expert, the daily average for some time past has been 300 chickens, and as they received 3½ cents a bird they earn a nice daily wage. Mrs. Burns works with lightning-like rapidity, taking a chicken from the coop, sticking it, attaching the blood cup, looping the legs in a rope, and a few deft movements the chicken is stripped clean but still flapping its wings in the death struggle.—Exchange.

Mr. John Lieuwen of Belmond was visiting in Klemme last Friday and Saturday.—Times

Mr. Tom Hake came up from Belmond and Mrs. Hake, who has charge of the millinery department at the Wellemeyer store, returned with him.—Times.

Chas. Papousek and wife of Belmond were Sunday guests at the Chris Jacobs home.—Signal.

Wallace Ramsay was up from Belmond Thursday afternoon. Wallace is postmaster at Belmond now, and with his newspaper business too, he is kept very busy.—Signal.

Miss Viva Rourk of Belmond was a guest at the parental home here from Friday until Sunday.—Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carlston, of Belmond were here last Friday evening to attend the operetta and have a short visit with friends.—Reporter.

Mr. Kalvig of Belmond spent a few days here the latter part of last week, with his sons and families.—Reporter.

J. J. Lucas and family are expected to return to Kanawha the latter part of this week. They left here several months ago for England where they have spent some time with relatives and old friends and from there went to California where they have since resided. Upon their return here they will reopen the hotel.—Reporter.

RECENT BELMOND VISITORS AT KLEMME

(From the Times)

Mrs. O. H. Gartin of Belmond was shopping here Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Otto Hanson of Belmond was a business visitor here Friday.

W. H. Trafford, of Belmond was here one day last week.

Mr. Mikesell from Belmond was a business caller in Klemme last week Wednesday.

John Cantwell of Belmond was a business visitor here one day last week.

Miss Alice Withers of Belmond was calling on friends here last week one day.

Mrs. Gerge Hake and daughter, Beryl of Belmond were Klemme callers one day last week.

Mr. J. H. Thomas of Belmond visited his sister, Mrs. J. W. Brooks, one day last week.

Mrs. C. L. Smith of Belmond was visiting relatives here Tuesday of the past week.

Eden was too big a job for Adam and has been closed ever since he moved out.

HAMPTON MAN RECEIVES STRONG OFFERS OF SUPPORT

Waterloo, Iowa.—T. J. B. Robinson, of Hampton, the Franklin county candidate for congress in the Third district, gave an address at the regular meeting of the Kiwanis club in Waterloo last Tuesday noon. The fact that the announcement had been made a few days previous that Mr. Robinson would address the club brought out just about the entire membership.

He was given a big reception following the address, and from reports gleaned from members of the club, who were among prominent and leading citizens of Waterloo, it it certain that Mr. Robinson will receive a large vote in Blackhawk county. Members of the Farm Bureau and the Legion members thruout this county seem to be especially strong for Mr. Robinson. Leading business men also say that they not only want a strong, clean man in congress, but they are supporting Mr. Robinson because he has the ability to represent the old third district as it should be represented.

GETTING OUT NOTICES TO DELINQUENTS

News: This week County Treasurer Allen is getting out notices to automobile owners who have not as yet paid the 1922 license due on their cars. The delinquent list is published May first, in the official newspapers of the county, and prior to that Treasurer Allen is endeavoring to collect from as many delinquents as possible in order to save the expence of publication.

Practically every county in the state reports slower payments this year. This is because of the financial stringency. Last year was the first year the present law concerning publication and collection of delinquent licenses was in effect, and it was thot once the people became familiar with it payments would speed up, but this has not generally proved the case.

Didn't Give It Away

Betty—You mean thing! you said you wouldn't give away that secret I told you.

Bertha—I didn't. I exchanged it for another secret and a chocolate sundae.

An Enthusiast.

She—I'm so interested in football I have a cousin, you know, who was on the college team last year.

He—Indeed. What did he play?

She—Well, I forgot just whether he was touchdown or a punt.

WOULD STOP PAYMENT

Britt News: That a petition has been circulated and freely signed by men residing in the Independent District of Britt asking that the matter of payment of bills contracted during the erection of the new school building be taken into district court, has been a matter of common knowledge in the community for some time.

There will be some of the best Iowa legal talent, Senneff, Bliss, Witwer & Senneff appearing for plaintiffs and Attorney Kelleher, of Fort Dodge, will appear for the school board. Other attorneys will represent other of the defendants. There will probably be twelve or fifteen attorneys connected with the case before it is disposed of.

Gifted Imagination.

"Mrs. Ayres has great gifts of imagination, hasn't she?"

"I don't know. Why do you think so?"

"I heard her speaking of the flat they live in as 'our town house'."

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Some drivers of cars not equipped with Willard Batteries think they ought to go to the service station that sold the battery. Not at all!

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Farm Bureau News

By R .M. Edwards

FarmBureau Picnic July 4

Officers and directors of the county farm bureau decided at their last regular meeting that the county wide farm bureau picnic would be held this year on July 4th.

No definite arrangements have been made for a speaker for this occasion but an effort will be made to secure Mrs. Ellsworth Richardson, the lady farmer lecturer, who has become so popular throughout Iowa because of her exceptional ability as a public speaker. Definite plans for the program for this affair, the place of meeting, etc., has been left in the hands of a program committee, who will report later.

Mouldy Seed Corn in Wright

Farmers throughout central and northern Iowa have been warned against the presence of dry rot mould and our local farm bureau is now running a germination- test to determine ehe condition of Wright county seed corn.

Five 100 kernel samples are being collected from each township in the county and a test will be made by the county agent for the germinating quality of this seed corn and it is hoped that this test will determine the general condition of Wright county seed corn.

Judging from the result of tests which have been made in other parts of Iowa it would be well for every farmer in Wright county to see individuals ear tests made on all seed corn this season. In a test of 790 ears in Iowa county, made recently twenty-one per cent of the ears were found to be dead or too weak to grow, due to the presence of dry rot mold.

Successful Board Meeting

One of the most interesting and successful board of director meetings ever held by our local county farm bureau took place at the county agent's office Tuesday, March 28. This meeting which would ordinarily have been held Saturday, March 25, was postpomed until Tuesday in order that the county agent leader might have the opportunity to meet with the officers and directors of our local farm bureau.

I. W. Van Nice, assistant state county agent leader, was present at this meeting and went over the program for the year with the board members. Mr. Van Nice, who has had a wide experience with other farm bureaus and officers, directors and county agents, succeeded in giving a great many valuable suggestions for carrying forth the work in Wright county. He spent considerable time in explaining definitely why the farm bureau should have the support of county and federal taxes. Mr. Van Nice is an interesting speaker and a man who has made a thourough study of the farm bureau and all problems connected with the organization. All members in attendance felt that they were greatly benefited by his presence in the meeting and expressed the hope that he might be able to meet with us some time again.

A great many important problems came up for discussion at this meeting and definite action was taken by the board in questions which have an important bearing upon the success of the organization. It was voted that the county wide twine purchase should be handled in the same manner as last year. The county agent was authorized to plan and organize the boys' and girls' poultry clubs throughout the county. It was decided that the poultry culling should be done on a commercial basis this coming season. The matter of holding a county wide picnic was brought up for discussion with a result that July 4th was set for the day of the farm bureau picnic. The matter of purchasing a moving picture machine was discussed and it was decided to arrange to have a representive of the Visual Instruction department meet with us at the next regular board of directors meeting. The rat killing campaign was discussed and a committee appointed to make arrangements for the work. Other problems of general interest were brought up and discussed at this meeting without any definite action being required.

It is interesting to note that twenty-five officers and directors were in attendance at this meeting with a result that all townships except three(Iowa, Wall Lake and Belmond) were represented at the meeting. This is evidence that more interest is being taken by the officers and directors in the organization and execution of the work of our pganizationr. Let's hope that interest in the farm bureau will continue to grow and that all director meetings will be as well attended as the regular meeting for the month of March.

Poultry Culling Planned

The matter of poultry culling for 1922 season was discussed at the board of director meeting and it was decided that the culling work should be conducted on a commerical basis this year.

The culling work will be done by a poultry specialist who will charge a small amount perhaps two or three cents per bird for his work. He will plan to schedule so as to hold two demonstrations per day until each township has had at east two demonstrations. The party at whose farm the demonstration is held will be charged the regular fee for the culling. With this arrangement the man who does the culling work will be able to cover the entire county in sixteen days, after which he will work in culling individual flocks throughout the country.

The first two members from each township who put in their application will be served first in that township. All others will have to take the poultry culler when he can arrange to come. A great many people have expressed a willingness to pay for the culling work on a commerical basis. If you are planning to hire this man to cull your flock this year—here is your opportunity to get your application in early. Remember a demonstration will be held at your farm if you are one of the first from your township to apply for the work.

RURAL CARRIER EXAMINATION

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Belmond Iowa, on May 13, 1922 to fill the position of rural carrier at Kanawha, Iowa, and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from that post office. The salary of the rural carrier on a standard daily wagon route of 24 miles is $1,800 per annum, with an additional $30 per mile annum for each mile of major thereof in excess of 24 miles. The salary on motor routes ranges from $2,450 to $2,600 per annum, according to length. Separate examinations for motor routes and wagon routes are no longer held. Appointments to both positions will be made from the same register. The examination will be open only to citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of the post office where the vacancy exists and who meet the other requirements set forth in Form 1977. Both men and women, if qualified, may enter this examination, but appointing officers have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles. Women will not be considered for rural carrier appointment unless they are the widows of U. S. soldiers, sailors or marines who are physically disqualified for examination by reason of injuries received in the line of military duty. Form 1977 and application blanks may be obtained from the offices mentioned above of from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the Commission at Washington, D. C. at the earliest practicable date.

DOES PROHIBITION PROHIBIT?

Is prohibition successful?

Look at these figures. In 1917 the per capita liquor was 20 gallons. In 1921 it was less than 1½ pints per capita.

These are the official governmnt statistics quoted in a report issued by Supt. R. N. Holsaple of the Iowa Anti-Saloon League, showing the progress made in liquor law enforcement since prohibition went into effect. In his survey of the presnt booze situation throughout the country, th dry leader declares that prohibition has been more successful and effective than any other reform ever passed in this country. It took the south 40 years to completely abolish slavery, so we have nothing to worry about if all bootleggers and boozerunners do not disappear immediately, Holsaple says.

"People complain about the bad quality of liquor now-a-days as compared with what was sold before the country went dry. As a matter of fact they don't know what they were talking about. A large part of liquor sold then was just as bad as the liquor made now.

"The league has a letter from a U. S. government guager in 1915 which shows that rectifying establishment under him purchased but 50 gallons of pure bonded brandy in that year. But of this 50 gallons of brandy the plant sold 6000 gallons of "pure" brandy, 8000 gallons of bonded distillate and 6000 gallons of blended distillate. The output of this company was made from demarara rum, a product from the refuse of a sugar factory, water and essences.

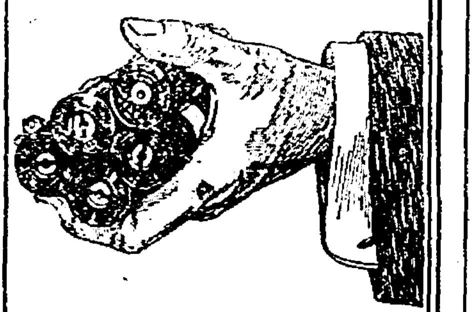
"Regarding the claim that prohibition laws are commonly violated—the liquor trafficers were always law-breakers, and you cannot expect anything else from them now. In the old days the distiller was not even allowed to keep the keys to his own factory. Government officials locked the plants every night and kept the keys themselves. This precaution was taken by the revenue department to prevent the distiller from evading the $1.10 government tax on every gallon of whiskey.

"Then as soon as the whiskey was made it was put into bonded warehouses under government control for safe-keeping. This is how whiskey got its name "bonded" goods.

"The blind pigs so widely charged against prohibition, are not a prohibition product at all but were flourished throughout the country during the saloon days. At one time before prohibition there were over 3,000 blind pigs in Chicago, in addition to 7,000 saloons. In Des Moines with 86 licensed saloons there were more than 100 blind pigs including booze-selling drug stores."

The Iowa dry leader declares in his statement that national prohibition has been more rapid than the enforcement in any state under the old "local option" and state prohibition plan. In Kansas, a state where prohibition is claimed to have been most successful, it was over 15 years before any attempt was made to arrest liquor law violators. Blind piggers came in once a month and paid a penalty of $50 and continued in business. Now they are running from cover to cover. Slowly being driven out of business, sent to Leavenworth or leaving the country.

"We need not be surprised if it takes a generation before we have throughly effective prohibition but from results already obtained prohibition is the most astounding success in all history" Holsaple's statement declared.



How about those pictures you made Sunday?

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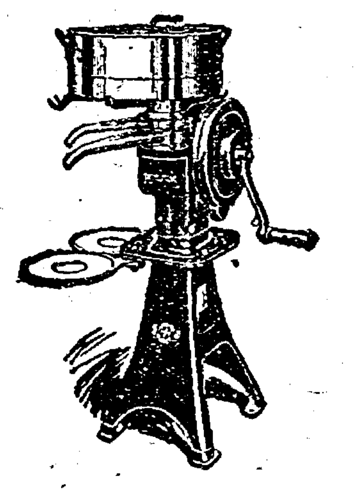
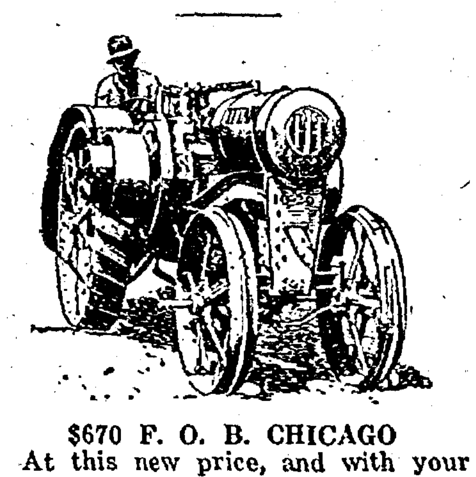
TEST—DON'T GUESS

Plant disease experts at the Iowa State College, Ames, say that much of the seed corn throughout the state is low in vitality owing to a mold known as dry rot. The disease does not show in the ear, but it does damage when the seed is planted. In some counties the amount of poor seed corn runs as high as 21 per cent. The only safe way is to test your seed corn.

It costs no more to own the best cream separator; in fact it costs less to own a Primrose than some other separators considered among the best. Come in and let us tell you the many reasons why the Primrose skims cream in the "extras" class, why it turns easier, is easier to wash, and lasts much longer than the average machine.



Baker Brothers, two of Belmond townships progressive farmers believe in the use of modern and up to date equipment. They have just purchased of us a three unit Hemman Milker to be placed in their modern dairy barn. This equipment is the same as now being used by W. D. Schlaffarth, The Ash Grove Dairy and E. Esk all of whom believe in sanitary milk production.



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GET A BETTER STAND

Do you know that the biggest cause of low yields is a poor stand—that the average stand does not exceed 62 per cent, and that a perfect stand will increase the yield on most farms 25 to 50 bushels an acre? The most effective way to insure better stands is to use a thoroughly reliable planter—one that does not crack kernels, miss hills or double hills; one that puts every hill in its place with every hill a full hill. What better investment could you make this year than to buy an International planter and get the profits of good planting?

An optimist is a man who buys a used car from a man who bought it second hand.

Do it today is a good motto but the chap who can say "I did it yesterday" has a better one.

Take care of those new baby chicks in a Standard Colony brooder.

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Dresses of Canton Crepe, Taffeta and Krepe Knit are featured in this collection. For daytime wear these new dresses in bright, or dark colorings are very smart and up to the minute in style. Sizes for Women and Misses.

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Easter Sunday APRIL 16th

The Blossom Day of all the year. The one day when all women kind joins in a great nation wide promenade, displaying her choice of wearing apparel and incidentally her "taste." On this day it will not be hard to pick from the throngs of this community, those women whose finer taste and whose keen appreciation of fashion have directed their choice to be made from our

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MASON CITY, IOWA

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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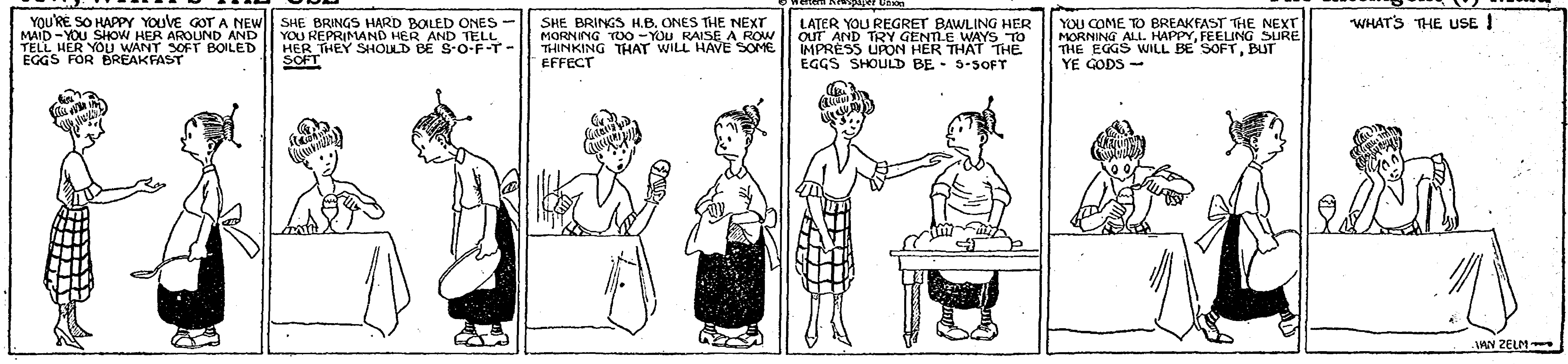
The Intelligent (?) Maid


YOU'RE SO HAPPY YOU'VE GOT A NEW MAID - YOU SHOW HER AROUND AND TELL HER YOU WANT SOFT BOILED EGGS FOR BREAKFAST
SHE BRINGS HARD BOILED ONES - YOU REPRIMAND HER AND TELL HER THEY SHOULD BE S-O-F-T - SOFT
SHE BRINGS H.B. ONES THE NEXT MORNING TOO - YOU RAISE A ROW THINKING THAT WILL HAVE SOME EFFECT
LATER YOU REGRET BAWLING HER OUT AND TRY GENTLE WAYS TO IMPRESS UPON HER THAT THE EGGS SHOULD BE - S-SOFT
YOU COME TO BREAKFAST THE NEXT MORNING ALL HAPPY, FEELING SURE THE EGGS WILL BE SOFT, BUT YE GODS -
WHAT'S THE USE !
VAN ZELM

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VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

Instructor C. C. Christie.

The Vocational Class of the Belmond High School will submit from time to time topics written by the students of the class which we feel are of interest to the surrounding community. The sole aim of Vocational Agriculture is the teaching of practical agriculture by drawing the school work into closer relationship with the individual's work on his home farm. The articles printed under this heading will be the work of students enrolled in vocational agriculture. We hope that the readers will consider these articles as the work of high school students and not the agricultural experts.

Grain Farming vs. Livestock Farming

Different experts differ in their opinions as to which is the best *method of obtaining the most profit* on the farm, by grain farming, or by diversified farming, which is the raising of livestock. Livestock farming, if carried on in the proper manner, will keep up the fertility of the soil and enrich the farmer, as well as the soil, because he will be able to attain better crops.

The Iowa farmers are turning more and more livestock farming each year for they have found out that the once rich soil of Iowa is becoming poor under the extensive method of grain farming.

The average number of livestock on the farms of each vocational agriculture student is greater than the average number per farm in Wright county (as shown by Iowa Year Book)

The average number of horses per farm in Wright county is 8.1, while for the farms of the agricultural class it was 8.5, for cattle the average number per farm in Wright county was 21 and for swine the average number per farm in Wright county was 48.8, while the agriculture class had an average per farm of 65.4 hogs. The average number of chickens for every farm in Wright county is 134, and from the farms of the agricultural students, the average per farm was 196.

Livestock on the farm means more legume crops such as alfalfa, clover, soy beans etc. It means marketing the crops through livestock, or in other words, selling the crops in the form of beef, mutton, pork, and saving the fertility in the form of manure. Livestock will utilize all cheap ruffage, such as fodder and straw, which as a general rule is allowed to go to waste. To be a successful livestock farmer one must also be a grain farmer to a certain extent. Buying feed for cattle or any kind of livestock is hardly ever a paying proposition.

The kind of livestock to raise depends upon the local conditions. First the preference of the farmer, second the environment. The different kinds of livestock that offer a large range and fit in many conditions are dairy cows, hogs, horses, mules, beef cattle, and sheep.

Dairying is perhaps the surest method of livestock farming, it evens things up on the farm, and gives steady employment. It requires fewer acres to farm, and consequently leads to more neighbors. To be successful in dairing a farmer must keep milk records, to find out if a cow really is paying for her feed. Milk the good cows and sell the boarder cows for beef.

Statistics show that livestock farming is the most profitable as shown on ten average livestock farms of Iowa which produced 52 bushels of corn per acre against a 38 bushel yield on ten average grain farms. These figures speak for themselves.

Grain farming decreases the yield every year. In grain farming the products from the farm are sold and very little in returned to the soil, while in livestock farming the crops are fed to the livestock and soil fertility is maintained by the return of manures and by rotation of crops. Some have the idea that fertiliy can be returned to the soil by commerical fertilizers, but this fertilizer will not add humus to the soil and manure, Clover or alfalfa will.

Livestock and legumes are the basis of permanent agriculture. It would probably be interesting to know that when you market 50 bushels of corn you rob your soil of 12 dollars in fertility value. But if you feed the corn and alfalfa to a steer, hog, or dairy cow, 70 to 80 per cent of the fertility will be returned to you in the form of manure, which will go back to the land if saved.

The silo should be a part of every livestock farm, because it saves the whole crop, prevents waste in feeding can keep more livestock on less acreage, makes cheap milk, saves storage space, helps utilize cheap ruffage, insures succulent feed winter and summer, tides over the drought and clears the land for plowing. Therefore have a silo; it is a paying proposition.

In conclusion we may say that livestock farming is better for six good reasons; first it enriches the soil, second it makes better yields, third, it utilizes all cheap ruffage, fourth, it gives steady employment, fifth, it leads to more neighbors, last and best of all it insures a steady income. Let livestock do half of the farming for you. A good wife and some calves, pigs, and chickens make farm life both pleasant and profitable.—Written by Cecil C. Riley.

MINIMUM TEACHERS' WAGES

The main problem discussed by school boards at the present time is teachers' wages for next year. This is a matter of vital importance as it eventually reacts on the children in school and seems, as a rule, to effect the rural schools more adversely than it does the town schools as the latter usually adjust the wages so as to attract the more competent teachers, while so many rural boards seem not to understand the minimum wage law and thus very often fix wages that discriminate against the best qualified teachers. This need not be so as the law is very simple and easily applied as the following illustration will show. As rural boards deal principally with "Uniform County" and "Normal Training" certificates, I shall use them as an illustration, while the same principle applies to any certificate. For the above named certificates the minimum wage law prescribes monthly wages as follows:

Third Grade	$50.00
Second Grade, inexperienced	60.00
Second Grade, experienced	65.00
Normal Training, inexperienced	65.00
First Grade, inexperienced	75.00
Normal Training, one year experience	75.00
First Grade, experienced	80.00
Normal Training, two years experience	80.00

It is easy to be seen from above that

$60.00 is $50.00 plus 20 per cent.
65.00 is 50.00 plus 30 per cent.
75.00 is 50.00 plus 50 per cent.
80.00 is 50.00 plus 60 per cent.

Hence, in the fixing schedule of wages, all that the board has to discuss and to decide is what wages it will pay for Third Grade, then, to comply properly with the minimum law, the wages for the other and higher grades must be fixed by adding the proper per cent (as suggested by the law) to the basic wage decided on for Third Grade as follows:

Second Grade, inexperienced --
Third Grade wages plus 20 per cent.
Second Grade, experienced ----
Third grade wages plus 30 per cent.
Normal Training, inexperienced
Third Grade wages plus 30 per cent.
First Grade, inexperienced --
Third Grade wages plus 50 per cent.
Normal Training, one year experience
Third Grade wages plus 50 per cent.
First Grade, experienced ----
Third Grade wages plus 60 per cent.
Normal Training, two years experience Third grade wages plus 60 per cent.

But it is not only between Third Grade and the higher grades that the per cent of spread must be observed, but also as between the second grade and the first grade. For instance, between $60.00 second grade and $75.00 first grade is a spread of 25 per cent. Likewise, between $65 experienced second grade and $80.00 experienced first grade there is a spread of practically 25 per cent. Last year many school boards erred in as much as they failed to maintain these different per cent of spread in wages as prescribed by the minimum law and reports coming in from meetings of school officials held this spring to suggest schedule for next year, indicate that the same error is it times made this year. The law intends that the spread in wages must be observed as well as the minimum amount, and that the spread must be maintained between the higher grades as well as between the third grade and the next higher. Last year some boards allowed only $10.00 difference between second and first grade which is only about 13 per cent spread, while the law prescribes practically 25 per cent and thus the first grade teachers were deprived of nearly half the spread that the law aims to secure to them.

The law also prescribes a penalty of at least $25.00 fine and expulsion from office of any school official who violates the provisions but violation of the law consists in contracting for or paying LESS than the law prescribes and not in paying MORE, as the law states specifically that any board has the right to contract with any teacher for higher wages, provided said teacher is not already under contract to teach some other school. This right, of course, means the right to increase the amount or to increase the spread over the minimum. Teachers will take notice that the state department holds that the law applies to them as well as to the board so that they violate the law in accepting less than the minimum wage.

Observing faithfully the provisions of this law, is the only way the rural districts can retain their best qualified teachers or hope to have the lower grade teachers work up into the higher grades and our rural children need them so badly. Not only the children who aim to take up high school work, after graduating from the rural eighth grade but much more so the greater number of children who never get any school beyond the rural eighth grade. I therefor urge all rural directors and teachers to study carefully the above illustration so as to work out the schedule properly when the board meets next July to fix the wages for the coming year and when the time comes to sign up the contracts.

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HOW A SAFE MILK SUPPLY IS INSURED FOR SMALL CITIES

Milk inspection is of prime necessity. In most of the larger cities laboratories are maintained where bacteria counts and chemical analyses are frequently made on samples collected from retail delivery wagons, stores, and restaurants. But the small cities and towns that can not afford the expense of a tester and laboratory find it hard to give proper supervision to their milk supplies.

The United States Department of Agriculture suggests that a practical way for such cities and towns to insure a safe milk supply is through the cooperation of two or more adjacent towns in hiring a milk inspector and maintaining a laboratory. The cost of supervising such a plan may be prorated among the different towns on the basis of population without the expense being burdensome to any one of them. State and Federal authorities are always willing to cooperate in work of this sort.

This plan of town cooperation in milk and dairy inspection has been carried out in different parts of the country, probably the most conspicuous example being the group of towns in northern New Jersey known as "The Oranges." In these towns the plan has been in use for a number of years with results that have been very satisfactory to all concerned.

Mysterious
Romantic
Thrilling
The
Indian
Drum

By William MacHarg
and Edwin Balmer

Brothers-in-law frequently make good team mates, especially in literature. One of the best novels bearing the name of Rudyard Kipling was written in collaboration with Wolcott Balestier, the brother of Kipling's wife.

When two such capable fiction writers as the brothers-in-law MacHarg and Balmer decided to join forces, it was evident that some good stories would result. The stories came out and their success has been attested by the large measure of public approval bestowed upon: "The Achievements of Luther Trant," "Surakarta," "The Blind Man's Eyes" and "The Indian Drum."

The latter is such a particularly absorbing tale that, the opportunity presenting itself, we secured the privilege of printing in serial form and now intend to give it to the readers of this publication.

Watch for the
Opening Installment

EQUIPMENT

"Rastus, I's gwine get rich. I's done bought me some stock in a nut factory."

"A which kind of a factory?"

"A nut factory, which sells de already cracked an' picked out. This heah company gwine save money with a new labo' savin' device which de promotah done tole me about. De nuts am gwine be cracked by trained squirrels which don't charge no wages."

"Is dis heah company already licensed, established an' ready fo' bizness?"

"Yeah, praktikally—all 'cept trainin' de squirrels."—Life.

DOWS MINISTER EXPLAINS

News: A recent meeting was held in Dows, the News is informed, at which time Rev. Mr. Belsheim met with Rev. Mr. Holm and Rev Mr. Jansen, of Belmond and church officials, in another effort to adjust the difference in the Dows Luthern church arising out of the refusal of Rev. Belsheim to conduct the funeral of an American Legion boy.

Rev. Mr. Belsheim's contention that the creed of the church upholds him in such a refusal was upheld as the creed has nothing to say about such practice, but we understand that Rev. Mr. Jansen of Belmond insisted that any Luthern minister could conscientiously co-operate with the American Legion in the conduct of a funeral service, and that there was nothing irreligious in such co-operation. Rev. Holm, we understand, offered no personal opinion, but was dealing solely with the church creed, or law.

To Co-Operate in Future

At this meeting, it is reported, a motion was made that in the future the minister should conduct the religious part of the services should the occasion arise, and the American Legion the military part of the funeral. The Legion members present it is said, intimated that as far as they were individually concerned they wanted none of this kind of cooperation.

Fourteen Members Drop From Church Rolls?

During the meeting, we have hard, fourteen members voluntarily surrendered their membership in the church organization. If this report is true, it would seem that the trouble arising out of the funeral of the Legion member is wrecking the church.

Outsiders Complicate Matters

The Dows Post of the American Legion, has, from the beginning, acted toward Rev. Mr. Belsheim in a fair and impartial manner. The Post and its members, have regretted the difficulties, and have taken no drastic steps in any way. But outsiders, members of the Legion of purporting to be such, have written Rev. Mr. Belsheim telling him to resign. He has ever been threatened. This makes his friends and partisans more inclined to side with him.

The unfortunate episode has been regretted by many of the best people in Dows, for the town has come in for some unfavorable comment.

Since prices have gone up corn may again wear silk without feeling overly extravagant.

It is easier to do the right thing than to right the wrong thing.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. R. L. Robinson was a caller at Thornton on last Wednesday between trains.

H. K. Pals, Harm J. Groen, K. Clarence Ruigh were at Mason City Thursday on business matters.

Mrs. Anna Bunte and little daughter returned home Wednesday of last week, after spending a week visiting friends at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiteland and Miss Freda Schroeder were callers at Klemme on Tuesday of last week.

Miss Mabel Geisler of Elisbon, North Dakota was here several days last week visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. A Kolb and other relatives and friends.

Al Rooks was a passenger to Mason City Wednesday morning.

Hennie Woagy returned home Wednesday from Bruce, Wisconsin, where he had accompanied H. Kofoed and family and also helping them get settled on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gatzke and son, W. E. Jones and wife and son and Doc Agler motored to Mason City on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alko Koenen and Fred Blau and family autoed to Mason City on Tuesday of last week, visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks, who is doing fine.

Mrs. Conrad Bier was a shopper at Mason City on Wednesday.

MEINTZ—GRUIS

On Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 occured the marriage of Miss Polly Gruis to Alfred Meintz, at the Reformed parsonage. Rev. H. Pannkuk preformed the ceremony. Miss Lillie Barkema and Andrew Faaburg acted as bridesmaid and best man. Both young people are well known in this community and have a large circle of friends who wish them much happiness and success in their wedded life. After April the 1st the young couple will go to housekeeping in the old Lauster house.

The Misses Kate Gruis and Mildred Gealow were shoppers at Mason City on Friday.

Six horses for sale, or will trade for good milk cows.—Peter H. Pals. 20tfc

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday at her home at Belmond.

Rev. Schlesselman and H. Fischer returned home Monday from Van Horn, Iowa, where they have attended conference.

Miss Ella Denton of Delmond was here several days last week visiting at the Mrs. Butz and Mrs. C. Bier homes.

Miss Alice Kuhler was a shopper at Mason City Friday.

Mrs. A. Kolb, Alma Ankeny and Mabel Giesler were shoppers at the county seat on Saturday.

J. J. Ruiter was a caller at Hampton on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Edward Bashman and children of near Klemme spent the day Monday at the Mrs. Meinderts home. Mrs. Wilkins and children accompanied them home.

Merle Price had the misfortune of breaking his right leg Saturday by a cave in. Merle is working for Fred Birdsell.

The Cemetery society will meet Tuesday p. m. April the 11th at the Evangelical church basement. Officers will be elected and full attendance is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Smith were passengers to Mason City Monday on business matters and shopping.

Mrs. Joe Stadtlander was at Mason City Saturday taking her regular treatments.

Miss Alma Witt of Clear Lake came Saturday to spend Sunday here at the L. B. Hulsebus home.

Henry Dirks spent the week end with his wife who is at the hospital in Mason City. Mrs. Dirks is improving slowly and getting along nicely.

Doc Zinn of Klemme was here one day last week giving medical aid.

Miss Dora Witt and several friends of Webster City motored down here for a short visit at the L. B. Hulsebus home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Boelman were at Mason City Tuesday visiting Mrs. Dirks at the hospital and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rief were shoppers and business callers at Mason City on Tuesday.

Rev. Pannkuk and Ben Gruis left Tuesday morning for Aplington where they attend the regular meeting of the Reformed association.

Mrs. Leo Wilkins and children, Genevieve and Leonora of Klemme came Friday to spend the week end with her mother, Mrs. H. H. Meinderts.

Miss Dora Jacobs spent the week end visiting home folks at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Pals of near Belmond visited at the Mrs. E. Stadtlander home Sunday.

Mrs. John Ruiter left Saturday for an over Sunday visit with parents at Latimer. She returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Buche and children of Mason City spent the week end at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lemke.

Hartley Blewitt and family of Thornton were Sunday guests at the J. F. Hartfelder home.

E. A. Strasburg is on the sick list at the present writing

Doc Egloff of Mason City was here Tuesday on business matters

THE WANT-AD OF MY SOUL.

My need, which is my creed, I write
  upon this scrol—
Be pleased, oh gracious Lord, to
  heed the want-ad of my soul.
A cheer that does not lean upon
  digestion or the sun—
Supports itself and never asks a
  boost of anyone.
To laugh whole-heartedly—or should
  ill-fortune crowd me in,
Cause me to smile—give me oh Lord
  at least the gift to grin.
Not quite too proud, oh Lord, to
  fight, but if the thing's to do,
Then tutor me to battle clean—until the round is through.
If I have good to speak of men, then
  may that good be said—
Let me not hold like miser's gold
  my say until they're dead.
And Lord, I would be schooled to
  do with neither pomp or fuss,
Some decent thing and yet not feel
  so thundering virtuous.
Should gossip drop around to claim
  my hospitality,
May I not send him forth again but
  bid him stop with me.
And if I have to foreflush, Lord, to
  keep up with the brood
Of Fortune's darlings, then give me
  the eagle's solitude.
Make this Almighty me to know that
  as I trudge along,
Perhaps once in ten thousand times
  I'm likely to be wrong,
And that by some miraculous, unprecedented flight
Of lucky stars that shelter him, my
  neighbor may be right.
Forbid it that my soul grow stale
  —let me not be defiled
Nor cloyed with surfeit—let me
  keep the ardor of a child.
Give me imagination, Lord, to see
  the unseen things—
To know the yonder, far-off feel
  that comes when some bird sings.
Help me to be square with all the
  best traditions of my clan—
Make me, oh Lord, a downright unadulterated man.

—The Open Road.

Mrs. Lofty keeps a carriage,
    So do I;
She had dapple grays to draw it,
    None have I;
She's no prouder with her coachman
    Than am I,
With my blue-eyed, laughing baby,
    Trundling by.
I hide my face lest she should see
The cherub boy and envy me.

Her fine husband has white fingers,
    Mine has not;
He could give his bride a palace—
    Mine a cot;
Her's comes home beneath the starlight;
    Ne'er caresses she;
Mine comes in the purple twilight,
    Kisses me,
And prays that He who turns life's
  sands
Will hold his loved ones in His hands.

Mrs. Lofty has her jewels,
    So have I;
She wears hers upon her bosom,
    Inside I;
She shall leave hers at death's portal
    By-and-by;
I shall bear my treasures with me
    When I die;
For I love, and she has gold;
She counts her wealth—mine can't
  be told.

She has those who love her—station,
    None have I;
But I've one true heart beside me—
    Glad am I,
I'd not a chance for a kingdom,
    No, not I.
God will weigh it in His balance,
    By-and-by;
And the difference He'll define
'Twixt Mrs. Lofty's wealth and mine.

—Unidentified.

Certain

"Now, officer, what law am I violating?"

"I don't know yet, but I'll look you over. You must be violoting some law. You've got a car, haven't you?"

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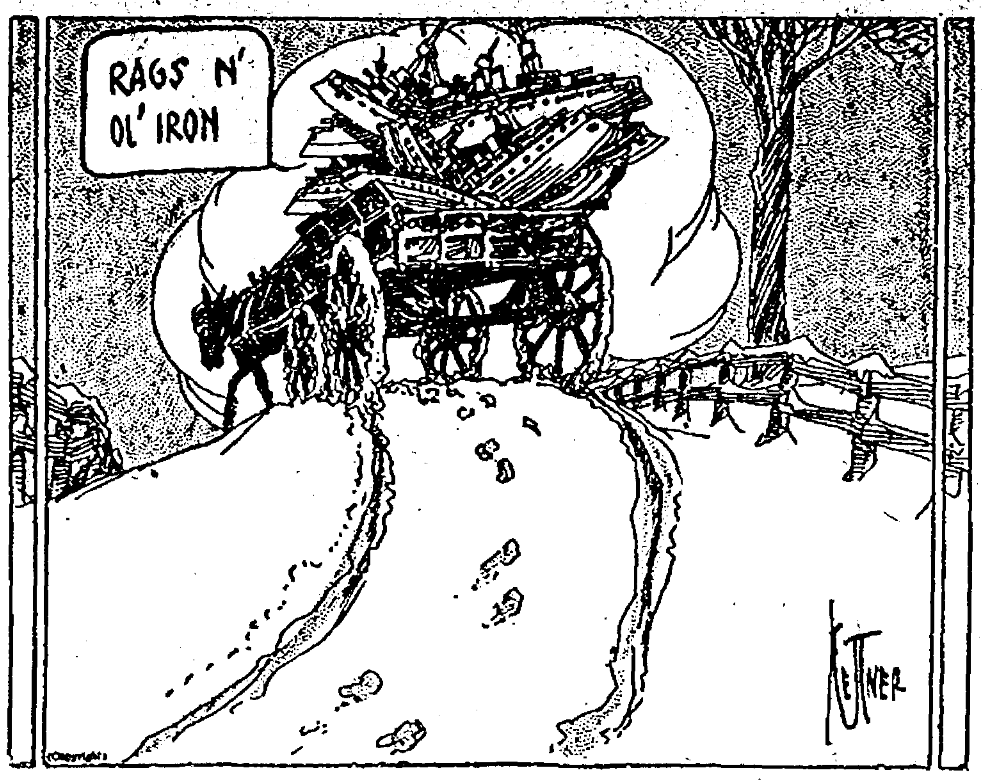

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Rev. Faust will be with us Friday evening for Quarterly Conference. Communion services Sunday a. m.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30.
Services (German) 10:30
Young peoples meeting 7:15
Services (English) 8:00
Catechism classes at the usual hours.

Rev. Pannkuk, Pastor.

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SAVE EVERY CHICK

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The Aid society of the Reformed church met Thursday afternoon at te hour of 2:00 p. m. in the church basement. The unusual good number of 24 were present. The refreshments, which consisted of cocoa and cookies, were served by Mrs. H. J. Pals in honor of her birthday. Mrs. H. B. Frey and Grace Johnann Pals are the new members of this week.

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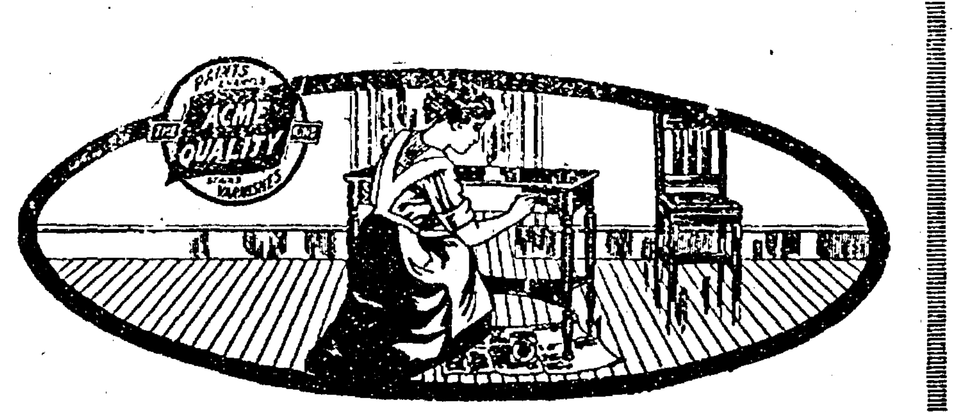

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
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Alexander Local News

Charley Winwood was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dunn and children were visitors at Hampton Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals and son Joe were callers at Belmond Saturday.

Cornelious Stoffer was a caller at Rowan Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moore and two children of Hampton spent Sunday at the Oscar Walsh home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Reed and children spent Sunday with relatives at Belmond.

On the evening of April 1st 1922 some of the young people of Alexander had a surprise party on Mrs. Otto Kieslich who celebrated her birthday on this day. Mrs. Kieslich was given a very appropriate gift. The Henry Schulte and Peter Bohlen families were also present to spend the evening. With several different games the evening passed away very quickly and all report a splendid time and left for their homes wishing Mrs. Kieslich many more happy birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and daughter, Dorothy were callers at Hampton last Friday.

Mrs. A. B. Arends and daughter, Mrs. Oscar Hensel and two children visited with relatives at Dumont a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and Miss Addie Larsen visited at the Harry Veeder home in Belmond last Saturday.

Bert Kieslich was a business caller at Hampton Friday.

Miss Vivian Meierbrchtol returned to her school duties at Tripoli Sunday after spending the past week with friends at Alexander.

Alfred Anderson was a Meservey caller last Saturday.

Arthur Peters was a caller at Hampton last Friday.

Mrs. Fred Frohling of Belmond returned to her home Monday after a visit with relatives at this place.

Mrs. Kate Starkey left last Friday for a short visit with her brother a Hampton.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer visited her parents at Sheffield last Friday.

Theodore Beenen was a caller at Hampton several days last week.

Fred L. Greenfield was a business caller at Hampton Saturday.

Misses Jessie Bernard and Eva Whetstone were shoppers at Belmond on Saturday.

Elias Klinefelder and John Murphy were callers at Hampton Friday.

On Wednesday afternoon, March 29th a very pleasant surprise was given at the home of Mrs. John Bell, in honor of her sixty-ninth birthday. The children were all home except two of the son-in-laws who could not get away at the time. The daughters were all prettily dressed in new gingham gowns and the afternoon was spent in a social good time. Dainty refreshments were served and many useful gifts were presented to mother.

D. O. Shrain of Dows was a business caller in town Monday.

Jerry Beenen was a caller at Fort Dodge the first of the week.

Dr. Steele of Belmond was a professional caller in town last week.

St. John's Evang. Luthern Church

Next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock we will hold services in the English language.

Examination for the Confirmation Class.

Everyone welcome.

C. J. Barth, Pastor.

Alexander Congregational Church

The Sunday school is preparing for a fine Easter program. The choir will also render some special selections. We almost reached our goal in Sunday school last Sunday; shall we not try to do better next Sunday?

Come out next Sunday morning and hear a sermon on "Christ in Gethsemane." There will be a very interesting subject for Sunday evening.

The quarterly business meeting of the church committee will be held Monday evening, April 10th, It is desired that all members of the official board be present.

The helping Hand Society will meet with Mrs. Lloyd Green Wednesday April 12th.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Service, 11 a. m.
Junior and Senior C. E., 7 a. m.
Evening Service, 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Philpott of Hampton spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Walsh.

John Bohlen and Harold Walsh of Hampton visited at home Sunday.

C. S. Hamilton of Hampton was a business caller here one day last week.

Fred Rodemeyer and family visited his brother near Hampton Sunday.

Le Roy Walsh and family of Hampton spent Sunday with his parents here.

M. E. Church Notes

Sunday School at two o'clock.

Preaching at 3 o'clock.

We are preparing for a good service Easter Sunday. Make it a point to be with us at that time and we would be pleased to see more out at each Sunday Service. We know you will enjoy these meetings. Come and be convinced.

Berniece Arends has credit for perfect attendance during the first quarter, in class No. 4. Let us have several for the second quarter.

On Saturday afternoon, April 8th, the Dorcas Society will hold their Easter Sale at the W. P. Aldinger store window. This sale will consisit of towels and baked goods. many hand made articles, one quilt, plants, etc. Come and find something that you need

PHONE WAR IS STARTING IN HAMPTON

Chronicle: The Northwestern Bell Telephone Company the first of the week notified the Hampton business men, and some of the party line subscribers. that telephone rates in Hampton would be raised the first of May. It is understood that the company has a well "edited" sheet of paper on which it figures to show that it is losing about $80 a month in Hampton and it wants that $80 taken off the red side of its book. Of course, there are those who recall that old adage—that figures can't lie, but liars can figure.

At any rate there seems to be a fight on. In less than two hours after the receipt of the notice of the company's intentions, petitions were being circulated protesting the proposed raise. Dr. J. C. Powers, the new mayor-elect in an interview today stated that the city officials are strongly opposed to the raise of phone rates at this time, and the council will take the matter up at an early meeting and do what it can to prevent the phone company from putting the proposed rates into effect.

There has been a rumor current for some time that the phone company operating in Hampton does not have the franchise here which it seems to think it has, and that it has and is violating features of the franchise under which it is now supposed to be operating.

The general opinion seems to prevail that a raise in phone rates at this time is just another sort of graft, profiteering or holdup, which the telephone company hopes to get away with. Local phone subscribers believe they are paying exhorbitant prices at this time, to say nothing of any higher rates which may be asked of them.

F. C. Peer and family of Swaledale visited their daughter, Mrs. C. O. Walsh Sunday.

"FLIPPING

How often do you swing on a train after it has started to move? Probably with about one-third the frequency that you swing off before it has stopped. Getting on in this fashion it is more dangerous, no doubt: But either practice is bad enough.

In six years, the records of the Interstate Commerce Commission show, 450 people were killed and 6,857 injured getting on and off in this fashion.

Such statistics mean little. This week one conductor on the Northwestern was seen on three different occasions to pull would-be passengers frm certain injury, when they had tried for the moving step and swung under. If he had not been on the watch an accident would have been, in our judgment, certain in every case. And one of the reckless three was a girl.

The temptation to try getting on at the last second is considerable. But swinging off before the train has stopped is in ninty-nine cases out of a hundred simply asinine. It offers no excuse.

What good to the average citizen is a second of time saved? What will he do with it? When he has saved it? There are many expensive ways of being foolish. But getting on and off moving trains, is likely to be one of the most costly, for the least possiblity of return.—Chicago Herald Examiner.

The woman who has beauty of character has little cause to worry over personal defects.

The farmer may not have any hay in his whiskers these days, but he has plenty in his barn.

PRIMARY TO BE HOT

Iowa's primaries this spring will poll one of the biggest votes in years, according to the forecasts being made by the various political camps, now preparing to swing into the real heat of the pre-election scrap.

A tabulation at the headquarters of Col. Leon W. Ainsworth, war veteran, farmer and candidate for the Republican nomination for State Treasurership, shows that interest in the primaries this year is developing earlier than ever before This has been stimulated partly by the grim fight which is certain to revolve around the senatorship and the unusual rallying of interest in the state treasurership battle. The treasurership has usually been one of the minor bones of contention. This year, however, the veterans in the Republican ranks look for it to draw unusual attention. Friends of E. H. Hoyt, former state treasurer, feel that Hoyt was deprived of a chance to run for a second term at the last election by bad play. They are preparing to stir things up, although Hoyt has not yet definitely announced his allegiance in the fight. Ainsworth has been at work on his campaign for more than two months and is said to have great strength in every part of the state, espcially among the farmers and service men.

Governor Kendall is said to have received more signatures to his nomination papers this year than any other candidate in the history of the state in recent years. He probably will have a clean sweep.

It will be a big primary year in Iowa.

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Men's Stifel Overalls, $1.25 per pair Cash
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Red River Early Ohio Seed Potatoes, a bunch coming, at $1.60 per bu. cash
Men's Black Rubber Boots, $2.79 per pair, Cash
Come in and look our line over, it is complete and our prices are right.

EXTRA SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 8th

250 yards of our regular 25c grade Gingham, we are going to sell it at 15c per yard. Limit, 15 yds to a customer. See our south window for the display of the Ginghams.

Remember, we pay highest prices for Eggs--CASH or TRADE. Don't forget to bring in your Eggs Saturday and get one pound Cocoa Free for every 10 dozen you bring us.

The Dorcas Society are going to have an Easter Sale in our north window Saturday April 8th. Do not fail to attend it.

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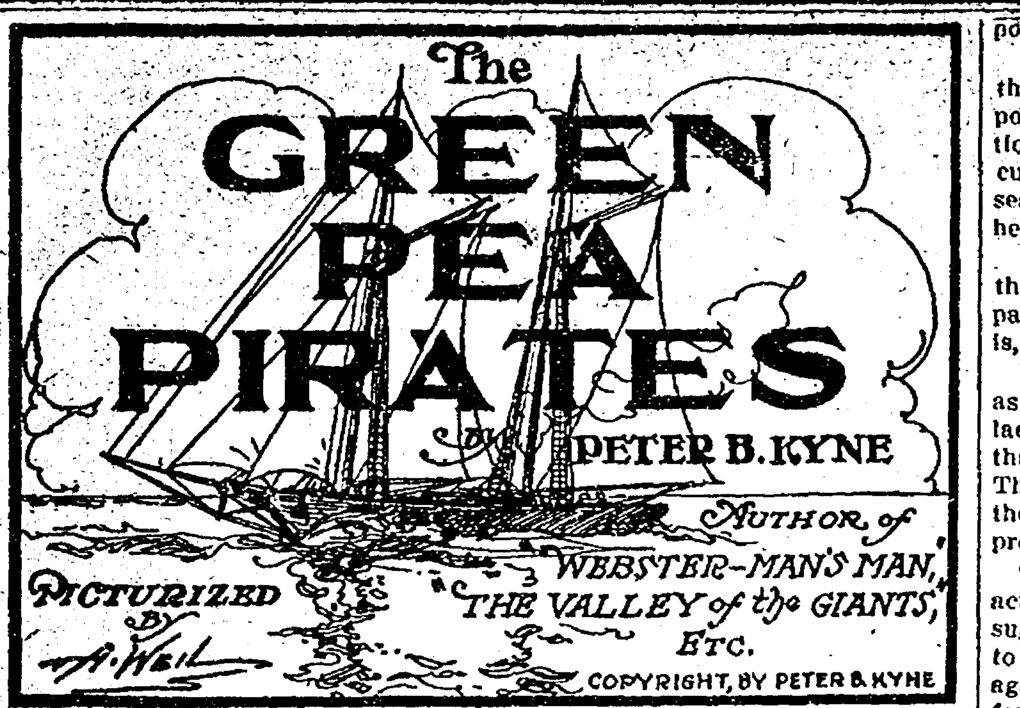

The GREEN PEA PIRATES

By PETER B. KYNE

Author of "WEBSTER—MAN'S MAN," "THE VALLEY of the GIANTS," ETC.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs generally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is the skipper, Nells Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded, and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII.—Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate,' with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Nells Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

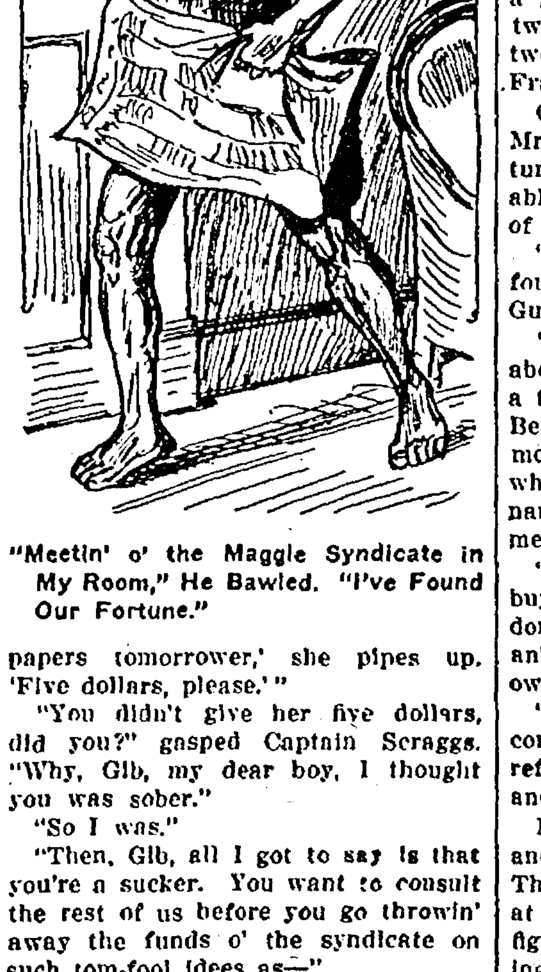
CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Nells Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

"Members o' the syndicate," the commodore announced, "we got an idea. Not a heluva good one, but fair to middlin'. Me an' Mac calls on this Madame de What-you-may-call-her an' the minute she gets a lamp at my mit (it is worthy of remark here that Mr. Gibney had a starfish tattooed on the back of his left hand, a full-rigged ship across his breast, and a gorgeous picture of a lady climbing a ladder adorned the inner side of his brawny right forearm. The feet of the lady in question hung down below the fringe of Mr. Gibney's short sleeve) she got up an' says: 'My friend, you're makin' a grave mistake remainin' ashore. Your fortune lies at sea.' Then she threw a fit an' mumbled something about a light-haired man that was goin' to cross my path. I guess she must have meant Scraggsy or Nells, both bein' blondes—an' she come out of her trance shiverin' an' shakin'.

"'Your fortune lies at sea, my friend,' she kept on sayin'. 'Go forth an' seek it.'

"'Gimme the longitude an' latitude, maam,' I says, 'an' I'll go out.'

"'Look in the shippin' news in the papers tomorrower,' she pipes up. 'Five dollars, please.'"



"Meetin' o' the Maggie Syndicate in My Room," He Bawled. "I've Found Our Fortune."

"You didn't give her five dollars, did you?" gasped Captain Scraggs. "Why, Gib, my dear boy, I thought you was sober."

"So I was."

"Then, Gib, all I got to say is that you're a sucker. You want to consult the rest of us before you go throwin' away the funds o' the syndicate on such tom-fool idees as—"

McGuffey saw a storm gathering on Mr. Gibney's brows, and hastened to intervene.

"Meetin's adjourned," he announced, "pendin' the issue o' the papers tomorrow mornin'. Scraggsy, you oughter j'ine the Band o' Hope. You're ugly when you got a drink in you."

Nells Halvorsen interfered to beg a cigar of Mr. Gibney and the affair passed over.

At six o'clock the following morning the numbers of the syndicate were awakened by a prodigious pounding at their respective doors. Answering the summons, they found Mr. Gibney in undress uniform and the morning paper clutched in his hand.

"Meetin' o' the Maggie syndicate in my room," he bawled. "I've found our fortune."

The meeting came to order without the formality of dressing, and the commodore, spreading the paper on his knee, read aloud:

"FOR SALE CHEAP

"The stern-wheel steamer Victor, well found, staunch and newly painted. Boilers and engines in excellent shape. Vessel must be sold to close out an estate. Address John Coakley, Jackson Street wharf."

"How d'ye know she's a fortune, Gib?" McGuffey demanded. "Lemme look at her engines before you get excited."

"I ain't saying she is," Mr. Gibney retorted testily. "Lemme finish readin'!" He continued:

"REPORTS PASSING DERELICT

"The steam schooner Arethusa, Grays Harbor to Oakland Long wharf, reports passing a derelict schooner twenty miles off Point Reyes at six o'clock last night. The derelict was down by the head, and her rail just showed above the water. It was impossible to learn her identity.

"The presence of this derelict in the steamer lanes to North Pacific ports is a distinct menace to navigation, and it is probable that a revenue cutter will be dispatched today to search for the derelict and either tow her into port or destroy her."

"Gentlemen o' the syndicate, them's the only two items in the shippin' page that looks likely. The question is, in which lies our fortune?"

Nells Halvorsen spoke up, giving it as his opinion that the fortune-telling lady probably knew her business and that their fortune really lay at sea. The derelict was at sea. How else, then, could the prophecy be interpreted?

"Well, this steamer Victor isn't exactly *traveling* overland," McGuffey suggested. He had a secret hankering to mess around some real engines again, and gave it as his opinion that fortune was more likely to lurk in a solid stern-wheel steamer with good engines and boilers than in a battered hulk at sea. Captain Scraggs agreed with him most heartily and a tie vote resulted, Mr. Gibney inclining toward the derelict.

"What're we goin' to do about it, Gib?" Captain Scraggs demanded.

"When in doubt, Scraggsy, old tarpot, always play trumps. In order to make no mistake, right after breakfast you an' McGuffey go down to Jackson street wharf an' interview this man Coakley about his steamer Victor. You been goin' to sea long enough to know a good hull when you see it, an' if we can't trust Mac to know a good set of inner works we'd better dissolve the syndicate. As for me an' Nells, we'll go down to the Front an' charter a tug an' chase out after that there derelict before the revenue cutter gets her an' blows her out o' the path o' commerce with a stick o' dynamite."

Forthwith Mr. Gibney and Nells, after snatching a hasty breakfast, departed for the waterfront, where they chartered a tug for three days and put to sea. At about ten o'clock Captain Scraggs and McGuffey strolled leisurely down to Jackson street wharf to inspect the Victor. By noon they had completed a most satisfactory inspection of the steamer's hull and boilers, and bought her in for seven thousand dollars. Captain Scraggs was delighted. He said she was worth ten thousand. Already he had decided that heavy and profitable freights awaited the syndicate along the Sacramento river, where the farmers and orchardists had been for years the victims of a monopoly and a gentlemen's agreement between the two steamboat lines that plied between Sacramento, Stockton and San Francisco.

On the afternoon of the third day Mr. Gibney and Nells Halvorsen returned from sea. They were unutterably weary and hollow-eyed for lack of sleep.

"Well, I suppose you two suckers found that derelict," challenged McGuffey.

"Yep. Found her an' got a line aboard an' towed her in, an' it was a tough job. She's layin' over on the Berkeley tide flats, an' at lowtide tomorrow we'll go over an' find out what we've got. Don't even know her name yet. She's practically submerged."

"I think you was awful foolish, Gib, buyin' a pig in a poke that way. I don't believe in goin' in blind. Me an' Mac's bought a real ship. We own the Victor."

"I'm dead on my feet," growled the commodore, and jumping into bed he refused to discuss the matter further and was sound asleep in a jiffy.

Mr. Gibney was up bright and early and aroused the syndicate to action. The tide would be at its lowest ebb at nine thirty-one and the commodore figured that his fortune would be lying well exposed on the Berkeley tide flats. He engaged a diver and a small gasoline launch, and after an early breakfast in a chophouse on the Embarcadero they started for the wreck.

They were within half a mile of it, heading right into the eye of the wind, when Captain Scraggs and McGuffey stood erect in the launch simultaneously and sniffed like a pair of—well, sea dogs.

"Dead whale," suggested McGuffey.

"I hope it ain't Gib's fortune," replied Scraggs drily.

"Shut up," bellowed Mr. Gibney. He was sniffing himself by this time, for as the launch swiftly approached the derelict the unpleasant odor became more pronounced.

"Betcher that schooner was in collision with a steamer," Captain Scraggs announced. "She was cut down right through the fo'castle with the watch below sound asleep, an' this here fragrance appeals to me as a sure sign of a job for the coroner."

Mr. Gibney's eyes flashed, but he made no reply. They had rounded the schooner's stern now, and her name was visible.

"Schooner Kadiak, Seattle," read Scraggs. "Little old three sticker a thousand years old an' cut clear through just abaft the foremast. McGuffey, you don't s'pose this here's a pirate craft an' just bulgin' with gold."

"Sure," retorted the engineer with a slow wink, "tainted wealth."

Mr. Gibney could stand their heckling no longer. "Looky here, you two," he bawled out angrily. "I got a hunch I picked up a lemon, but I'm a-willin' to tackle the deal with Nells if you two think I didn't do right by the syndicate a-runnin' up a bill of expense towin' this craft into port. I ain't goin' to stand for no kiddin', even if we are in a five-hundred-dollar towage bill. Man is human an' bound to make mistakes."

"Don't kid the commodore, Scraggsy. This aromer o' roses is more'n a

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Rowan Local News

The funeral of Baby Lineweaver took place last Thursday morning from the home, the Rev. H. Tomkinson conducting the service. The child was only a month old.

The Senior class of the High school will give their play in the school auditorium next Friday evening.

At the evening service of Methodist church next Sunday, the pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will preach the sermon in the series, the subject being, "Our Prodigal Daughters."

MissHazel Wilson spent the week end with her parents at Robertson, returning Monday to her school work in Rowan.

Miss Dorothy Steffens was a Belmond caller Monday.

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion met in regular session Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Nelson were Dows caller Monday.

Mrs. R. E. Lee Aldrich is on the sick list. Mr. Aldrich is some better since his recent spell of sickness.

Mrs. Fred Smith and son, Kenneth and daughter, Marian, of Clarion are spending a few days during vacation at the homes of Mrs. M. Snyder and F. H. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fletcher, of Davis, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Steffens.

Della Langdon and Hazel Utz have been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Mary Ballou, of Anita, came last week to look after renting her residence at this place and to visit relatives for a short time. She will go from here to the homes of her sons, Clifford, in Nashua and Otho, in Center Point.

Ed Miller returned from Bradford Wednesday where he had been visiting his brother, George, who has been quite ill. He was better when Mr. Miller came home.

George Wessels moved last week into the Wesley Azeltine residence in north Rowan.

Geo. Pritchett was a Clarion visitor Friday.

Charles Berger was a Hampton business caller Saturday.

George Wessels was a county seat visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Etta Carr visited relatives at Latimer last week returning Saturday.

J. H. Dix, of Hampton visited friends in Rowan and vicinity Saturday.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear Tires. Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Mrs. W. A. Hoke received word last week that her son Ira Hartinger is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home in Brooklyn N. Y. She was not able to go as she is not fully recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. Hubbarb McCallum and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson, of Waterloo, visited relatives in Rowan the latter part of the week. Mr. Robinson and Mr. McCallum are moving from Waterloo to Mason City where they will run a furniture store. Mrs. Robinson spent Sunday with her cousin, Mrs. Glen Jennings at Clarion. Mr. Robinson having gone to Mason City to get furniture in their house.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emerson are the proud parents of a baby girl born March 30th.

F. B. Sheldon was a Clarion caller Thursday.

Mrs. J. S. Farren spent Wednesday in Lanesboro with her friend, Mrs. Charlie Lynch, who is very sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. J. D. Pritchett received word Monday that the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pollard in Twin Falls Idaho is very sick with pleureal pneumonia.

Ezra Ingraham, of Swaledale, was a visitor with relatives at Rowan over the week end returning to his home Monday morning.

Mrs. Henry Hansen was a Hampton caller Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers motored to Clarion Wednesday.

Mrs. Guy Sheldon went to Clarion Wednesday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Schreoder, and to attend a party at their home in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Underdahl and baby went to Rake to spend the week end.

The M. E. Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Joe Thomas Thursday afternoon. A large crowd attended and three comforters were tied The hostess served a delicious luncheon.

Gay Fletcher made a trip to Reeve Thursday with his truck an brought back the household goods of Mr. and Mrs Freeman Houck who moved into the apartment house.

Word has been received of the arrival of an 8½ pound baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Allen of Bruce, So. Dak., March 24th. Mother and baby are reported doing nicely.

Harvey Lineweaver was a Dows caller Friday.

Mrs. Edwin Nelson returned from the hospital at Hampton where she has been for the past several weeks, Thursday. She is feeling very fine since her return.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bailey went to Belmond Sunday to the home of their son, Fuller. They expect to go from there to Rochester where Mrs. Bailey will enter the hospital for examination.

Word was received of a baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jurden Brinkman at their home in St. Peter, Minn., born March 31st.

Mrs. Jim Langdon is very sick with pneumonia. A nurse from Goldfield is attending to her. Mr. Langdon was sick the first of the week but is able to be about again.

Ralph Whitten came home Friday from Grinnel where he is attending college and will spend a ten days vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten.

Mrs. G. W. Whitten was called to Reinbeck Monday evening by the death of an aunt, Mrs. Jennette Fletcher, who passed away Sunday morning.

A. C. Reitz is on the sick list.

Mrs. Theo Hansen was called to Coulter Wednesday by the serious illness of her father. He passed away Monday afternoon. Mrs. Hansen has the sympathy of many friends in this time of sadness.

Mrs. R. H. Keith and son Kenneth and daughter, Margaret were Belmond callers Saturday.

J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Monday.

Rev. Tomkinson was a Clarion caller Wednesday.

E. Bingham was a Dows caller Friday.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver returned from Clarion Wednesday where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Heathershaw.

Mrs. Clarence Lindsey was a Dows caller Friday.

Miss Edna McCutcheon spent the week end at the home of her parents in Goldfield.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchett accompanied Miss Frances Virden to Iowa City Saturday where she entered the hospital, for examination. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchett returned Monday.

Miss Nillie Hackley went to Dows Saturday to visit at the homes of her sisters.

Mrs. F. H. Fowler was a Dows caller Friday between trains.

Miss Carol Hoke spent Friday at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. K. Stout returning to Clarion Saturday.

Marshall Myers went back to Des Moines Friday after a short vacation with home folks.

Harry Harris went to Des Moines Friday to visit a short time at the home of his brother, Cecil and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon were Mason City callers Monday.

Mrs. Amos Cowley and daughters, Maude and Ruby were Hampton visitors Saturday.

The Misses Erdine Unger and Leona Pepper, of Dows spent a short time at the home of Mrs. Mary Braden, Thursday.

Mrs. R. H. Keith entertained the Freshman class and the High school Faculty at a party in honor of her son, Kenneth Friday night. About 22 were present. The evening was spent in games ad tricks. A two course luncheon was served and the guests departed at a late hour voting it a very pleasant evening.

Frank Drury was a Dows caller Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn and family, of Coulter, spent Sunday at the Dan Fletcher home.

SHOWS

Saturday April 8th, Eva Novak in a Universal Special "Society Secrets." Also a two reel comedy "Third Class Male."

Wednesday April 12th, another episode of Hurricane Hutch. With a feature and a comedy.

School Notes

Miss Mary Newman, one of last year's teachers, visited school Monday.

Misses Florence Nordmier and Mary Newman, two of the teachers of last year, who spent the week end visiting friends in Rowan left Tuesday noon. Miss Nordmier returning to Livermore where she is teaching this year and Miss Newman, to her home at Martelle.

Misses Leone Pepper and Erdine Unger, of Dows were visitors at High school Thursday.

Ralph Moellering and Clesson Azeltine, who have been sick, have returned to school.

Ina Combs in now on the sick list.

Don't forget the Senior play "The Man on the Box" at the Rowan High school auditorium Thursday and Friday nights, April 6 and 7. If you want to get your money's worth come and see it.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Pastor Rev. W. H. Nye.

April, 9th.

The services both morning and evening will be as usual, with good music and special address at each service.

Morning worship at 11 a. m. Subject—The Unparalelled Generosity.

Evening song 8 p. m. Subject—The Lost Human Coinage.

The addresses will be worthy of your attendance.

There was a good attendance at Sabbath school and divine worship Sunday April 2nd. Let's go April 9th.

The Woman's Missionary society will meet with Mrs. Elsie Allen Thursday April 6th. Leader—Mrs. L. A. McCallum.

The Mid week prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday at the church.

Remember the Easter sale and supper April 15th in the church parlors. Everybody come. Anyone having articles for the sale please hand the work to the committee by the 13th.

The Y. P. S. C. E. Sunday evening at 7 p. m. Leader Rev. W. H. Nye

SPECIAL EASTER APPEAL FOR STARVING CHILDREN

Thrilling adventures and first hand encounters with hunger, and horrors succeeded one another with bewildering rapidity in the experiences of Miss Elsie Kimball, a Mt. Holyoke College graduate in the Near East.

She has just returned to this country, but she wants to return to the famine regions overseas as soon as her private affairs make it possible, she told Charles V. Vickrey, General Secretary of the Near East Relief, under whose auspices she has been working in Transcaucasia for the past two yars.

The Mt. Holyoke girl had hardly arived in Transcaucasia when her adventures began. She was among the women workers hastily evacuated from that region in the face of a threatened Bolshevist attack. This episode over, Miss Kimball went back on the job of feeding the thousands of orphans in Transcaucsia who are being cared for by American relief workers. She was in Kars, Armenia, when that city fell before an attack of Kurds. These fierce tribsmen attempted to steal blankets from the orphanage which Miss Kimball had charge of, but she routed them with a whip.

For several months prior to her return to this country, Miss Kimball was stationed at Alexandropol, where the relief workers have concentrated about 25,000 of the 100,000 youngsters in Near East Relief orphanages in the Levant.

"There has never been more suffering in Armenia than there is at present," Miss Kimball said. "Children, for whom there is neither the room nor the supplies inside the orphanages, wander about like little animal in search of food. Famine and disease are rapidly carrying them off for relief funds are insufficient to meet the need. Conditions were bad enough when I left early in the winter; now it must be many times worse." Miss Kimball said there is practically no food at all in Transcaucasia except that brought in by the Near East Relief. She endorsed the appeal now being made to the women of the country by an emergency committee headed by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, which is nationwide campaign to supply the deficiency of relief funds that threatens to cut off one out of every four of the children of the Near East who are dependent upon American aid for their existence.

SHERIFF DRINKS BOOZE CAPTURED IN RAIDS

News: The sheriff of Hamilton county is facing ouster from office, the county attorney there having filed a petition in district court. Drunkeness and inattention to duty is charged. It is alleged the sheriff drank booze seized in his raids, and the petition specifically states he had been drunk the past week. A few days ago the sheriff was in Clarion, pretty well lit up, and he could hardly drive his car out on the main road west of town, but whether it was the Hamilton man or not the boys did not know, but in view of the ouster proceedings it is likely it was the Hamilton man. They tried to get him to resign, but he refused to give up the office. Wm. Neekins is the man the county attorney is after.

Circumstantial Evidence.

"Do you think Miss Spinnix cheated at the ouija board?"

"I wouldn't go so far as to say she cheated?" replied Miss Cayenne. "But I couldn't help noticing that it misspelled some of the words the same way she does."

Does one always tell the whole truth? Remember that when you are listening.

Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Robinson were called to Rockwell last Saturday, on account of the illness and death of Wm. Ryburn, brother-in-law of Mrs. Robinson. They returned Tuesday of this week.

Paul Pearce, a former Belmond boy was in town Monday of this week visiting his mother and old time friends. Paul, who is advertising agent for People's Popular Monthly, resides in Minneapolis, and came to Belmond to help his mother arrange to move to that place, where she will live with Paul and his wife.

A show troup are hoding forth all this week at the opera house,, and according to reports have been giving first rate entertainments.

Chas. DeVore, of Clarion, a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court, was in town this week Monday meeting the voters and getting acquainted.

Mrs. Lee Stacy and children are spending the week end at Hampton, their former home, visiting with relatives and friends.

Miss Helen Haven went to Charles City Sunday afternoon to spend the Spring vacation visiting with her sister, Miss Jean Haven, who is reporter on the Charles City Daily Press.

The High School base ball team is rounding into shape and will play their first game here some time this month. The team has a wealth of good material, and is going to be heard from this season by some real playing.

Good used Fords at a reasonable price. Come and see them before you buy. From $50 and up.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108 or 258.

From a cold, rainy week end, the weather-man was in better humor Mondey and came thru with a bright sunny afternoon, which brought out that tired feeling in a lot of folks. House cleaning season is about due, along with new Easter lids. Spring is here.

For a good bargain in second hand cars, see first the Belmond Auto Co.

Dressmaking and Tailoring. Come early and avoid the rush. Phone 116. Mrs. Bench. 18tc

After an energetic and determined fight, the folks along the M. & St. L. railroad from Hampton to Algona have succeeded in having a new schedule of train service put into effect, and are now receiving better communication and connections both ways. The change in time recently made by the railroad company was decidedly unfavored by the small towns along the branch.

WANTED—Eggs and cream as usual. We pay cash.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

Milk dropped. Now seven cents delivered, six cents at the meat market.—Ash Grove Dairy. 192

A few local young people drove to Solsburg on Saturday evening to attend a dance being given there. Some of them went to Galt to a dance, but not liking the looks of that outfit returned.

Walt Pritchard, well known by many Belmond people, won out in the city election at Garner last week, and was elected mayor of the city by a majority of 22 votes. Six hundred and fifty votes were cast in the election, which was a record breaker for the town.

Hampton, which had considerable to say when the telephone dispute was on here, now has a similar fight on with the Northwestern Telephone Co., which has served notice of a raise in rates. Hampton folks, judging from the newspapers over there, are bitterly determined that there shall be no raise if they have anything to say about it, the opinion being that rates should be lowered there if anything. A safe guess is that they will neither go up nor down.

The band tax question was submitted to a large number of towns thruout the state, and was voted by big majoriies in almost every place it was up. Clarion carried 511 to 181. The tax was defeated in Belmond by four votes, with 92 ballots unvoted. Had the people understood how little the tax would have amounted to in the individual case, it would undoubtedly have carried.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard, of Swaledale, was in town last Friday and Saturday, visiting relatives and attending to business matters.

This is vacation week at school, and most of the teaching faculty are spending a few days at their respective homes.

The rain Sunday certainly put the roads about the country in nice shape. especially where there was any loose dirt. Joe Scott, of the Battery Station, endeavored to make a thirteen mile drive Sunday, and in the thirteen miles was stuck and had to be pulled out eight times, which comes pretty near being the record. Some of the graveled roads recently graveled, were soft underneath and let his car down to the hubs twice.

Cato C. Griesy was a caller at Fort Dodge last Friday, looking after business matters connected with the Stedistroke Pump Jack Co.

The Belmond Auto Co. now has its office nicely fixed up, and have a real business-like looking place, with waiting room for the ladies, a splendid stock department, and large office room.

The Independent is working this week on the bar docket for the district court. A large number of cases have been listed for the coming term.

A good used Fordson tractor A-1 condition at a real bargain.—Belmond Auto Co. Belmond Ia.

Geo. Peterson, of Ames, was in town last week a couple of days, looking after business offairs and visiting relatives.

Have you read Greisy's Store News on page 2? It is there every week, and is a "different" kind of advertising. You'll enjoy it.

For real bargains in second hand cars, see the Belmond Auto Co. Belmond, Iowa.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison returned last week from the hospital at Rochester, where she has been the past five or six weeks. She is much improved in health.

Don't miss the "Pig Race" Friday night.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte eggs for hatching, 75 cents per setting of 15 or $4.50 per hundred.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow. Phone 2712.

We now have a high grade Baby Chick feed on the market. Ask your dealer for EVERGOOD.—T. S. Wallace & Co.

Geo. Brady is now nicely settled in his new barbershop quarters in the Home Hotel building, and is looking quite nifty with a new coat of paint and various other improvements.

TO USERS OF MILK

From now on, I will sell milk at 7c a quart from the wagon, 6c a quart from Kinseth's grocery. Cream is sold from the wagon.—H. H. Hawley Phone 298. 194

F. A. Stine was a business caller at Eagle Grove a day or two last week.

As the days get warmer and spring fever gets in the blood, base ball talk is commencing to warm up over a team for Belmond this summer. Nothing definite appears to have been done as yet, just mulling the matter over. Is Belmond going to have a team this summer?

An unusually large crowd was in town last Saturday afternoon, trading, visiting, and taking in the concert given by the boys' band. The day was warm and Spring like, and many farmers took advantage of it to "talk things over" with their neighbors in town.

The annual Farm Bureau picnic is to be held this year on the Fourth of July, at Clarion, according to an announcement made last week. A big time is being planned, and inasmuch as none of the towns in the country have announced a celebration for the Fourth this year, probably the Farm Bureau picnic will be the Fourth's celebration for a good many Wright county people. The plans for the picnic will be announced later.

$2.50 in gold will be given to the most popular baby Thursday night at the opera house.

Straight salary $35 per week and expenses to man or woman with rig to introduce Poultry Mixture. Eureka Mfg. Co., East St. Louis, Ill. 201

Carl Wolle, in remitting for the Independent, writes from Boone, Iowa, where he is now located, that he is now working for an ice cream and butter company at that place, and has charge of the butter making and wrapping rooms, as well as the ice cream department to look after, so he has plenty to do. Carl and family formerly were Belmond people.

Herb Harberts is the new cop of Belmond, assuming his new duties on Monday of this week. Besides being marshal, Herb is also street commissioner and pumper. We predict Herb will make a good man for the places.

The Des Moines Register recently carried an item regarding the election at Britt. where a new ticket was formed the day of election, and, with the strenuous efforts made was carried through We have been wondering whether, if the ticket was placed in the race on the day of election, as the item stated, it was not illegally done? Does not a ticket have to be filed a certain number of days before election? Will some political shark kindly inform us?

Don't miss that funny "Pig Race" at the Opera House Friday night.

Call 28 for free Rug Cleaning demonstration in your own home. New Belmond Tailor Shop.

Miss Esther Hardwick, who came up form Ames to spend the vacation with home folks, returned last week to her duties at the college.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh, accompanied by Andrew Bullis, were visitors at Dows last Sunday, driving down.

Mrs. Wm. Voiles was in attendance at a Rebekah meeting at Dows last week, assisting in forming plans [illegible] convention to be held there at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Fyler went to Shell-Rock last week, where they are spending the week's school vacation with relatives and friends at that place.

Mrs. Andrew Bullis is spending a few days at Dows, caring for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma Barnes, who is very ill.

Mrs. A. W. Martin ond Mrs. Tom Brooks, are visiting their father at Herschel, Illinois this week.

Mrs. W. E. Mann, from Eagle Grove, is a guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings.

The Berniece Allen Stock Co. presents "The Girl Without a Chance," a wonder feature play with a story that often strikes home. At the Opera House Friday Night—extra added features in the "Pig Race."

Miss Wilma Thompson went to Cedar Falls recently to visit her cousin, who is attending school there.

Mrs. Fred Mortimer returned Monday from Minneapolis, where she has been the past week visiting relatives and friends.

FOR SALE—Choice Barred Rock eggs for hatching. From good laying strain. 75 cents per setting; $4 per hundred.—Easton & Fetrow, Phone 2009. 203*

There will be short session of the Women's Foreign Missionery Society Thursday afternoon, at the close of the afternoon services in the M. E. Church, this being the regular meeting day of the society.

Wm. Luick and family were Dows visitors last Sunday, driving down in their car.

BASKET SOCIAL—Friday evening, April 17, at 8 o'clock, at the Baker School, Belmond Township. Program will be given. Ladies please bring baskets.—Esther Thorman

We need a lot of news to fill the paper, and we will appreciate it if you will phone 115 when you have an item. Every little helps. Help us make your paper better. Phone the news to 115.

If you want to donate a dime to the Boy's Band, phone 115 and we wil be glad to take your name.

Bring the babies to the opera house Thursday night. The Berniece Allen Stock Co. gives $2.50 in Gold to the most popular baby.

"Mr. Kearney from Killaney" as wholesome as "Peg O' My Heart" will be the play Thursday night at the opera house by the Berniece Allen Stock Co. Bring the Babies.

Mrs. J. F Buggy, of Buffao Center, who has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Sharon. returned to her home last week

A barrel of fun in the "Pig Race" Friday night. Some lady is going to catch a real live pig on the stage at the opera house Friday night. Don't miss the fun.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

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on merchandise sold defendants.

Gerlach Barklow Co. is suing the Anderson Music Co. to recover 178.-89 alleged to be due for merchandise sold.

E. C. Bier is suing George and Fred Madison to recover on a note for 2,000, a total of $2,187.33 being due.

The Citizens State Bank of Goldfield is suing Andrew Anderson, Carrie Anderson, Ralph Fischer, N. N. Ulstad and wife, B. W. McElhinney, trustee in bankruptcy, and John W. Schaupp, Jr., referee in bankruptcy, to foreclose on the Ulstad farm. Originally the Andersons gave a note and mortgage deed on the farm, $5,000 being the considerion. Later they sold the farm to Fischer, who in turn sold it to Ulstad, and at the present time $5,150 and interest is due. The bank asks foreclosure and sale of the farm.

V. P. McIntyre is suing B. O. Apland to foreclose a mechanic's lien on the Apland property, his amount due making a total of $559.34. Other mechanic's liens filed against the Apland property consist of a $2700 lumber bill owing the Chapman Lumber Co., a hardware bill of $528.54 owing the Roper Hardware Co., and a bill of $56.75 for plumbing due to the Eagle Plumbing Co.

C. I. McCallum, holder of a note and mortgage deed, is suing Otto F. Ostendorf and wife and J. W. Akers to foreclose on the S hf of the SE qr 13; and the N hf of the NE qr of 24, near Alexander. The total amount due is $22,912.87, and this sum, plus interest and costs, is asked.

John G. Johnson is suing Clarence O. Solberg to recover $86.46 alleged to be due for corn husking in November and December, 1920, and repairing of a farm elevator.

The Lampert Lumber Co. is suing S. S. Hamilton to recover $207.27, alleged to be due on a note and for coal sold defendant in 1920.

Lawrence B. McLean is suing the Massachusetts Bonding & Insurance Co. of Boston, Mass., to force payment of accident insurance totaling $2400, and interest and costs. McLean took out insurance with the company a short time before he lost his foot last fall, when a gunshot wound forced an amputation. He has notififed the company and asked for proper blanks to furnish proof of his disability, which have been refused him. Under the policy, he is suing for a judgment for $200 per month for twelve months.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

FOR RENT—Seven room house, one block north of Community Oil Station.—F. T. Meacham. 19tfc

FOR SALE—Four brood sows, due to farrow in April.—John H. Wenzell, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

FOR SALE—Timothy seed, 1921 crop. Recleaned.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 17tfc

For Rent—Good seven room house and barn. Call 247. 18tc

White and Buff Plymouth Rock Eggs for hatching. 50 cents a setting—Mrs. O. D. Jenison,Phone 3217. 19tfc

Cleveland tractor plow and disc for sale or trade.—Geo. Coburn, Cornelia. Iowa. 192*

FOR SALE—Setting eggs, from English W. Leghorns Second cross from Imported stock. $5.00 per 100 —P. H. Pals. tfc

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs 75 cents per setting, 4.50 per 100. Excellent layers—Mrs. Jno. H. Wenzel, Meservey, Iowa.

FOR RENT—Several good lots for garden purposes. See or call Mrs. Val Griesy.

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte baby chicks.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow, Phone 2712. 203c

The Priscilla Club will meet with Mrs. Hal Nourse next Wednesday.

Order your baby chicks now. Barred and White Rock.—Mrs. A. E. Martin. 202c

CONCERT by the Orpheus Orchestra of Luther College and Semenary, of St. Paul, at the high school auditorium Sunday, April 16, 1922, at 8:15 p. m. Price 50 cents. Tickets will be on sale at Schultz Drug store. 201c

Martin Thoe went to Des Moines this week Tuesday evening, to look after some business interests there.

Jack Finn is starting a sort of wrestling training quarters and gymnasium in the rooms over the Packard restaurant, and is now ready to teach the art to all comers. Jack knows he game thoroly, and his instruction should be worth having. He invites especially any high school aspirants of the mat to come up and try out, and says he will gladly help them out in any way he can.

FOR SALE—Rose and single comb Rhode Island eggs for hatching. Fertility guaranteed.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

"Under Arizona Skies" a real western Comedy in 4 acts will be offered by the Berniece Allen Stock Co. Saturday night.

Saturday Special

Good Bacon, 20c per lb.

For the Best in Meats

TRY THE

City Meat Market

A Square Deal to All

Free delivery

Nissen & Harbison, Props.

Phone 207

WANTED TO BUY—Cream and Eggs at all times. Open Saturday evenings.—Joe S. White.

Miss Doris Bailey was a guest of friends at Corwith a few days last week.

If You Want To

Dress Up for Easter

You had better order your Spring Suit

NOW

Tailored to your measure. Fabrics and Models for every Purpose. When it comes to Value and Prices Nothing in Town can beat 'em.

$60 Suits Now $35

Others for $23

New Belmond Tailor Shop

Belmond, Iowa South of Case Hotel

Saturday Special

Acme Quality

Screen Paint

Black Only

Qts. - 54c

Pints - - 30c

A High grade material suitable for both wire and frames.

TOWNSAN HARDWARE

Phone 34

PARSONS' SPECIALS

Voiles, per yd.	30c	Veiling	25c
Ladies' Hose	25c - 35c	Men's Hose	15c - 25c
Children's Hose	15c to 25c	Ginghams, per yd.	25c
Men's Shirts	75c	Children's Rompers	85c - 95c
Post Toastles	15c	Bottle Syrup	20c
Peaberry Coffee	25c	Crocks, per gal.	15c

WE WANT YOUR EGGS

Fill Your Cistern

By letting me repair the eave troughs, or placing new ones before the spring rains come. Don't wait until the last minute--we may be too busy then--do it now. Leave orders at Johnson & Wright's store.

W. J. PECH

Res. Phone 229

Kinseth's Store News

Have you put in your bit for the Boy's Band? If not, scare up four bits and tell 'em "here's mine." Every little helps—and we want the boys.

And speaking of boys—or men either—we have shoes, all kinds, for both, any size,any style. Look them over; why pay more?

And ginghams, percales, dry goods of all kinds—we have them—you want them—let's get together.

When do you want us to send up some fresh radishes, lettuce and onions? We have them, at your prices.

Don't forget that we deliver any time, you don't have to wait until next day if you happen to be ten minutes late. Phone 19, the store on the corner, and get what you want when you want it—the place where yoour dollar has more cents.

Have you had a taste of those fruit preserves yet? If not, come in and sample, after that we know you'll take some home, because they sure hit that lonesome spot. You've had that feeling, when you wanted something, but didn't know what it was. your dollar has more cents.

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FACTORY OPERATION PLANS COMING NICELY

Good Fellowship Address Is Notable

"Substitution" Meeting Proves To Be One Of The Best We Have Had Yet

C.H. McNIDER IS THE NEXT

The Good Fellowship meeting held last week Wednesday evening in the library basement was among the best yet, and was very highly enjoyed by the crowd of about ninety men present.

Owing to various things the program all through was one of substitution, but the substitution was certainly a good one. Instead of the quartette, the opening program was a couple of readings by high school students. Alfred Wilkinson gave a splendid reading, "The March of the Flag," which was highly appreciated. Bill Butts then told the crowd "What the Janitor Heard." And the janitor heard a plenty. Rev. Ludgate very kindly favored the men with some music from his concertina—not accordion—and brought the crowd in on the chorus of the songs he sang.

Following this Rev. Brooks, from Fort Dodge, entertained the audience with one of the best addresses ever delivered in Belmond. His subject was "Three Months in Europe," and he dealt largely with the battle fields of France. His talk was a biting indictment of war, and the dramatic comparisons he drew brought home to his audience the waste, the bitterness and the useless destruction which war always causes, and left with them a serious thought of what te future would be. Rev. Brooks gave a most remarkable speech and the pity is that more could not have heard it.

After the address, Rev. Ludgate again favored the crowd with music and songs, following which some good eats were enjoyed. It was a huge success as a meeting, and may there be many more like it.

MOVED TO BUY FAIR GROUNDS

A movement is now on foot at Clarion to have the city call an election for the purpose of purchasing the fair grounds, to be used as a public park. It is proposed to vote a bond for $15,000 to purchase the land. A mass meeting was held last week to discuss the proposition, and the sentiment of those present was highly favorable to the plan.. The question is to be thoroughly discussed and brought before the voters of Clarion before an election is called, so that it will be thoroly familiar to all. It is probably the last resort to save the fair for the county, and as the county fair is one of the best events that any county can have, it is to be hoped that some arrangements will be made to save it.

HARD STORM HERE THURSDAY

The storm last Thursday evening was a real one for awhile, with a heavy wind, rain and hail. The hail broke a few windows about town, and the wind ripped off shingles on several buildings, taking part of the roof from the Griecy store and tipping over some small buildings. The day had been unusually hot and sultry for this time of the year. The storm evidently gave Belmond a side swipe as much more damage was reported in other localities, while in some places there was loss of life and heavy damage to property. South and east of town the storm was reported harder than in town.

HAVING TELEPHONE FIGHT

Eagle Grove is numbered among the towns served by the Northwestern Telephone Co., who are putting up a roar over the proposed increase in rates placed in effect by the company. Eagle Grove and Hampton both appear quite riled over the matter and are going to fight the raise to a finish, to judge from the papers in the two towns.

Mrs. Amy Peterson was a caller last week Thursday at Fort Dodge.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES OF MUCH INTEREST

School opened Monday for eight weeks hard work. School will close this year June 2, and both High School and grades have much to do before time for final examinations.

William Chase, Clara Johnson and Marjorie Purcell returned to their former haunts in B. H. S. last Monday.

Some of our senior commercial students are receiving some of their practical experience, part of the course, this week.

Several new students have entered the grades this week and a few have moved away.

The Charles R. McCalley program sponsored by the Juniors last evening (Wednesday) is spoken of in highest terms wherever this versatile entertainer has appeared. You were the loser if you missed it. Says the Sioux Falls Argus Leader "As an interpreter of James Whitcomb Riley's droll poems, Mr. McCalley certainly has no superiors, and as an all around versatile entertainer he stands alone. He is not only a gifted reader and impersonator, but he is a splendid violinist and has sense of humor knows no bound. When a performer can hold the attention of five hundred high school students for one hour and twenty minutes and leave them clamoring for more, it certainly is worth the while and the price."

Following is a speciman program, from which you may judge of its variety, its humor, its seriousness, its novelty.

1. READINGS—
a "My Philosophy" ----- James Whitcomb Riley.
b "Tradin' Joe" -------- James Whitcomb Riley.
2. VIOLIN SOLOS—
a "Fantasie L' Enchantresse" ------------------------ Singalee
b "Meditation—Thaise" ... ------------------------ Massanet
3. READINGS—
a "Cuckoo Clock" ---- Joe Lincoln
b "Carvin' the Turkey" --- James W. Foley.
c "The Ho'ss Trade" ---- James W. Foley.
d "Farmer Whipple" -----. Riley.
4. VIOLIN NUMBERS—
a "Souvenir" ------------ Drdla
b "Traumerai" ------- Schumann
5. PIANOLOGUES—
a "In May" ---- Edwin M. Stern
b "That Old Sweetheart of Mine" ------------------------ Riley.
c "Out to Old Aunt Mary's" ..... ------------------------ Riley.
6. IMPERSONATIONS—
a "When Grandfather Went to Town"
b "Political Burlesque"
7. VIOLIN IMITATIONS—

In which the instrument was made to speak words almost as plainly as the human voice.

Helen Walrod entered the fourth grade Monday.

CYCLONE KILLS WOMAN

The Register last Friday carried an account of damage caused by the storm at Granger, Iowa, and described the fatal injuries of Mrs. Wm. Tiernan, wife of a farmer, who was killed. Mrs. Tiernan was a sister-in-law of Attorney Tiernan, formerly located at Belmond. She had rushed to the attic to close the windows when the storm struck the house lifting the roof, and throwing Mrs. Tiernan to the top of a tree. Her husband managed to get her down, but she died shortly after. Six children were left. The storm caused around $100,000 worth of damage at Granger.

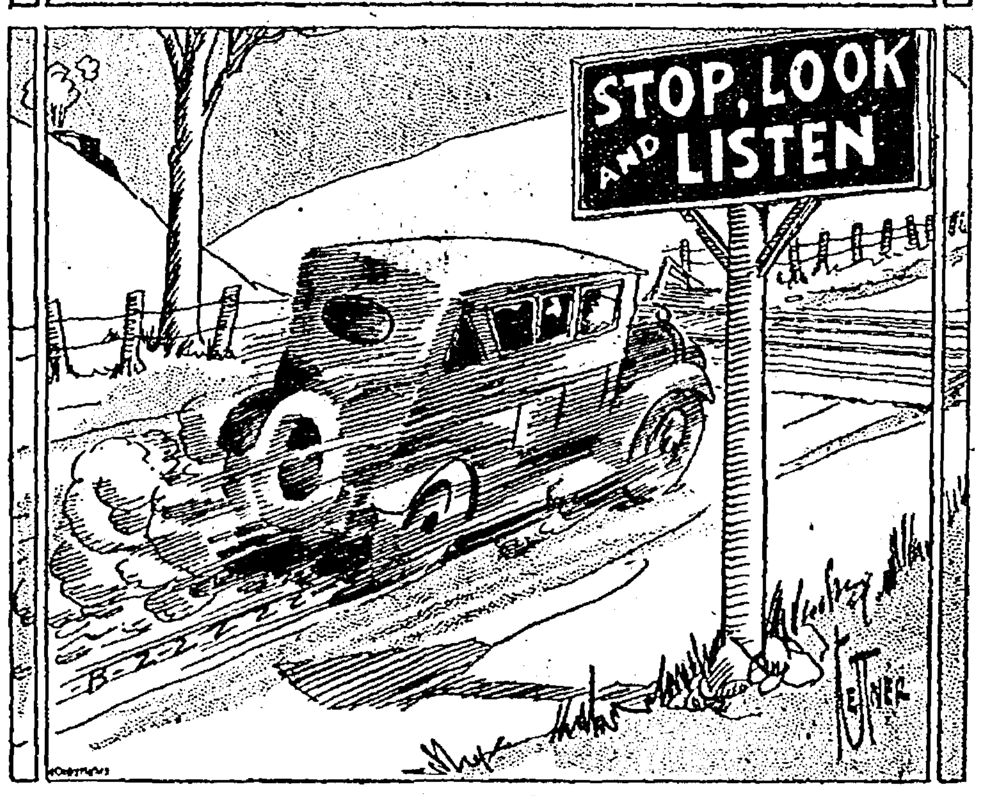
ORCHESTRA TO PLAY

Prof. Gruetzmacher's high school orchestra will make their first public appearance on the 21st when the play "Miss Civilization" will be presented by high school students that evening. The orchestra is reported as being a good one by the few who have been privileged to hear it.

C. T. Fenton came down from Minneapolis last week to attend a meet- of the sugar company officials.

Chris Kragh drove to Mason City last Thursday to attend a meeting of the oil company

Deaf, Dumb and Blind



MANY CASES ARE FILED AT LAST MINUTE

Several Of Them Are From Belmond—Next Term Is Heavily Loaded

(From the Monitor)

Prior to the closing day for the filing of cases for trial at the April term, which convenes on Monday next, a goodly number of new cases were docketed:

A past due $500 note drawing 10 per cent interest given by C. E. Middleton of Eagle Grove to the Citizens National Bank of Cheyenne, Wyo., is basis of suit by said bank.

Default on the payment of a promissory note for $9,500 is cause of suit brought by Mary Aldrich Longley vs. C. W. and Mary Jennings, the same being given in payment on a real estate sale.

Our Store at Clarion is defendant in a suit brought by F. W. Pohlman, Thomas Shillington, Barney Benson, Alf. Huntley, F. W. Zastrow, B. B. Suiter and T. K. Whipple to collect on a $4000 note, which is past due.

J. H. Reese of Belmond, R. Richardson of Eagle Grove and D. W. Stewart, compromising the inheritance tax appraisers for Wright county were in session Monday, having up for consideration the estate of the late Senator Smith of Eagle Grove.

Clyde McDaniels of Oelwein and Arthur Houghan of Red Oak, two young men paroled to farmers in the vicinity of Belmond, were arrested by the officers of that town last week and brought to Clarion and given over to the care of Sheriff Lang. He communicated with the authorities at Des Moines and an officer came to Clarion Tuesday to take charge of the prisoners. They are arrested charged with the forgery of several checks at Belmond and Goodell.

Miss Mary Madigan of Belmond brings suit against Bridget Madigan and Mrs. Nell Madigan Boyle, trustee, to obtain possession of the Madigan home in Belmond. Miss Mary alleges her father, Dennis Madigan, proir to his death, orally conveyed the same to her as compensation for her services during a long term of years in which she remained at home and performed the general domestic duties and cared for her father in his last illness; that on or about July 1, 1921, said Bridget Madigan conveyed the above premises to Mrs. Boyle, trustee, and this plaintiff seeks to remove the cloud from her title.

Andrew Jorgenson vs. Lewis Moe is a suit growing out of a job of road tiling. In doing the work plaintiff alleges he was to receive additional pay for the removal of all rock from the ditch, the basis of payment to be the same as allowed by the board of supervisors and the State Highway Commission: that defendant was paid for said work by the county of Worth at the rate of $7.00 per cubic yard, but has refused to reimburse the plaintiff. who claims the sum of $394 due him

Kubitschek & Kastler vs. Norris & Son of Eagle Grove is a suit to collect a balance of $159 on a counter check given for merchandise in the sum of $225. Norris & Son operate a pool hall.

C. H. McNIDER TO TALK HERE APRIL 19

Present plans for the next meeting of the Good Fellowship Club are for an address by C H. McNider, of Mason City. Mr. McNider spoke once before at a similar meeting, and gave a most excellent address, so that the members can be assured of a fine time next Wednesday. It is being planned to have Hanford McNider, American Legion National Commander, speak later. Come out next Wednesday and hear an excellent address.

GET IN THE BAND

Prof. Greutzmacher states that the boys' band will be glad to welcome anyone who wishes to take up some instrument. The band can use clarinets, cornets, alto, or any of the saxaphones, especially, and any other instrument will be welcomed. Here is a good chance for some of the boys to acquire musical training.

ARCH McFARLANE HERE

Arch. W. McFarlane, of Waterloo, candidate for U. S. Representative from this district, was in town Tuesday, meeting some of the voters. Mr. McFarlane was speaker of the House at Des Moines for eight years, is thoroly familiar with the ropes, and well qualified to fill the position. He states that he is receiving very good support thruout the district.

ELECTED TEACHERS RESIGN

The Board of Education elected the teachers at a meeting Monday. It is understood that salaries were cut, causing much dissatisfaction. It is reported that Supt. Fyler has tendered his resignation, and that another man is being sought from a small town in the state. It is also reported that a large number of the teachers re-elected have resigned.

The American Legion Auxiliary will postpone the regular meeting one week. Meeting will be held Tuesday evening, April 25. At this time poppies will be made for the sale to be held Decoration Day. A full attendance is desired.

Rev. Brooks, at the Good Fellowship meeting, said that while the foreign countries were exceedingly hard up, the women were able to put more dress goods above and below than those in America. What do you think?

The two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bamford returned last Saturday from Hampton, where they had been at the hospital. Both young ladies were stricken with appendicitis at the same time, and both underwent operations at the Hampon hospital. With Mrs. Bamford suffering from a broken limb and his two daughters from appendicitis Harry has been having more than his share of hard luck.

W. E. Bullard is improving his office by having it re-shingled.

Chas. Balkema, from near Meservey, was a caller in town the first of the week on business matters.

CONGREGATIONAL EASTER PROGRAM

Services for Easter Sunday

Sabbath School at 10:00 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11:00 at which time the choir will render a number of special selections and Miss Elizabeth Leinbach will give a reading entitled "The Resurrection." Members will be received into the fellowship of the church and the Lord's Supper will be administered.

At 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon vespers will be held at which time the choir will render the Cantata entitled "The Living Christ." By Henry Wildermere. The program for the vespers is as follows.

1. Night of Sorrow. Prelude and chorus by the choir.
2. Let Thy Will Be Done. Contralto solo by Miss Elizabeth Leinbach.
3. Christ Has Risen. Soprano solo, Mrs. Schooler and chorus.
4. This World Is Not Thy Goal. Chorus.
5. Thou Who Knowest Sorrow. Soprano and Contralto Duet, Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Schooler.
6. He Knows His Own. Tenor and Baritone, Duet, Mr. Nordschow and Mr. Herbert Nelson.
7. Love Is The Greatest Gift Of All. Contralto and Tenar Duet, Tenor Solo and chorus. Miss Leinbach, Mr. Trafford and chorus.
8. Lo, I Am With You Always. Tenor solo. Mr. Nordschow.
9. The Living Christ. Quartette of Solo voices, Mr. Wm. Nelson, Mr. Trafford, Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Boughton.
10. We Come To Thee. Trio, Soprano, Tenor and Bass. Mrs. Trafford, Mr. Nordschow and Mr. Herbert Nelson.
11. We Shall Behold Him. Baritone solo, Mr. Herbert Nelson.
12. Hear Us Father. Finale Trio Soprano, Alto and Tenor, Mrs. Schooler, Mrs. Boughton, Mr. Trafford and chorus.

Miss Inez Boughton will preside at the piano and Miss Gertrude Ely at tho organ.

We invite all to come and worship with us on Easter Sunday and let us pray that it may be a day of great power in the church.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold a business meeting in the church parlors on Thursday afternoon.

There will be a special preparatory service on Saturday afternoon at 3:00 to which all members and friends are invited to attend. At the close of this afternoon service those desiring to come into the church on their profession will have an opportunity of confering with the pastor and deacons.

The Webster City Association of Congregational churches and Ministers will be held with us on Tuesday and Wednesday the 18 th and 19th of April. The meeting will begin at 3 p. m. Tuesday and at 3:30 Rev R. J. Montgomery will speak on The Church Vocational School and the Week Day Religious Education Movement.

4:00 Sec F. L. Hayes, D. D., of Chicago will speak on, "The Annuity Fund."

4:30 Supt. P. A. Johnson, D. D., of Grinnell will speak on, "The Weakest Link."

The evening services at 7:30. Service of worship, Association Sermon by Rev. Walter Metcalf, of Hampton. The Lord's Supper, Rev. H. Faye Tyler of Eagle Grove and Rev. H. C. Todd of Kalo, officiating.

Wednesday Morning April 19, 1922 9:00 Devotional. 9:30 Current Religious Literature. Rev. A. L. Eddy, Webster City. 10:00 Quiet Hour. Rec. C. D. Cushman, Iowa Falls. 10:45 Getting God Into Man, Rev. A. L. Rice, Eldora.

Wednesday afternoon 2:00 Womens Hour. Conducted by Mrs Helen M. Hardcastle, Iowa Falls. Children's work, Mrs. Smallpage, Eagle Grove. The Independance of Webster City Association of Home and Foreign Missions. Mrs. P. A. Johnson, Grinnel.

3:00. Drama in Religious Education. Laurie Buxton, Webster City.

3:30 Parish Evangelism, Rev. W. W. Picket, Fort Dodge.

4:00 Business.

Wednesday Evening 7:30 Service of Song. Address, Rev. H. S. Hollenbeck of Africa.

Acreage and Money Are Being Secured

Pres. Tyrrell Reports Everything As Going Along In Very Nice Shape

ACREAGE IS INCREASING

Operation plans of the sugar factory, under the Iowa Valley Operating Company are progressing very nicely in every way. Acreage is being written every day, and interest is developing rapidly among the farmers towards raising sugar beets this year. Inasmuch as every prediction is for a wet summer, with soft corn, and the prices of corn and oats are nothing to brag about, it would appear like a wise thing to do to raise beets. The money will be needed next year to pay 1922 taxes.

The financing of the operation of the plant is reported progressing favorably. Subscriptions are being received daily, and the prospects for securing the necessary amount are gratifying.

Work on getting the plant in shape is in the hands of the Dyer Company and operations along this line will doubtless commence in the not distant future. Everything in general connected with the campaign seems to be coming nicely, and while an immense amount of work and detail remains to be settled, the main idea is going over.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Belmond Ia.
April 5, 1922

Special meeting of Town Council held in town hall, on call of Mayor Morse, for the purpose of appointing a street commissioner and night watch.

Members all present.

Moved and carried Pat Dillon be allowed the sum of $15.00 per month to act as night watch.

Mayor Morse appointed Pat Dillon night watch.

Resignation of H. C. Harberts as Street Commissioner accepted; he retaining Marshall and Pumper at $60.00 per month.

Moved and carried Jack Finn be appointed street commissioner, compensation to be $40.00 per month and 30c per hour for use of his team.

Moved and carried that the regular price for team work on the streets be placed at 50c per hour.

On motion and second council adjourned.

Guy Byers
Clerk.

RUTH SHIRLEY JENISON

Ruth Shirley Jenison, baby daughter of Harold and Irva Jenison, was born March 5th, 1922 and died at the hospital at Rochester Minn., April 3, 1922.

Baby Ruth was getting along nicely for the first two weeks of her life when some intestinal trouble developed and she was taken to Rochester where she was operated upon and for a few days after the operation it seemed that she might recover but on the third she gave up the battle and was carried by the angels to her Father's bosom.

Thus another little blosom of earth has been plucked for the Master's home in glory, where she will await the coming of her loved ones of earth.

A short funeral service was held at the home on Tuesday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. Leinbach after which the little body was laid to rest in the Franklin Grove Cemeary.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy in the illness and death of our beloved baby, Ruth Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenison.

Help improve the Belmond Cemetery by patronizing the Easter Gift and Food Sale Saturday, April 14th, given by the Cemetery Aid Society at the Herb Harberts store from 11 o'clock on.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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CHEER UP!

Which do you like to meet best; which do you take the most pleasure in greeting—the person who meets you with a happy, cheerful grin, or the one who approaches looking like the third carriage in a funeral procession? Foolish question? Not at all, folks; not at all. Next time you go down the street, count the people you meet nad see how many there are af each kind.

When you meet a grin, you sorta feel like it yourself; your mouth starts to crinkle up at the corners, your eyes wrinkle at the sides, and a crease spreads up each side of your face. You immediately feel better. You acquire a subconscious idea that this isn't such a heck of a world after all—and you gossip about the weather, the garden, the kids and the neighbors. You part with another grin—and go on your way with a little spryer step, a little lighter tread, traces of the grin still lingering around your eyes and mouth.

And then you meet another person, with a face d-r-a-w-n down until the chin digs a hole in the chest, the lower lip in danger of catching on a vest button, eyes drawn in and wearing a pathetic look, and a general appearance of the fce that resembles a hard boiled egg—thirty minutes at least. You half look around for the funeral, with the idea that the family surely have died from the flu. The said person glances up at you; manages to partly lift his chin, for a solemn nod; and mutters something between a grunt and a growl which is meant to be "Good morning" but which sounds like "Gdmg." The chills creep up your back, you hug your cloak closer, you have a miscellaneous feeling inside as tho you had eaten too many pancakes for breakfast, and Doc over across the street was headed your way. You feel like something the cat had dragged in and the dog worried around, and you go on your way with a pessimistic viewpoint that sees nothing but rain and snow and mud.

Which person are you?

A subscriber wants to know what makes a blind pig blind. Drinking its own hootch, principally.

If April favors us with many more days like those of the past week, Louie Tokman will have to quit selling Fords and go to handling boats.

There is one big answer to those folks who say prohibition doesn't prohibit. In 1915 $30,000 was spent in Belmond for booze—how much in 1921?

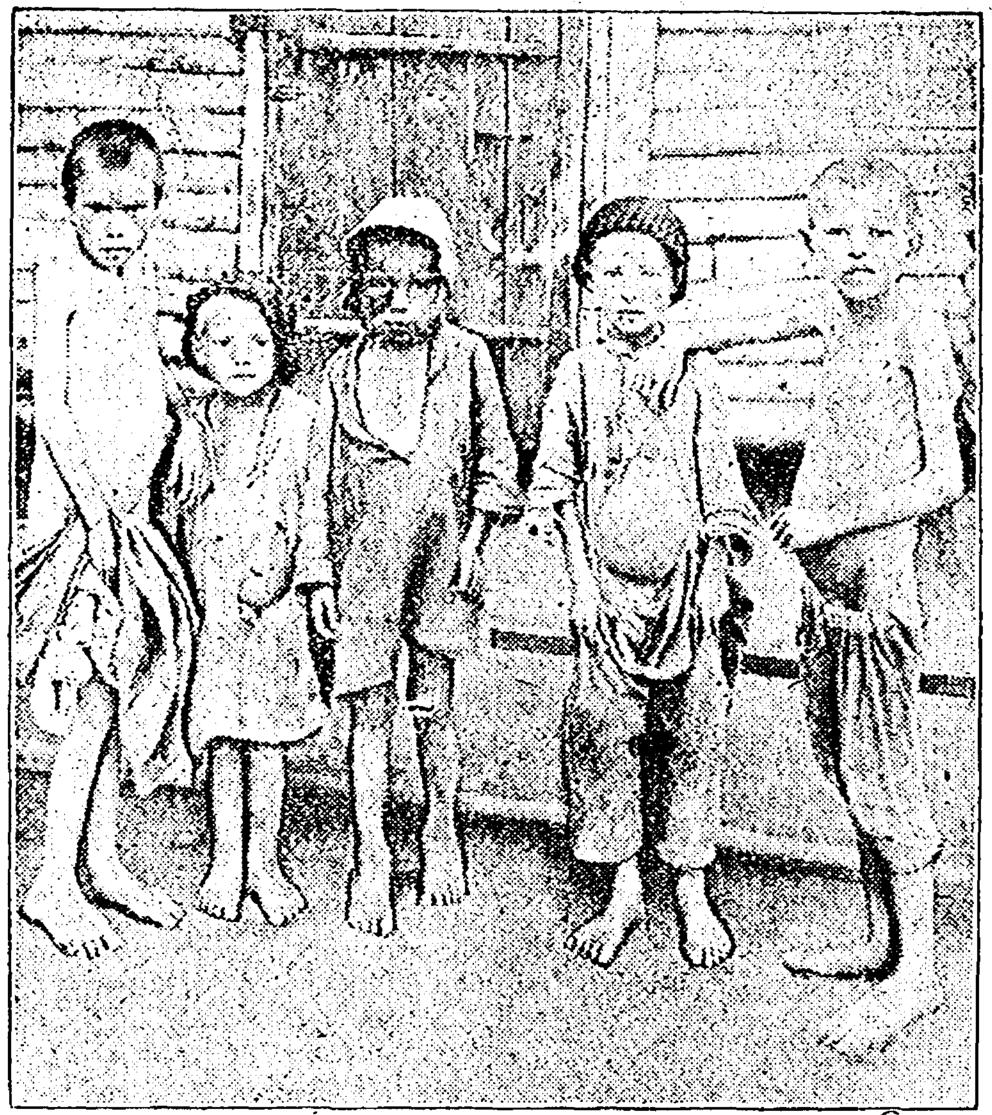
$30,000 turned loose in the channels of trade—groceries, shoes,, and clothing—is quite a nice little year's business for one store.

We presume, as the base ball season approaches, that Bro. Africa is oiling up his typewriter. The "I" key must be pretty well worn.

Editorial desks are flooded with mail from grafters seeking something for next to nothing. Our latest is an offer from a Minneapolis hotel offering four days' room rent at $3 per day for running a "little" ad—which runs to only $60. Which is one big reason why the "devil" has to empty the waste basket twice a day.

That Genoa conference, like the old fashioned aid societies, will doubtless talk about the missing member.

IN WAKE OF RUSSIAN FAMINE



This picture showing results of famine in the Volga valley was taken outside one of the refuge camps. The emaciated half-nude bodies are made grotesque by swollen abdomens, caused by a diet of grass, bark, clay, manure and other ingredients of famine "bread." Executives of the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief, 405 Steinway building, Chicago, say most of the pictures they have received from Russian Red Cross workers in Russia are too horrible for reproduction. One dollar, it is estimated, will save a life in Russia.

Belmond Local News

The Belmond Cemetery Aid Society will hold its next meeting this week Friday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Earn Luick.

Attorney J. M. Jensen was a caller at Mason City last week Saturday, looking after some legal affairs at that place.

Paul Northrop was in town a few days last week, greeting his old friends. Paul who has become a printer by trade, has been working at Marshalltown the past few months and is now working at Iowa Falls.

Pat Dillon is the new nightwatch for the city, assuming his duties last week

V. F. Mikesell is again numbered among the employes at the Sugar Factory, having resumed his old job with the company recently.

Win Sands, who has been at a sanitarium in Savana, Missouri, the past two weeks taking treatments, is reported as coming along nicely, and is expected home again in the near future.

The recent rains have certainly fixed the roads. Soft mud hub-deep seems to be almost the universal report from those who have endeavored to do any driving.

Mr. Schulte, of Alexander, of the Schulte Grain Co., was in town last Thursday enroute to Mason City on some business matters.

Know some news? Call 115.

Wm. Chase came home last week to spend the spring vacation from Coe College at the home of his parents here. "Bill" is coming nicely at college.

Philip McBurney is home from Coe College for the spring vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Church returned last week from California, where they have been spending the winter months.

Miss Helen Haven returned Monday afternoon from Charles City, where she had been spending the Easter vacation with her sister, Miss Jean Haven, and other relatives.

Mrs. Lee Stacy returned Saturday from Hampton, where she spent the week visiting with home folks..

Theo. Wright was a business caller at points in Minnesota last week for a few days.

Mrs. E. F. Bailey and daughter, Doris, were callers at Mason City last week Friday.

Mrs. Louise Veeder returned last week Wednesday from Rochester, where she had been at the hospital for several weeks. She is recovering nicely from her operation.

The Misses Marjorie Purcell, Clara Johnson and Erma Wilkinson are among the local students at Morningside college who are home for the spring vacation.

Mrs. Wilson and daughters from Goldfield, were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holden Nelson.

Miss Wilma Thompson returned Monday morning from Cedar Rapids, where she has been visiting the past week or two

Kinseth's Store News

You've heard that old adage that a new broom sweeps clean. Well, if you want to make a clean sweep of your house you want to try one of those brooms we are offering for only 39 cents—worth every cent of fifty.

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Oatmeal 6 pounds for two bits.

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J. P. Coats thread at a nickel a spool. Sew on that missing button you have been going to fix for a week.

Plan your Easter fruits and vegetables with us. We have a full line of cucumbers, head lettuce, onions, of wax beans, grapefruit, oranges, bananas, apples, sweet potatoes, and dozens of others. Quality goods, to be had at square prices.

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And folks, don't forget the store on the corner—where your dollar does its duty.

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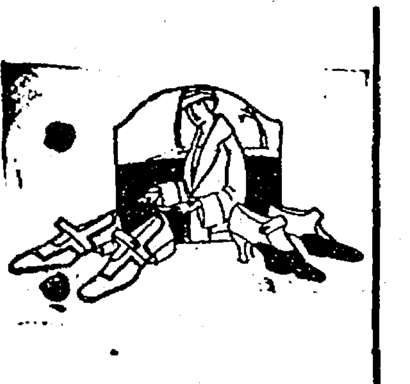

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Farm Bureau News

By R .M. Edwards

Middleton Re-Elected Director

The first annual convention of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc, ended on Friday, March 24th. The administration forces led by President C. H. Gustafson, are in control. The situation at present in several states is confused.

The conference committee of eleven men, one from each state, appointed to effect a compromise on the issue of each district's right to elect as well as nominate its directors, could not agree. The report of the rules committee, which permitted the writing in by the convention of any name, was accepted. The election took place Friday morning.

A. L. Middleton of Eagle Grove, was re-elected director from Iowa for a period of one year. Mr. Middleton has made an eviable record in the past as a director. It will be remembered that he was appointed by Jim Howard, one of the original members of the committee of seventeen and he has made a careful study of the grain marketing problem. Mr. Middleton's advice and good horse sense on grain marketing is sought in all parts of the grain belt of the middle west.

After adjournment the new board of directors met in the grain growers' office. Eleven of the twenty-one members were present. C. H. Gustafson was re-elected president and Frank M. Meyers secretary. The directors had up for consideration the immediate employment of a general manager and the establishment of sales agencies. An emergency committee, J. D. Pan ike, J. K. Mason and C. H. Gustafson, was appointed to consider all emergencies arising in finance, organization, etc.

Guard Against Mouldy Seed Corn

Farmers of Wright county are warned against the presence of dry rot mould in the seed corn in various sections of the state. Farmers in this community should heed this warning which comes from our agricultural experiment station and look after the important matter of making a thorough test of seed corn, preferably an individual ear test which is the only method of determining definitely the condition of the corn.

Five 100 kernel samples have been gathered from each township in Wright county and a germination test is now being made by the county agent to determine the vitality of the seed corn in this section of the state.

Farmers who wish a germination test made of their seed corn are invited to select 100 kernels of their best seed from 100 ears of their best corn and send to the county agent who will make the test and report the result of same.

Lively Program at Lincoln

The Lincoln Township Farm Bureau social which was held at the Lincoln church Friday evening, April 7th, proved to be the most interesting and instructive meeting. The seats of the church were packed to overflowing with interested folks of the community who supported this community affair with their attendance.

This program included some very interesting numbers and it should be noted that all talent was furnished by people wihin the township. The people of this particular township have long since realized the fact they have plenty of talent within their township boundaries and the successful monthly meetings which are being held in this community would indicate that these people are able to make use of the talents which they possess.

The success of this social meeting was due in a large measure to the efforts of Miss Hazella Downing, one of the local teachers, and a program committee who assisted her in planning the program. This program was put on by people of the north half of the township and they are now waiting to see what kind of entertainment will be furnised by their neighbors of the south half of the township at the next regular monthly social.

Play at Wall Lake Church

Farm Bureau members of Wall Lake township and surrounding community met at the Wall Lake church Friday evening, April 7th, for a township social and general good time. The community church was crowded to overflowing by people of the community who came out to enjoy the plays which were planned and put on by talent from the surrounding territory.

Two very interesting plays were put on by these loyal community boosters who have spent considerable time in the past few weeks in preparing for this occasion.

The evening's program started off with a play entitled "Too Much of a Good Thing." Those who took part in this play were: Mrs. Jay Waters, Mrs. Chas. Tillman, Mrs. Byron Blackman, Mrs. N. E. Schroder, Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman, Ed. Smith, Robt. Goslin and Mrs. Clark McNeal

The play entitled "School Days" was also put on by Mr. and Mrs. J. Carmichael, Mr. and Mrs. Clark McNeal, Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tillman, and Robt. Goslin. These plays were "chuck full" of excitement and fun and those who took part should be congratulated upon the splendid showing which they made in their presentation

We understand that the people of the Wall Lake community are planning to remodel the Wall Lake church which they expect to use for a community meeting place. The proceeds from the auction which is being held Wednesday, April 12th, are to go entirely for the remodeling of this church.

WILL BELMOND GIRL BE QUEEN OF IOWA STATE FAIR

A Belmond girl may be chosen Queen of the Iowa State Fair, and win $1,000 as Iowa's most beautiful girl. Pictures of Wright County's girls who may win these honors, will appear in next Sunday's Des Moines Register. Order your copy today from Arthur Christie, Russell Buchanan, Schultz Drug Co., Silas Packard or Ella M. Cleveland.

JUST ADVERTISING

Every successful business man today is making a study of advertising. Newspaper advertising is only one method of many, but it has been found by experience that it is the cheapest and most effective of any known form.

The Chicago Apparel Gazzette, and which is published in the interests of the clothing trade, and therefore is not at all interested in the newspaper side of the question, has the following which will interest every merchant in the country:

"A good deal has been said of late for the substition of mailing list, direct for advertising.

"It is too bad—because this is wrong expensive, and will cause a lot of skeptical feeling about advertising and its abilities and the proper use of it.

"Except in a very few exceptional cases direct mail advertising should always be a supplement to newspaper advertising. There are exceptions to everything and these exceptions include the merchant with a general store, selling a few articles each week, located by the township's old creamery, at a cross roads, six miles from the nearest town.

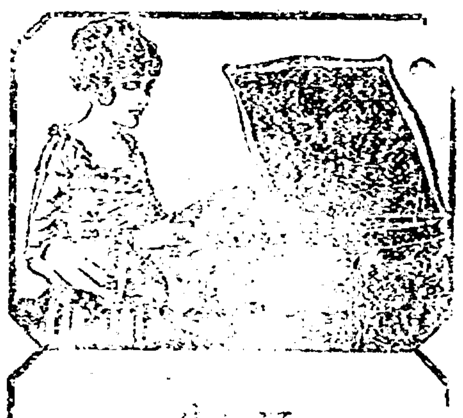
"Every big merchant in the country began as a small merchant. And practically every big retail merchant of the country will tell you that newspaper advertising is the best, the first method of advertising to use—and that mailing lists are secondary.

"Hundreds of merchants, large and small—old and young in the business—will tell you that after experimenting with all forms of advertising to use in the major way it has always proven out that newspaper advertising is the cheapest and the most influential in the long run.

"No merchant could ever gain anything by foolishly stopping newspaper advertising to get even with the newspaper for having misquoted him or wrongly presented price conditions. The newspaper appears weekly—year in and year out—with editorials, its local news and the advertisments of competitors. If it wished it could destroy the prestige and good will of any one of class of merchants in no time—simply by constantly pointing him out in a truthful way, but not in the same light as that occupied by their competitors. No merchant or store exists but what has its weak spots—as soon as one is strengthened another appears somewhere else—a store is as human and as imperfect as the individual.

"If you must choose between the two you will not be making any mistake if you select the newspaper in preference to the mailing list."

SICK
With a Bad Cold
"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa.
Get it from your druggist at 35 cents per bottle, large size 60 cents.



Any Victor Record you want
If it's listed in the Victor Record catalog, we have it—or we'll get it for you. Tell us the number of that hard-to-get standard record and see if we don't make good.
SCHULTZ DRUG CO.
Belmond, Iowa

Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, APRIL 13, 1922. No. 6.

TWINE

International Harvester twine is the lowest in years. Today the spread in price between the best and the poorest twine is too small to consider, while the spread in quality is as great as ever. You cannot afford to experiment with low-grade twine.

STANDARD
DEERING

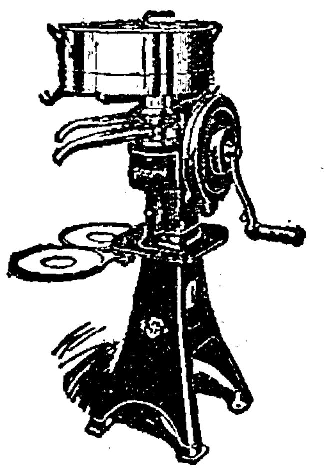
We have the high-grade Deering brand, the kind you can always rely upon. Guaranteed for length, weight, and treated against destruction by insects.

The man who thinks he has no chance destroys his chances by acknowledgment of self-defeat.

It is advisable not to guzzle bootleg hootch unless you're personally acquainted with the guy who put the concentrated lye in it.

Primrose and Prosperity

Did you ever stop to think that the states where there are the most dairy cows are the states where farmers are most prosperous, have the best homes, and the finest farms, the most comforts and conveniences and the biggest bank accounts? It's true. And the man who wants to eliminate the troubles that follow crop failures and years of short prices should learn a lesson from the dairy farmer and begin milking cows. A Primrose cream separator will save all the cream and provide ample skim milk, warm, sweet and pure in the best condition for feeding. It brings you cash income every week. Come in and let us show you why the Primrose skims cleanest, lasts longest and produces cream of highest grade.



Don't expect any one to do it as well as you think you can do it, not even yourself.

PROBLEM IN DIVISION

What is the cost of a tractor plowing outfit per Bottom Pulled?

Titan 3-plow tractor with necessary equipment worth $130. (governor, brakes, platform, adjustable drawbar, fenders, friction clutch pulley,) and a 3-bottom power lift tractor plow free, worth at least $175.

Cost $700

3) 700.00

233.33 cost per plow bottom

A stripped 2-plow tractor at $395, add $85.75 for necessary equipment (fenders, governor, pulley,) and $80 for a 2-bottom plow.

Cost $560.75

2) 560.75

280.37 cost per plow bottom

$280.37 cost of 2-plow outfit per bottom
233.33 cost of 3-plow outfit per bottom

$ 47.04 Answer—A Titan plowing outfit with complete equipment, costs $47.04 less per plow bottom pulled than the 2-plow outfit with partial equipment.

Let's clean up the yard. Our lawn rakes make the job easier.

You hope a woman will be good, but the best you can hope for some men is that they will be honest.

When the days are hot and not a breeze is stirring, then's when you will appreciate the smooth-running operation of the International and P & O cultivators. Cultivation is not a drudgery with these machines, and

P&O

best of all they are real soil-stirrers and weed-killers. Come in. Let's talk cultivators.

We still have some of the famous Quaker chick starters left at $3.00 a hundred pounds. It sure is fine for baby chicks.

We always carry a ful line of garden seeds, and garden equipment.

MORE CORN

"More corn per acre"—Not more acres of corn. The extra bushels are the profit bushels. First test your corn, next grade and then plant with a Hayes or International planter and nature will do the rest.

Paint up? Sure. Then figure with us on your job. We carry the Minnesota line which has been used for years in this section.

ARE YOU AN OPTIMIST?

Can you look into a mud puddle by the way and see a clear sky?

Can you see anything in the puddle but mud?

Can you look into the sky at night and see beyond the stars?

If you can you are.

The Latest Hatching from Fashions Incubator
Women's
Smart Apparel
Sterling Ready-to-wear now offers an opportunity for selection from stocks that are complete in every detail of the new season's correct modes. Consistent with High Quality you will find that prices this season are more to your liking than they have been for several years.
Suits - Coats - Wraps
Capes - Dresses - Skirts
Blouses and Sweaters
Sports apparel is well represented in our Spring stocks. And conservative models are always to be had here.
STERLING
MASON CITY, IOWA
Trade where you can do the best

AUTO
LIVERY
SERVICE
Day and Night
Enclosed Car
Anywhere Any Time
Heavy Cross Country Hauling
PHONE 2
F. P. DIBBLE

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm

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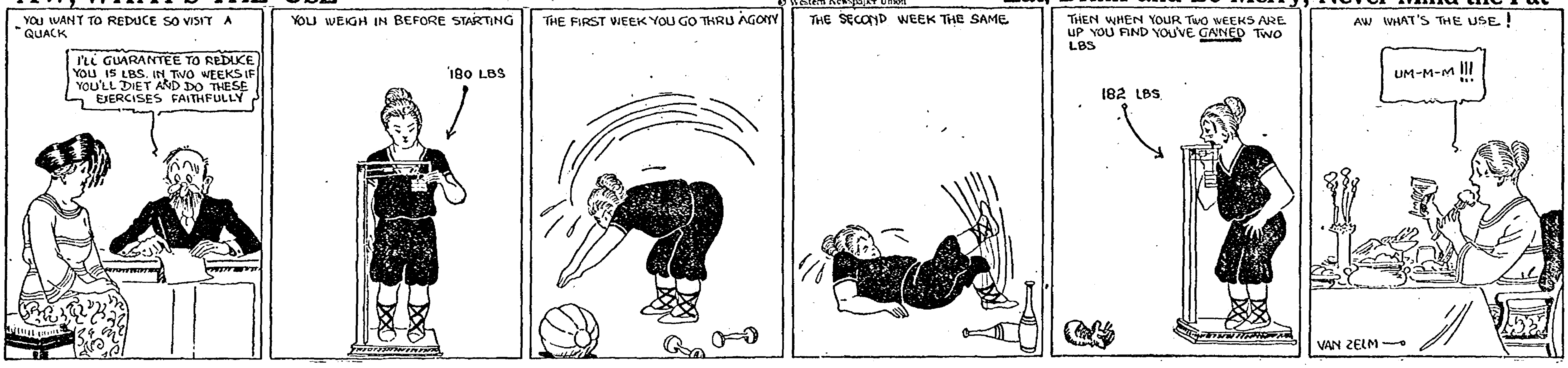
Eat, Drink and Be Merry, Never Mind the Fat


YOU WANT TO REDUCE SO VISIT A QUACK
I'LL GUARANTEE TO REDUCE YOU 15 LBS. IN TWO WEEKS IF YOU'LL DIET AND DO THESE EXERCISES FAITHFULLY
YOU WEIGH IN BEFORE STARTING
180 LBS
THE FIRST WEEK YOU GO THRU AGONY
THE SECOND WEEK THE SAME
THEN WHEN YOUR TWO WEEKS ARE UP YOU FIND YOU'VE GAINED TWO LBS
182 LBS
AW WHAT'S THE USE!
UM-M-M !!!
VAN ZELM

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meservey, Iowa, April 3, 1922.

Council met in regular session on above date. Mayor F. S. Agler presiding.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were allowed:

F. S. Agler, judge of election	$ 3.60
Aug. Smith, judge of election	3.60
A. D. Brogan, judge of election	3.60
Alven Halfpap, clerk of election	3.60
Frank Hafermann Clerk of election	3.60

Aug. Smith and C. J. Wendel were appointed to check over the Clerk and Treasurer books, and found them correct.

Minutes of this meeting were read and on motion approved.

On motion the old council adjourned.

The new council was called to order. The outgoing Mayor administered the oath of office to Harm J. Groen, Mayor elected.

The Mayor administered the oath of office to the following Councilmen:

G. E. Raecker, C. J. Wendel, H. Fischer, and A. E. Muller, E. A. Strasburg being absent.

On motion Frank Haferman was appointed Clerk.

The following committees were appointed and approved:

STREET, ALLEYS and FINANCE—Muller, Fischer and Strasburg.

FIRE, WATER and LIGHT—Raecker and Wendel.

Motion was made and seconded to pay one dollar to the first man, team or car whoever gets the fire hose to the place of fire first.

On motion Henry Proost was appointed Marshal and G. E. Raecker water superintendent.

On motion the bond of the Clerk was fixed at $500.00, Treasurer at $2,000.00, Marshal at $500.

On motion the council adjourned and met as a Board of Review, Assessor Reif was present with the books, and the Board approved the books as read.

On motion the Board adjourned.

FRANK HAFERMANN, Clerk.

Miss Loats spent Sunday at the home of her parents at Belmond.

Mrs. George Watermiller, of near Kanawha, is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gerdes.

Rev Pannkuk and Ben Gruis returned home Saturday from Ackley, where they had attended conference.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

TOWN OF MESERVEY, IOWA

RECEIPTS

Balance April 1, 1921	$1,058.13
From County Treasurer	1,332.64
Water Rent	232.46
Fines and License	94.00
Poll Tax	99.00
Received from sales	37.25
Interest on deposits	25.00
	$2 878.43

DISBURSEMENTS

Street lights	$ 231.00
Water and pump station	251.97
Interest on bonds	151.25
Bond principal	500.00
Streets and roads	295.22
Miscellaneous expeditures	268.54
Balance March 31, 1922	1.180.50
	$2,878.48
Interest bearing warrants outstand ing	None

FRANK HAFERMANN, Town Clerk

NOTICE

Bids will be received by Town Council for dragging streets and roads for season of 1922. Bids should state one or all of te following propositions: flat rate each dragging, rate per mile, price per hour.

Bids will close April 24, 1922.

Right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Frank Haferman,
Town Clerk.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Philomathean Society gave a program last Friday celebrating Iowa Day. Recitations were given by Vern Schluter, Herman Witt and Mildren Koehler. Two-minute talks by Eva Schluter and Merle Brogan. The roll call was answered by historical and geographical facts of Iowa Patriotic songs were sung by the school.

Mr. Peterson who is assisting in the revival meetings at the Methodist church visited the high school Monday morning. We all enjoyed his singing very much.

Six Weeks tests are coming again this week.

We have been hoping for a nice day in order that we might repair the ball diamond and also rake up the grounds around the buildings. So far we haven't found a suitable one.

The Juniors are planning to put on the play "A Case of Suspension" in the near future.

The Senior Class play "An Old Fashioned Mother" will be given about the middle of May.

Commencement is Tuesday evening May 23rd and school closes May 25th.

Jennie Riekens had the misfortune of falling over a dog and breaking her arm.

The Misses Ralston, Thomas and Ankeny are practicing their Easter program to be given Friday afternoon at the Methodist church.

Olive Olson has been absent on account of illness.

The fifth and sixth grades are making Easter rabbits.

Marvel Brogan visited the fifth and sixth grades Monday.

HELD OVER FROM LAST WEEK -- The new City Council met Monday night and has already started work. The City Marshall was given some additional work, he is to be the janitor at the city hall and is to look after the street crossings on main street, keep off mud and snow. This is one good move in the right direction.

The combination sale Saturday drew a very large crowd and things sold at a fair price, but it was evident that people will not buy what they have no real use for even if the price is cheap; the farmer must have a better price for his products before he becomes a heavy buyer.

Alfred Meints has rented the Lauster house in the north part of Town.

Heinie Wagge returned from his Wisconsin trip last Monday.

H. F. Reif, our assessor, took his books to Mason City Monday to have them approved by the Auditor. He reports some $98,000.00 in money and credits; wonder who's got it?

Wm. Prilipp Sr. is on the sick list this week.

Rev. Schlesselman and H. Fischer returned from the Evangelical Confrence Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Avery, of Belmond, came Friday to spend the week end here at the homes of their daughters.

J. F. Hartfelder was a business caller at the county seat on Monday.

Mrs. Robinson was at Thornton on Friday, having dental work done.

GOODELL NEWS

Miss Dorothy Okrueg who is attending Coe College at Cedar Rapids came home Wednesday morning to spend her vacation.

Mrs. Elmer Kennenberger is still on the sick list.

Master Ellsworth Mellem has been very sick the past week with a severe cold.

Mrs. Cluns who has been suffering with heart disease was kindly cared for at the Estle home. She was so improved the last of last week that her daughter took her to Charles City.

The John Rust family who were all sick last week are on the mend.

Mr. and Mrs. Beier drove to Mason City last Wednesday.

Henry Christensons are reported quite sick with the "flu.

Sunday night Miss Wava Bachman visited at the Fuller home.

Miss Alva Matson is in Rochester Minn., for treatment. She was missed by the little people of her Sunday Class.

Mrs. Carl Engeseth is sick with the flu.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller on Sunday afternoon April 9.

Last Friday Mr. Gus Okrueg was at Dows on business. He purchased a car load of cattle while there.

Last week Mr. Monroe Graeber was unable to do his barber work because of having the flu.

Mrs. H. T. Miller returned from Gladbrook on Monday.

U. B. Church Notes

The W. M. A. had a very good missionary meeting last Friday. An interesting and instructive program was given. The attendance was very good.

As this is Passion Week there will be services at the church each evening except Saturday evening. Time 7:00 o'clock.

On Easter Sunday the Communion will be given. All believers are invited to join with us. It does not matter whether you are a member of this church or not. If you are a follower of the Lord be free to join in this service.

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Absolutely Safe Place for your Money
Figures given on your Hay, Grain, Land, etc.
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You are Invited to Come to Us with Your Problems - - Eighteen Years of Success

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LUXITE HOSIERY
Pure Thread Silk Hose
with rib top---mock seam,
all shades--all sizes - $1.65

Let Us Help You to Choose Your
Easter Apparel

New Top Coats of Style, Distinctive and Serviceability
$16.95 and $39.75

The most appropriate Coats for Springtime. Tweeds, Homespuns, Camel's Hair Cloth, Polo, Poiret Twill, Shawesheen and Velour. Very jaunty models of sufficient warmth to serve mid-season needs.

New Springtime Dresses
$19.50 and $29.75

Dresses of Canton Crepe, Taffeta and Krepe Knit are featured in this collection. For daytime wear these new dresses in bright, or dark colorings are very smart and up to the minute in style. Sizes for Women and Misses.

Mail Orders Given Our Careful and Prompt Attention

Bad Colds
QUICKLY CURED

"Last winter I caught a cold that settled on my lungs and in my bronchial tubes. Two bottles of

CHAMBERLAIN'S
Cough Remedy

cured me," writes Mrs. Charles Harrold, Vandergrift, Pa.

35 cts. per bottle, large size 60cts.
For sale by druggists everywhere.

Fill Your Cistern

By letting me repair the eave troughs, or placing new ones before the spring rains come. Don't wait until the last minute--we may be too busy then--do it now. Leave orders at Johnson & Wright's store.

W. J. PECH
Res. Phone 229

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Arnold Butz of Mason City was here several days last week visiting his grandmother and the Will Butz family.

Miss Marvel Brogan who is attending school at Charles City spent last week here visiting her parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koenen of Latimer were visitors at the Aiko Koenen home on Tuesday of last week.

Little Miss Jennie Riekens had the sad misfortune of breaking her arm and dislocating her shoulder joint one day last week while playing and falling over the dog. She is at this writing at the Park Hospital. Her mother who has been staying with her returned home last Wednesday.

Miss Emma Jacobs of Belmond came Wednesday to spend a few days at the G. Lauster home. She returned home Friday and was accompanied by her sister, Dora who spent the week end at home.

Motor passengers to Mason City Friday were: Wm. Butz, Fred Sprau Al Rooks and C. E. Brogan.

Miss Rika Gerdes returned home Wednesday from near Kanawha where she has been assisting her sister, Mrs. George Watermiller with her general spring work.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiko Mennenga of near Belmond spent the day Friday here at the R. Boelman home.

Mrs. F. C. Sprau returned Thursday from Chicago where she has been visiting relatives and friends since Saturday.

Y. P. A.

The Y. P. A. met last Monday evening at the Henry Braiter home A goodly number were present, dandy refreshments were served by the hostess and a splendid time is reported.

On Tuesday evening of last week the Teachers—Parent meeting met at the Methodist church. A speech by Miss May Francis was enjoyed by all, likewise the quartette by Mr. and Mrs. Reacker, Mrs. Muller and K. Clarence Ruigh was very much enjoyed. Altho only a small number were present we are looking for a large crowd at our next meeting.

W. H. Enabnit and family of Kanawha visited at the Kolb home Sunday.

Miss Mabel Geisler of Lisbon N. Dak. visited friends her several days last week.

Claim Agent Bent of the C. G. W. R. R. was in town Monday in connection with the death of Mr. Eckhoff.

Mrs. M. A. Smith was a passenger to Mason City, Monday, having dental work done

Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson and son were Sunday guests at the Guy Stumph home at Rowan.

The Helping Hand society will meet at the Mrs. Jacob Nissen home next Thursday p. m. April 20. New officers will be elected and every member is urged to be present. Let's make this the best meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sadtlander were at Mason City Tuesday on business.

Mrs. M. A. Smith was at Mason City Wednesday having dental work done.

A. A. Sifert was a business caller at Mason City Saturday.

Mr. Herbster of Mason City was a business caller here Friday.

C. J. Wendel was a business caller at the county seat on Friday.

Ben Boelman and Carl Eckhoff wre business callers at Mason City Wednesday.

The Misses Alma Walter and Viola Lauster spent the day Monday at Mason City shopping.

Henry Dirks left Sunday for Mason City to spend several days with his wife at the hospital.

Miss Annabelle Carlson and Verner Nelson, of near Klemme spent the day Sunday at the home of their friend, Miss Jennie Meinderts.

Mrs. Lambert Pals and little son of near Belmond have been visiting at the Mrs. E. Stadtlander home the past week.

Miss Alma Witt returned to her school duties at Clear Lake Sunday, after spending her week's vacation here visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Bert Hemimis and daughter Wilma, of Latimer, have been visiting at the John Ruiter home, and returned home Monday.

Jennie Riekens, who has been at the hospital for a few days, returned home Saturday. Her many friends are indeed glad that she is able to be home so soon.

Little Miss Lavonne Butz, of Clear Lake, who has been visiting her grandmother, returned home Sunday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Butz who will make a short visit at the home of her son.

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs 75 cents per setting, 4.50 per 100. Excellent layers—Mrs. Jno. H. Wenzel, Meservey, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Four brood sows, due to farrow in April.—John H. Wenzell, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

FOR SALE—Rose and single comb Rhode Island eggs for hatching. Fertility guaranteed.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

EASTER

Easter is the date

Now is the time

Here are the goods

This is the Store

For everything new in men's wear
The new suits will intrigue your interest for their new style

Win your approval with their color and patterns--and GAIN YOUR FAVOR WITH THEIR PRICES

Spring top coats that top the notch in models and fabrics

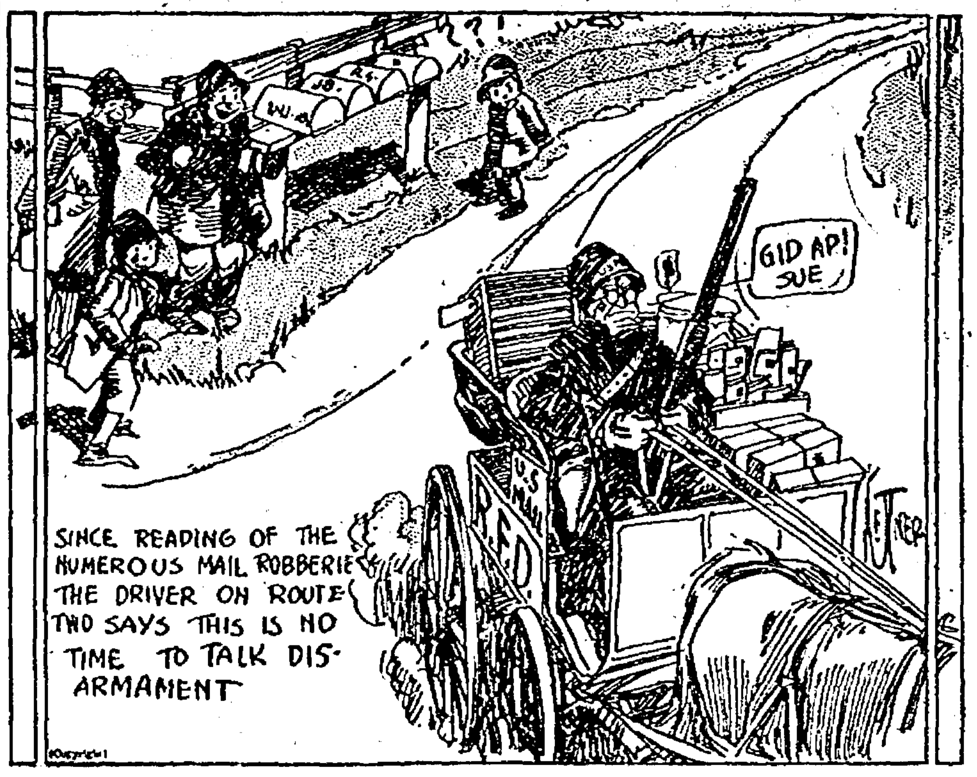
New Spring Suits that will put you in the preferred class anywhere. Extreme or conservative models

$25 to $60

Patton Bros. Co.

Where a Dollar Does its Duty
Mason City and Manly, Iowa

While Others Talk Disarmament



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GID AP! SUE
U.S. MAIL
R.F.D.
SINCE READING OF THE NUMEROUS MAIL ROBBERIES THE DRIVER ON ROUTE TWO SAYS THIS IS NO TIME TO TALK DISARMAMENT

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30.

Young people's meeting at 10:30.

German services at 7:15.

Catechism classes at the usual hours on Saturday.

The Aid society will meet Thursday afternoon in the basement at the regular hour.

There will be a German service Friday morning at 10 a. m.

Rev. H. Pannkuk Pastor

GOING UP

Corn reached 52 cents Wednesday. A volume might be written on this fact,, when one stops to consider the fact that last fall the wise ones were predicting that the spring would see the price of corn down below two bits the bushel. Fifty cent corn in normal times is considered as being good. Then, why does it not follow that we we are now entering into a period of normal times. With the price of hogs around the ten dollar mark; with the price of cattle well up over the prewar prices; and with corn bringing half a dollar, we cannot help but feel that the coming months are to be prosperous ones. The period of depression following the war has been shorter than most folks looked for; and it has not been so severe as the pessimists predicted. The depression was nothing to compare with the Civil War and has nothing compared with other depressions through which the country as passed in years gone by.—Iowa City Republican.

SAVE EVERY CHICK

When you go out in the morning to feed the chicks and you find them all huddled up and droopy—doesn't it make you feel sick all over?

But isn't it a "GRAND and GLORIOUS FEELING" to find the little rascals scampering around lively, climbing over each other to get at the STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH and GROWING?

FEEDING DIRECTION IN EVERY BAG

100 LBS. NET
NORTHRUP, KING & CO'S
STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH
NORTHRUP, KING & CO.
FEEDS & SEEDS
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It is composed of choice grains and ground feeds carefully compounded with PURE DRIED BUTTERMILK in such a manner as to insure rapid growth. Chicks thrive on it. IT STARTS THEM—IT GROWS THEM—IT MATURES THEM.

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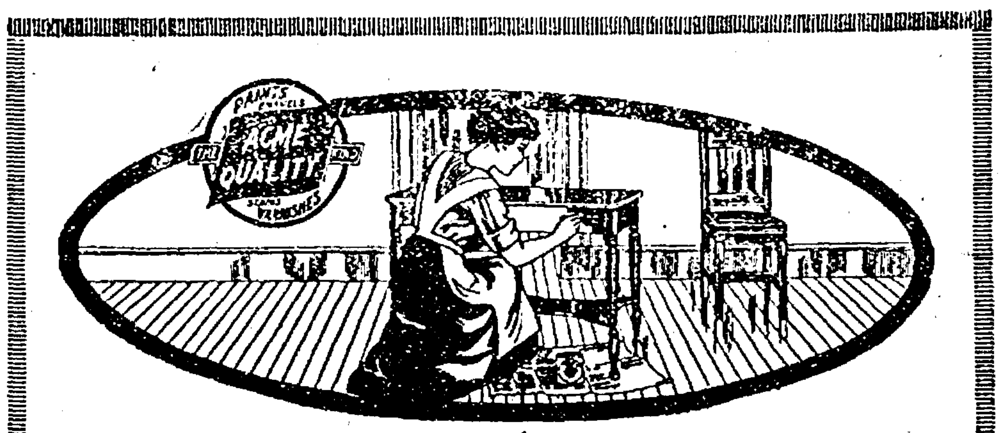

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Mrs. Harry Hardy and daughters, Virgie and Betty of Hampton, visited with Alexander relatives several days the past week.

Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson were week end guests of friends and relatives at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder visited at the Vernon Finkle home at Hampton several days last week.

Mrs. Florence McCrillis of Hampton visited at the Jesse Latham home the last of the week.

C. I. McCallum, returned to his home at Rowan Wednesday after a few weeks visit with relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stoffer are the happy parents of a fine baby boy, born Tuesday April 4th.

Theodore Beenen was a caller at Latimer last Sunday.

Jerry Beenen was an Iowa Falls caller several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Latham returned home Saturday after spending the winter months with their daughter, Mrs. Purl Sheirbon in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dunn and family were visitors at Sheffield Sunday.

Miss Alma Johnson spent Monday evening with friends at Hampton.

Little Rex and Franc Aldinger last week with relatives at Hampton.

Mrs. Clarence Bohlen and two daughters spent the last of the week with her parents at Belmond.

M. E. CHURCH

Next Sunday April 16th we will have our Easter Exercises at 2 p. m. after which Rev. Wilkinson will deliver for us an Easter sermon. All are invited to attend these services.

The Dorcas Society will meet April 19th at the home of Mrs. John Arends.

Alexander Congregational Church

There will be no Sunday School nor morning service next Sunday mosning, but the Sunday School will give a program at 10:30 instead. The choir will also render some special songs. Come out to this service and enjoy the real Easter spirit.

The Christian Endeavor will hold its monthly business meeting and social Thursday night at the home of Mr. Nels Larsen. A good social time is promised.

Come out to church next Sunday night and hear a sermon on resurrection.

Sunday School Program 10:30 a. m.
Junior and Senior C. E. 7 p. m.
Evening Services 8 p. m.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Seventh and Eighth grades chaperoned by their teacher, Miss Beringhausen, gave a party at the school auditorium last Friday evening. An enjoyable time was reported. This bunch always has a good time where there is plenty to eat.

The eighth grade Home Economics girls, treated the eighth grade Manual training boys and their instructor to strawberry short cake last Thursday at the class period hour. The wood-butchers are wondering what the treat will be next Thursday.

Mrs. Carl Bohlen visited the down stairs rooms last Thursday afternoon inspecting the work being done by her two sons, Burton and Myron.

The Misses Eva Whetstone and Jessie Bernard were the guests of Misses Alma and Ruth Johnson at the latter's home in Latimer last Friday night. They attended a play given by the Latimer High School.

One of our faculty, while out walking with a group of co-workers lost a valuable winter coat. The town mayor was promptly notified, and acting with his usual promptness, he soon apprehended the missing article and used it as an excuse for calling upon the young lady Tuesday evening instead of the conventional Wednesday evening.

We have received our new encyclopedias, the new International, and also the Dictionary and Atlas. Good use is being made of these new additions to our library. Our old Encyclopedia and Dictionary were very much out of date.

Our monthly weighing of the grade children revealed a remarkable improvement over last month's weight. Many parents are taking a special interest in bringing their underweight children up to normal. They are succeeding, too.

Several boys have discontinued school in order to assist with farm work. We do not like to see this. A temporary advantage of getting he crop in a few days earlier or getting in a few more acres of corn may be a temporary advantage but what about the future advantage?

A represenative from the Midland Lyceum Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa, called upon us last week Monday. The school did not purchase a course for next winter. Our past Lyceums have not been patronized in a manner to justify the time and expense in putting it over. Please do not tell that our last season's course was in arrears to the amount of eighty-five cents deficit for each signer. We raised over one hundred dollars in outside activities to pay the Redpath Vawter Lyceum Bureau. Had we not done this the deficit for each signer of the course would have been a little over eight dollars.

Our next movie program will show films entitled "The History of the Typewriter," "Island of the St. Laurence" and a comedy. Remember our picture show comes to an end May 2nd. There is some talk of continuing the shows during the summer and turning the profits over to the school. Fine!

TOWNS FIGHT PHONE RAISE

Eagle Grove Times: The increase in phone rates by the Northern Bell Telephone Company which was announced last week in a number of Iowa towns, has started a phone war which promises to be a phone strike unless a compromise is effected before the new rates go into effect.

The increased rates on phones in Eagle Grove will effect only the business houses. Under the new rates effective May 1st, individual lines are $3.50 per month and a two party line $3.00 per month. The increase effects about sixty business houses and gives an increased revenue to the company of $72.50 per month.

There has been no opposition up to the present time by the Eagle Grove merchants against the increase However, a boost is not being peacefully received. A business house must have a telephone but if opposition developes in all of the towns it is ot probable that the company will carry out the increase announced.

The Hampton Chronicle says:

"The Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, the first of the week notified the Hampton business men, and some of its party line subscribers that the telephone rates in Hampton would be raised the first of May. It is understood that the company has a well "edited sheet" of paper on which it has figures to show that it is losing about $80 a month in Hampton and it wants that $80 a month taken off the red side of its book. Of Course, there are those who recall that old adage—that figures can't lie, but liars can figure.

At any rate there seems to be a fight on. In less than two hours after the receipt of the notice of he company's intentions, petitions were being circulated protesting the proposed raise. Dr. J. C. Powers, the new mayor-elect, in an interview today stated that the city officials are strongly opposed to the raise of phone rates at this time, and the council will take up the matter at an early meeting and do what it can to prevent the phone company from putting the proposed rates into effect.

The people sooner or later will have to load up with facts and fight the rates charged by the phone companies. Tere is a little reason to doubt but that as a whole the telephone business is immensely profitable. The balance sheet of the Bell company proves it. Possibly by disregarding the toll business secured from the towns in which it operates it can show losses, but when the yearly report shows a profitable year, a series of rate advances in a territory like you find in this part of Iowa, admittedly the most prosperous in the country, would indicate that they are deliberately working a gouging game."

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Alexander, Iowa

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We still are selling syrup at 50c a gal.
Pork and Beans at 9c per can
Black Tea, 5 pound box at $2.00
5 lb sack Pancake Flour for 35c
Men's Stifit overalls $1.25
10 oz. bar Laundry soap at 5c per bar
Corn Flakes, two large boxes 25c
Peaberry coffee, best grade 25c per lb.

Remember our grocery line is complete and our prices are hard to be at Come in and look it over.
Our line of Dry Goods and Notions are also complete and prices are right. Look our line over before you buy.

EXTRA SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 16th

300 yards best grade 36 inch percale at a reduced price for Saturday only at 15c per yd. See our south window for the display, limit 15 yds. Come early if you want some. First Come! First Served!
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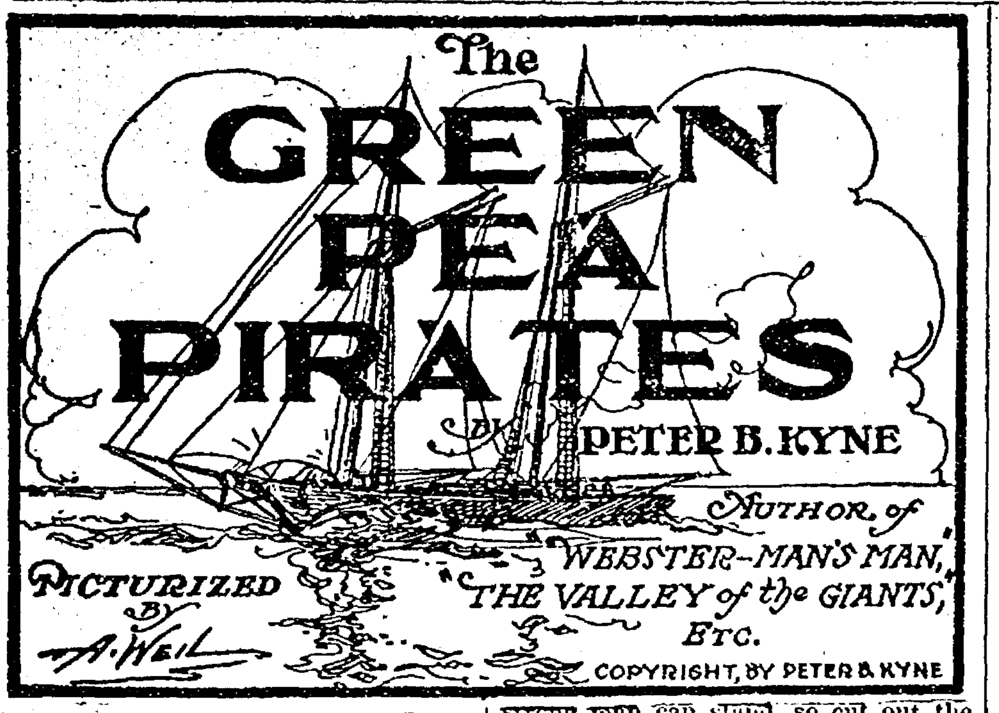
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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is its skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII. — Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate," with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII. — McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Neils Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Neils Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

strong man can stand, so cut out the josh."

"All right, Mac. I guess the commodore's foot slipped this time, but I ain't squawkin' yet."

"No. Not yet," cried Mr. Gibney bitterly, "but soon."

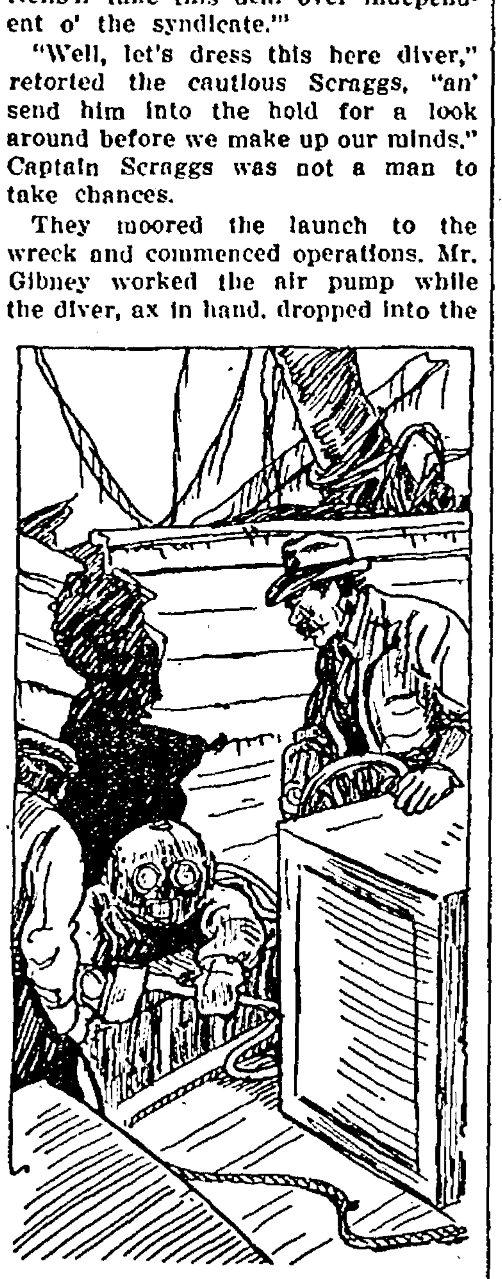
"I ain't, nuther," Captain Scraggs assumed an air of injured virtue. "I'm a-willin' to go through with you, Gib, at a loss, for nothin' else except to convince you o' the folly o' makin' this a one-man syndicate. I ain't a-kickin', but I'm free to confess that I'd like to be consulted oncet in a while."

"That's logic," rumbled the single-minded McGuffey.

"You dirty welchers," roared the commodore. "I ain't askin' you two to take chances with me. Me an' Neils'll take this deal over independent o' the syndicate."

"Well, let's dress this here diver," retorted the cautious Scraggs, "an' send him into the hold for a look around before we make up our minds." Captain Scraggs was not a man to take chances.

They moored the launch to the wreck and commenced operations. Mr. Gibney worked the air pump while the diver, ax in hand, dropped into the murky depths of the flooded hold. He was down half an hour before he signaled to be pulled up. All hands sprang to the line to haul him back to daylight, and the instant he popped clear of the water Mr. Gibney unburdened himself of an agonized curse.



Ax in Hand, Dropped Into the Murky Depths of the Flooded Hold.

In his hands the diver held a large decayed codfish!

Captain Scraggs turned a sneering glance upon the unhappy commodore while McGuffey sat down on the damp rail of the derelict and laughed until the tears coursed down his honest face.

"A dirty little codfishin' schooner," raved Captain Scraggs, "an' you a-sinkin' the time an' money o' the syndicate in rotten codfish on the say-so of a clairvoyant you ain't even been introduced to. Gib, if that's business, all I got to say is: 'Excuse me.'"

Mr. Gibney seized the defunct fish from the diver's hand, tore it in half, slapped Captain Scraggs with one awful fragment and hurled the other at McGuffey.

"I'm outer the syndicate," he raved, beside himself with anger. "Here I go to work an' make a fortune for a pair of short sports an' pikers an' you get to squealin' at the first five-hundred-dollar loss. I know you of old, Phineas Scraggs, an' the leopard can't change his spots." He raised his right hand to heaven. "I'm through for keeps. We'll sell the pearls today, divvy up, an' dissolve. I'm through."

"Glad of it," growled McGuffey. "I don't want no more o' that codfish, an' as soon as we git fightin' room I'll prove to you that no near-sailor can insult me an' git away with it. Me an' Scraggsy's got some rights. You can walk on Scraggsy, Gib, but it takes a man to walk on the McGuffey family."

Nothing but the lack of sea-room prevented a battle royal. Mr. Gibney stood glaring at his late partners. His great ham-like fists were opening and closing automatically.

"You're right, Mac," he said presently, endeavoring to control his anger and chagrin. "We'll settle this later. Take that helmet off the diver an' let's hear what he's got to report."

With the helmet removed the diver spoke:

"As near as I can make out, boss, there ain't a thing o' value in this hulk but a couple o' hundred tons o' codfish. She was cut in two just for'd o' the bulkhead an' her anchors carried away on the section that was cut off. She ain't worth the cost o' towin' her in on the flats."

"So that codfish has some value," sneered Captain Scraggs.

"Great grief, Scraggsy! Don't tell me it's sp'iled," cried McGuffey, simulating horror.

"No, not quite, Mac, not quite. Just slightly. I s'pose Gib'll tack a sign to the stub o' the main mast: 'Slightly spoiled codfish for sale. Apply to A. P. Gibney, on the premises. Special rates on Friday.'"

Mr. Gibney quivered, but made no reply. He carefully examined that portion of the derelict above water and discovered that by an additional expenditure of about fifty dollars he might recover an equal amount in brass fittings. The Kadiak's house was gone and her decks completely gutted. Nothing remained but the amputated hull and the foul cargo below her battered decks.

In majestic silence the commodore motioned all hands into the launch. In silence they returned to the city. Arrived here, Mr. Gibney paid off the launch man and the diver and accompanied by his associates repaired to a prominent jeweler's shop with the pearls they had accumulated in the South seas. The entire lot was sold for thirty thousand dollars. An hour later they had adjusted their accounts, divided the fortune of the syndicate equally, and then dissolved. At parting, Mr. Gibney spoke for the first time when it had not been absolutely necessary.

"Put a beggar on horseback an' he'll ride to the devil," he said. "When you two swabs was poor you was content to let me lead you into a fortune, but now that you're well-heeled, you think you're business men. All right! I ain't got a word to say except this: Before I get through with you two beachcombers I'll have all your money and you'll be a-beggin' me for a job. I apologize for soakin' you two with that diseased codfish, an' for old sake's sake we won't fight. We're still friends, but business associates no longer, for I'm too big a figger in this syndicate to stand for any criticism on my handlin' o' the joint finances. Hereafter, Scraggsy, old kiddo, you an' Mac can go it alone with your sternwheel steamer. Me an' The Squarehead legs it together an' takes our chances. You don't hear that poor untootered Swede makin' no holler at the way I've handled the syndicate—".

"But, Gib, my dear boy," chattered Captain Scraggs, "will you just listen to re—"

"Enough! Too much is plenty. Let's shake hands an' part friends. We just can't get along in business together, that's all."

"Well, I'm sorry, Gib," mumbled McGuffey, very much crestfallen, "but then you hove that dog-gone fish at me an'—"

"That was fortune hittin' you a belt in the face, Mac, an' you was too self-conceited to recognize it. Remember that, both of you two. Fortune hit you in the face today an' you didn't know it."

"I'd ruther die poor, Gib," wailed McGuffey.

The commodore shook hands cordially and departed, followed by the faithful Neils Halvorsen. The moment the door closed behind them Scraggs turned to the engineer.

"Mac," he said earnestly, "Gib's up to somethin'. He's got that imagination o' his workin'. I can tell it every time; he gets a foggy look in his eyes. We made a mistake kiddin' him today. Gib's a sensitive boy some ways an' I reckon we hurt his feelin's without intendin' it."

"He thrun a dead codfish at me," protested McGuffey. "I love old Gib like a brother, but that's carryin' things with a mighty high hand."

"Well, I'll apologize to him," declared Captain Scraggs and started for the door to follow Mr. Gibney. McGuffey barred his way.

"You apologize without my consent an' you gotta buy me out o' the Victor. I won't be no engineer with a skipper that lacks backbone."

"Oh, very well, Mac." Captain Scraggs realized too well the value of McGuffey in the engine room. He knew he could never be happy with anybody else. "We'll complete the deal with the Victor, ship a crew, get down to business, an' leave Gib to his codfish. An' let's pay our bill an' get outer here. It's too high-toned for me—an' expensive."

For two weeks Captain Scraggs and McGuffey saw no more of Mr. Gibney and Neils Halvorsen. In the meantime, they had commenced running the Victor regularly up river, soliciting business in opposition to the regular steamboat lines. While the Victor was running with light freights and consequently at a loss, the prospect for ultimate business was very bright and Scraggs and McGuffey were not at all worried about the future.

Judge at their surprise, therefore, when one morning who should appear at the door of Scraggs' cabin but Mr. Gibney.

"Mornin', Gib," began Scraggs cheerily. "I s'pose you been rolled for your money as per usual, an' you're around lookin' for a job as mate?"

Mr. Gibney ignored this veiled insult. "Not yet, Scraggsy. I got about five hundred tons o' freight to send up to Dunnigan's landing an' I want a lump sum figger for doin' the job. We parted friends an' for the sake o' old times I thought I'd give you a chance to figger on the business."

"Thanky, Gib. I'll be glad to. Where's your freight an' what does it consist of?"

"Agricultural stuff. It's crated, an' I deliver it here on the steamer's deck within reach o' her tackles. No heavy pieces. Two men can handle every piece easy."

(Continued Next Week)

Rowan Local News

The play, "The Man on The Box" put on by the members of the Senior Class of the high school was a splendid success. The school auditorium was full both nights.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon and Rev. H. Tomkinson went to Coulter last Thursday to attend the funeral of Mr. Hansen, father of Mrs. Theodore Hansen of Rowan.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church will hold their Easter Sale on Saturday, April 22. This promises to be one of the best social functions the ladies have given, there being lots of good things to be disposed of. A splendid supper is being prepared. Will you write this date, April 22, in large letters as being the time for the Methodist Easter sale.

The Methodist church was crowded last Sunday evening when the pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, delivered the second sermon in the series, the subject being, "The Morals of the Automobile." It was a sermon that made parents and young people think, and think most seriously.

Rev. Nye was a caller at Garner and had business at the county seat there, Friday afternoon.

The storm last Thursday night did a great amount of damage south of town. At the Will Bingham home it entirely destroyed a corn crib 8-24 ft. Also broke the tongues out of the machinery in a shed near the corn crib besides other smaller damages. Mr. Elmer Burt was obliged to reshingle his house. It also twisted some of his other buildings on their foundations.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitz, of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher.

The Young Ladies Mission Study will meet at the home of Thelma Brooks, Thursday April 20th. We urge the young people to attend this meeting as we have a new study book to start at this meeting. Anyone that has mite boxes which they have not handed in for our home mission offering please bring them to this meeting.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Will Whitten Wednesday afternoon April 19th. All the members are urged to attend this meeting. Mrs. J. S. Farren is the leader.

Miss Carol Hoke is at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. K. Stout for a short time.

Miss Grace McCutcheon, of Goldfield spent several days with her sister, Miss Edna McCutcheon, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. R. H. Keith last week, returning to her home Saturday.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodrich tires.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Luke Wessels came home from Meservey Friday returning Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Townsan, of Belmond visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris the past week returning home Tuesday.

Mrs. J. A. Green, of Dows came Tuesday to visit a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Boyington.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steffens were Dows callers Wednesday.

D. K. Stout was a Mason City caller Wednesday.

Mrs. Amos Cowley went to Dows Wednesday to visit relatives for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchett returned to Iowa City Wednesday to be with Miss Frances Virden who is in the hospital at that place. She was operated on Thurs. for appendicitis. George returned Sunday and reports that Frances is feeling as well as could be expected. Mrs. Pritchett remained at Iowa City.

Miss Alma Jensen, of Robertson, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Strayhorn, returned to her home Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed. Riley was a Belmond visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fuller Bailey Thursday.

Frank Kercheval was on the sick list the past week.

R. V. Goslin, of Clarion was calling on Rowan friends Thursday.

Frank Snyder was a Clarion caller Tuesday.

Roy Hyde has been on the sick list the past week with the grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peddle rejoice over the arrival of a fine baby boy born to them April 4th.

Paul Hearn, of Bristow, spent Thursday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Clarence Johnson.

Frank Toyne was a Clarion Caller Thursday.

Fred Webber was an Eagle Grove business caller between trains Friday.

Perle LaGue returned last week from a visit with relatives and and friends at his old home in Ind.

R. H. Kieth was a Clarion caller Thursday.

The Misses Edna McCutcheon and Osterhus were Dows callers Saturday.

Clarence Johnson was a Dumont visitor between trains Thursday.

George Wessells was at Clarion Sunday attending a meeting of the section foreman of he C. G. W.

Word was received last week that Mrs. Walter Allen, Bruce So. Dak., was seriously illl. Mrs. Tom Ross went Thursday to help care for her. Later word was received that Mrs. Allen was a very little better.

Mrs. Dan Harris was on the sick list the past week with the grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Hansen and family, Rev. Tomkinson and Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon attended the funeral of Mrs. Hansen's father at Coulter Thursday.

Mrs. Odland, the nurse who has been caring for Mrs. Jim Langdon went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lineweaver Monday to care for Mrs Lineweaver, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson and son, Malcolm, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph, returning to their home Monday.

Harry Harris, who has been visiting his brother, Cecil and wife in Des Moines the past week returned home Friday with a new Ford runabout. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Cecil Harris who visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Williams. She returned home Sunday.

Mrs George Liming and daughter, Loraine, were Dows callers Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Jens Kjar and family were Belmond callers Saturday.

Miss Kervink went to Hudson Friday to spend the week end at the home of her sister. Mrs. W. R. McCallum taught for her a part of Monday.

Dollie Riley was a Clarion caller Saturday.

Amos Cowley had the misfortune to lose one of his mules in the sand pit last Saturday. He went to Shellrock Saturday night to get one in place of it.

Little Constance and Joan Tomkinson have been sick the past week but are on the road to recovery again.

Mrs. Esther Andrews has her Mrs. Esther Andrews has her residence reshingled.

Harry Harson came from Kanawha last Wednesday to visit a short time with Rowan relatives. He reurned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bohnett, of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn and family of Coulter spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher.

Methodist Church Notes

Pastor, Rev. H. Tomkinson.
Sunday, April 16th.

10:30 "An Easter Message."

8 p. m. a sacred concert will be given, the following being the program:

Pinoforte Selections—Miss B. Fowler.
Congregaticnal Hymn.
Scripture Reading and Prayer.
"The Gates of Easter" Choir.
Duet, Mrs. A. O. Pelly and Rev. H. Tomkinson.
Musical Dialogue, "Night and Morn"—Miss Bernice Hansen and Miss Amy Azeltine.
"Blessed Day"—Choir.
Excerise, "Garden Talk"—Vera Hackley, Helen Sellers.
Solo—Rev. H. Tomkinson.
"Come Ye to the Garden"—Choir.
Pianoforte Duet—Anna and Nina Reitz.
Duet—Mrs. Kesley and Miss J. Kirvink.
"The Message of the Morning"—Choir.
Solo, "O Story Sweet"—Myron Myers.
Exercise, "The Light of Easter Hope"—Thelma Hackley, Carl Reitz, Lois Steffens, Raymond Hansen, Gelda Hackley, LaVonne McCallum.
"Victory of Ages"—Choir.
Violin Selection—Miss Anna Reitz.
"Day of Faith Most Glorious"—Choir.
Musical Excerise, "Nearer My God to Thee"—Mrs. Pelley and girls.
"Glad Easter Day"—Choir.
Benediction.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Easter Sunday.

Be sure and attend church next Sabbath Morning and evening.

The Morning services 11 a. m. Sermon—"Our Risen Christ" and special music.

Sabbath school 12 a. m.

Christian Endeavors 7 p. m

Evening Song 8 p. m.

There will be special music at the morning and evening services this Easter time, and we desire to have you and all your friends attend our church this Easter Sunday.

At the evening service there will be a special song service by the choir, and the young people of the church.

In fact, the whole of the evening service will be given over to these young people of the church, and you cannot afford to let this service go by, as it will be one of the musical programs this sesson at the Rowan Congregational church.

"Come and see for yourself."

The ladies of the church will have their Easter sale and supper, April the 15th. This will be another treat to all who attend. The Rowan Ladies Aid always do things right, and they are going to surely give you the best possible for the money Saturday afternoon and evening. Sale starts at 3 o'clock. Supper at 5:30. Price 35 cents.

Bring your friends for the sale and supper this Easter time.

The Missionary Society held at Mrs. Allen's last Thursday was well attended, and the meeting was very interesting and profitable to all who attended.

Our Junior Endeavors of our church is growing, and we need all the children present this next Wednesday after school hours.

The mid-week meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. Topic—"Passion of the Master."

During the month of April, we are going to make the evening service at the Rowan Congregational church some of the most attractive services of our church, and we desire all to make it a point to be in attendance at the evening song services.

There was a large gathering at the monthly business meeting of the Christian Endeavors last Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box, and the work done during the month of March was of a growing nature for the good of the young people of our church. We are proud of our young people and the way they are doing their work of the society, and help in the church work.

School Notes

Neva Hinkley was a visitor at school a couple of days last week.

Susan Duffy was a High School visitor Wednesday April 5th.

The play "The Man on the Box" given at the auditorium Thursday and Friday nights April 6th and 7th was a success. Owing to the storm Thursday night the crowd was rather small but Friday night found the auditorium well filled.

Bernard Stumph hurt his knee one day last week. It was caused by several boys falling on him. He is feeling much better now.

Rev. Tomkinson visited the Primary room Friday.

Shows

Saturday April 15th Frank Mayo in "Colorado." A Hero of Romance. Also a two reel comedy "Whizbang.

Wednesday another episode of Hurricane Hutch with a feature and comedy.

CHEER UP, BOOST

Business conditions are improving
More jobs are to be had.
Corn, beef and pork are going up.
Crime is decreasing.
Unrest is diminishing.
Spring is here.

American Legion has launched a nation wide campaign to get jobs for the unemployed comrades, which is bound to loosen up a lot of money.

The facts any one can get by reading the newspapers and sounding out those with whom he comes in contact, should cast sunlight over the most pessimistic.

Iowa is recovering more rapidly from the post-war depression than most of the other states. Iowans are sturdy, self reliant, resourceful. They steam ahead. Legionares, both employers and employees, should take the lead in creating better conditions and spreading cheerfulness, to the limit of their ability, in every possible way.—Iowa Legionaire.

Know some news? Call 115.

Belmond Local News

Splendid line of hair braid hats for Easter.—Ida Tyrrell.

"Little Jack" Finn is now street commissioner in Belmond, and is on the job looking after the needs on the street and roads. Jack has had quite a bit of experience in road work, and should make a good man for the place.

Jim Leavy, of the M. and St. L., and his gas car Nicodemus" had quite an experience last week. The car, in being started got away from Jim and headed east for Alexander at a good stiff gait. The morning passenger was coming and the two met out in the country. The engine proved the tougher of the two, and as a result of the meeting "Nicodemus" was considerably bunged up, no damage being caused to the train.

L. L. Putman has severed his connections with the sugar company, and leaves this week for the East.

Mr. Saucke is the new Agricultural Superintendent of the sugar factory assuming his duties last week. Mr. Saucke came here from Kansas. He has had considerable experience in the beet sugar business, and comes highly recommended for this line of work.

Know some news? Call 115.

If you wish to give anything towards the boys' band, the Independent will be glad to take your name. Call 115 and let us put you down for a small amount. Every little helps, and it is desired to make the Boy's Band a real all-home-supported-organization.

Andrew Lieuwen, from near Alexander, was in town last Saturday attending to some business matters and visiting with relatives and friends.

Know some news? Call 115.

Mrs. Josephine Friel McAlpine has been at Thornton the past few weeks, coaching the Legion at that place in a home talent play they are staging.

Rose Comb White Wyandotte eggs for hatching. Price 75c a setting. $4 per hundred.—A. C. Lieuwen, Alexander, Iowa. 18tf

Know some news? Call 115.

Easter Baskets and Candies for the kiddies—Cemetery Aid Society at the Herb Harberts store April 14 from 11 o'clock on.

Get that good high test kerosene at Townsan Hardwase. Start your oil stove with it and you will never use any other.

Henry Cris returned last week from California, where he has been spending the winter.

See the new Nesco Perfect Oil Cook-Stove at Townsan Hardware.

Mr. and Mrs. George Avery, who have been spending the winter months in California, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler returned last week Thursday from Shell Rock, where they spent part of the school vacation visiting relatives.

R. V. Goslin, Clerk of Court, was in town last week Saturday meeting some of the voters. Mr. Goslin is a candidate for re-election to the office he now holds, and is meeting with justifiable support. He has fulfilled the duties of the position very satisfactorily and will doubtless receive hearty support in his candidacy.

Miss White, from Esterville, was a guest of her friend, Miss Hazel Thomas, of this city, recently.

Mrs. G. H. Klemme entertained a number of friends last week Monday in honor of her sister, Miss Betty Boardman, of Marshalltown.

Mrs. W. H. Trafford and children were visiting with friends at Klemme a few days last week. Their former home was at that place.

Mrs. C. O. Fitts was a visitor at Garner and Mason City a couple of days last week.

Mrs. Purnell is reported as being very ill at the home of Mrs. Daisy Pierce.

Mr and Mrs. Otto Hanson moved recently to the Furuseth house in north Belmond.

Cream and eggs, we buy both and pay the top prices. Bring me your next can of cream, and basket or case of eggs.—Joe. S. White.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Owens, of Omaha, who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. George Schanck, returned to their home last week.

Come to the Basket Social Friday evening, April 14th, at school Grant No. 6. Ladies please bring baskets. —Esther Brooks, teacher. 21

The show troupe which held forth last week at the opera house were reported as being first rate entertainers, but owing to the bad weather during the week did not draw full houses.

Gifts for the "Sweet Girl Graduate" at the Easter Gift Shop, by the Cemetery Aid Society at the Herb Harberts store April 14 from 11 o'clock.

CHICKEN DINNER—The ladies of the Trinity Luthern church will serve a chicken dinner at their basement on April 20, beginning at 5 o'clock. Aprons will be on sale also. Everybody welcome.

District Court convened this week Monday and the local attorneys are both busily engaged with cases at the county seat

2000 Baby Chicks April 27

On that date I will have for sale 2000 baby chicks of English Strain Single Comb White Leghorns. Larger than common Leghorns, and heavy layers. Price $15.00 per hundred.—Bennie Arends, Alexander, Iowa. 212*

Two Black ponies and one work horse for sale—Severt Enger, Belmond. 21tfc

NOTICE

Anyone having an account against me, kindly mail statement of same to me at Belmond and it will be taken care of.—L. L. Putnam.

Mrs. D. E. Harris, of Rowan, received word Tuesday afternoon of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Allen, of S. Dak.

A problem in divisioin of much interest will be found in Griesy's Store News this week.

BOX SOCIAL, Plum Grove School, Grant No. 2, Friday evening, April 14. Program at 8 o'clock. Ladies please bring baskets.—Marlys Lamb, Teacher.

See our $7 special Friday and Saturday.—Ida Tyrrell.

Miss Marjorie Baumgardener, from St Paul, is visiting her sister, Miss Mildred Baumgardener this week.

Otto Hanson is the new carrier on Route two, taking up his new duties last week.

Will come to the house and do plain sewing. Phone 316.—Mrs Ray Brewer.

Seven room house, partly modern, for rent.—L. F. Simerson. 21*

ORPHEUS ORCHESTRA

The Orpheus Orchestra, of the Lutheran Seminary of St. Paul, will begin its anual tour Sunday evening April 16, in the Belmond high school auditorium. According to the program the concert promises to be exceptionally good. The program is as follows:

1. (a) "Anniversary March"—Laurendeau.
   (b) "The Golden Scepter Overtrue" —Schlepegrell.
   (c) "Kiss Me Again"—Victor Herbert.
2. Piano Duet—"L'itatians"—Rossini or "Norma Overtrue"—Bellini.
3. (a) "Anchored"—Watson.
   (b) Largo"—Haendel.
4. Reed String Quartette—"Barcarolle" from Tales of Hoffman—offenbach.
5. Piano Solo—"The Butterfly—Lavalle.
6. (a) "The Gypsy Trail"—Gallaway.
   (b) "Kentucky Babe"—Geibel.
7. Cornet Solo—"Three Star Polka" —Bagley.
8. (a) "In Old Modrid"—Meissler.
   (b) "Tannhauser March"—Wagner.

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IT IS HABIT THAT MAKES THE LITTLE THINGS COUNT.

WE WISH TO IMPRESS THIS UPON THE MINDS OF ALL.

IF YOU GET INTO THE HABIT OF PLACING A CERTAIN AMOUNT IN THE BANK ONCE A WEEK; YOU WILL SOON BE CASTING FREQUENT GLANCES AT YOUR BANK BOOK AND WONDER HOW YOU DID IT.

Belmond Savings Bank

Belmond, Iowa

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Good used Fords at a reasonable price. Come and see them before you buy. From $50 and up.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108 or 258.

For a good bargain in second hand cars, see first the Belmond Auto Co.

WANTED—Eggs and cream as usual. We pay cash.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

A good used Fordson tractor A-1 condition at a real bargain.—Belmond Auto Co. Belmond Ia.

For real bargains in second hand cars, see the Belmond Auto Co. Belmond, Iowa.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte eggs for hatching, 75 cents per setting of 15 or $4.50 per hundred.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow. Phone 2712.

TO USERS OF MILK

From now on, I will sell milk at 7c a quart from the wagon, 6c a quart from Kinseth's grocery. Cream is sold from the wagon.—H. H. Hawley Phone 298. 194

Wanted—Registered Spotted Poland China Boar—J. M. Sampson, Phone 2707. 21c

Picked Up—Stray pig. Owner can have same by paying costs and proving property.—J. M. Sampson.

Six pigs for Sale.—Born March 2nd. Inquire M. Halfwassen, Meservey.

Eats for Easter—Cemetery Aid Society—at the Herb Harberts store.

WANTED TO BUY—Cream and Eggs at all times. Open Saturday evenings.—Joe S. White.

Call 28 for free Rug Cleaning demonstration in your own home. New Belmond Tailor Shop.

FOR SALE—Choice Barred Rock eggs for hatching. From good laying strain. 75 cents per setting; $4 per hundred.—Easton & Fetrow, Phone 2009. 203*

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte baby chicks.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow, Phone 2712. 203c

Order your baby chicks now. Barred and White Rock.—Mrs. A. E. Martin. 202c

Our cleaning and pressing is guaranteed to be first class. None better. Pre-war prices. Send your Easter work in now. New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28.

FOR RENT—Seven room house, one block north of Community Oil Station.—F. T. Meacham. 19tfc

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

Mrs. Theo. Wright was a visitor with friends and relatives in Des Moines a few days last week.

Seed Time is Here

We have the following in Bulk

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They form quite an integral part of her modish costume.

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SUGAR BEET ACREAGE RAPIDLY INCREASING

School Orchestra Will Give Concert Tonight

First Public Performance Of High School Orchestra At Auditorium

GIVE ONE ACT COMEDY TOO

Don't forget that the orchestra appears in its first concert on Thursday evening. The orchestra will be composed of more than twenty pieces.

The concert is to be followed by a one-act comedy. "Miss Civilization" which alone is worth coming out to see. The prices of admission are 25c and 35c.

The proceeds are to defray the expenses of the band and orchestra trip to the District Contest at Garner. The remainder is to go to the athletic fund. Boost your home talent.

Orchestra Program

1. Traffic Club ---------------- March
2. Sweet Hope ------------ Waltz
4. Paramount ---------- Overture
3. Starry Emblem -------- March
5. Youth and Beauty --Flower Song
6. Life Savers -------------- March
7. All for Love -------------- Waltz
8. Boosting ------------ H. S. Song

"Miss Civilization"
by
Richard Harding Davis
Presented by permission of Chas. Scribners' Sons

Cast of Characters ------
Alice Gardner, daughter of the President of the L. I. and W Railroad ---------- Everill Thompson
"Gentleman Joe" Hatch -- ------- ------------- Harvey Chapman
"Reddy, the Kid" -------- Bill Butts
"Grandstand Harry" -- -- -- ------ ---------- ------ Marshall Nourse
Captain Lucas, Chief of Police, ------ - ---------------- Wm. Vestweber
Plain Clothes Men ------------------ ---- Ralph Hedges, Edwin Christie
Trainmen ------- ----------------- ---- Harold Johnson, Glenn Rierson

The copy for the Annual is nearly all at the printers. Many of the engravings are back. It will not take long before the second annual of Belmond High School will be out. The Senior pictures are especially good this year. M. J. Thoe did the photography again this year. The Herald Press are doing the printing this year.

The Senior Class Play has been selected. It is Booth Tarkington's "Clarence." This is one of the cleverest plays that can be given with the amateur stage today. Those who will find as many laughs in "Clarence." The parts will be given out and practice will begin in a few days.

The first real base ball game of the season will take place on the local diamond Friday afternoon promptly at 4 o'clock when umpire will call "Play Ball." And Kanawha and Belmond will cross bats for the first time this season.

Kanawha is out for blood, but Coach Gruetzmacher and our boys are not asleep and we will show them some game.

Come out and boost the team. We have a real team this year and they are worthy of big crowds.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT 4:00 O'CLOCK SHARP.

This week closes the second six weeks of the semester, and students are busy with tests. Only six more weeks of school and everybody is working hard.

The Home Track Meet will be held the last week of April. The exact date has not yet been set. This meet is one of keen competition between classes and is preparatory to later dual meets with Clarion and Goldfield.

The cup won in the recent Triangular Contest has been received and is now being engraved. "Good goods come done up in small packages.

Rip Van Winkle is Coming Monday

Next Monday, thru the cooperation of Mr. Hake, we have secured the photoplay "Rip Van Winkle." A matinee will be given at 3:00 o'clock for the grade children. The film will be run again at night for High school and adults.

The story of Rip Van Winkle is found in the different school readers, and is especially interesting to the children as well as to older folks. It comes recommended as a clean, wholesome film, worth seeing. All grade children will be admitted to the matinee for 10 cents, and will secure their tickets from their teacher on Monday. The regular prices of 10 and 25 cents will be charged at night.

HOMER REESE DIES

As the Independent goes to press, we are informed of the death at 1:30 p. m. yesterday, Wednesday of Homer Reese. Mr. Reese had been ill for several months, and death was caused by a stroke of paralysis.

BACK TO THE FIRST LINE

Backward, turn backward, oh time in your flight, I am blue as they make 'em tonight. I have been blessed with an appetite rare, equal to that of a cinnamon bear. Now I'm lopsided, dyspeptic and lank, living on stuff that makes me a crank.—O, for some gravy like ma used to make—, pass me the steak, brother, pass me the steak.

When I hark back to the smokehouse of yore, loaded with goodies from exit to door. Think of the pantry, and springhouse and cave, bursting with viands an angel might crave. Now I front up some vulcanized meat, doped and embalmed till it ain't fit to eat. O, for some corn bread, and hog-jowl and greens—Pass me the beans, brother, pass me the beans.

Once we ate hominy, finer than silk. Now it's ground cornstalks with racket store milk. Stuff that was never inside a cow—made out of whitewash, the devil knows how! I have grown weary of "crispies" and "flakes"—copyright wafers and patented cakes—factory-made fodder that ain't worth a ————! Pass me the ham, brother, pass me the ham!—Exchange.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

(Held over from last week.)

Rev. Waalkes returned from Aplington last Saturday where he attended the conference the past week.

The funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenison was held last Tuesday afternoon. The parents have the sympathy of many friends in their time of sorrow.

Gail Thompson, who is attending school in Alexander spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert L. Pals and little son, John, spent last Sunday afternoon at the W. A. Garz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Smidt, visited at the T. Goeman home Sunday, last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thompson were Sunday callers at the Geo. Thompson home.

Quite a number of farmers have started seeding, but are being somewhat delayed by the weather man.

Little Joyce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boelman had the misfortune of getting his hand caught in the seeder last Saturday. He is getting along nicely at this writing.

Dan Kaduce had an attack of tonsilitis last week.

Mr. A. Rickens made a business trip to Clarion last Thursday.

Mrs. Chris Groen, of Belmond, visited her mother Mrs. Harm Meinders a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Dorenkamp Sr. visited at the home of their son, Carl last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foss and family were Sunday visitors at the Fol Mennenga home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thayer and family were Sunday callers at the Erwin Dipple home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert L. Pals, and little son, spent Sunday at the Jake Smidt home.

MAYOR PRITCHARD SOAKS FIRST OFFENDER $100

Wednesday evening at about 8:00 o'clock, Mayor W. S. Pritchard had his first experience as a police court judge. Complaint had been filed with him that H. F. Sporaa, who resides in the east and south part of town, had been disturbing the peace by using profane and obscene language, and handling certain members of his family rather rough. Mayor Pritchard ordered his arrest, and Sporaa was brought up for hearing. Before a fair sized congregation, the mayor listened to the evidence, at the conclusion of which he casually remarked: "$100 and costs." Sporaa refused to pay the fine, but as failure to pay it carried a jail sentence of 30 days, he made up his mind just before he reached the city bastile, that the balmy spring air partaken of in the open would be preferable to being caged up, and informed Marshall Jack MacNichol that he would like to have further words with the mayor. He was returned to the mayor's office where he laid down $50 in cash. Upon good behavior, the remaining $50 will be remitted. From the attitude assumed by our new mayor, we take it that offenders are to be dealt with sternly, and that those who make a pastime of abusing their families need beware.—Leader.

The Sodality girls, of St. Francis church, gave a shower last week Saurday evening, in honor of Miss Alberta Pierce, who was united in marriage to Robert Beckett, of Clarion, Monday. The shower was held at the home of Mrs. Matt Sullivan, and was attended by some 20 young ladies of the society. The guest of honor was the recipient of many useful gifts, the shower being a kitchen one. Refreshments were served.

R'member

HOW YOU USED TO QUARREL WITH THE LITTLE GIRL NEXT DOOR—
OH! YOU PIE FACE
WHO'S A PIE FACE?
AND YOU'RE STILL BATTLING WITH HER
KETTNER

VERNON TOWNSHIP FARMER IN TROUBLE

Teacher Refuses Demand To Advance Girl—County Attorney Takes Hand

County Recorder Edith Vaughn was off duty the past week on account of an attack of influenze. Mrs. B. C. Clark had charge of the recorder's office during her absence.

Judge Thompson of Webster City convened the April term of court at Clarion on Monday. The time so far has been devoted to preliminary matters and assignment of cases for trail for the coming week.

Policeman Fred Johnson of Clarion has appealed from the decision in Squire Williamson's court. The case will come up for trial at the October term, being filed too late for the present term.

The several highway patrolmen of the county met with the supervisors and Engineer Hilton Saturday in conference over the 1922 road upkeep. Eighteen or twenty patrolmen were present at the school of insruction.

The grand jury organized by choosing the first named as foreman: D. McBride, E. Bock, John Beyer, A. W. Moseley, H. J. Whitten, Albert Schroeder, J. H. Flurer. Their first work was to reconsider the former indictments, which were set aside by Judge McCall owing to a technicality in the selection of the grand jurors.

County Attorney Rogers, Sheriff Lang and Miss Blanche Bock were called to Vernon township Saturday for the trial of a case coming under the compulsory education law. Four children belonging to the J. W. Specht and Chas. Kahler familes are the ones involved. The Spechts started the trouble because it is alleged the teacher, Miss Edna Williams, refused to advance their daughter from the fourth to the sixth grade on the request of Mrs. Specht. The child was not qualified for advancement according to the teacher, who is supported in this view by those in authority. The case was postponed until June 1st, as the county attorney was unable to look after the same until after the present term of court. It will be remembered the Spechts's were summoned before the war board a few years ago.

New School for Norway

The E. B. Benton Co. of Randall was the successful bidder for the erection of the four new school houses in Norway township. The price of the above company was something near $13,000. Work on the buildings will comence about the first of May.—Monitor.

Our Store at Clarion is to be sold at sheriff's sale on May 4th, Sheriff Lang having closed the doors last week. Judge Thompson ordered a special execution in favor of the seven directors, Thos. Shillington, F. W. Pohlman, Barney Benson, B. B. Suiter, F. W. Zastrow, T. K. Whipple and Alf. Huntley, who signed a joint note to procure funds for the operation of the store When the case came up for trial no one appeared to defend. The amount involved is $4170.67.

New Citizens

The following applications for citizenship in these United States were granted by Judge Thompson last week, the first three being soldier boys.

Asmus N. Sorenson, Blairsburg.
John Halverson, Eagle Grove.
Martin Tesdahl, Eagle Grove.
Anton Espeland, Eagle Grove—Norway.
Martin Hudecek, Eagle Grove—Austria.
Pual E. Marchal, Eagle Grove—Germany.
Luke Wessels, Eagle Grove— Germany.
Erick Stueland, Eagle Grove—Norway.
John Carstens, Galt—Germany.
John P. Waltzing, Belmond—Luxemburg.
Bjarne Hoagensen, Belmond—Norway.
Karl P. Arne, Eagle Grove—Norway.
John Carlson, Eagle Grove—Norway.
Chas. H. Payne, Clarion,—United States.
Adolph Hisler, Woolstock—Alsace Loraine.
Karl H. Elberg, Clarion—Sweden.

In granting the application of Chas. Payne of Clarion Judge Thompson referred to him as the "prodigal son." Several years ago this applicant along with Clifford and Caryl Goslin, Ed. Schumpp and Glen Tullar went to Canada and became subjects of the king in order to take up a homestead. Mr. Payne was the last to return to the fold, the other boys having taken out papers while in the army.

Petition of Carl John Kalvig of Clarion was continued and that of Geo. H. Vivian of Eagle Grove denied.

The 1923 auto plates are already on hand, having arrived last week. Treasurer Allen has them safely stored in his vault at the court house. There were ninety boxes in the shipment, a total of 4500 plates, weighing two and one-fourth tons. When asked if he might not put on a special on the new plates, offering reduced rates to early buyers, Mr. Allen said he now had his hands full collecting delinquent auto taxes for 1921, in addition to numerous other duties. Miss Viola Banks is assisting in the office during the period of increased business.

LIDDIA SHAFER WICKHAM

Liddia Shafer, was born near Cassopolis, Mich., February 18, 1845 and died at her home in Belmond, Iowa April 12, 1922. She was married to A. J. Wickham at Eldora, Iowa in 1862 and to this union seven children were born, four of whom survive their mother's death. Charles E. Wickham, Minneapolis, Minn.; Jacob Wickham, of Belmond, Iowa; Mrs. Mabel Brooks, Bird Island, Minn.; and Winefield Wickham of Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Wickham moved with her parents to Iowa when she was seven years old and her father bought a farm from the government. Her husband moved to Belmond about twenty-nine years ago and this has been their home ever since. Mr. Wickham died about twenty-six years ago and for the past few years she has lived with her son, Jacob. Mrs. Wickham has been affucted with asthema for the last ten years during which time she has never been able to sleep in a bed. She had been quite poorly for some months but was not thought to be in a critical condition until the first of the week since which time she was unable to speak and her relatives were sent for.

Mrs. Wickham had the privilege of seeing this state develop from a barren prairie to the first place among the states of the Union in agriculture as well as in many other respects. She was a member of the Disciples church but has been unable to attend services for years.

Besides the four children she leaves three brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were held at the home on Friday afternoon and were in charge of Rev. S. U. Leinbach. Those from away were Mrs. Jas. Beadle and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Suer, of Fort Dodge, Mr. Henry Shafer and daughter, Mrs. Henry Klipstein, of Eldora, Mrs. Hazel Hawley, Hayfield Iowa, Charles E. Wickham and daughter and Winefield Wickham of Minneapolis, and Mrs. Mabel Brooks of Bird Island, Minn.

DRUGS

We buy punk drugs in large stone jugs; to cure our ills we buy green pills and noor them in our faces. We drink brown suds distilled from buds, stovewood and water lilies, consume such dope and vaguely hope that it will cure the willies. The doctor romps through dismal swamps and gathers toadstools blooming, and makes a brew of mottled blue for invalids' consuming. The learned men chase to every place, in search for drugs to cure us; they bill up rock, make pills of chalk, that they may reassure us. The faith and hope we place in dope no knowledge ever throttles, what faith we have in pills and salve, and everything in bottles! The wise men say. "Throw drugs away and you'll feel better than if you drink some bottled ink, or something worse and wetter. Eat wholesome food, like oatmeal stewed, go roostward with the chickens, quit chewing pills, and soon your ills will vanish like the dickens." The learned men speak, their wise words leak through lips that spring no folly; but all things sane give us a pain and cause us melancholy. We pin our hope on bottled dope, on pills in crates and baskets; we'll drink our drugs from flasks and jugs until we're in our caskets.—Walt Mason.

BEG YOUR PARDON?

The following clipping is from the Centerville, (Iowa) Iowegan, and pertaining to Belmond's sugar factory will be of interest to local people, especially as the Iowegan mentions a "problem" which never has arisen here in any way, shape or manner that we have heard of: The problem of Russians farming while the people objected to their presence. A few, a very few, Russians have engaged in farming in a small way here, but if there were ever any hard feelings over it, we haven't yet heard of them. The Iowegan is talking at random, or else has been sadly misinformed, because there is not, and hasn't been, any "problem." A knock by any other name would be as sweet.

The item says:

Farmers of Wright and adjoining counties are signing contracts for the growing of sugar beets the coming season and it is now planned that the big factory at Belmond will handle the entire crop. The factory was closed last year and the beets had to be shipped to Mason City. The contract with farmeds calls for a price adjusted on a share basis. At the present price of beet sugar in New York at $5.50 per hundred the beet grower will receive $6.55 per ton. It is not believed the price of sugar will drop below the present level. If it does the farmer will receive less for his sugar beets. Those who have been growing beets state that $6.55 a ton is a very good price. The factory management furnish the help to cultivate the crop but the farmer must foot the bill. The help is mostly Russian, the whole family moving into shacks provided and every member of the family old enough is put to work. A problem has developed. The Russians get tired of working for others, save their money, rent a farm and become permanent residents of the cummunity over the protest of those who live there.

SANDS MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NOTES

We are glad of the good services of last Sabbath and we hope that it may be but a foretaste of the good things which will follow. It was fine to have so many of the scholars back in S. S. who have been out during the bad weather and roads. We hope to see many more follow the example of those young people who took their stand for Christ and came into the church. Every member of the Sabbath school a Christian and every member of the church a worker is our motto.

The Cantata on Sabbath afternoon was great inspiration to all who were able to attend. The thanks of all go out to the Chorister, Mrs. Boughton, and the members of the choir and especially to Mr. H. F. Luick who so ably helped when Mr. Wm. Nelson was not able to take his part.

The Association is now in session and we want all who can to attend the remaining sessions.

Be on hand next Sunday at 10:00 o'clock and for all the services of the day. Miss Elizabeth Leinbach will lead the young people at 8:00 o'clock and this will be followed by a short illustrated sermon on the Life Saving Service of the U. S. Come to these services.

The Webster City Association of Congregational churches is holding meetings in Belmond this week, in the local Congregational church, the meetings being held Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sufficient Contracted To Assure Operation

Many Farmers, Viewing A Wet Cold Spring, Are Increasing Their Acreage

FINE PROGRESS IS MADE

Contracts on acreage for sugar beets for the Belmond factory, are coming in excellent shape, and sufficient acreage has now been contracted to assure a successful campaign of operation. The present beet acreage contracted to date is very satisfactory, and is increasing daily. A great many farmers, in view of the cold, rainy weather and the prospects for a bad corn year, have been increasing their sugar beet acreage, and this increase has been very gratifying to the officials of the company. It shows that the farmers in the surrounding territory are co-operating and are convinced that sugar beets are a crop that is going to give them very good returns in a financial way this year.

Reports from the surrounding territory, from Independent reporters, are that the farmers are taking very kindly to acreage and the contract offered by the sugar company, as they more fully understand it. Work is going forward rapidly and thoroly towards the operation of the factory, and there appears to be no longer any question of a successful operating campaign. Everything is in favor of success and with the co-operation and pushing of the entire community, Belmond will see its greatest industry once more humming, with work for its people, and more money to meet the costs of living.

PIERCE—BECKETT

Miss Alberta Pierce, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Pierce of Belmond, was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Beckett, of Clarion, at the St. Francis Rectory in Belmond on Monday, April 17, at 3:00 o'clock p. m.

They were attended by Miss Lyna Pierce, a sister of the bride, and Mr. Leo Porter, of Clarion. Following the ceremony, a wedding dinner was served at the bride's home, after which the couple departed on a short honeymoon trip. They will be at home to their friends at Clarion after May 1.

The bride is a graduate of the Belmond high school, and of the Dramatic Art course at Mt. St. Clare College, at Clinton. She is a very charming young lady of many accomplishments.

Mr. Beckett is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beckett, of Clarion, and was born and raised in that community. He attended Clarion high school, and is a veteran of the World War. For several years he has been assistant to County Engineer Hilton.

The friends in Belmond, with whom the Independent takes pleasure in joining, extend their congratulations and best wishes.

OLAF NEWS

(Held over from last week)

Mrs. Geo. Baxter accompanied her grandmother, Mrs. John Windecker, to her home in Iowa Falls, Monday night, returning Tuesday morning.

It seems that work is very scarce in southern Iowa, as several from that vicinity have been here looking for work.

The Ladies Aid will hold their next meeting with Mrs. G. Halverson, April 26, instead of April 19.

Orpha Anderson, wife and baby were over Sunday visitors with relatives in Belmond.

S. O. Windecker came home from Iowa Falls, last Monday. He had been there on a business mission.

Mrs Guy Barton has been on the sick list, having had a siege of the flu.

Mr. Moe and a gang of tilers were in our burg Monday looking for a boarding place.

Gertie Delger is helping Mrs. S. O. Windecker with her housecleaning.

Clarence Scott and wife spent Sunday in Belmond.

We understand that Henry Anderson has secured contracts for a large acreage of beets in our community.

Arthur Olson has been enjoying a visit from his cousin, Herchel Nelson, of Fort Dodge.

Chas Baxter spent Easter at the Geo. Baxter home.

With farmers busy in the field, and their wives busy at housecleaning, news is scarce.

Ole Scott came out from Belmond to help with the farm work last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson will entertain the 500 club this week, Thursday.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn.
Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.
R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.
E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.
JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.
HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.
H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.
Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.
F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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IOWA PRESS ASSOCIATION

"BEG YONR PARDON"

The Humboldt Republican last week carried a "Beg your pardon" paragraph, and explained a recent editorial headed "Rats in Business." Seems that the competitor in Humboldt, or another print shop anyway, took the exception to the remarks, and acquired the idea that he was being called a rat. Probably didn't want to get in danger during the rat killing crusade. We can't see this beg your pardon idea on such writings. Now matter what is printed, somebody is going to take exception to it, and if a newspaper apologised every time someone did get huffy, the sheets would be nothing but "beg your pardons." In case of error it is different, but as for apologising for your viewpoints—"Rats."

It's a poor stick of a man who hasn't a few ideas and opinions of his own, and a still poorer one who hasn't the back bone to express them. Any man endeavoring to run a newspaper must necessarily have more or less ideas which he will express, as to the welfare of his community, the actions therein, improvements, needs, and the hundred and one other things which call for discussion. If he is to apologise for them, beg pardon for expressing them, and crawl on his knees in abject submission whenever an exception is taken to his views, he'd better get into something else; he hasn't the nerve to be in the public eye. And we're not slamming the Humboldt Republican either, and won't apologise should they take exception to these remarks.

When a newspaper makes a wrong statement, which may do harm or injury to any person, a "beg your pardon" should be given. And newspapers make mistakes—lots of them—We've made 'em too. A correction in such cases is right and ought to be made. But as for letting someone else dictate your opinions and expressions—if you aren't running your own business, say so and let someone else take the grief.

ANOTHER ORDINANCE

If Belmond, this summer, is to be what some folks appear to want it to be, we suggest that the new city administration pass another ordinance extending the city limits to take in the cemetery, and have the name of the town changed to Franklin Grove. Instead of the bus, have a hearse meet the trains. Let the undertakers extend the hand of welcome to strangers; and rather than sound the fire siren every noon, toll a bell. We believe in having things appropriate, and if the town exists as some would have it, these things will certainly be most appropriate.

Remove the electroliers, and in their place put tombstones. Run a long black ribbon to the top of the flag pole, that the world may have open evidence of our mourning. A row of cold, gray marble will be more appropriate than a White Way, and the American flag should never wave over a dead community. Let the Chamber of Commerce appoint a committee to place wreaths every Saturday night on the stones, and have the Good Fellowhhip meetings changed to funeral services. Fire the street commissioner and marshall, and hire another sexton. Get rid of the night watch—ghosts need no watching, fires will come later. Look at the money to be saved in lights and officials and improvements.

If the patrons of the bootleggers were given the same medicine by the courts as the bootleggers themselves get, prohibition would prohibit still more strongly.

The school board seems to have got in dutch with some Irish teachers—and some who aren't Irish.

Perhaps the lawmakers and enforcers think that the patron gets his in the stuff he buys. Some of them do, at any rate.

Another good thing about these radiophones, if you happen to cut in on a speech that proves to be dry, you can be cut out again. It has advantages.

A lot of folks who are weilding their hammers would make more noise by blowing their horns.

A scientific expedition is going to South America in search of a prehistoric monster reputed to be existing in the wilds there. It wasn't ho very long ago that worse looking specimens than this were seen in many small villages in America—B. P. A mighty hunter by the name of Volstead, however, seems to have killed most of them here.

BEAR BABIES TO GRAVES

When this photograph was taken in the province of Samara in the famine-stricken Volga valley of Russia, an effort was made to bury the dead. Children and their parents now are dying at such a rate, and the ground is frozen so hard, that burials are unknown. Bodies are stacked up like cordwood, after first being stripped of their clothes. The American Committee for Russian Famine Relief, 405 Steinway building, Chicago, and various other relief organizations are appealing for funds to relieve the catastrophe in Russia, which threatens to take a toll of life as great as the black death did in the Fourteenth century.

IOWA FARMERS DONATION TO NEAR EAST RELIEF MOVING TO SEABOARD THIS WEEK

The following letter received at Near East Relief Headquarters in Des Moines throws light on the enormous amount of foodstuff required to supply the needs of the orphans under the care of this organization in Armenia, Syria and Southern Russia.

Dear Mr. Montanus:

Simply as in indication of what is going on in many parts of the United States you will be interested to know that last week our Committees on the Pacfic Coast shipped contributed food stuffs to Armenia as follows:

332	Tons from Seattle
620	Tons from San Francisco
225	Tons from Los Angeles
1,177	Total

In addition to the above we have approximately 6,000 tons of supplies stored free of charge in government warehouses in Houston, New Orleans, Charleston and Brooklyn, and have under charter a steamer that will pick up 4,000 tons of these supplies, landing them at Batoum at $12.50 per ton for ocean freight, or total cost of probably less than 1c per pound for food supplies delivered in Batoum. We also have 24 carloads of free government hospital and medical supplies valued at about $200,000 from Fort Sill and Camp Jackson now enroute to the seaboard. We have this week, assurance of one shipload of 6,000 tons of corn from the government Russian appropriation, to be delivered at Batoum making a total of over 13,000 tons of food supplies now on the high seas or at seaboard ready for shipment.

Sincerely yours,
C. V. Vickrey,
General Secretary

The above, according to a statement given out by C. A. Montanus State Director, will be supplement by at least 50 tons of hominy grit, corn meal and other corn foods now being ground in Iowa mills. This corn was donated by Iowa farmers during the last two of three months and will be carried free of charge by the railroads to the seaboard before April 15th. While this all seems to be an enormous amount of food stuff it will not even be sufficient for one month for the feeding of the thousands of orphans in the orphanages and the thousands of refugees cared for by the soup kitchens and bread lines.

GET YOUR FINE JOB PRINTIN AT THE INDEPENDENT OFFICE

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CLIPPINGS

About 10 o'clock last Wednesday night the fire whistle aroused the natives, says the Renwick Times. It was a stormy night and on account of the Woodman initiation and a feed a large number of homes had been left unguarded. At the sound of the whistle anxious mothers hurried home while the male population swarmed like bees to the fire station. A number of the fireman were attending the Woodmen doings and almost started a panic when they rushed from the hall. At the plant it was found that Bob Swanson had thoughtlessly pulled the rope to see what would happen. He found out a little later when a warrant was issued for his arrest and he was taken before Mayor Friday who required him to appear in court the following morning at which time he was adjudged debtor to the town in the amount of $42.50. The fine was really $20.00 and costs but Mr. Swanson was also called upon to pay another $20.00 which the town is required to pay the fire team for answering a call.

The needless blowing of the fire whistle is a very serious matter and could result in serious injury or possibly the loss of many lives in more ways than one. A person must be careful in playing jokes on the public; sometimes it turns out all right, and then again it may come high.

Dr. Parsons and family of Belmond spent Sunday with Klemme friends. —Times.

Harold Gruetzmacher and wife of Belmond spent Sunday with his folks here, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gruetzmacher. Harold and wife are both teaching in the Belmond schools this year. Harold informs us that he has accepted the job of leading the band at Belmond for the summer.—Times.

Aletha and Arwilda Fobes spent last week in Belmond with the M. O. Crawford family.—Monitor.

The Misses Glenna Gruetzmacher and Sarah Smith visited at the Harold Gruetzmacher home at Belmond last night.—Times.

Autoists are certainly enjoying the paved roads to the east. The busses between here and Mason City are making the trips every day, but at Nora Springs they have been having trouble. There is a strip of two or three miles at Nora Springs where there is no paving and the busses have been going to the point where the paving stops, and here a big dray team has been hauling the loads across. Sunday one of the busses tried to go through, and before they got far from the paving they were suck so tight that it took four hours to get them out. The busses are a big convenience to many, but it is not wise to leave the paving in one of them at this time.—Garner Signal.

Mrs. Lillie Pierce enjoyed a visit from her daughter, Miss Nellie Pierce of Marshalltown last week.—Goldfield Chronicle.

Our town was without a mayor for a part of the day Friday. W. S. Prichard went to Belmond on the noon train, returning in the afternoon.—Garner Leader.

Vern Sharpe, of Belmond, and Miss Myrtle Gladys Rubendall, of Dows, were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage last Wednesday afternoon, April 5th, Rev. W. G. Crowder officiating. The young couple will make their home at Belmond.—Hampton Chronicle.

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Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Seed Corn Being Tested

Farmers are beginning to heed the note of warning which was sounded by the Ames Experiment Station regarding the low vitality of the seed corn in certain sections of the state as a result of the dry rot mould which seems to have affected this seed corn in many sections.

The county agent originally planned to test five samples of seed corn from each township, but as it stands at present as high as fifteen to twenty samples have been sent from some of the townships for a report on the germinating qualities of the corn. The test is being made on the samples this week and results of the test will be sent to individual farmers who contributed samples of corn to the county-wide test.

Feeding Little Chicks

Excellent results can be obtained by keeping buttermilk or clabbered skim milk before the little chicks from the time they are first placed around the brooder until they are a least four weeks old—and longer if you can obtain the milk. During this period the chicks will thrive better without any water to drink.

After the chicks are forty-eight to sixty hours old fine scratch feed can be fed. This can either be a good grade of commercial chick feed or a homemade mixture of equal parts by weight of rolled oats, corn cracked fine, and cracked wheat. This scratch feed can be fed five times a day for the first day or two—giving the chicks all they will eat up readily each time.

Then a dry mash can be placed before the chicks, made up in these proportions: 3 lbs wheat bran, 2 lbs. corn meal, 1 lb dried buttermilk, ½ lb. bone meal, ¼ lb. charcoal.

The charcoal may be omitted after the chicks are two weeks old. If the chicks do not eat the hash readily, it can be fed once or twice a day moistened with buttermilk.

Treatment for Seed Potatoes

Treat Seed Before Cutting

Hot solution—add two pints formaldehyde to each thirty gallons of water. Heat to 122 degrees F. and soak seed two minutes. Cover one hour and dry. The treatment can be carried out by using a large tank and steam to heat the solution. For use where large quantities are to be treated.

Cold solution—add one pint formaldehyde to thirty gallons of water. Soak the seed two hours and dry.

Urge Repeal Cummins-Esch Law

Absolute and unqualified repeal of the obnoxious Section 15-A of the Cummins-Esch law was urged by official representatives of eight middle-West Farm Buureau Federations in conference at St. Paul, March 11. The solution reads:

"We, the officers of the State Farm Bureau Federation of Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Illinois and Michigan, assembled in St. Paul, March 11, 1922, in accordance with resolutions adopted at our respective annual state meetings, urge the immediate repeal of Section 15-A of the Transportation Act in its entirety, and urge the restoration of the full powers of the State Railway Commissions as they existed prior to federal control of the railroads. We, therefore, instruct Mr. Cunningham to read this resolution into the records of the committee."

The resolution was signed by C. W. Hunt, President of the Iowa Federation; S. H. Thompson, vice president of the Illinois Agricultural association; J. F. Reed, President of the Minnesota Federation; H. Georgeson, president of the North Dakota Federation; J. H. Norton, president Nebraska Federation; A. H. Stafford, president Montana Federation; Geo. Starring, president South Dakota Federation; J. I. Nichol, president Michigan Federation.

Will Open Selling Agency Soon

Arrangements will soon be completed for opening the doors of the Producers' Livestock Commission association in Chicago. In matters of control, operation, etc., this selling agency will be indentical in character with the commission concern opened at St. Louis the first of the year, and which has enjoyed such success.

Early in March a meeting was held in Chicago, and the following men were chosen as directors for the Chicago agency: J. W. Crabb and W. B. Elliot of Illinois; Geo. McKerrow, of Wisconsin; A. Sykes, Martin Sar and Frank Coyne, of Iowa. These men will name still another to act as director number seven, preferably some man from the northwest, in order to represent the stockmen of that section.

The directors named met in Chicago March 24-25 and organized for business. A. Skyes was elected president; Mr. McKerrow vice president and Mr. Crabb chosen to act as secretary-treasurer. Many applications for positions of manager and salesmen for the new firm were received all of which were placed on file for future action. The directors realized that much depends upon the man chosen to manage the undertaking, and expect to give this phrase of the work very careful consideration before announcing a decision, especially since the man they decide on will have to meet the approval of the official board on the National Livestock Producers' association.

President Sykes was instructed to cooperate with Mr. Simpson the temporary manager of the National Livestock Producers' association, and to proceed at once to make the necessary arrangements toward securing office room, yard space, etc., at the stock yards. There is much to be done. It was expected that the new concern would be able to get under way about the first of April, and is now announced; but various matters coming up made it necessary to postpone the opening date to the last of May or the first of June.

Corn Borer Warning and Quarantine

Whereas, it has been found that a dangerous insect pest known as the European corn borer (Pyrausta nubilalis) infests certain area in the eastern part of the United States and in Ontario, Canada, and,

Whereas, this insect, wherever it becomes established, causes great damage to corn and other plants such as are grown extensively in Iowa, and,

Whereas, the spread of this insect is rapid and its eradication is extremely difficult and it easily might be introduced into Iowa by shipments of seed corn or certain plants from infested areas.

Now, therefore, I. F. A. Fenton, acting state entomologist,

(By virture of the power and authority in me vested by the provision of the Iowa crop pest law, as amended by the Thirty-eighth General Assembly;

Hereby give notice to all persons within the state of Iowa that the above mentioned European corn borer does exist and constitutes a dangerous crop pest and it easily may be carried into the State of Iowa on seed corn or certain plants, and to protect the corn crop of Iowa and other crops grown on the farms and in the gardens of Iowa;

It is hereby ordered that no person, firm, or corporation shall receive, ship or accept for shipment, transport, sell or offer for sale, give away, deliver, plant, or permit to exist on his or its premises: (1) Corn and broom corn (including all parts of the stock) all sorghums, sudan grass, celery, green beans in pod, beets with tops, spinach, rhubarb, oat and rye straw as such or when using as packing, cut flowers or entire plants of chrysanthemums,, aster, cosmos, zennia, hollyhocks, and cut flowers or entire plants of gladiolas, and dahlia, except the bulbs thereof, without stem, from infested areas in Massachusetts and New Hampshire;

(2) Corn and broom corn (including parts of the stalk,) all sorghums, and sudan grass from infested areas in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan,

Provided, that plants or plant products covered by this quarantine may be admitted to the state of Iowa when they shall have been manufactured or processed in such a manner as to eliminate risk of carriage of the European corn borer; or have (b) a permit from the United States Department of Agriculture and certified to be free from the European corn borer, and are contained in a car, box, bale or other container to which is attached (a) a certificate showing that the contents, or the premises or districts from which they came, have been inspected by the United States Department of Agriculture and found to be free from European corn borer infestation; or (b)permit from the United States Department of Agriculture showing that they are originated outside the infested area.

Provided, further that whenever future amendments are made by the United States Department of Agriculture to regulation three of federal horlcultural quarantine, number 43, defining the area infested with the European corn borer, this quarantine shall govern and apply to shipments from the area so defined.

Done in the City of Des Moines, Iowa, this 21st day of March, 1922
--F. A. Fenton, Acting State Entomologist

Approved:
N. E. Kendall, Governor.

The Bode Bugle was very short of news matter last week, because of lack of electric current with which to operate the typesetting machinery. Editor Miller, of Livermore, was also seriously inconvenienced and the editors state that if they said exactly what they thought of the situation, it would not look good in print.

RUSSIAN HORRORS INCREASING WITH SPRING

Chicago—Reports from the famine region in Russia, reaching the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief, 405 Steinway building, Chicago, state that the horror in the Volga valley has been increasing with the spring thaws.

As the snow melts, countless bodies are being uncovered. Decomposition has set in and the dangers of a sweeping epidemic are increased, due to the inability of the survivors to bury the bodies fast enough.

The crisis in the famine will be reached in a few weeks, reports indicate. Cannibalism is becoming more common in the province of Samara, the district served by the American Friends Service committee, better known as the Quakers.

News dispatches from Deretoice, Poland, quote Anna Nikiforoff, a school teacher from Samara, who recently escaped from Russia.

"I come from the village of Dosnaya-Neutchica, what is known as the 'dark village,' because of the intense ignorance of the people," she said. "Cannibalism is no secret there nor in the surrounding district.

"Grass roots, old skins and ground bones have gone,, and it is a question of cannibalism or death. It you were there you would understand.

"In the neighboring village of Slavnitza, through which I passed in leaving Russia, a peasant woman told me three of her eight children had died and to save the survivors she fed them with the dead.

"The government is doing its best to check cannibalism and tries to bury the dead, but in the country, where every other edible thing is gone, it is impossible to prevent it."

Officers of the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief denounced politicians responsible for the circulation of false reports that there is no longer need of feeding the starving in Russia.

THE HOME MAN

"Tied to his wife's apron strings," is what the gang said of a certain citizen, who was seen walking down the street pushing the baby cab the other evening.

There has ever been a spirit of contempt in the manner in which the "home man" is regarded by some of his acquaintances, and there is an underlying vein of sarcasm in the comments of some as they refer in withering scorn to those of their fellow men who are perhaps in every way their moral and intellectual superiors.

The "home man" is the good man, and the more time he spends at home with his family after his day's work is done, the more it is to his credit and eternal happiness. The gay fellow who spends his time away from home as much as possible with a coterie of equally gay associates, lives the foolish life of the butterfly, which is devoid of benefit to himself or anybody else, and which, when it has been lived, has made no one any better.

The "home man" who spends his leisure at home with his wife and little ones, or, if he is unmarried with his mother and sisters, is the sensible man, the man for whom life holds something broader and better than the shams and so-called pleasures of a butterfly existence.—Exchange.

THE DAIRY-MAID

"Have you seen my calves?" said a
fair milkmaid.
To her neighbor's bashful son;
"They are large and nice and round
and plump;
You should see them ev'ry one!"

The embarrased youth to the maid
replied,
"I have seen but half of them;
You might show us all of your nice,
plump calves
If your skirt you would but hem!
—Amelia Murdock Wing.

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Three Friendly Gentlemen
TURKISH
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In a new package that fits the pocket—
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The same unmatched blend of
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Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, APRIL 20, 1922. No 7.

Hogs are bristling up again.

The price on Deering Standard twine is much lower now than it has been in over five years. Right now the difference in price between the best and the poorest twine is a mighty small item. Yet the difference in quality is just as great as ever. Do not experiment with poor or low-grade twine. Order your twine now—from us.

STANDARD
DEERING

Be firm in the belief that every one's goodness outshines his faults.

You would think that work was an automobile by the way some people try to dodge it.

We still have a good supply of garden seeds and onion sets.

DO THE JOB RIGHT

The most important machine used in raising corn is the corn planter. No other machine should be brought with greater care or used with greater confidence. On it depends the possibility of growing maximum yields. Good planting means an even stand, and an even stand is essential to a bumper crop. Avoid missing hills, scant hills, and cracked seed by using a Hayes or International corn planter. Let us show you these planters—you'll like them.

A great, great deal has been said about the weather, but very little has ever been done.

The watch word of the day is SPEED in getting the crops planted on time. This has been a late spring and a number of our friends have been buying new equipment to help speed up their work. The latest is Mr. W. D. Schlieffarth, one of Belmond township's progressive farmers who has just purchased an E-B 12-20 tractor. This is the second one of these tractors he has purchased. The next time you are in Walt's neighborhood stop in and look over his complete line of power farm equipment.

Be a promoter of smiles and cheerfulness, and declare dividends of brotherly love and good will.

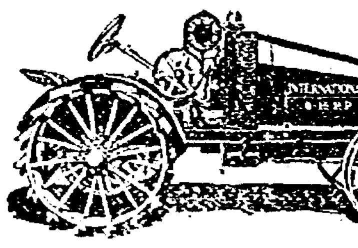
Don't forget that we sell the Minnesota paints—Murphy's varnishes and Johnson's wax for that job of Clean Up and Paint Up.

Are you boosting the Sugar Factory?

Don't forget to test that seed corn. Your county agent will help you.

ACT QUICKLY

Only a few weeks more—until May 1st—and then the free plow offer with each Titan 10-20 and International 8-16 tractor will be a thing of the past. We have no assurance that this offer will be extended by the Harvester Company, consequently you should act quickly



and take advantage of this opportunity. See us the next time you are in town. If you have a suitable plow we will give you instead—free an International leverless tractor disk harrow. Both tractors are complete with platform, fenders, lugs, brakes, belt pulley and governor.

A BLESSING

The following card of thanks recently appeared in a Kansas paper:

"I wish to thank the city authorities for quarantining my family and me for three weeks recently because one of them had small-pox. During that time my wife caught up with her sewing; we had three square meals a day, as no one came in and she was not premitted to leave; we enjoyed three weeks of good night's sleep; and best of all, a cousin with four children had arranged to visit us, saw the smallpox sign on the door, and left town so scared she will never come back again. So for these and other blessings we are very thankful for the quarantine."

ON THE SQUARE

Charles Van Housen

When the hard gruelling contest is
ended,
And the ozone is full of the cries
Of the guys in the stand who beat
the glad hand
As the judges award you the prize,
While you push out your chest proud
and peppy
In the glow of the spotlight's
bright glare—
If they knew every play that you
made, would they say
"He won—and he won on the
square?"

And what hap if it be your ill for-
tune
To stand with the guys who have
lost
And to struggle like sin to stage a
brave grin
As you figure just all that it cost?
Won't it lighten the pain of your
losing
And make it far easier to bear
If you truly can say, as you check
every play;
"I lost—but I lost on the square?"

There are plays the best referee
misses,
In spite of the best he can do.
If the dust of the flight keeps you
out of his sight
And he can't keep his peepers on
you!
Ah, its then comes the test of your
honor!
It's the test that no other can share!
God grant you may say at the end
of the play
"I played—and I played on the
square!"

Old sport!—in this battle called
"living,"
What matter the praise or the
blame?
Keep your eyes on the prize that's
awarded the guys
Who are true to the rules of the
game!
It's a prize of a conscience unsullied
And a record that's spotless and
fair!
So here's to the toast: "Be it ever our
boast—
Win or lose—but we play on the
square!"

THE HUMBOLDT CREAMFRY IN ADV. CAMPAIGN

Republican: In this issue on page seven, is an adv. for the Humboldt Creamery Co. which has adopted new methods that allows it to pay three cents more for butter fat than it has been able to pay in the past. It explains this new method on page seven, and will follow this adv. with a campaign that will tell the public some of the things they ought to know.

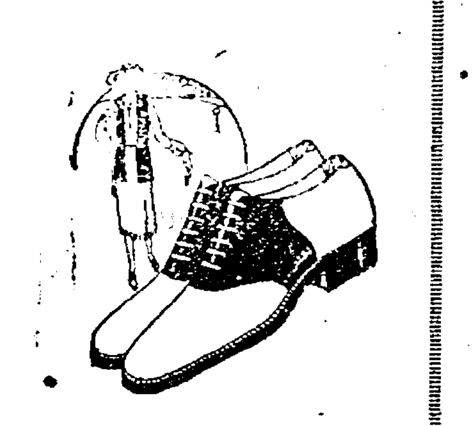
This company is working into a vaulable and permanent trade, and believes in publicity to get its side of every question before the people. Such things work for a better understanding between the buyers and the sellers, and make better business in the long run.

Walter C. Ramsey, secretary of state, ought not have any opposition for re-nomination to that office, but two inferior applicants are said to be out after the job. It is said that the public would always receive better public service if it appreciated the work done by those who render real service. Here is a good chance for the public to make good with themselves. Walt Ramsey, who has held the office of secretary of state one term should have been accorded a re-nomination by acclamation. He has more than earned the good will of the public by his superior administration of the affairs of that office. His home is at Belmond, and Franklin county folks feel a very kindly interest in their Wright county neighbors anyway.—Chronicle.

A base ball league of amateur teams is proposed, and it is declared that Humboldt is in it. The West Bend Journal states that the league is composed of teams from Fort Dodge, Humboldt, West Bend, that Palmer, Gilmore, Traer and Thor, with the three other teams.

Base ball will be played on Sundays as league games, and the teams will play for themselves on week days. It will be allowable for the teams to hire a battery but the balance of the team must be composed of home players. It is stated that the season will start April 30. It is hoped that the towns can get together on teams that will not prove a disgrace to the communities they represent. The home boys are all right, but some of the professionals that are imported are not fit to represent any town.—Humboldt Republican.

READ THE ADS



Sport Oxfords

Smoked Elk, patent trimmed Oxfords are all the go for sport and street wear. Here's a real one for

$7.50

Woodruff's
"Good Shoes"
115 N. Federal
Mason City, Iowa

Visit Our Economy Basement It'll pay you

Cream & Eggs
Wanted!!
We Pay Cash

Joe S. White

BELMOND, IOWA
Phone 272

LOCAL BUYER FOR
E. B. HIGLEY & CO.
MASON CITY, IOWA

Fill Your Cistern

By letting me repair the eave troughs, or placing new ones before the spring rains come. Don't wait until the last minute--we may be too busy then---do it now. Leave orders at Johnson & Wright's store.

W. J. PECH
Res. Phone 229

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm

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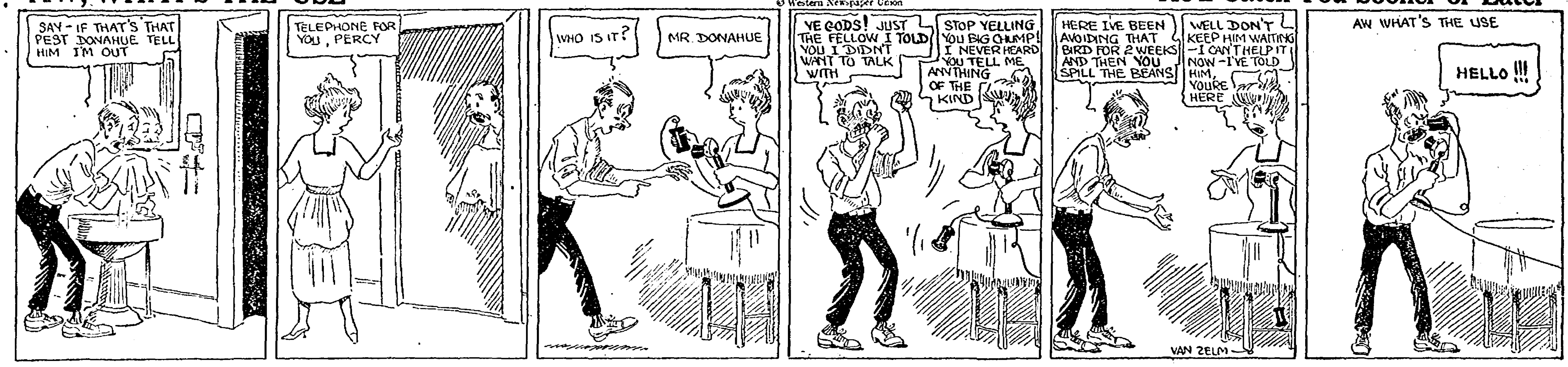
He'll Catch You Sooner or Later

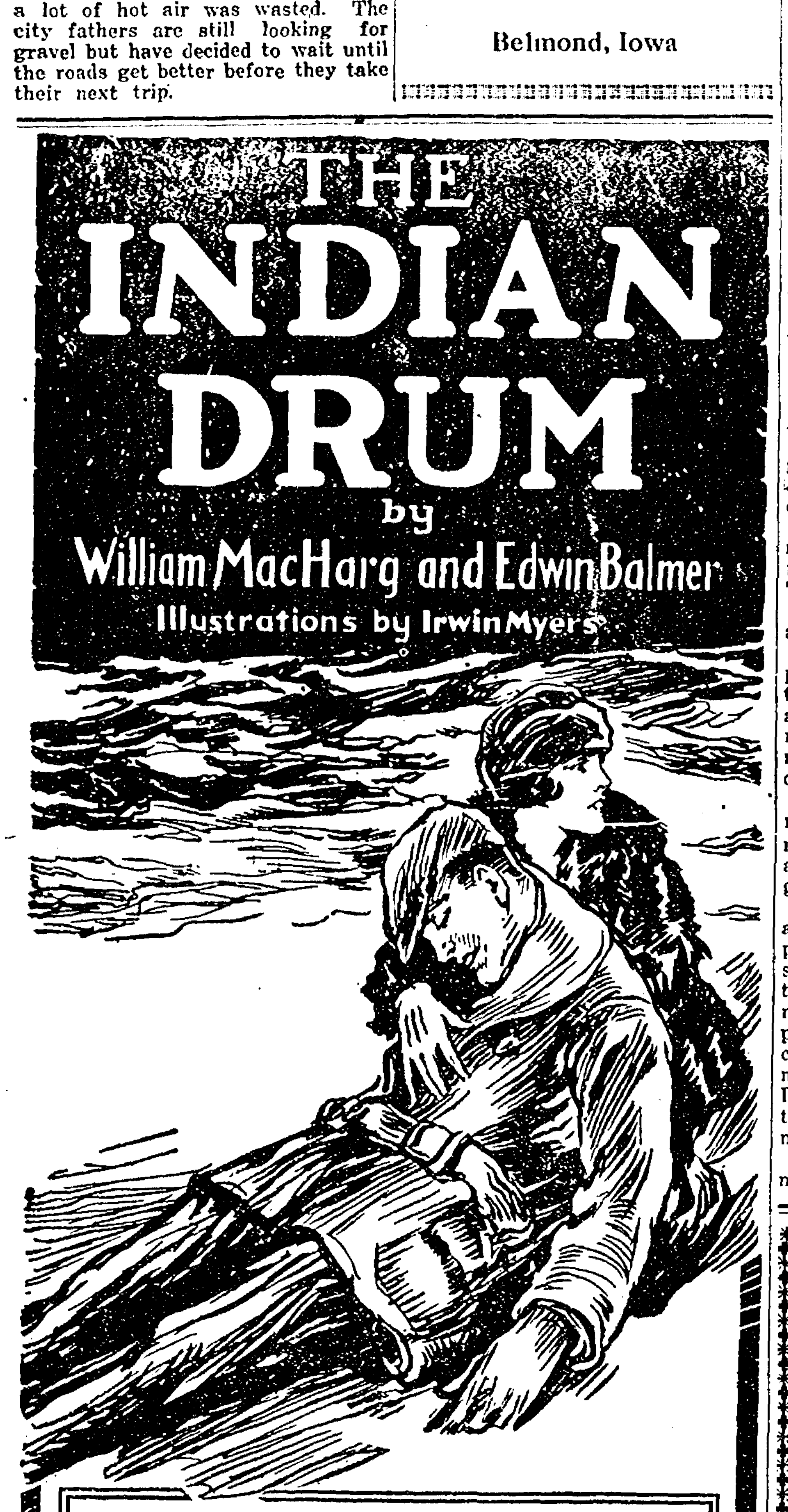

SAY - IF THAT'S THAT PEST DONAHUE TELL HIM I'M OUT
TELEPHONE FOR YOU, PERCY
WHO IS IT?
MR. DONAHUE
YE GODS! JUST THE FELLOW I TOLD YOU I DIDN'T WANT TO TALK WITH
STOP YELLING YOU BIG CHUMP! I NEVER HEARD YOU TELL ME ANYTHING OF THE KIND
HERE I'VE BEEN AVOIDING THAT BIRD FOR 2 WEEKS AND THEN YOU SPILL THE BEANS
WELL DON'T KEEP HIM WAITING - I CAN'T HELP IT NOW - I'VE TOLD HIM, YOU'RE HERE
AW WHAT'S THE USE
HELLO !!!
VAN ZELM

The city fathers were out looking for gravel one day last week. Their auto became stalled in the mud, so all lent a helping hand in putting sticks, posts, broken tile etc under the wheels, some of which were not entirely buried. One of the Wisner twp. fathers was quite angry about it, but nothing was done except that a lot of hot air was wasted. The city fathers are still looking for gravel but have decided to wait until the roads get better before they take their next trip.

White Buys

EGGS

Belmond, Iowa


THE
INDIAN
DRUM
by
William MacHarg and Edwin Balmer
Illustrations by Irwin Myers

NEAR the northern end of Lake Michigan, where ore-carriers and wheat-laden steel freighters from Lake Superior push out from the Straits of Mackinac and dispute the island divided channel with white and gold, electric lighted, wireless equipped passenger steamers bound for Detroit and other cities, there is a copse of pine and hemlock back from the shingly beach. From this copse—dark, blue, primeval, silent at most times as when the Great Manitou ruled his inland waters—there comes during storms a sound like the booming of an Indian drum. This drum beats, so tradition has long maintained, whenever the lake takes a life.

Men say they have heard and counted the beatings to the exact number of crew and passengers lost in various sinkings of ships. Once only, it is said, has the drum counted wrong.

This belief in the drum and a case in which the beatings failed to tally with the records of men, forms the basis for an absolutely fascinating story of mystery, to be printed as a serial in these columns.

You Will Be Delighted With It

SCHOOL NOTES

The three lower rooms gave an Easter program in the Methodist church last Friday afternoon. The several numbers were well rendered.

Miss Thomas has been absent the past week, owing to a bad case of quinsy. The case was taken to the Park Hospital last Friday. She is improving rapidly and is expected home sometime this week.

The class sermon and service will be given at the Evangelical church Sunday evening May 21.

It will be a union service, Rev. Schlesselman and his choir having charge of the services and Rev. Pankuk will give the sermon.

Commencement for the Seniors will be Tuesday evening May, 23. Rev. Robert L. Stewart of Spencer will deliver the address.

Mrs. Muller and Mr. Ruigh will have charge of most of the music.

The Seniors class play will be given Friday evening May 19. The Junior class play will be given Fridey evening May 5.

The eighth grade will have a class night for their commencement, Wednesday evening May 24 or possibly Thursday May 25.

The Seniors will hold a class night, and give a program to suit.

Our next tests will be final and pupils who lose a day every now and then cannot expect to pass grades as the regulars. Promotions are not made on examination alone. They must have good attendance, good class records, and good deportment.

County Supt. Newcomb has arranged for our base ball team to meet the Plymouth team on field day at Mason City for a championship game.

Friday April 28 will be observed as Arbor Day. All who are in sympathy with beautifying the city and school grounds are cordially invited to come and help plant a tree on the new school grounds. Trees will be planted in honor of classes, leading citizens, the Legion boys and great men. Let us make this an Arbor Day in earnest. If we all get the true idea it will be of good. Why not make one hundred trees.

The trees will be planted so as not to interfere with a new building and under the direction of the Board and with a view of landscape.

An appropriate program will be given at 1 p. m. and the afternoon to planting trees.

Bring a tree, plant a tree or dig a hole, or boost.

TEN YEARS AGO

Policital Candidates

Garfield E. Breese
Wiley S. Rankin
D. D. Fuller
Bessie Nelson
Geo. E. Frost
Ed. Fitzgerald
Ed. F. Cornell
C. T. Benson
J. A. Moore
Milton J. Gibson
Authur Pickford
C. F. Crane
J. C. Bucanan
John Lock

8 cars of cattle shipped to Chicago, last Saturday.

Statement of Farmers Savings Bank shows total rescources of $98,292.41.

A. B. Hunkins was in town representing the Globe Gazette. (Where was Phillips?)

HIS NAME WAS IRISH BUT HE WAS DUTCH

Oh Paddy dear, and did you hear
The latest news what am?
They say that Micheal Fleming
Was born in Amsterdam!

We thought he was an Irishman,
He always posed as such;
But now this "Son of Erin's Isle"
Confesses he is dutch!

It's the toughest proposition
The world has ever seen,
To think that we should see the Dutch
A wearing of the green!

We'll have to grin and bear it,
But is was an awful blow;
They'll soon be raising sauerkraut
Where shamrocks used to grow!
—Exchange

Don't Keep Your Money

In the House

Put it in the

Bank

When your money is BURNED up regrets won't bring it back to you. It is very unsafe and it WORRIES you a whole lot to have money in your house or in a hole in the ground. Besides "looking" time after time to see if it is safe teaches people where it is and makes it very UNSAFE

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
MESERVEY, IOWA

NOTICE

Bids will be received by Town Council for dragging streets and roads for season of 1922. Bids should state one or all of te following propositions: flat rate each dragging, rate per mile, price per hour.

Bids will close April 24, 1922.

Right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Frank Haferman,
Town Clerk.

To Buy Fair Grounds

A movement was started last week with the view of organizing a stock company for the purpose of owning the fair grounds, not for fair purposes necessarily, but as a park and athletic grounds. If Clarion is ever to have such a tract of grund something must be done about it at once. Afer being out an hour or so the committee found twenty men and firms willing to back the project to the extent of $100 and only a portion of the town was canvassed. Those who favored the project were: H. H. Fritze, Mike Mariga, O. P. Morton, John Lynch, W. F. Smith, Chas. McDonald, James Russel, J. H. Sams, G. E. Linebarger, W. K. Roosevelt, F. S. Thornley, F. P. Wilson, H. M. Stanbery, Chas. Shupe, T. R. Hood., Stark Bros., Burt Harwood, Crowe & Sons, Jesse Smith & Son, A. H. Ziegler. Many others are known to favor the proposition.

(Held over from last week.)

J. G. Herbster is the new school Superintendent of Schools for the coming year.

News is scarce this week but we have plenty of mud.

REFORMED AID SOCIETY

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Thursday P. M. at the church basement. The number of 14 being present. Refreshments were served by Miss Tillie Pals.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. Carl Engeseth was in Belmond last Wednesday on business.

Amos Hanson took his mother to Belmond Wednesday forenoon of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Graeber were in Belmond last week shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson, Miss Selma Sandberg and Amos Hanson autoed to Belmond last Wednesday evening.

Miss Alva came home Monday evening.

Mr. O. Sandberg and son, Carl drove to Belmond Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gail McNutt came down from Fort Dodge Saturday to spend Easter with her parents.

Mrs. Africa and son, James of Kanawha visited at the T. R. Burgass home on Sunday last.

Mrs. W. F. Beier was in Belmond last Friday doing some Easter buying.

Mrs. H. T. Miller and son, John were in Belmond last Friday shopping.

Amos Hanson's mother who resides at Hartland Minnesota returned to her home last Friday.

Sunday Miss Thelma Carpenter visited at the Sandberg home.

Monday a number of farmers turned out to help Henry Christensen put in his oats. Henry has had more than his portion of hard luck this spring. Both he and Mrs. Christensen had the flu and now Mrs. Christensen is very sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. John Saxome was a Belmond caller on Monday.

Mr. Frank McNulty and daughter Mamie are in Chicago at this time. Mr. McNulty is taking further treatment.

Mrs. Earl Clark visited relatives in Meservey last week.

Mrs. Blanch Reed was in Belmond shopping on Monday.

On Easter Sunday the Catholics had service in their new church. They will have a fine church when completed.

Mrs. Hermon Cunningham is at Boone, Iowa visiting relatives.

Obituary of William F. Nolte

William F. Nolte second son of the late Charles and Hannah Nolte was born at Lyons, Wayne county N. Y., on January 12, 1865 being 57 years and three months old at the time of his death, which occured at Cherokee.

Mr. Nolte was married on July 31, 1890 to Nora Clark who died in 1917. To their union were born two sons; Clark W. and Charles F., the former living at Clear Lake and the latter at Mason City.

Mr. Nolte leaves to mourn his death his two sons and nine brothers; Charles F. of Algona, George H. of Minneapolis, Edward H. of Kenosha, Wisc., Frank, Fred, John, Albert, Julius and Earnest who reside in and around Goodell.

George and Edward were not present at the funeral.

The funeral was conducted from the U. B. church by Rev. Miller on Friday at 3:30.

Progressive Club

The April meeting of the North Avery Progressive club met Friday evening at the home of Thomas Nelson Jr. The meeting was called to order by the President, J. J. Cook. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Arnold, secy. After the general business meeting, Mrs. Sherwood, chairman of the entertainment committee had charge of the program which was opened by Scripture reading and song in memory of the Crucifixion.

J. J. Cook gave an interesting talk on selection of the seed potatoes. C. E Arnold spoke on the importance of spraying the fruit trees.

Mrs. J. J. Cook gave a piano solo for the closing number.

Refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held at the home of C. E. Arnold, May 26th.

LAND VALUES

We often hear the question asked "what is land worth?" and the question is answered by giving the selling price. Many believe this governs or answers the question. This, however, is not correct; the value of land can only be figured by taking into consideration what the land will produce and what such products will total when turned into dollars. To this should be added the value of what it is worth to have a home of your own, which you can improve according to your own ideas.

In the year 1881 a 236 acre farm adjoining town was sold for $1183.00, but the land was allowed to go back to the former owner. The new owner believed that it was not worth the price paid.

About 25 years ago a certain 120 acre tract was purchased for $35.00 per acre, by a man who held it for a few years and allowed it to go back to the former owner—taking the stand that he was not going to work for interest all his life. Two years ago this same man purchased the same tract for $200.00 per acre. Now he says it is not worth it. How does he know? He failed to know what the value was 25 years ago. 40 years ago the first man did not know the value of the 236 acre farm. How does it come that people know more now about land values than they did 25 and 40 years ago? They don't.

Some of those with bolshevik tendancies claim land is not worth $50.00 per acre. How do they know? They don't. It is true that land sells for much less in Russia, but who wants to go to Russia?

No one is able to predict what the value of our land will be in the future; the price that the farmer receives for his products and more bushels per acre, are the factors that will govern.

The prophets of 2000 years ago were more accurate than they are now so lets forget about being so positive about things that are to happen. Two years ago Liberty bonds sold as low as $87.00; today all issues are near par or above. The fact is we don't know.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. B. Boelman and daughter, Rena were shoppers at Mason City Wednesday.

Mrs. A. E. Muller and son, Donald were at Mason City Wednesday on business and also on shopping matters.

Mr. Fred Arnold of Klemme was here Tuesday of last week on business matters.

Mrs. Earl Clark of Goodell visited at the C. E. Brogan home last week.

Mrs. S. Faaburg was a shopper at Manson City Wednesday.

Mrs. F. Bonte and Miss Jennie Ostendorf were Mason City shoppers Thursday.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and brother, Walter Witt were Mason City callers Thursday.

The motor passengers to Mason City Saturday were Walter Witt, E. G. Thomas and F. A. Lemke.

Miss Alma Ralston was a shopper at Mason City Saturday and also visiting Viola Thomas at the hospital.

Harry T. Smith was a business caller at Mason City Friday.

Mrs. Harm Dirks and son, Henry were at Mason City Thursday visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital who is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mr. Joe Smith was a caller at Mason City Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendell took their daughter, Francis to the Park hospital at Mason City on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. F. Ralston was a shopper at Mason City Friday.

FOR SALE—Rose and single comb Rhode Island eggs for hatching. Fertility guaranteed.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

Miss Viola Thomas who has been suffering from an attack of quincey the past week left Friday for the hospital at Mason city where she will have her throat treated. She was accompanied by her mother.

Miss Gertie Pals was at Belmond Saturday having dental work done.

Al Rooks was at Mason City Friday taking treatments.

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs 75 cents per setting, 4.50 per 100. Excellent layers—Mrs. Jno. H. Wenzel, Meservey, Iowa.

J. C. Robinson Atty. from Mason City was in town last week on legal business.

A. A. Sifert and wife were shoppers at Mason City Saturday.

J. R. Schmidt and family spent the day Sunday at the Ralph Schmidt home near Alexander.

Miss Janet Lauen who has for the past two weeks been assisting Mrs. Wilkins with the general housework near Goodell returned home Sunday.

Miss Dora Jacobs spent the week end at her home near Belmond.

Mrs. Hiko Kuhlers and daughters, Reka and Lena were shoppers at Mason City Saturday.

Miss King and Little Mildred Wendell were at Mason City Saturday visiting Francis Wendel at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ruiter are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy born on Saturday April 15h.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Wendel and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wendel motored to Mason City on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clause Gruis are the happy parents of a baby girl born last week Thursday.

Mrs. Hans Barkema returned home Monday from Rochester, Minn., where she spent Sunday visiting her brother at the hospital, who is as well as could be expected.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday with her parents at Belmond.

G. E. Reacker and wife and daughter, Jannette left Sunday for Waverly for a short visit at the H. Reacker home.

Harold Blewitt and family spent the day Sunday at Thornton visiting at the T. Blewitt home.

Henry Lubke of Fort Dodge was here in town on Monday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartly Blewitt and son of Thornton visited at the J. Hartfelder home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs A. E. Muller, A. J. Nissen, M. L. Metcalf and Mr. Peterson motored to Mason City Monday on business matters.

Mrs. E. Clark and little son of Goodell who have been visiting at the C. E. Brogan home returned to their home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh and the Misses Grace Pals and Jennie Meinderts motored to Mason City on Tuesday.

W. M. S. MEET

The Women's Missionary Society met Thursday p. m. at the Mrs. Aug. Guth home. A fairly good number were present. The afternoon was spent in discussing the 1st chapter of the new study book. A very enjoyable time is reported.

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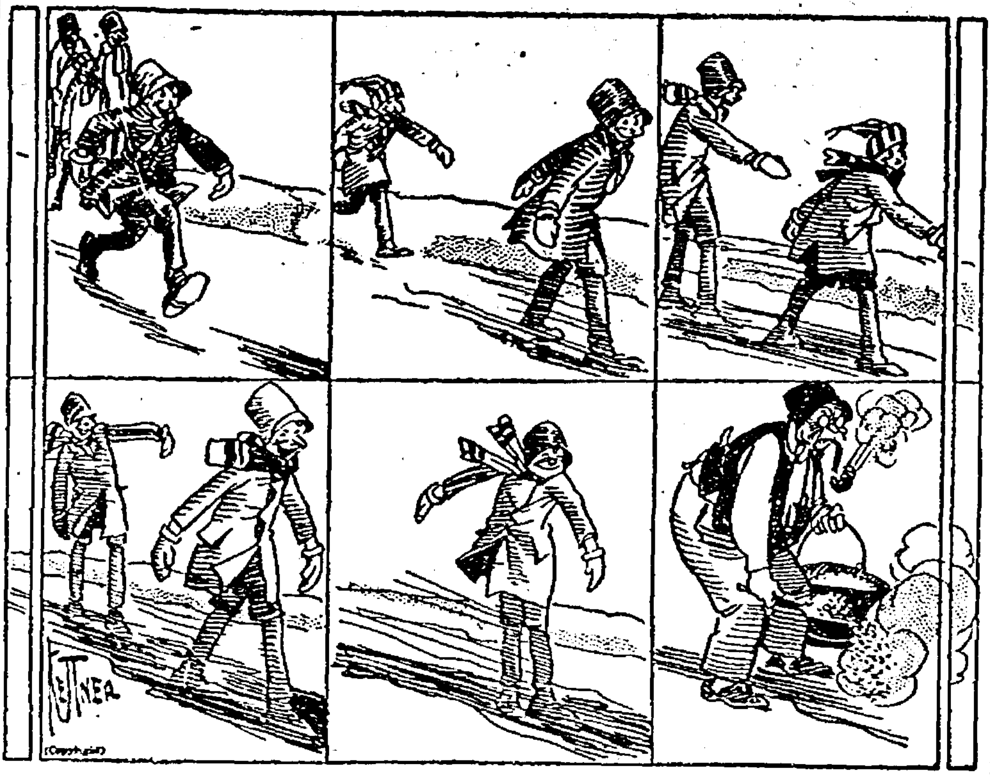

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

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Sunday School 9:30
Services 10:30
Young Peoples 7:15
Services (German) 8:00
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Rev. H. Pannkuk Pastor

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Last week the section gangs and bridge and carpenter crews of the Great Western were notified that Hecker Construction Co. would hereafer employ all men in their departments. Effective April 1st the wages of section men were reduced from 37½ cents per hour or $18.00 for an eight hour per day week to 27½ cents or $16.50 per week of ten hour days. We understand practically all of the men have quit their jobs and that men from all creation are being shipped in to take their place. Such wages may be all right for Mexican labor, but it is hard to figure out how an American citizen can support his family in the ordinary necessities of life life and have anything left for the provebial rainy day. Why pick on the man already at the bottom? Why not begin higher up? Maybe this is the first step.

NOTICE

Bycicle riding and wagon coasting on all sidewalks in any part of the city, strictly forbidden.

By Order of The Council
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For first class cleaning and pressing, repairing and cutting over. The New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28. F. J. Tuffree.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson of near Klemme spent Sunday at the Mrs. H. Meinderts home.

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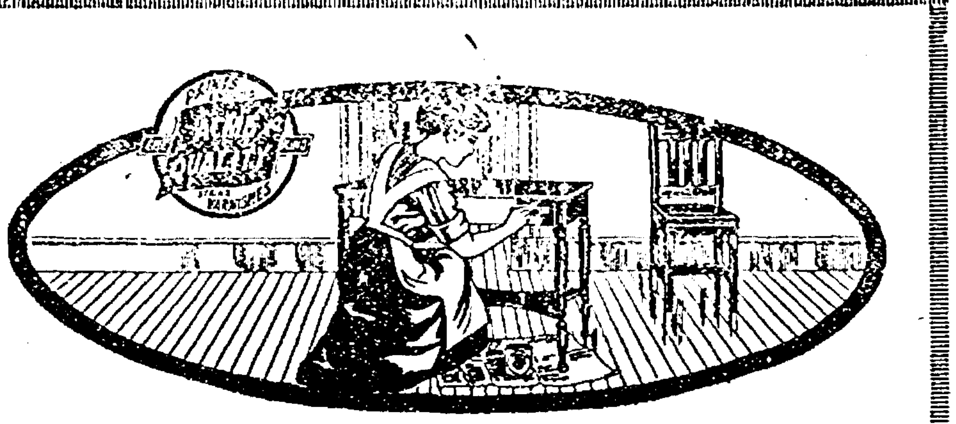

Saturday, April 22

we will have a paint expert at our store to demonstrate Acme Quality Paints, and to answer any questions in regard to painting of any kind. Anyone thinking of doing any painting will be well paid by giving our store a visit on the above date.

Yours to clean up and paint up.

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

John F. Bell was a business caller at Latimer last Friday.

Miss Anna Beenen was an over Sunday guest with friends at Hampton.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer visited with relatives at Sheffield the last of the week.

Misses Edna and Hazel Arends were callers at Belmond between trains last Saturday.

Mrs. William Aldinger of Hampton visited with relatives at this place last Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Larsen and Miss Nellie Bell were shoppers at Belmond last Thursday.

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D. O. Strain of Dows was a business caller in this vicinity the last of the week.

Peter Bohlen has been on the sick list the past week.

Miss Anna Beenen was a caller at Belmond one day last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Mohr and son, Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Murphy and son, Charles and Fred Dunn were callers at Mason City last Saturday.

Carl Griemann was an over Sunday visitor with friends at Hampton.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson spent the week end at their home at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder visited relatives at Hampton several days the past week.

G. S. Yaw and Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls spent Sunday with friends and relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Finkle and daughter, Leona of Hampton were visitors at the Nels Larsen home last Sunday.

Mrs. Kate Starkey visited with her brother, at Hampton the past week.

Mrs. Grover Arends and little daughter left Sunday for Iowa Falls where she will spend a few days visiting with her mother.

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL

Next Sunday April 23rd we will hold our services in the English language, beginning at 2:00 o'clock Examination, Confirmation and Lord's supper will take place at this time. Everybody welcome.

C. J. Barth, Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

Next Sunday we have Sunday school at 2 o'clock. Preaching at 3 o'clock. We had a fine time Easter and a large crowd out. After the program Rev. Wilkinson gave a fine illustration, with his sermon on the Resurrection of our Lord.

SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. Olani Peterson, a senior student from St. Olaf's College, visited our school last Tuesday. Mr. Peterson was the guest of his friend, Mr. Merle Hansen, during his brief stay here.

Those in charge of the school plays to be given in the near future, report excellent progress is being made. The high school play is 'Deacon Dubb.' The eighth graders put on "A Treasure from Egypt."

Miss Henrietta Pals of the seventh grade, while out walking last Sunday afternoon, received a badly sprained ankle. The injury was quite painful but fortunately not serious enough to interfere with her school work.

Last week's rainy weather and resultant bottomless roads, surely tried the patience of the drivers and the endurance of their teams. Fortunately they pulled through and school was permitted to continue. We hope the worst is past.

Just four weeks of school remains. What are you going to do for the youngsters during vacation? They would do well to join a Poultry club in order to consume their surplus energy in a useful and constructive manner. We have the enrollment cards and a list of pure bred poultry breeders from whom you may obtain eggs of your choice. Better hurry remember young chicks should have a good start before the first of June.

Examinations were given last Thursday and Friday. The reports as a whole were very satisfactory. Several pupils whose marks were bordering along the danger line, raised their grades to a position of apparent safety.

Several of the teachers spent the week end out of town. Miss Eickmeyer visited at her home in Sheffield. Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson were Mason City callers.

The seventh grade Home Economics girls treated their brethren in the wood working department to samples of their skill in the culinary art. This occured last Thursday afternoon. The boys wish to thank the girls hrough the medium of this column and also to announce that further advances along this line are welcome.

The movies for next Tuesday night, April 25th are "Through Life's Window" illustrating animated drawings, workings of the human eye, cause correction of eye defects, "In the Glory of the Past," a scenic taken in Mexico, and a comedy. We shall endeavor to put on at least two extra films at each of the remaining shows. Our first trial for the extra reels, will be on Tuesday April 18th. An extra admittance charge will be necessary in order to defray the extra expense. Your patronage is necessary to insure a continuance of the extras.

The Health Day program will be given on the evening of May 8th. This will consist of a program put on by the school, several movie films and a lecture. Admission free.

WATCH BIDDY'S RATIONS

That the breeding flock requires a ration which will furnish a full supply of egg producing materials but which will not force production or lay on excess of fat.

Unless the litter is deep and exercise stimulated, whole corn should not be fed too freely. "Cracked corn makes the hens work more and wheat and barley are less fattening in their nature. When hens take on excess fat it is manifest in the hard mass which may be felt in the abdominal region. Breeders require green for best results. When shut out from the range they should have grass and clover substitutes such as sprouted oats, cabbage leaves, roots, soaked alfalfa chaff, etc.

In cold weather water should be warmed and if the birds appear constipated epsom salts may be added to it. If a physic is needed a better method would be to dissolve the salts in warm water and mix up a mash with it. It is always advisable to supply gravel or grit of some sort for grinding material, as well as oyster shell and charcoal. These may be mixed together and fed in a hopper or in an open box.

War Declared on Rats

Citizens of Wright county have declared war on one of the most dangerous pests that we have—rats. The county farm bureau in cooperation with the various commerical clubs of the county is conducting a campaign against this pest which causes a loss of thousands of dollars in the state every year in various ways.

Boys! Get your guns, your rat traps and other instruments of death because the fight is on. Wright county has declared war against the rats of the county and the boy who can bring the highest number of rat tails to the county agent by May 20th, will be entitled to a liberal prize which is being arranged.

Boys, here's your chance to earn some easy money so get your ammunition and go after the rats. Remember anything is fair in war and you are allowed to use any means you see fit to kill the rats. All that is required is that you take the rat tails to the county agent's office at the end of each week. Now is the time to start. The contest is on and the date for the close of the contest has been set for May 20th.

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5 lbs Black Tea - -	$2.00	Corn Flakes, 2 large boxes -	25c
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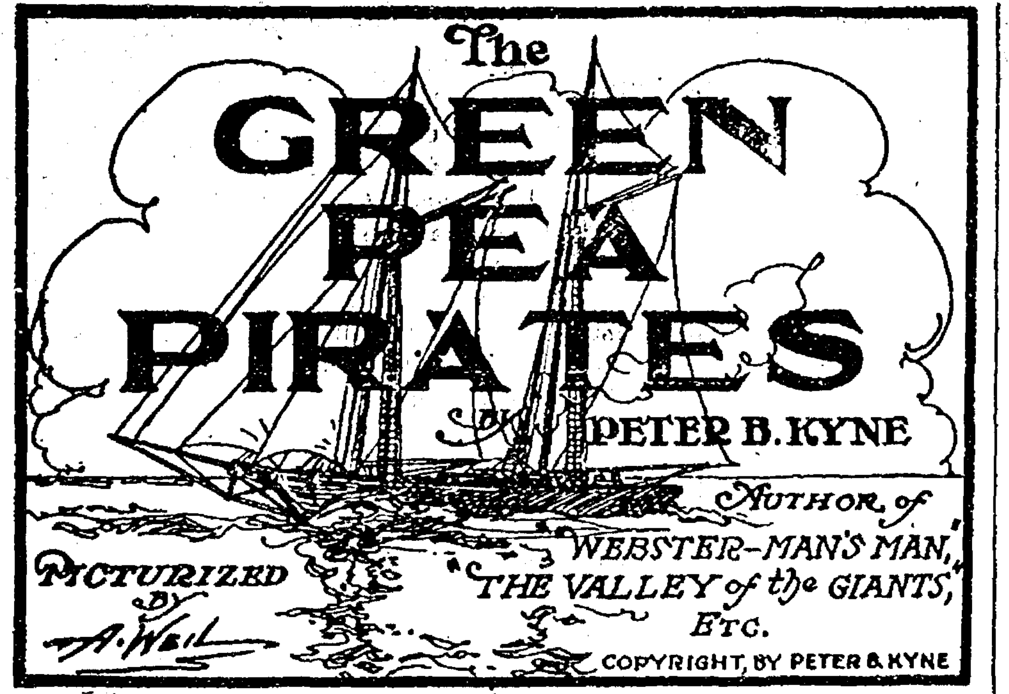


SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I. — Captain Phineas P. Scraggs has grown up around the docks of San Francisco, and from mess boy on a river steamer, risen to the ownership of the steamer Maggie. Since each annual inspection promised to be the last of the old weatherbeaten vessel, Scraggs naturally has some difficulty in securing a crew. When the story opens, Adelbert P. Gibney, likable but erratic, a man whom nobody but Scraggs would hire, is skipper, Neils Halvorsen, a solemn Swede, constitutes the fo'castle hands, and Bart McGuffey, a wastrel of the Gibney type, reigns in the engine room.

CHAPTER II.—With this motley crew and his ancient vessel, Captain Scraggs is engaged in freighting garden truck from Halfmoon bay to San Francisco. The inevitable happens, the Maggie going ashore in a fog.

CHAPTER III.—A passing vessel hailing the wreck, Mr. Gibney gets word to a towing company in San Francisco that the ship ashore is the Yankee Prince, with promise of a rich salvage. Two tugs succeed in pulling the Maggie into deep water, and she slips her tow lines and gets away in the fog.

CHAPTER IV.—Furious at the deception practised on them, Captains Hicks and Flaherty, commanding the two tugboats, ascertain the identity of the "Yankee Prince" and, fearing ridicule should the facts become known along the water front, determine on personal vengeance. Their hostile visit to the Maggie results in Captain Scraggs promising to get a new boiler and make needed repairs to the steamer.

CHAPTER V.—Scraggs refuses to fulfill his promises and Gibney and McGuffey "strike." With marvelous luck, Scraggs ships a fresh crew. At the end of a few days of wild conviviality Gibney and McGuffey are stranded and seek their old positions on the Maggie. They are hostilely received, but remain. On their way to San Francisco they sight a derelict and Gibney and McGuffey swim to it.

CHAPTER VI.—The derelict proves to be the Chesapeake, richly laden, its entire crew stricken with scurvy. Scraggs attempts to tow her in, but the Maggie is unequal to the task and Gibney and McGuffey, alone, sail the ship to San Francisco, their salvage money amounting to $1,000 apiece.

CHAPTER VII.—Independently rich, our two adventurers still have a kindly feeling for the Maggie, and, his crew having deserted him, Captain Scraggs induces them to return. At an "old horse" sale the three purchase two mysterious boxes which they believe to contain smuggled "Oriental goods." They find, instead, two dead Chinamen.

CHAPTER VIII.—Scraggs seeks to "double cross" his two associates, but Mr. Gibney outwits him and makes a satisfactory financial settlement with the Chinese company to whom the bodies have been consigned, leaving Scraggs out in the cold.

CHAPTER IX.—Gibney resents McGuffey's action in lending money to Scraggs without consulting him, and after a terrific wordy combat the three separate, McGuffey becoming assistant engineer on an oil tanker, Gibney disappearing, and Scraggs, forced to lay up the Maggie, takes a subordinate position on a ferry steamer. Senor Lopez, Mexican revolutionist, makes Scraggs a generous offer for transportation of munitions to Lower California. Scraggs accepts, and the old Maggie is once more put into commission. Arriving at his destination, Scraggs finds his old companion, Mr. Gibney, is the consignee. Time having softened animosities, the reunion is joyful. Gibney plans to steal the ammunition and convey it to revolutionists in Colombia. On their way they are attacked by a Mexican gunboat, which they capture, though the Maggie is damaged so that it has to be destroyed. On the gunboat, to which they transfer, they find their old friend McGuffey acting as engineer.

CHAPTER X.—Our three adventurers form a "syndicate," with the gunboat, which they have renamed the Maggie II, as their base of operations. They sail for the South Sea islands, where they plan to obtain valuable black coral.

CHAPTER XI.—Going ashore with supposedly friendly natives, Gibney and Scraggs are taken prisoners, to be held for a cannibal feast.

CHAPTER XII.—McGuffey, believing his friends to have been killed, shells the island. Gibney and Scraggs escape, and reach the ship with two prisoners, the king of the island and his "prime minister." Utilizing the blacks as divers, the "syndicate" collects a valuable cargo of black coral and sails for home. With the double idea of punishing the cannibals for their treachery and having some fun with Scraggs, who is not fond of a fight, Gibney and McGuffey arrange a fistic combat with the prisoners, Gibney to fight one and Scraggs the other. The five land on a desert island, and while they are engaged in the fistic fun the steamer sails, leaving the five marooned.

CHAPTER XIII.—When the ship arrives in Honolulu, Neils Halvorsen, former member of the Maggie's crew, suspects foul play and, seizing the vessel while the white crew is ashore, obtains a crew of natives and sets out to find the owners, guided only by information he obtains from the ship's log. He reaches the island just in time to save the lives of his old friends.

CHAPTER XIV.—In reward for his services, Neils Halvorsen is made a member of the "syndicate." At Honolulu the cargo is sold for a large sum and the owners of the Maggie II, fearing the Mexican government might cause trouble over the captured gunboat, present the vessel to the treacherous mate who had left them marooned on the island. In San Francisco the corporation plans the management of its wealth. Gibney purchases a derelict which turns out to be loaded with codfish, seemingly worthless, and resenting the bitter criticism of his associates for wasting their money, that gentleman resigns from the "syndicate." He and Halvorsen join hands and McGuffey and Scraggs, in partnership, purchase a small schooner, the Victor, planning to engage in coastwise trade. Gibney makes a contract with Scraggs to ship five hundred tons of "agricultural stuff" on the Victor. The "agricultural stuff" turns out to be the codfish, which by this time is an advanced stage of decay, and the shipment naturally would make the Victor worthless for passenger service, which the owners had planned. After natural acrimonious exchange of personalities, Mr. Gibney relents and releases the owners of the Victor from their contract. Scraggs, however, refuses to be pacified and withdraws from the "syndicate," announcing his intention of engaging in "chicken farming." With McGuffey and Halvorsen, Gibney purchases a power schooner and the three sail for the South seas, presumably to engage in occupations dear to their adventurous souls.

"Turnin' farmer, Gib?"

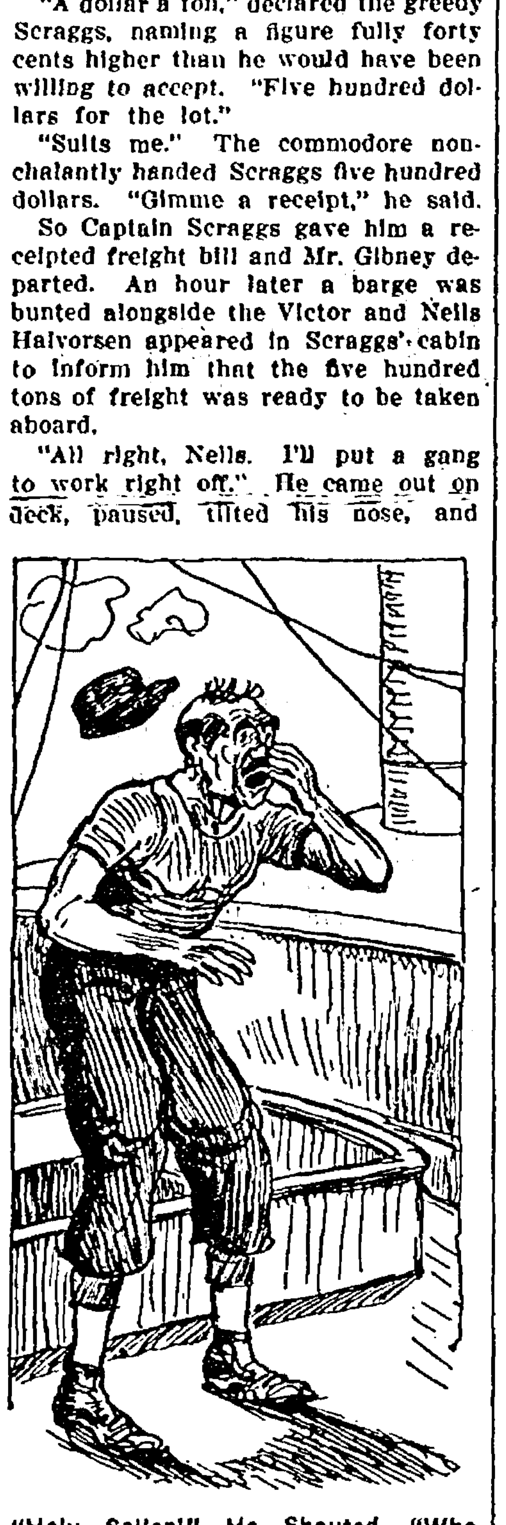
"Thinkin' about it a little," the commodore admitted. "What's your rate on this freight? It ain't perishable, so get down to brass tacks."

"A dollar a ton," declared the greedy Scraggs, naming a figure fully forty cents higher than he would have been willing to accept. "Five hundred dollars for the lot."

"Suits me." The commodore nonchalantly handed Scraggs five hundred dollars. "Gimme a receipt," he said.

So Captain Scraggs gave him a receipted freight bill and Mr. Gibney departed. An hour later a barge was bunted alongside the Victor and Neils Halvorsen appeared in Scraggs' cabin to inform him that the five hundred tons of freight was ready to be taken aboard.

"All right, Neils. I'll put a gang to work right off." He came out on deck, paused, tilted his nose, and sniffed. He was still sniffing when McGuffey bounced up out of the engine room.



"Holy Sailor!" He Shouted. "Who Uncorked That Atter o' Violets?"

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"You dog-gone squarehead," shrieked Captain Scraggs. "You been monkeyin' around that codfish again."

"What smells?" demanded the mate, poking his nose out of his room.

"That tainted wealth I picked up at sea," shouted a voice from the dock, and turning, Scraggs and McGuffey observed Mr. Gibney standing on a stringer smiling at them.

"Gib, my dear boy," quavered Captain Scraggs, "you can't mean to say you've unloaded them gosh-awful codfish—"

"No, not yet—but soon, Scraggsy, old tarpot."

Captain Scraggs was on the verge of tears. "But, Gib! My dear boy! This freight'll foul the Victor up for a month o' Fridays—an' I just took out a passenger license!"

"I'm sorry, Scraggsy, but business is business. You've took my money an' you got to perform."

"You lied to me. You said it was agricultural stuff an' I thought it was plows an' harrers an' sich—"

"It's fertilizer—an' if that ain't agricultural stuff I hope my teeth may drop out an' roll in the ocean. An' it ain't perishable. It perished long ago. I ain't deceived you. An' if you don't like the scent o' dead codfish on your decks, you can swab 'em down with Florida water for a month."

Captain Scraggs' mate came around the corner of the house and addressed himself to Captain Scraggs.

"You can give me my time, sir. I'm a steamboat mate, not a grave digger or a coroner's assistant, or an undertaker, an' I can't stand to handle this here freight."

Mr. McGuffey tossed his silken engineer's cap over to Scraggs.

"Hop on that, Scraggsy. Your own hat is ground to powder. Ain't it strange, Gib, what little imagination Scraggsy's got? He'll stand there a-screamin' an' a-cussin' an' a-prancin'—Scraggsy! Ain't you got no pride, makin' such a spectacle o' yourself? We don't have to handle this freight o' Gib's at all. We'll just hook onto that barge an' tow it up river."

"You won't do nothin' o' the sort, Mac, because that's my barge an' I ain't a-goin' to let it out o' my sight. I've delivered my freight alongside your steamer and prepaid the freight an' it's up to you to handle it."

"Gib!"

"That's the programme!"

"Adelbert," crooned Mr. McGuffy, "ain't you got no heart? You know I got a half interest in the Victor—"

"O-oo-oh!" Captain Scraggs groaned, and his groan was that of a seasick passenger. When he could look up again his face was ghastly with misery.

"Gib," he pleaded sadly, "you got us where the hair is short. Don't invoke the law an' make us handle that codfish, Gib! It ain't right. Gimme leave to tow that barge—anything to keep your freight off the Victor, an' we'll pull it up river for you—"

"Be a good feller, Gib. You usen'ter be hard an' spiteful like that," urged McGuffey.

"I'll tow the barge free," wailed Scraggs.

Mr. Gibney sat calmly down on the stringer and lit a cigar. Nature had blessed him with a strong constitution amidships and the contiguity of his tainted fortune bothered him but little. He squinted over the tip of the cigar at Captain Scraggs.

"You're just the same old Scraggsy you was in the green-pea trade. All you need is a ring in yer nose, Scraggsy, to make you a human hog. Here you goes to work an' soaks me a dollar a ton when you'd be tickled to death to do the job for half o' that, an' then you got the gall to stand there appealin' to my friendship! So you'll tow the barge up free, eh? Well, just to make the transaction legal, I'll give you a dollar for the job an' let you have the barge. Skip to it, Scraggsy, an' draw up a new bill, guaranteein' to tow the barge for one dollar. Then gimme back $499.00 an' I'll hand you back this receipted freight bill."

Captain Scraggs darted into his cabin, dashed off the necessary document, and returning to the deck, presented it, together with the requisite refund, to Mr. Gibney, who, in the meantime, had come aboard.

"Whatever are you a-goin' to do with this awful codfish, Gib?" he demanded.

Mr. Gibney cocked his hat over one ear and blew a cloud of smoke in the skipper's face.

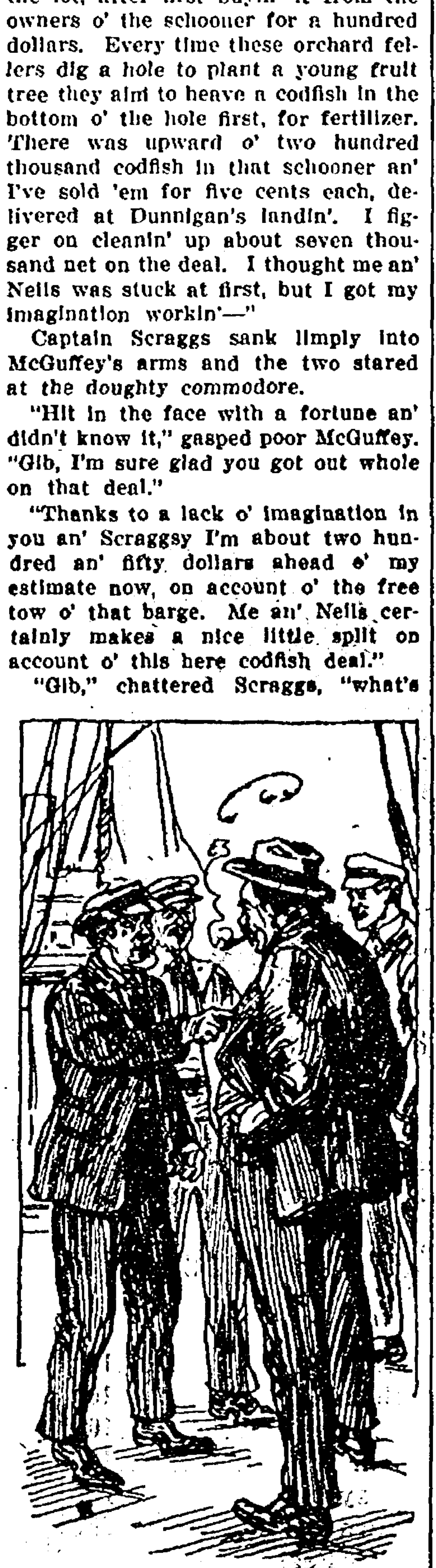
"Well, boys, I'll tell you. Salted codfish that's been under water a long time gets most o' the salt took out of it, an' even at sea, if it's left long enough, it'll get so darned ripe that it's what you might call offensive. But it makes good fertilizer. There ain't nothin' in the world to equal codfish, medium ripe, for fertilizer. I've rigged up a deal with a orchard comp'ny that's layin' out a couple o' thousand acres o' young trees up in the delta lands o' the Secramento. I've sold 'em the lot, after first buyin' it from the owners o' the schooner for a hundred dollars. Every time these orchard fellers dig a hole to plant a young fruit tree they aim to heave a codfish in the bottom o' the hole first, for fertilizer. There was upward o' two hundred thousand codfish in that schooner an' I've sold 'em for five cents each, delivered at Dunnigan's landin'. I figger on cleanin' up about seven thousand net on the deal. I thought me an' Neils was stuck at first, but I got my imagination workin'—"

Captain Scraggs sank limply into McGuffey's arms and the two stared at the doughty commodore.

"Hit in the face with a fortune an' didn't know it," gasped poor McGuffey. "Gib, I'm sure glad you got out whole on that deal."

"Thanks to a lack o' imagination in you an' Scraggsy I'm about two hundred an' fifty dollars ahead o' my estimate now, on account o' the free tow o' that barge. Me an' Neils certainly makes a nice little split on account o' this here codfish deal."

"Gib," chattered Scraggs, "what's the matter with reorganizin' the syndicate?"



"Gib," Chattered Scraggs, "What's the Matter With Reorganizin' the Syndicate?"

"Be a good feller, Adelbert," pleaded McGuffey.

Mr. Gibney was never so vulnerable as when one he really loved called him by his Christian name. He drew an arm across the shoulders of McGuffey and Scraggs, while Neils Halvorsen stood by, his yellow fangs flashing with pleasure under his walrus mustache.

"Scraggsy! Mac! Your fins! We'll reorganize the syndicate, an' the minute me an' Neils finds ourselves with a bill o' sale for a one-quarter interest in the Victor, based on the actual cost price, we'll tow this here barge—"

"An' split the profits on the codfish?" Scraggs queried eagerly.

"Certainly not. Me an' Neils splits that fifty-fifty. A quarter o' them profits is too high a price to pay for your friendship, Scraggsy, old deceitful. Remember, I made that profit after you an' Mac had pulled out o' the syndicate."

"That's logic," McGuffey declared.

"It's highway robbery," Scraggs snarled. "I won't sell no quarter interest to you or The Squarehead, Gib Not on them terms."

"Then you'll load them codfish aboard, or pay demurrage on that barge for every day they hang around; an' if the board of health condemns 'em an' chucks 'em overboard I'll sue you an' Mac for my lost profits, git a judgment agin you, an' take over the Victor to satisfy the judgment."

"You're a sea lawyer, Gib," Scraggs retorted sarcastically.

"You do what Gib says," McGuffey ordered threateningly. "Remember, I got a half interest in any judgment he gits agin us—an' what's more, I object to them codfish clutterin' up my half interest."

"You bullied me on the old Maggie," Scraggs screeched, "but I won't be bullied no more. If you want to tow that barge, Mac, you buy me out, lock, stock and barrel. An' the price for my half interest is five thousand dollars."

"You've sold something, Scraggsy," Mr. McGuffey flashed back at him, obeying a wink from Mr. Gibney. "An' here's a hundred dollars to bind the bargain. Balance on delivery of proper bill-o'-sale."

While Scraggs was counting the money Mr. Gibney was writing a receipt in his note book. Scraggs, still furious, signed the receipt.

"Now, then, Scraggsy," said Mr. Gibney affably, "hustle up to the custom house, get a formal bill-o'-sale blank, fill her in, an' hustle back agin for your check. An' see to it you don't change your mind, because it won't do you any good. If you don't come through now I can sue you an' force you to."

"Oh! So you're buyin' my interest, eh?".

"Well, I'm lendin' Mac the money, an' I got a hunch he'll sell the interest to me an' Neils without figgerin' on a profit. You're a jarrin' note in the syndicate, Scraggsy, an' I've come to that time o' life where I want peace. An' there won't be no peace on the Victor unless I skipper her."

Captain Scraggs departed to draw up the formal bill of sale and Mr. Gibney, drawing The Squarehead and McGuffey to him, favored each with a searching glance and said:

"Gentlemen, did it ever occur to you that there's money in the chicken business?"

It had! Both McGuffey and Neils admitted it. There are few men in this world who have not, at some period of their lives, held the same view, albeit the majority of those who have endeavored to demonstrate that fact have subsequently changed their minds.

"I thought as much," the commodore grinned. "If I was to let you two out o' my sight for a day you'd both be flat busted the day after. So we won't buy no farm an' go in for chickens. We'll sell the Victor an' buy a little tradin' schooner. Then we'll go back to the South seas an 'earn a legitimate livin'."

"But why'll we sell the Victor?" McGuffey demanded. "Gib, she's a love of a boat."

"Because I've just had a talk with the owners o' the two opposition lines an' they, knowin' me to be chummy with you an' Scraggsy, give me the tip to tell you two that you could have your choice o' two propositions—a rate war or a sale o' the Victor for ten thousand dollars. That gets you out clean an' saves your original capital, an' it gits Scraggsy out the same way, while nettin' me an' Neils five hundred each."

"A rate war would ruin us," McGuffey agreed. "In addition to sourin' Scraggsy's disposition until he wouldn't be fit to live with. Gib, you're a wonder."

"I know it," Mr. Gibney replied.

Within two hours Captain Scraggs' half interest had passed into the hands of McGuffey, and half an hour later the Victor had passed into the hands of the opposition lines, to be operated for the joint profit of the latter. Later in the day all four members of the syndicate met in the Bowhead saloon, where Mr. Gibney explained the deal to Captain Scraggs. The latter was dumfounded.

"You'll run without me, Gib," Scraggs declared emphatically. "I've had a-plenty o' the dark blue for mine. I got a little stake now, so I'm going to look around an' invest in a—"

"A chicken ranch," McGuffey interrupted.

"Right-O, Bart. How'd you guess it?"

"Imagination," quoth McGuffey, tapping his forehead, "imagination, Scraggsy."

Three weeks later Mr. Gibney had purchased, for account of his now abbreviated syndicate, the kind of power schooner he desired, and the inspectors gave him a ticket as master. With The Squarehead as mate and Mr. McGuffey as engineer and general utility man, the little schooner cleared for Pago Pago on a day when Captain Scraggs was too busy buying incubators to come down to the dock and see them off.

And for aught the chronicler of this tale knows to the contrary, the syndicate may be sailing in that self-same schooner to this very day.

[THE END.]

(Continued Next Week)

Rowan Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris, of Thornton spent the latter part of the week in Rowan where they were called by the death of his sister, Mrs. Walter Allen.

A. A. Emerson is on the sick list. James Rowen is carrying mail in his place.

Roy Stout, who has been visiting at the home of his brother, Sim returned to his home in Thornton Monday. He was called home as his son, Ben, was taking his wife to the hospital for an operation.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan, Iowa.

The Young Ladies Mission study club was postponed this week as there was an illustrated lecture at the school house Thursday night, by a Phillipino, who is attending school at Cedar Falls.

Dr. Maker has moved his office from the hotel to the J. F. Howell residence where he will be for the present.

Mrs. A. A. Williams is suffering from an abcess on her neck.

Mrs. Thompson Ross, of Dows attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Walter Allen, Monday.

Charlie Ball spent Sunday in Clarion at the home of his daughter.

Mrs. Mary Williams is back in D. W. Whitten's store. She has been absent quite a while on account of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Farren received the announcement of the marriage of their son Duncan at Los Angeles, Calif. His many friends extend congratulations to him and wish this couple a long happy life together.

Mrs. Joe Thomas is doing jury duty in Clarion this week.

Nels Ericson, of Lake Mills called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham Tuesday. Mr. Ericson worked for Mr. Bingham's father fifty years ago. At that time he had just come from Norway and was unable to speak the American language and was unable to bring his family from there. Now he owns 400 acres of land near Lake Mills.

Amos Cowley was a Garner caller Thursday.

Thad Boyington, of Grover visited at the home of his cousin George Boyington a short time last week enroute home from Alden where he had been attending the funeral of a cousin.

H. M. Robinson was a Mason City caller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller, of Clarion visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Gates Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph were also entertained at the Gates home Sunday.

Mrs. Guy Sheldon was a Fort Dodge caller Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Ballou went to Galt Wednesday to spend over Sunday with friends.

Miss Nellie Hackley returned home Thursday from a few weeks visit at the homes of her sisters at Dows.

Margaret Kieth has been on the sick list the past week.

Chester and Ben Moellering were Belmond callers Friday.

A. E. Emerson was a Belmond caller Saturday.

Mrs. C. L. Lindsey was a Dows shopper Friday.

Mrs. James Maillie and daughter, Helen Elaine, of Oelwien, came Thursday to spend Easter at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. H. Barker. Mr. Maillie and Mrs. Alta Barker spent Sunday there also.

Miss Erma Barker, who is teaching at LaMonte, is spending her vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. H. Barker.

George Wessells was a Meservey caller Friday.

H. J. Whitten was at Clarion on the Grand Jury the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harris, of Des Moines came Friday to Rowan to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Walter Allen.

Mrs. Jens Kjar is quite sick with pneumonia following the flu.

Miss Dorothy Ramsey, of Dows is assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Langdon.

Miss Alma Ramsey, of Dows, spent part of last week at the Hugh Whitten home.

Mrs. Charles Boyington returned last Wednesday from Alden, where she had been attending the funeral of a niece.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lineweaver left Thursday noon for Iowa City, where Mrs Lineweaver will receive treatment. Mrs. Oldham, the nurse, accompanied them.

Miss Grace Kepford, who has been staying with Mrs. J. D. Brooks went home last Thursday.

Mrs. Harm Brinkman and two children, of Latimer, spent Thursday at the home of Mrs. Hannah Whitten.

Word was received last Wednesday from Mrs. Sim Stout, who accompanied Mrs. Roy Stout to Rochester, stating the Mrs. Roy Stout had had her operation and was doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Joe Patton Sr. has been seriously ill with pneumonia but is a little better at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bailey rejoice over the arrival of a baby girl born Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olsen and daughter returned from the west Friday. They report a fine trip and very nice winter.

Donald Farren came from Iowa City, where he is attending school Friday to spend the Easter vacation with his parents and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow, of Goldfield visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Whitten, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder were Belmond callers Friday.

Mrs. Dan Whitten Sr. and Angie Baines went to Clarion Friday. They went from there to Belmond where they heard the Rev. Ludgate in the afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Lineweaver's mother came to care for the family while she is in the hospital at Iowa City,

A nurse from Holmes came Sunday to care for Mrs. Jens Kjar.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box were Dows callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sullivan, of Fort Dodge, visited at the Dan Fletcher home last week returning to their home Friday.

Miss Mildred Azeltine spent the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Azeltine.

The community was shocked at the news of the death of Mrs. Edna Allen daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris of Rowan. Mrs. Allen was living near Bruce, S. Dak. See the obituary. The funeral took place in the Congregational church last Monday.

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

There were exceedingly large congregations in the Methodist church last Sunday. At the morning service there was a reception of members, fourteen new members on profession of faith uniting with the church. In the evening the choir gave a fine sacred concert, rendering parts of two sacred cantatas and other musical selections. The church was beautifully decorated, and the spirit of Easter pervaded the atmosphere of the services. It was a day that will not soon be forgotten.

The pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will speak next Sunday evening on "Social Bees and Butterflies." This will be the third sermon in the series on the problems of young people. The audiences have been large for the first two sermons, and the interest paricularly gratifying to the pastor and church officials.

The pastor of the M. E. church goes to Forest City next week to help with special services.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY ORGANIZED

Monday evening the American Legion entertained the eligible members of an auxiliary, which was organized at this time with twenty charter members. Mrs. Ida Elliot, of Iowa Falls, who is district chairman met with the ladies and explained the work of the auxiliary. The wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of Legion members are eligible to this organization. The boys served a nice lunch which was enjoyed by all. The following officers were elected; Pres., Miss Florence Box; Vice Pres., Mrs. O. F. Braden; Sect. Mrs. H. G. Box; Treas. Mrs. Will Rietz; Historian Mrs. L. A. McCallum; and Chaplain, Mrs. J. F. Howell. We wish to make this a wide awake organization and will need the cooperation of all the eligible members of the community to get the best results.

OBITUARY

Edna May Harris, daughter of Dale E. and Katie L. Harris, was born in Paw Paw, Illinois, October 25, 1884, and died at her home in Bruce, S. Dak. April 13, 1922. She moved to Iowa with her parents in 1886, living in the vicinity of Sheffield and Rowan, until the time of her marriage to Walter F. Allen in January 1919. To this union were born two sons, Roy Franis, and Robert Dale, three weeks old. At an early age she confessed her faith in Christ as her Saviour and later united with the Congregational church at Rowan. Besides her husband and two sons, she leaves her father, Dale E. Harris, one sister, Mrs. Edith Ross, and six brothers, Dan, Ray, Bert, Roland, Cecil and Harry to mourn her loss.

The funeral service was held in the Congregational church, and was one of the most largely attended funerals ever held in Rowan, there being freinds from all parts of the state. The pastor, Rev. Nye conducted the service, while Rev Harold Tomkinson, pastor of the M. E. church, preached the sermon, and paid a high tribute to the worth of Mrs. Allen's character and service. There were many evidences of sorrow among the friends, and many tangible expressions of appreciation of her personality.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes
Sunday April, 23rd.
Rev. W. H. Nye, Pasor

The services will be as usual and special music.

There was a large atendance at the Congregational church Easter Sabbath morning and evening.

The Rev. Tomkinson and Rev. Nye officiated at the funeral service of Mrs. Edna Allen Monday afternoon at the Rowan Congregational church.

White Buys
EGGS

Belmond Local News

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey, where she is stenographer in the bank, to spend the week end with the home folks.

The Belmond high school, and the high school from Goldfield, are planning a track meet for the latter part of this month, to be held in Belmond. The exact date has not yet been set

The Misses Jennie and Ella Gealow were Mason City callers on Thursday of last week.

L. L. Putman left last Wednesday evening for Chicago, where he expects to make his headquarters for some time. Mrs. Putman left Thursday for that place.

"Little Jack" Finn will leave in a few days for Clinton, Iowa, where he has a wrestling match with one Kid Hurley the latter part of this month. Jack wrestled Hurley a few weeks ago, and lost the match. Finn won the first fall, but lost the next two. This time Jack says he is going to be more careful and bring back the bacon to Belmond, where the bacon has rested for many years in the class he wrestles, bantam weight. A number of local wrestling fans are reported as planning to drive to Clinton to take in the affair.

Easter has come and gone—and it didn't rain. Suppose now it won't rain for seven Sundays. If the superstition works one way, it ought to have the reverse gear as well. However, Monday made up for the day before, with rain and snow and a cold, raw wind.

Rev. Ludgate concluded the evangelistic meetings at the Methodist church on Easter Sunday. Large audiences were in attendance during the last couple of weeks. Rev. Ludgate is an exceptional singer and speaker, with a very pleasing personality.

The pictures now running in the Independent of the famine conditions in Russia, are guaranteed to be genuine photographs and events. Literature received by this paper from the Russian Famine Relief committee gives conditions as horrible beyond belief.

Miss Baumgardener accompanied her sister back to Minneapolis to spend the week end with relatives there.

Rev. Wilkinson took an auto load of local Morningside students to Rowan on Monday morning, where they took the train back to Sioux City.

Miss Edna Stedman, one of the teaching force, spent the week end at Charles City.

The Fordson Days held at Hampton and Humboldt recently were huge successes, according to the newspapers there. It is understood that Louie Tokman is considering staging such a day here.

Chas. Peterson, of Hampton, was in town Tuesday of this week, looking after business matters and greeting old friends. Charley was formerly a resident and business man here. He reports the picture business as picking up nicely at Hampton, and considering the way he goes after business it is not to be wondered at. Charley stated that his advertising runs to $300 a month or better the year round.

M. C. Barry was a business caller Monday of this week at Armstrong, Iowa, and several other points adjacent thereto.

Miss Marjorie Purcell, and Miss Clara Johnson, have been elected as teachers in the Duncomb, Iowa, school for the next year.

Saturday Special at Bohning & Co., 2 in 1 shopping bag, 49 cents.

The W. F. M. S. meets today (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. Strieby.

Mrs. W. H. Wolle will be hostess next week Wednesday to the Priscilla club.

Saturday Special at Bohning & Co., 2 in 1 shopping bag, 49 cents.

Win Sands returned Monday of this week from Savanah, Missouri, where he had been the past few weeks taking treatment for a cancer. He is coming along nicely and is again able to be on the job at his barber shop.

The Chain of Ten met at the home of Mrs. Clyde Jennings on Monday of this week.

Clarence Obrecht came down from Thornton last week Thursday, to look after some business matters and visit friends here.

Miss Dora Jacobs, who is teaching at Meservey, spent the week end with relatives in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gealow, of Meservey, spent the week end in Belmond.

Harold Simerson has returned to his duties at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, after a few days visit with his parents here.

The concert given at the high school auditorium Sunday evening by the Orpheus Orchestra, of the Luthern Semenary of St. Paul, was reported very good. A good crowd was in attendance. The Orchestra opened their concert season here. One of the managers was a relative of Rev. Wipperman, of this place.

Foster's Cafe will be closed from the 24th to the 29th of this month, while Mr. Foster makes extensive improvements in the building. He plans to repair, repaint, put down new linoleum, and rearrange the interior of the building. An interesting announcement will be made next week. The Cafe will reopen on Saturday morning, April 29.

Mrs. Wallace Ramsay expects to go to Britt on Thursday morning, to attend the Womens Foreign Missionary district convention to be held at that place on Thursday and Friday.

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Mrs. C. H. Pullin and children were recent visitors at Fort Dodge with Mr. Pullin, who is employed there.

Word was received here by relatives recently, that Albert Wright, a former resident of this place, had suffered a stroke of paralysis at his home in West Cliff, Colorado.

The Misses Luella Christie, Beatrice Leinbach, and Olive Butts returned to Cedar Rapids last week to resume their studies at Coe College. after spending the short vacation with home folks.

The Cemetery Aid Society enjoyed a very prosperous and successful Easter Sale last Saturday, the sale netting the society something around a hundred dollars.

W. A. Parsons was a business caller recently at points in South Dakota.

Miss Mary Foster has resigned her position as stenographer in the State Bank, and left last week for her home at Britt. Miss Adelaide Hauge took her place in the bank here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tyrrell came from Iowa City last week to spend a few days at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell Jr.

Joe Graham was in charge of the baber shop at Goodell last week a few days, during the absence of the proprietor.

H. F. Luick made a trip to Lorimer, Iowa, last week, to investigate the standing and ability of a school superintendent there who, is is understood, had applied here. It is understood that the applicant did not pass inspection.

About 20 friends of Miss Alberta Pierce gave a prenuptial shower in her honor at the Nell Sullivan home Saturday evening. Tea towels were embroidered for the bride-to-be who received many useful gifts presented to her in a shower stick among them a set of salad forks. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses. The out of town guests were Mrs. Sharon of Fort Dodge and Mrs. Graepler of Dows.

Yesterday morning brought a wind hard enough to blow the meaness out of a miser. A number of electrolier globes were blown off along Main street.

Make yourself at home in our new baber shop and billard parlor.—Geo. Brady.

The Congregational Ladies Aid Society will give their Annual May supper Tuesday May 2nd.

The Misses Alma and Mina Koska entertained twelve girls a their home Saturday afternoon, for their cousin, Miss Hazel Tendall of Clarion, Iowa. The decorations were in keeping with Easter Day. Various exciting games were played and after a social time, a delicious two course luncheon was served. (Contributed from Newark Illinois.)

When you're dry drop in for a glass of ice cold malt.—Geo. Brady.

L. O. Skovlin was a caller at Mason City on Tuesday of this week, looking after business interests there.

Roy Jenison shipped two full blood Spotted Poland China hogs to a party in Audabon County last week Wednesday. Roy has gone into the pedigreed Poland China business, and has some excellent specimens. He suffered a severe loss in February, when he lost 40 head by cholera.

Leo Porter, of Clarion, was in Belmond on Monday, attending the Pierce-Beckett wedding.

The Misses Agnes Dillon and Mamie Fulton are spending the week in Ackley, visiting at the home of relatives.

The Delphian Club gave a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Loretta McGuire, last Monday at the home of Mrs. C. M. Morse.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Townsan, accompanied by Mrs F. O. Fitts and Miss Helen Harberts, drove to Rowan Sunday afternoon, to visit at the D. E. Harris home.

Will come to the house and do plain sewing. Phone 316.—Mrs Ray Brewer.

See our Saturday Special. Hats for $5.00.—Ida Tyrrell. 221c

Splendid line of hats for $5.00 on sale Saturday, the 22nd. This is all strictly new stuff.—Ida Tyrrell. 221c

We have just installed a new shower bath in connection with our barber shop and billiard parlor.—Geo. Brady.

We never could understand those folks over in Norway township. Practically every jack one of them signed the Stephens petition asking that road work be abandoned until things got back to normal, and the same men have signed three different petitions which call for 18 miles of graveled roads in Norway township and they want the gravel THIS YEAR.

Perhaps that would be all right if they could get it but this end of the county has seen its tax money spent in the other end of the county long enough and when we get caught up, we will help Norway out with her gravel.

Those petitions are a matter of record in the auditor's office and almost every signer on those petitions asking for gravel, also SIGNED THE STEPHENS PETITION PRAYING FOR A ROAD WORK HOLIDAY. —Eagle Grove Eagle.

CHICKEN DINNER

The ladies of the Trinity Luthern church will serve a chicken dinner at their basement on April 20, beginning at 5 o'clock. Aprons will be on sale also. Everybody welcome. Menu as follows:

Chicken pie, mashed potatoes with gravey, escalloped corn, cabbage salad rolls, jelly, pickles, pie, angel food coffee.

Children 35 cents, adults 50 cents. 221c

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LOCAL AND WANT ADS

WANTED—Eggs and cream as usual. We pay cash.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

A good used Fordson tractor A-1 condition at a real bargain.—Belmond Auto Co. Belmond Ia.

or good [illegible] and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte eggs for hatching, 75 cents per setting of 15 or $4.50 per hundred.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow. Phone 2712.

TO USERS OF MILK

From now on, I will sell milk at 7c a quart from the wagon, 6c a quart from Kinseth's grocery. Cream is sold from the wagon.—H. H. Hawley Phone 298. 194

WANTED TO BUY—Cream and Eggs at all times. Open Saturday evenings.—Joe S. White.

Call 28 for free Rug Cleaning demonstration in your own home. New Belmond Tailor Shop.

FOR SALE—Choice Barred Rock eggs for hatching. From good laying strain. 75 cents per setting; $4 per hundred.—Easton & Fetrow, Phone 2009. 203*

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte baby chicks.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow, Phone 2712. 203c

Order your baby chicks now. Barred and White Rock.—Mrs. A. E. Martin. 202c

FOR RENT—Seven room house, one block north of Community Oil Station.—F. T. Meacham. 19tfc

I have opened a second hand store one door west of Adam's Pharmacy, and will buy and sell all kinds of household goods. Will also repair furniture.

Herb Harberts.

2000 Baby Chicks April 27

On that date I will have for sale 2000 baby chicks of English Strain Single Comb White Leghorns. Larger than common Leghorns, and heavy layers. Price $15.00 per hundred.—Bennie Arends, Alexander, Iowa. 212*

LOST—A round gold pin, set with brilliants. Finder please return to this office and receive reward. 221c

LOST—Shepherd dog, wearing county tag No. 829. Finder please notify this office. 221*

LOST—A lot of good news by not calling 115. When you find some, notify this office. 221tf

Rose Comb White Wyandotte eggs for hatching. Price 75c a setting. $4 per hundred.—A. C. Lieuwen, Alexander, Iowa. 18tf

Two Black ponies and one work horse for sale—Severt Enger, Belmond. 21tfc

Cream and eggs, we buy both and pay the top prices. Bring me your next can of cream, and basket or case of eggs.—Joe. S. White.

FOR SALE—Good building lot; $1,100. $300 down, balance at 5 per cent, 5 years time.—H. Mennenga. 223c

Have your cows tuberculin tested now. Do not feed that child of yours non-tested cows milk.—R. G. Brown, D. V. M. Accredited by Iowa Commission of Animal Health, and the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry. 22tfc

We sell fertilizer.—Farmers Elevator Company. 224c

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Before me, a notary Public, in and for the State and county aforesaid personally appeared R. A. Rankins, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Publisher of the Belmond Indpendent, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication.

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Signed: R. A.RANKINS

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of March, 1922.

C. M. Morse

(SEAL) (My commission expires July 5, 1924.)

Pig Crop to Be Short

That the spring crop of the corn belt will be below normal is the opinion of C. F. Curtiss, dean of the college of agriculture, Iowa State college, and H. H. Kildee, head of the animal husbandry department.

Reports from practically every section of Iowa indicate that the loss of spring litters has been unusually heavy and altho the number of breeding sows on farms in Iowa April 1, was estimated at 125 per cent, compared with the number on farm a year ago, the poor luck experienced by hog raisers will offset the increase in number of bred sows.

Due to the high price of protein feeds, such as tankage and the over supply of corn, there has been a tendency to feed the corn and cut down the tankage. Experiments have shown that pregnant sows when deprived of protein enough to balance the fattening corn ration have poor litters.

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String Beans	10c
Relish	10c
Jar of Jam	15c
5 lb. pail syrup	25c
3 pkg. corn starch	25c
Peaches or Pears	20c
Flour	$2.15 up
Rompers	85c and 90c
Work Shirts	75c
Men's dress Pants	$2.75
40 in. Voiles	30c
Veiling	25c
Percale, per yd	15c
Marouisette, per yd	40c
Marouisette, per yd	25c

A bottle of maple syrup with $5.00 in groceries
15c per gal. on 4-5-6-8 crocks
We want your eggs. Extra price in trade
We have many other special bargains

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Sugar, 100 lbs	$7.25
20 oz. loaf bread	10c
2 lb. good Prunes	25c
Bacon	25c
Summer Sausage	25c
Pea Berry Coffee	25c
Soap Chips, 2 lbs	25c
Apple Butter, 2 lbs	25c
Pear Butter, 2 cans	25c
Cranberry Preserves	10c
Raspberry Strawberry Preserves	25c
Canned Peaches	25c
Apricots	25c
Peas and Corn, per can	10c
Chick Feed, 7 lbs	25c
3 Macaroni Spaghetti Noodles	25c
6 pkgs. Garden Seeds	25c
4 Bars Big Four Soap	25c
Black or Gunpowder Tea, per lb	40c
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It is composed of choice grains and ground feeds carefully compounded with PURE DRIED BUTTERMILK in such a manner as to insure rapid growth. Chicks thrive on it. IT STARTS THEM—IT GROWS THEM—IT MATURES THEM.

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PHONE 34
Belmond, Iowa

Kinseth's Store News

If the wind yesterday didn't blow you away, come in and see our line of shoes—getting bigger and better every day, and containing values that don't hurt your pocketbook any more than the shoes will your feet. Men's and boy's dress and work shoes.

We've often given advice and had it given, and mostly when its given us, we don't pay any attention to it—much. But we want you to pay attention to a little advice we are offering: And that is to buy flour now. It's going up in price. You know you need flour; it's a daily necessity; and we know we handle real flour that you need. You knead dough—we need "dough"—let's get together and both save.

Headquarters for coffee—about 25 different brands, every pound guaranteed.

And ginghams, percales, dry goods. Don't forget the store on the corner, and bring your eggs and get cash.

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RADIOPHONE CRAZE HITS BELMOND HARD

SCHOOL BOARD UNABLE TO MEET BAND LEADER--NO BAND NOW

Prof. Greutzmacher To move To Another Location At End Of Present Term

GET YOUR MONEY BACK

There will be no band in Belmond this summer. Prof. Greutzmacher, of the local high school, who was to lead the band, and the board of education, have been unable to get together and agree on salary. Mr. Gruetzmacher has an offer of several hundred dollars more at another place, and while he put his figures away down to remain here, the board could only manage $200 less than he was offered last year, and consequently Prof. Gruetzmacher and his wife will leave at the end of the present term.

Things seem to have gone to the demnition bow wows. Belmond seemingly is going to be a live place this summer, one which every citizen can point with pride to and boast of if he's drunk. Nobody but a tank would. We believe, however, it will do a lot of folks a lot of good; they will come to realize that if you are going to be a corpse you've got to be buried.

What money has been turned in to the Independent for the band, will be refunded to the individual subscribers upon presentation of their receipt, given them by the boys who canvassed. All subscriptions signed but not paid in, are cancelled. Present your receipt to the Independent and get your check.

SCHOOL NOTES

The orchestra recital given last Thursday night was well attended and very much enjoyed. The boys and girls in the orchestra under Mr. Gruetzmacher's directions have done a great deal in a short time.

The one-act play, Miss Civilization," given in connection with the recital was well given and very thrilling.

Everill Thompson as "Miss Civilization" was able to cope with the three burglars, Harvey Chapman, Bill Butts and Marshall Nourse.

Mrs. Peterson was able to put on a very clever play in a short time. The school is indebted to the Belmond Furniture Company for the use of stage settings.

On Friday evening the orchestra and band went to Garner to compete in a contest against Clear Lake, Britt, Garner and Dows. Belmond's orchestra got second place in the contest. We are very proud of this considering the short time our orchestra has been organized.

Practice on the Senior Class play, "Clarence," has started. Watch for further announcements.

Work on the Annual is progressing very fast. They will be out in a short time.

A musical program will be given by the third, fourth and fifth grades under the direction of Miss Baumgardner sometime next week. There will be a Japanese sketch, "A Box of Dolls" and an operetta, "Fairy Rose." Watch for the date.

Sunday news came that Mrs. Fyler's father died. Mr. and Mrs. Fyler left Monday morning for Shell Rock. Mr. Fyler is expected back Thursday.

The home track meet was held Tuesday afternoon. This meet will decide who will compete in the dual meet with Goldfield Saturday.

The matinee at the Lyric, "Rip Van Winkle," was attened by practically every child in the grades Monday afternoon. It is needless to say that it was much enjoyed.

The first Dual Track meet to be held in Belmond takes place Saturday with Goldfield. The meet is to be held in the Ball Park. Our tract team has been improving rapidly. Some practice records are equivalent to those made in smaller colleges. If you are interested in seeing Belmond win, come out and boost.

Mrs. George Goelz and Mrs. Ernest Stadtlander were Kindergarten visitors last Friday.

The Sophmores won the Home track meet yesterday with a total of 41 points. The seniors followed with 40 and the Juniors had 21. The Freshmen failed to make a point. The winners of this meet will contest in the dual meet with Goldfield Saturday.

D. E. Harris, of Rowan, announces his candidacy in this issue of the Independent for Road Supervisor from the First district. Mr. Harris has had the office several terms, and has given good satisfaction. The contest this term is between he and J. D. Baker of Belmond.

MUCH WORK DONE ON COUNTY ROADS

News: Wright county's road work for the present year is being gotten under headway this week. The program includes considerable graveling, grading and drainage work. The primary work will be kept going, and township and county roads will likewise be given considerable attention this year.

Grading Cornelia Road Now

The Cornelia road project north and east of Clarion is now under headway. W. A Fox, of Forrest City, has the contract for this job, and has his crew working and when the road is put to an established grade, it will be treated with gravel. Later on, possibly next year, the plan is to straighten out some of the turns on the road near Elm Lake and give a more direct route.

Dows Project Also Started

Contractor Nelson, of Omaha, is also at work on the county road south of Dows. 1 1-2 miles of this road will be graded and improved this year. Then Mr. Nelson will take his crew to Woolstock. Out of Woolstock the county road to Eagle Grove will be graded and improved.

Clarion South Road Gravelling Starts

The graveling crews who are to gravel the Clarion road south to Woolstock are working. Two pits, the Sheffield and O'Connor pits, are furnishing the gravel, and workmen will work from both ends of the job. This should be completed before many weeks.

The road east of Solberg to Rowan, is not yet ready for the gravel. The contractor on the grading job has some more finishing work there. Engineer Hilton estimates about ten days will be required to true this grade up, and then graveling will begin, and before the middle of July it should be gravelled. Franklin county is grading the Hampton-Rowan road connecting up with this project and expects to gravel it next year. Humboldt county expects to grade and possibly to gravel the connecting link from the west, this year, so in two more years at the latest there will be an unbroken stretch of gravelled roads across the three counties, east and west.

The patrolmen who are employed by the county are on the job, and have been doing emergency work where mudholes had formed during the recent rainy weather. Much good work has already been done, and with the exception of ruts which make slow traveling, practically every road in the county is now passable. The townships have got road dragging started, and in Clarion, drags have been used, so the streets in town and leading out of town are in better shape than they have been for the past two weeks or month.

It will require a lot of work to keep the newly graded roads in good shape, but when the gravel has been laid, there will be only patrol work needed to keep the roads in splendid condition. There is still some graveling to do on the road west of Clarion, the required yardage of gravelling not yet having been reached as yet, we understand.

RADIO

Beginning next week, the Independent will run a series of articles each week on Radio, the newest and most far-reaching craze that has struck this country in years. These articles are written by men who know—for folks who don't, and we're among them. The articles will take up the subject from the beginning, and in a very interesting series give the hows and wherefors of this seemingly miraculous discovery. Radio is considered one of the most wonderful and far-reaching discoveries of the past hundred years, and is still in its infancy. Improvements are being made daily; the future of wireless cannot be forseen.

The Independent, in conjunction with the Belmond Battery Station Co. have their radiophone installed now, and cordially invite the public to "listen in" on the many concerts being broadcasted nightly over the country. The Radio articles to be printed will be interesting not only to the intiated, but to the uninitiated as well and they will be well worth reading. Look for them next week in the Independent.

Fred B. Farmer, of Hartley, Iowa it is understood has been elected as Superintendent of the Belmond schools for the coming year, but had not, up to last night, accepted the offer, which carries a salary of $2,400. The salary paid last year was $100 more, which was reduced at a recent meeting of the board, it is reported, to $2,250, and then boosted to the present $2,400.

JUDGE McCALL ADDRESSES CLUB WEDNESDAY

Next Meeting To Have Noted Speaker—C. H. MacNider Address To Members

Hon. E. M. McCall, Judge of the 11th Judicial District of Iowa, will address the members of the Good Fellowship club on next Wednesday evening, May 3rd.

This will undoubtedly be a splendid meeting, for the Judge is an able and forceful speaker and always says something when he talks. The club is fortunate in securing him. A program as usual will be given, and the good eats enjoyed.

The meeting last Wednesday evening, at which Hon. C. H. MacNider was the speaker, was attended by a very large crowd, and is numbered among the best yet. Mr. MacNider's talk was on "Service," the joy of service to your community, your state, your nation, to one another. He illustrated his points forcibly with references to the service rendered by the boys during the war, and claimed Service as one of the greatest duties and privileges the American citizen possesses.

The guest of honor spoke here about three years ago, and his talk then was remembered by many present last Wednesday evening. Knowing what to expect, the "old timers" of the club were there in force, and were not disappointed. Mr. MacNider, promised to do his utmost to have his son, Col. Hanford MacNider, National Commander of the American Legion, come to Belmond some time in the near future to address the club, and all members are earnestly hoping that this great privilege may be granted.

Readings by two high school boys, and solos by Messrs. Nordschow and Varland, were the entertainment of the program, and following the address by Mr. MacNider, some very good eats were enjoyed. The refreshment committee are certainly on the job, and their last feed was good "all the way down." You are missing something worth while if you fail to attend these meetings, they are worth a great deal to any man in a social, entertaining and instructive way. Come out to the next one and join the gang.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Fine crowd at Sunday school last Sunday. We had 189 by count and plan for 225 this Sunday, 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. The pastor aims to make this an interesting service. Epworth League 7:00 p. m. The young people are working hard to double their membership. Why not help this fine organization? evening. Study Acts, chapter 13.

Evening service at 8 p. m. You will find the "Glad Hand" and warm welcome.

Prayer service at 8 p. m. Thursay

Prayer service at 8 p. m. Thursday

17 were baptized last Sunday and 42 united with the church. This makes 51 since October. We need 49 more to make even figures.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor

MOTOR INJURES ANOTHER

The Great Western Motor, which has been the principal in several accidents during the past few months, injured another man last Friday morning when it struck a Mr. Reddington, employed on the Great Western section running to Clarion.

The injured man, whose home is in Kansas City, according to reports was on the section car when the motor struck, rolling over and over down a steep embarkment. In the jump and the rolling, he suffered quite severe bruises and injuries about the head, but came thru nicely with treatment at the local hospital, whither he was taken, and left Monday of this week for his home in Kansas City.

The Motor seems to be an illfated affair, in that it runs into more accidents than any other train on the line. It was the motor which injured the two men from Norway township this winter, and this spring killed a man at Meservey.

OBITUARY

Robert Jocelyn Stine, son of F. A. and Sadie Stine, was born at Thornton, Iowa, May 19, 1921 and died at their home in Belmond April 20, 1922. from a complication of diseases. A short funeral service was held at the home on Saturday afternoon, in charge of Rev. Leinbach after which the little body was laid away in the Franklin Grove cemetery. Another of earth's little jewels has been removed from earth to its eternal abode in glory.

Mr. Stine moved here in January and the sympathy of the community goes out to them in their sorrow. Those from away were Mrs. Stine's father, mother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dryer and Mrs. Northup of Humboldt. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Coleman of Fort Dodge and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Sebber of Vincent.

J. M. JENSEN OUT FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY

Belmond Lawyer Announces Himself As Candidate On The Republican Ticket

Attorney J. M. Jensen, of Belmond, in this issue of the Independent announces his candidacy for the office of County Attorney, for Wright county subject to the June primaries.

Mr. Jensen will make an active campaign for the office, running on the Republican ticket. He was admitted to the bar in 1914, and has been practicing since. Six years were spent in Winnebago county, and the past two years have been spent in Belmond. He was county chairman of the Republican party in Winnebago county for six years, and has always been a staunch Republican. For one term he was mayor of Buffalo Center, resigning when he came to Belmond.

Atty. Jensen has had experience in the legal line which should "season him for the game, and if elected, we believe will give Wright county an able and efficient adminstration of its legal affairs. To date, there have been no other announcements of candidates for the attorney's job and Mr. Jensen takes the field as the first and leading candidate. Belmond should rally to his cause, and give him the loyal support due a home man.

COMMUNITY WELFARE CLUB

The Community Welfare club will meet at the library Friday afternoon April 28th.

Mrs. J. E. Blythe of Mason City will give a talk on Birds. She will also devote a part of her time in speaking on citizenship. Mrs. Blythe is a very prominent women in this part of the state, she is a fine speaker and well worth hearing. Everybody is invited to come and hear her.

The Calendar committee have been working hard and a calendar has been mailed to each club member. Serving committee for Friday are: Mrs. Jno. Greenlander, Mrs. M. C. Barry, Mrs. Claire Christie, Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. Hildebrand, Mrs. L. Moe, Mrs. J. M. Jensen, Mrs. Fred Frohling.

SANDS MEMORIAL CHURCH THE SCENE OF BIG CONFERENCE

The following clipping was taken from the Des Moines Sunday Register and will be of interest to many Belmond people.

Humboldt, Ia., April 22—(Special)—Sands Memorial church, built in 1905, as a monument to John D. Sands, for forty years pastor of Belchurch, is where the annual meeting of Webster City Association of Ministers and Churches was held this week. John D. Sands, one of the early circuit riders of Iowa, and a member of the Yale band, came to Iowa fifty-six years ago, riding all over eastern Iowa preaching in school houses, sod shanties, or wherever the people would gather to hear. During the last of his pastorate in Belmond he preached sitting in his wheeled chair. He was present at the laying of the corner stone of the Belmond Congregational church "Sands Memorial" are the words written on the capstone. The sarary of the circuit rider was about $450, part of which was furnished by the Missionary society.

Three sons and one daughter survive Deacon Sands. A grandson Edwin H. Sands, jr., is a member of the housing commission of Des Moines.

At the time of his death he was the oldest living graduate of Yale, being in his ninety-sixth year.

Dr. P. A. Johnston, state superintendent of Congregational churches of Iowa and Pater Familias of Iowa Congregational ministers, Supt. R. J. Montgomery, Rev. Walter Metcalf of Hampton. W. W. Pickett of Fort Dodge and H. W. Hollenbeck of Kamundongo, West Africa, were on the program.

EAGLE GROVE SUPERINTENDENT QUITS JOB

Supt. Fasold, of the Eagle Grove schools, has asked to be relieved from the place, the school board there cutting his salary from $3,600 to $2,700. It was too much of a cut, considering the amount paid in other towns. Clarion pays $3,600 for superintendent's salary here. Eagle Grove citizens are hoping that the board may reconsider its decision and retain Mr. Fasold, who is an excellent school man. Salaries of teachers were also cut, the principal's salary this year being $2,000, and high school teachers' salaries fixed at $1450, $1450 $1400, $1400, $1400, $1350, $1400 athletic director $2025 and eight teachers at $1400, one at $1450, and four at $1350, three at $1170, three at $1125, twelve at $1,080, and one at $1035.

The average for the thirty-four teachers is $1,297 or a total salary list of $44,105.—News.

TWO YOUNG MEN TAKEN FOR ENTERING CARS

Claude Veeder and Merle Galloway, two young men of Belmond, were taken in charge Tuesday morning of this week on a charge of entering box cars at the Great Western yards, and removing some of the contents thereof, which it is alleged they later sold.

The charge is that the two, on one or more occasions, entered box cars at the yards here, and removed eggs, in all it is said about 90 dozen, which they later sold at a store in Rowan, receiving for them a check. It was thru this check, and by the number of the license on Veeder's car, that the two men were traced. According to reports, Fred Mortimer, Great Western agent, saw the car drive up one night, and slipping down got the number, which resulted in the arrest Tuesday.

Sheriff Lang came over Tuesday and took them to Clarion, where they are now awaiting action. It is understood that the final action rests upon the Superintendent of the Line, who was to be in Clarion yesterday afternoon. Considering the small amount of value taken, and the youth of the offenders, it is hoped that they will be given mercy by the Superintendent and the court. Young Galloway is reported as having said that "never again" was his motto, and Veeder undoubtedly feels the same. It is very generally thought by Belmond people that they did not realize the seriousness of their doings, and that they should be shown leniency. A petition to this effect was circulated and taken to Clarion yesterday.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Most of the schools close tomorrow for the summer vacation. Some of the teachers and pupils have prepared a program while others are planning on a picnic if the weather permits.

Mr. Charlie Baxter, of Belmond township, who was hurt in an accident last week, is being cared for at the home of his sister, Mrs. Geo. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baxter, and little daughter, Margaret, spent Sunday at the Geo. Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Barkema and family were visitors at the Chas, Barkema home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gartz, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halfpap, were Sunday visitors at the parental home.

Minnie Smidt spent Sunday afternoon with her friend, Fannie Burns.

Several farmers shipped cattle to Chicago last Saturday.

HOMER D. REESE

Homer David Reese was born in Albany County, New York, January 3rd, 1850 and died at his home southwest of Belmond on Wednesday April 19th, 1922. Hhe was married at Sandwich, DeKalb County, Illinois, on January 4th, 1880, to May Suydam who survives him. Five children were born to them, Charles of Fort Dodge, Iowa, Gertrude of St. Cloud, Minnesota, Lydia of Hickory Grove, Iowa, Harry who was with his parents and Mary Frances, deceased. Besides his wife and children Mr. Reese is survived by one sister Sarah A. Reese and one brother J. H. Reese both of Belmond.

Mr. Reese has lived on the home farm near Belmond since the year 1883. He has lived here long enough to see the country develop from a raw unimproved prairie country to its present state of improvement. Mr. Reese was a good neighbor and friend and not alone his family but a host of friends mourn his departure. Modest and unassuming he was always firm in a course of integrity and justice to his fellowmen who will remember him long for the virtures he possessed. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in the Belmond M. E. church conducted by the pastor Rev. Wilkinson. Interment was in the Belmond cemetery.

GROTTO WILL TAKE EIGHTEEN CARS OF STONE

Burt, Ia., April 23.—Rev. P. M. Dobberstein left for La Crosse, Wis., Tuesday to be gone about four weeks. Father Schorn, M. S. C., of the Mission society of Sparta, Wis., will attend the parish during his absence. Father Dobberstein says this will not be a pleasure trip that he is taking as during his absence he expects to gather 60,000 pounds of rustic stone for use in his grotto. When finished the grotto will contain eighteen car loads of rock, there being eleven car loads now in it.—Des Moines Register.

TWO RECEIVING OUTFITS ARE INSTALLED HERE ON MONDAY

Battery Co. And Independent Install Radiophone Receiving Outfit Monday

BUG BITES MANY OTHERS

The radio bug has hit Belmond, and with the installation Monday afternoon of the outfit owned by the Belmond Storage Battery Co. and the Independent, and that evening of the one at the Lyric theatre, the "craze" began to work.

Joe Scott and Carol McIntyre, drove to Des Moines last week Thursday to get the outfit for the first named firms. After some most unusual palaver, mix ups and arguing, Joe came away the victor, with a high grade Westinghouse radiophone outfit ready to go. In the demonstration at Des Moines, Newark, N. J., was heard plainly on this outfit, and Sunday evening Carol McIntyre, hooking up to his aerial, heard several concerts splendidly.

At 5:45 p. m. Monday evening the phone was "tuned in" but owing to the exceptionally bad weather for receiving, great difficulty was experienced in catching concerts. Tuesday evening was a little better. During the two nights, snatches were heard from several different places, music, speaking, singing, and the like, but the electricity in the air made it it difficult to get them plainly. Had the firms jointly owning the outfit had time Saturday, the outfit would have been set up that day, and with good weather then doubtless something would have come thru. As it is, up to yesterday afternoon it has been mostly experimental work, and until the thing is properly known and "managed," there will be nothing doing.

Belmond has now three receiving sets, and one sending outfit, of wireless. That of Carol McIntyre was the first, which he practically made himself. He has a sending outfit as well, with a government license. That of the Battery Company and the Independent, and the one at the Lyric, will put Belmond in pretty good shape to catch the news of the country as it is sent out. From the indications, the bug has bitten several others in the town, and the prospect is that before long there will be others.

IMMANUEL REFORMED CHURCH

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor

Sunday school 9:20 a. m.

Morning service 10:20 a. m. (German.)

Christain Endeavor 7:30 p. m.

Topic: Applying Religion to Everyday Life.

Reference, Josh 22:1-6.

Regular evening service 8:00 p. m, (English).

Thursday evening of this week commencing at 7:30 a mixed chorus of 22 voices will render an Easter Cantata in the church auditorium. The title of the Cantata is "O'er Death Triumphant" by Adam Giebel. A silver offering will be received. After the program the ladies will offer refreshments in the basement. Everybody welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

S. U Leinbach, Pastor

The attendance upon the meeting of the Webster City Association was not as large as usual but the meetings were full of interest and were well attended by our local people. The sermon on Tuesday evening by Rev. Arthur Metcalf of Hampton was full of inspiration and helpfulness. Rev. Metcalf is a pleasant speaker and we will enjoy having him visit us again. On Wednesday evening the address by Dr. Hollenbeck who has spent about fifteen years in Africa, gave us a vision of the possibilities of that people when given the benefits of the Gospil. Dr. Hollenbeck told us just what we desired to know of the work and experiences of a missionary in Africa.

Spring has come and with it new life as was manifested by the large attendance at the services last Sunday. We would like to have a few more in our Sabbath school for we feel that there are a few more in the community who would be helped if they would attend.

The Ladies Missionary society will meet on Thursday afternoon at 2:30. Bible Study class Thursday eve at 8:00. The regular services next Sunday morning and at night the pastor will have a short address illustrated by the stereopticon.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.
CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn
Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.
R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.
E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.
JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.
HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.
H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.
Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.
F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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YOUR HALF

The Independent wants you, the reader, to take a hand in things, tell us what you think regarding various needs and events of the community. We want you to write your own editorials, about anything you wish, and the Independent will be glad to print them.

It has been the rule of this paper never to publish anything submitted unless the name of the writer is attached thereto. We are, however, going to break this rule to this extent: That anything submitted as an editorial will be printed without the writer's name attached. The name must be given when the copy is submitted, that we may know the article is genuine, but name will not be printed.

Now "hop to it." There are undoubtedly dozens of things in and about Belmond which you have thought more or less about; have wished something was said about. Express your ideas by writing to this paper what you think about them. They will be printed providing they conform with the law and will not lay either the writer of the article or the paper open to libel. This gives you a wide range, and you can "go the limit" so far as we are concerned.

What do you think Belmond needs? What do you think it has, that it ought to do away with? How can the town be improved? What improvements do you consider the most vital? Give us all your ideas on these things, and any others you may have in mind. Your half of the editorial columns of the Independent are open for your use; use them—the more you do the better it will be.. Two heads are always better than one, and many better than two. The publisher extends you a hearty welcome to say your say. Remember, sign your name to your article; we will not print it unless you desire.

CLIPPINGS

Ed Carlston of Belmond was greeting friends here Tuesday.—Reporter.

Word was received here the first of this week that on May 1st the mail clerk would be taken off this branch of the M. & St. L. and the pouch system would be used. This will mean that mail clerk Whitney who has served on this branch about twenty years will be removed. Mr. Whitney has made many friends in the towns thru which he has passed every day who will miss him.—Reporter.

Auditor and Mrs. Chris Jacobs spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Papousek at Belmond. Mrs. Papousek had been here for a few days and she accompanied them to her home.—Leader.

Rev. Walter Metcalf, pastor of the Congregational church in this city, was in Belmond last Tuesday to attend the meeting of the Webster City Association of Congregational churches.—Chronicle.

Mr. and Mrs. Voiles of Belmond, were in Klemme yesterday. Mr. Voiles is the gentleman who sells nursery stock here each year.—Times

Mrs. LuVerne Smith went to Belmond Saturday evening for an over Sunday visit with relatives, returning Monday morning.—Times.

W. H. Trafford and family were visiting Klemme friends Sunday. Miss Mabel Smith accompanied them to Belmond in the evening.—Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gruetzmacher of Belmond were over Sunday visitors here.—Times.

The Eagle belives that the school board and superintendent can and should get together on the salary question and that Mr. Fasold should remain here for another year at least. It is hardly right that the superintendent at this late date should be looking up another location and the schools would be in the same situation as regards a superintendent for another year. The superintendent has saved the district hundreds of dollars in his work, supervising the construction of the new high school building, a statement which the entire board will substantiate. The salary difficulty is not insuperable. The best interests of both the superintendent and the schools demand an early adjustment. —Eagle Grove Eagle.

It Looked Bad

"Why you call my boy a poor nut?" queried an indignant mother, who confronted the dietitian of a New Jersey charities association the other morning at her office door. And the latter has not yet found a way of convincing Mrs. Caruso that "poor nut" on the face of Angelo's card stands for poor nutrition.—Survey.

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Ajax 30x3 1-2	10.95
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U. S. 30x3 1-2, Non-Skid	10.90
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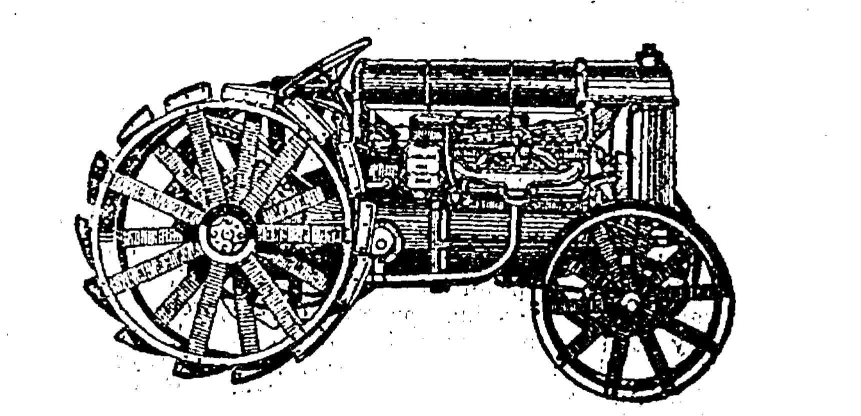

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To consider tomorrow as well as today; and the rights of others as well as our own.

To live within our means; to prize our credit and keep it good.

To keep our standards of citizenship high; co-operate for the common good; buy. invest and bank AT HOME.

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Belmond, Iowa

The Bank for Everybody!

THROWN UNDER DISC AND SEVERELY CUT

Humboldt Republican: Nels Hanson, seventeen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N Hanson, of Humboldt, was thrown beneath a disc that he was operating on the Walter Jensen farm northwest of Humboldt, Wednesday afternoon of this week, and suffered severe cuts that may prove fatal. He was brought to Humboldt immediately after the accident, and after a hurried examination by Dr. Arent, was taken to the hospital at Fort Dodge where he was operated for the removel of broken bone in his head. He stood the operation well, and it is hoped that he will recover.

Mr Hanson was driving a team hitched to a disc on the Walter Jensen farm, as stated, and had evidently walked around the disc to the front of the team, something must have frightened them, for they ran away and the disc passed over Hanson who had been knocked down. His body, limbs and head were badly cut, though not necessarily fatally. Several stitches had to be taken in his right hand to close the wounds, and his head was also severaly cut and bruised. After his arrival at the Ft. Dodge Hospital it was found that his skull had been fractured. That is, the surface bones and been broken. One strip of bone more than two inches long was removed.

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Seed Corn Test 97 Per Cent

The county wide seed corn germination test just completed by the county agent shows ninety-seven per cent strong, one per cent weak and two per cent dead kernels. This test included from five to ten 100 kernel samples from each township throughout the county making a very representative test for the seed corn of this section of the state.

The results of this county wide germination test would indicate that the seed corn of Wright county has strong vitality which will probably be very necessary in case we have a wet cold planting season as many farmers seem to think that we will have.

Corn Yield Tests

The county agent has spent the greater part of the past week in collecting samples of corn to be used in conducting four experiment plots throughout the county to determine the best yielding strains of corn in the different parts of the county.

The general plan is to collect two 10 ear samples from each township in the county and to grow these samples on four experiment plots which have been located. The farmers who have agreed to cooperate with the county agent in conducting these corn yield tests are: A. E. Martin, Belmond township; H. A. Flett, Vernon township; Al Watkins, Dayton township; Harry Inners, Liberty township.

Specialists Coming

Wright county will be visited this week by two specialists from the extension department at Ames. L. E. Heifner, entension poultry specialist, will be in the county Wednesday and Thursday to assist the county agent in organizing the various poultry clubs which are organized throughout the county at this time. Great interest seems to have developed in the poultry club project and there are to date about sixteen members enrolled in the county wide club contest.

Chas. Roach, of the visual instruction department, of the extension staff will be in Clarion Friday, April 28th, for the purpose of demonstrating to the members of the board of directors of our local farm bureau a portable motion picture projector which is being used quite generally by county agents in their farm bureau work and which seems to be giving very satisfactory results.

To Study Conditions in Mexico

Men who know something about international conditions believe Mexico offers a good field for the sale of purebred stock from this country. To this end President Howard, of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will head a commission to make a special survey of conditions in the land of Aztecs in the hope of bringing satisfactory reciprocal trade relations between the two countries. Mexico is rich in a host of needed in Uncle Sam's land. On the other hand Uncle Sam is all cluttered up with a surplus of various commodities which Mexico sadly needs in her business. Relations between the two nations have been strained to the breaking point on numerous occasions of late years, but now that Bill Hohenzollern's influence in Mexico has been punctured the way is clear for the establishing of cordial relations which will prove of mutual advantage. And Jim Howard is the right sort of man to go down and look the situation over.

About two months ago Thos. Ross, one of the purebred breeders of Blaine township, had correspondence with Director of Agriculture in Mexico regarding the purebred cattle which he had for sale.

Approved Dirt Farmer Board

The bill referred to in daily papers as the "dirt farmer" on Federal Reserve board which has passed the senate was reported out of the house banking and currency committee recently after several hours' session and previous delays the vote favoring the reporting of the bill was 13 to 7. This was on the question of including representatives of agriculture and commerce as well as finance on the board. The bill is to be reported to the house providing that the president shall have due regard to a fair representation of the financial, agricultural, industrial commercial interests and geographical divisions of the country."

The bill as passed by the senate provided for six members as against five in the present law. As reported to the house the bill does not carry the increase, but it is expected that it will be amended from the floor. The committee urged that a report be made asking for a special rule providing for a prompt consideration of the bill by the house under a limitation of debate and so framed as to prevent amendment upon the floor.

The provision of the senate bill, which would place a limitation of $250 000 on the cost of construction of buildings for federal reserve banks was eliminated. It was brought out by Secretary Mellon, testifying before the committee, that the action to limit the exceedingly heavy expenditures on the part of the federal reserve banks for bank buildings was too late for practically all of them now have buildings or contracts for them.

Wildcat Mythology

"Ever hear the story of Midas?"

"No," said the busy man.

"Everything he touched turned to gold."

"Sounds interesting. But the authorities are suspicious these days. If he's a friend of yours, tell him to go slow about opening offices and trying to sell stock."

Griesy's Store News

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It is too bad some men do not try to make themselves as agreeable to other men as they do to other men's wives.

Deering twine is made of the highest grade fibres, carefully selected, under constant and rigid inspection, resulting in smooth, even twine of uniform and full length and strength. It is the result of over 40 years experience and is backed by all the resources of the Harvester Company,

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the only manufacturer in the United States making both harvesting machines and twine. Deering twine meets all the specifications of full weight, full length and uniform strength. Treated against destruction by insects. And don't forget, this is the place to buy it.

Take care of your sense and your dollars will take care of you.

There is no danger of petticoat-rule in this country. No; not any more.

The Biggest Earner On The Farm

is a good cream separator. Sell the cream or butter fat and feed the skim-milk to your growing stock. You can bring your pigs to market weight quicker with skim-milk and corn than any other way and raises more pigs to the acre. But to get the greatest value out of skim-milk,

it must be fed sweet with the animal heat still in it. The only way you can have milk in this condition and save all the butter fat is to use a cream separator. A Primrose cream separator will save all the butter fat and deliver it in the best condition for butter making. Look over the Primrose the next time you are in town.

An appropriate label for moonshine hootch—"Till Death do us part."

Cultivate Well and Often

After your corn is planted the safest way to speed its growth and insure a bigger yield is frequent and timely cultivation. Nor is there any farm work more satisfactory or en-

P & O

couraging when done with an afficient, well-built cultivator—one that will do a good soil-stirring, weed-killing job, without leaving that "dog-tired" feeling at sundown. No matter what your cultivator requirements may be, there is a cultivator in the International or P & O line to meet them. Come in and see our array of good cultiviaors—built especially for conditions such as are found in this locality.

The watchword now is Sugar Beets. And when we think of them we can't help but say that the P & O cultivator is the machine to use in this territory. It is especially disigned to meet the soil conditions of this territory. Costs more? Yes, but worth it.

Don't take a chance on that corn crop. First test, then grade and then plant with an International or Hayes planter. Nature will do the rest.

Belmond Local News

Edmund Groh came down from Minneapolis last week to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh. Edmund has just completed his studies at the State University of Minnesota, where he was sent by the government, and has passed the final exams with flying colors. He is now a full registered pharmacist. The latter part of this week he enters the hospital at Minneapolis for an operation on his arm, which was considerably shot up in the war. The scar left from his previous operations has been pressing on some nerves in the shoulder, and the operation is to relieve this pressure.

Geo. Barkema, of Alexander, was a visitor in town last week one day, looking after business matters.

Announcement for Supervisor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor from the first district, subject to the primaries on June 5, 1922.

D. E. Harris

The Lutheran Aid Society supper last Thursday was a very successful affair, over $100 being realized.

Mrs. E. S. Fyler received word Sunday of the death of her father, at Shellrock. Mr. and Mrs. Fyler left for that place Monday to be present at the funeral.

Announcement for Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries June 5, 1922.

J. M. JENSEN

Next Saturday is the last Saturday of April. Bohning & Co. will have a Bath Towel special for that day. 29 cents each.

Mrs. Barret, from Neola, Iowa, is spending a few days visiting at the homes of her daughters, Mrs. Albert Chamberlin and Mrs. Claussen.

The Wright County News reports much work being done on the county roads, grading and gravelling. Some of them need it, and by the time some gravel has been distributed where it is needed, the county will have roads fit to talk about.

Barney Dillon went a huntin' the other day, and brought back a two-year-old wolf, which he shot near the Munson farm south of town and near Rowan. The wolf was running and and was quite a ways off, when Maurice shot, hitting the animal square in the head. Maurice, his father, Pat, and Henry Dillon, between the three of them, have killed a total of 25 wolves within the past eight to ten years, which is some record for this part of the country. The wolf killed last week was fat and sleek, and had evidently been pretty well fed during the winter.

Ben Arends, of Alexander, was a business caller in town last week Saturday.

Know some news? Phone 115. Thank you.

Special for Saturday at Bohning 18X36 Bath Towels 29 cents each.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Elder, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings, autoed to Mason City on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Johnson drove over from Latimer to spend Sunday with C. B. Johnson family.

Mrs. C. J. Papousek was a recent visitor with relatives at Garner.

Another Saturday special at Bohning's—Watch windows.

Cream & Eggs Wanted !!

We Pay Cash

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It Pays To Read the Ads

Announcing my Larkin Neighborhood Pantry

It is with pleasure that I announce my Larkin Neighborhood Pantry, which I intend shall prove of serviee, saving, and convenience to my friends and neighbors. I now have on sale an attractive assortment of Larkin Products, including foods, soaps, laundry supplies, toilet articles and wearing apparel.

Larkin Factory-to-Family Prices

Just think of being able to obtain popular Larkin Products at Factory-to-Family prices at once! The prices of Larkin Products in my Pantry are one-half regular Larkin Catalog prices, plus a small allowance to cover cost of shipping.

A Personal Invitation to You

This announcement is my personal invitation to you to come in and inspect my new Pantry. "Just being neighborly" is the whole idea of the Larkin Neighborhood Pantry Plan. And I shall also be pleased to give you a copy of the latest Larkin Catalog, brimful of lower prices. I want you to see what my Pantry will do for you.

MISS MARY GEALOW
Belmond, Iowa

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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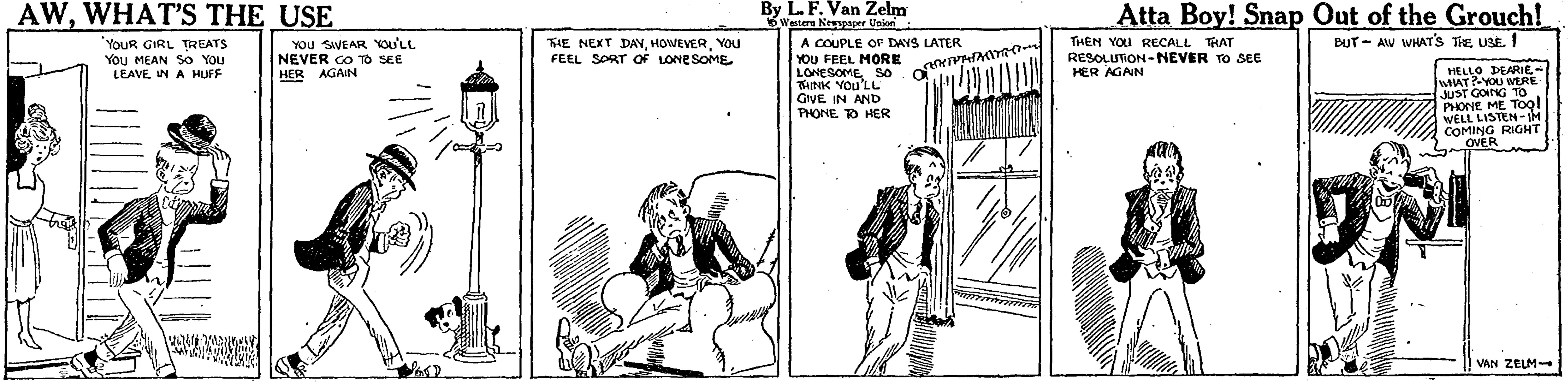
Atta Boy! Snap Out of the Grouch!


YOUR GIRL TREATS YOU MEAN SO YOU LEAVE IN A HUFF
YOU SWEAR YOU'LL NEVER GO TO SEE HER AGAIN
THE NEXT DAY, HOWEVER, YOU FEEL SORT OF LONESOME
A COUPLE OF DAYS LATER YOU FEEL MORE LONESOME SO THINK YOU'LL GIVE IN AND PHONE TO HER
THEN YOU RECALL THAT RESOLUTION - NEVER TO SEE HER AGAIN
BUT - AW WHAT'S THE USE!
HELLO DEARIE - WHAT? - YOU WERE JUST GOING TO PHONE ME TOO! WELL LISTEN - IM COMING RIGHT OVER
VAN ZELM

POSTAL IMPROVEMENT WEEK IS OBSERVED

May 1 Sees Inaugurated First General Campaign of Kind in Service.

Without the Postal Service, business would languish in a day, and be at a standstill in a week. Public opinion would die of dry rot. Sectional hatred or prejudice only would flourish, and narrow-mindedness thrive.

It is the biggest distinctive business in the world and it comes nearer to the innermost interests of a greater number of men and women than any other institution on earth. No private business, however widespread, touches so many lives so often or sharply; no church reaches into so many souls, flutters so many pulses, has so many human beings dependent on its ministrations.

"Postal Improvement Week" has been set for May 1, by the Postmaster General. This is the first general campaign of its kind in the Postal Service for several decades. Business men and their organizations, large users of the mail, newspapers, motion pictures, advertisers, and the entire organization of 326,000 postal workers are to be enlisted in this country-wide campaign of interest in postal improvements. **Your help is vital. Address your letters plainly with pen or typewriter. Give street address. Spell out name of State, don't abbreviate. Put your return address in the upper left hand corner of envelope (not on the back) and always look at your letter before dropping in the mail to see if it is properly addressed. This care in the use of the mails is for your benefit and speeds up the dispatch and delivery of mail matter.**

If you have any complaints of poor service make them to your postmaster. He has instructions to investigate them and report to the department.

SO SAD.

We learned the other day that some time last year one of the dealers who sell denatured alcohol for use in auto radiators, had received a barrel of grain alchol and sold it as denatured. The mistake in shipping the grain alchol was discovered shortly after the shipment was made, but as so many barrels were shipped it was impossible to locate the error, and not until the barrel was nearly empty was it discoverey that it had been shipped to Garner. De natured alcohol sells for 75 cents a gallon, and just what the grain alchol was worth we do not know but we do know that had someone discovered that the loca dealer was dispensing grain alcohol at 75 cents a gallon it would not have lasted long. This story will probably bring sorrow to many of our readers, but it is the truth just the same.—Garner Signal.

GENEVA WOMAN SUFFERS FROM RARE AILMENT

Chronicle: A case of more than passing interest to the medical fraternity and the laity is that of Mrs. John Minard, of Geneva, and who formerly resided at Webster City, Iowa.

The first of last March she began to feel drowsy and in a week this became so marked that she was unable to do her housework and took to bed. Her complaint was that she felt very tired and could not keep awake. Her case was diagnosed as sleeping sickness, and she was brought to the Luthern hospital at Hampton. At first her drowsiness was not very marked. She talked when questioned and at times gave rational answers. When questioned she would answer rationally and then drop off in her usual sleep. She complained of no pain or discomfort. She said, "I am just tired and so sleepy, I can not hold my eyes open." She would eat well, but had to be fed by the nurse.

Since April 12th she has been more or less rational and talked with her friends and relatives. She realized all the events that had transpired since she became ill. On April 15th she gave birth to a healthy nine pound boy, her eighth child. The infant shows no ill effects thus far from the long and serious illness that its mother had suffered Since the birth the mother has shown some aggravation of her former symptoms though she is steadily improving and the physicians in charge hope for her ultimate recovery.

This is an unusual case on account of the fact that only two cases are on record where the expectant mother was suffering from sleeping sickness and physicians all over are watching the progress of the case with great interest. The latest news from the bedside indicates a happy outcome from this tedious malady.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

Apple Sauce Cake— 1c. granulated sugar, 1 c. apple sauce (4 apples), ½ t. cinnamon, allspice, cloves, ½ c. shortening, 1 egg, 1 t. soda, ½ c. rainins, ½ c. nuts, 1¾ c. flour. Cream the butter, add sugar and apple sauce. Mix spices, and soda with flour. Add raisins and nuts floured, to first mixture, then add dry ingredients. This recipe is good for using up apple sauce left overs.

Chocolate Cream Cake—Mix ½ cake unsweetened chocolate with ½ c. milk, add yolk of 1 egg, 2 t. sugar flavor with 1 t. vanilla. Cook over hot water. Mix the following: 1 c. sugar, ½ c. butter, ½ c. milk, 2 eggs, 2 c. flour, 3 t. B. P. Mix loaf add chocolate mixture last.

Cereal left overs may be utilized in several ways depending upon the amount left over. Some of the ways are: bread, cereal jelly, croquettes, hash, meat loaf, muffins, fried cornmeal or oatmeal mush, stuffed pepers puddings, souffle, timbales and pancakes.

One of the best preparations for washing the hair is pure white castile soap dissolved in hot soft water. If the hair is inclined to be oily the juice of a lemon used in the last rinse water will tend to dry it. For this reason lemon should not be used for dry scalps.

CHICK FEEDING SCHEDULE

FIRST DAY—No feed.

SECOND DAY—No feed.

THIRD DAY—(1) Grit in form of sand. (2) Fine oyster shells. (3) Hard cooked egg (with shell) chopped fine; mix with equal parts oatmeal or cornmeal; feed sparingly four times daily. (4) Plenty of fresh water tinged with permanganate of potash. Sour milk or buttermilk, or milk powder in mash. (5) Oatmeal as scratch feed. Note: Eggs candled on the seventh day, if fertile, should be kept for feeding.

FOURTH DAY—(1) Same as third day. Baked cornbread or bread crumbs may be used instead of egg. (2) Start feeding dry mash; 2 parts cornmeal, 2 parts bran, 2 parts middlings, ½ part fine meat scrap. This mash should be fed in hoppers (to save from waste) or in small troughs. (3) Feed lightly of scratch feed: 4 parts finely cracked corn, 2 parts finely cracked wheat. Feed this in litter.

FIFTH DAY—Same as above.

SIXTH DAY—Same as above. Gradually reduce egg feed of first day as chicks grow accustomed to dry mash in hoppers. Begin feeding a small amount of green feed.

Johny Cake Recipe—Cornmeal 5 pounds, infertile eggs 4 dozen, baking soda 2 tablespoonfuls. Mix with milk to a stiff batter and bake well.

PHOTEST PHONE RATE RAISE AT HAMPTON

Chronicle: At a meeting of the city council last Tuesday night it was dicided to call a mass meeting of the citizens of Hampton, and for any others who might be interested on the proposed telephone rate raise, and Mayor J. C. Powers has called the aforesaid meeting for next Tuesday night, April 25th, at the court house.

Remember the date, and every person who is interested should be on hand at the meeting. The mayor will explain what the council has done on the matter up to this time, and may be able to state some other things which can be done, and it will then be up to the people as to whether the city shall ask for an injunction restraining the company from putting the proposed increased rates into effect.

Nearly every town which is effected by these proposed raise in rates are getting ready to fight the phone company to the last ditch. The question is a big one, and now is the time to get busy. *One thing is sure, the* phone company will be a big fight in the coming session of the legislature to give the people of Iowa reperpetual life in many towns in Iowa a few years ago by the Iowa legislature *most of whom, of course, did not* know what they were voting for.

Remember the mass meeting at the court house in Hampton next Tuesday night, April 25, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, in its attempt to raise rates in Hampton, as well as in a number of neighboring towns, tries to get by with a comparison of "income" during the month of July and August, last year, when every body knows that not only the telephone business, but every other line of business is at a low ebb during those months, and especially was that true last year. The total year's receipts of the phone companies, in all of these towns, however, show more of a net income per month than the phone company is asking in the proposed raise.

GOODELL NEWS

Dell Church, of Clear Lake, was in town on Thursday.

Mrs. Curtis Luick called on Mrs. John Rust on Thursday last.

Mrs. Edgar Miller visited at the Langdon home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Church visited at the home of Mrs. Church's mother on Thursday.

Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cook drove to Hampton where she was operated on Friday, having her tonsils removed.

A. C. Carpenter delivered hogs to Klemme on last Friday.

A baby girl was born April 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuka.

The Twin Lake Farm Bureau held their monthly meeting at the home of Mr. Curtis Luick last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carpenter were in Mason City on Saturday.

Miss Maude Griggs helped at the Julius Cook home last week.

Father Eardley was in Goodell on Saturday.

Last Thursday L. W. Wesenburg delivered an I. H. C. tractor and two plows to John McCulloch, who lives near Kanawha.

Mr. Dell Rankins, of Belmond, was in town on Thursday inspecting the corners of the U. B. Church which he will repair.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson and Miss Clara Johnson autoed to Belmond Saturday.

John Griggs spent last week at Ventura, where he is working on his new cottage.

Mrs. Henry Chrisensen is improving nicely.

Mr. Hio Harberts drove to Hampton on Sunday to see Mrs. Harberts. She is improving slowly.

Mrs. Nettie Roth, who teaches Northeast of town, closed her school for the year last Friday with a program, which was largely attended

The small boys of Goodell played ball with the boys of Belmond on Saturday afternoon. Score Goodell 10, Belmond 18. Altho defeated they came home a happy bunch. They are cheerful loosers.

The seniors of the High School are working hard on their play, "It Pays to Advertise" which will be given April 28th in the Opera House.

Miss Selma Sandberg was in Mason City on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes and family, of Garner, was visiting relatives and friends in Goodell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Ahrenkiel were Klemme callers on Sunday.

Mr. Benson, of Kanawha, visited at the Sandburg home last Sunday.

THE GAIN A PIG MADE

Edwin Buman started with a Duroc pig weighing fifty-five pounds in one hundred and fifty days. This was an average daily gain of 1.8 pounds. His pig won twenty dollars in prizes at the Shelby County Fair.

The boy gives the following direct advice in pig feeding:

A little Boys' and Girls' Market Barrow. Grown and fed so every boy and girl in Shelby County can feed them.

"Sow a little rape, for that makes one of the best pastures for pigs, big or little, and makes a lot of good reasonable cheap feed. It analyzes high in good quality protein, runs relatively high in mineral matter.

"Feed him all the oats he will eat, that will make him grow, also bone and muscle.

"Feed a balance of corn, for corn is king for fattening.

"Feed a little tankage to make a balance ration for corn.

"Keep yards clean by burning up cobs and rubbish and make charcoal out of cobs which is to keep him in good condition.

"Feed a few hands of air slaked lime, will also do him good.

"That is the way I fed my pig." Edwin Buman, Harlan, Iowa.

Feeds Uused

Shelled corn	9.2 bu.
Oats	4.1 bu.
Tankage (fed last month)	19.5 lbs.
Skim milk (mixed with 2-3 water	95.0 gallons.
Rape pasture	4 months
Total cost	$7.74

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In the House

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When your money is BURNED up regrets won't bring it back to you. It is very unsafe and it WORRIES you a whole lot to have money in your house or in a hole in the ground. Besides "looking" time after time to see if it is safe teaches people where it is and makes it very UNSAFE

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Everything in Vegetable Plants

A Complete Line of Bedding Flower Plants.

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A. E. Stonebrook

Hampton, Iowa

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Rev. Schlesselman was a caller at Mason City on Tuesday of last week.

A number of the young people from here attended a play given by the Thornton Legion on Tuesday evening of last week.

A. J. Nissen was a business caller at the county seat on last week Wedneday.

Miss Viola Thomas returned home from the Park Hospital last Tuesday. Her many friends are glad to see her home so soon.

Miss Lena Kuhlers was at Mason City on Wednesday of last week having dental work done.

R. L. Robinson and family are now living in the rooms over the E. A. Strasburg drug store building.

Wm. Butz who has been taking treatments at the Park Hospital returned home Tuesday of last week.

Dr. Agler was a business caller at Mason City one day last week.

C. J. Wendel, H. J. Groen, H. Fischer, Mrs. Nels Faaburg, Esther Zieman and little Mildred Wendel autoed to Mason City on Thursday.

Miss Reka Kuhlers was at Mason City Friday to have dental work done.

Ben Vierkant and daughter, Grace were callers at Hampton on Wednesday of last week.

Alma Ankeny was a shopper at Mason City Saturday.

Mrs. Leo Wilkins and Children of Klemme moved down here last week, They live in Mrs. Meinderts house.

A. Rooks was at Mason City on Friday on business matters.

Harm Dirk and family were at Mason City Friday visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital who is getting along as well as can be expected.

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington eggs 75 cents per setting, 4.50 per 100. Excellent layers—Mrs. Jno. H. Wenzel, Meservey, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stadtlander and children of Latimer spent Sunday here at the Mrs. Meinderts home.

J. Ruiter and wife spent Thursday evening at the H. Koenen home at Latimer.

Ilbert Wendel and wife were business callers at Latimer on Friday.

Al Rooks was at Mason City on Monday on business matters.

Andrew Nelson and Ira Wilkins of near Klemme were in town Friday on business.

The young men of the Bible class of the Reformed church dug the basement for the new addition of the church on Thursday and Friday of last week. The girls served dinner and lunch to the boys in the church basement.

The meetings which were held in the Methodist church the past week by Rev. Metcalf were quite well attended and very instructive. Also the singing by Mr. Peterson was much enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiteland and daughter, Arlene spent Sunday at the Henry Koenen home in Latimer.

E. A. Strasburg was at the county seat on Friday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dirks and Mrs. Carl Stadtlander and little son motored to Mason City Monday visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks at the Hospital, who is not as well as could be.

WANTED—20 head of cattle to pasture.—Harold Quandt, Thornton, Iowa. 231*

The Aid Society will meet Thursday at 2:00 p. m. at the church basement.

Miss Jacobs and a number of friends of Rowan spent the day Sunday at the Ben Gruis home.

Jake Ostendorf and family of near Alexander spent Sunday at the B. Gruis home.

Tom Nelson of near Klemme was in town on Monday. Janet Lauen returned home with him where she is intending to help Mrs. Nelson with the house work.

Presiding Elder Brecker of Le Mars who is holding quarterly conference south east of town, was a visitor at the A. E. Muller home Sunday.

NOTICE

Bycicle riding and wagon coasting on all sidewalks in any part of the city, strictly forbidden.

By Order of The Council
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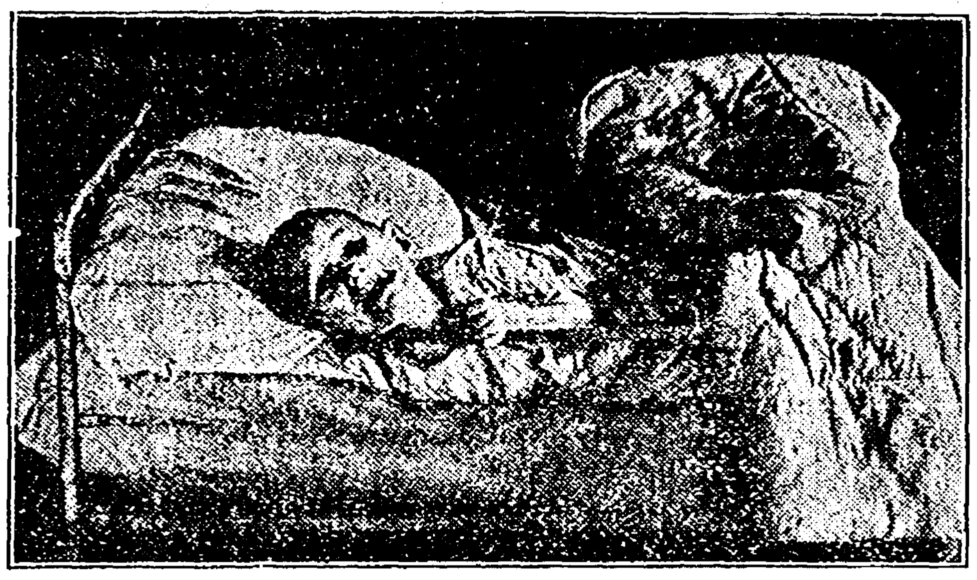
SOCIAL WORK CONFERENCE AT AMES MAY 2ND

Men and women in this community who are interested in finding ways and means of reducig dependency and helping unfortunate and needy people to help themselves, are invited to attend a regional conference on social work at Ames, May 2. One day will be devoted to a discussion of social work questions of special interest to smaler cities and towns.

This conference will be for the territory included in Greene, Boone, Story, Marhall, Tama, Franklin, Jasper, Madison, Poweshiek, Wright, Guthrie, Dallas, Polk, Calhoun, Webster, Hamilton, Harding and Grundy counties. It is being planned cooperatively by the Iowa State Conference of Social workers and the Ames Social Service League.

The program will include discussions led by Dr. F. E. Sampson of Creston, chairman of the State conference; County Supervisor Wesley Johnston of Webster county; Mrs. James A. Devitt of Oskaloosa, member of the state board of education; Captain Sands of the state housing commission; Dr. T. J. Edmunds of the Iowa Tuberculosis association; Judge B. F. Cummings of Marshalltown and Prof. G. H., Von Tugeln of Iowa State College. Complete programs may be secured by writing for one to the Secretary of the Ames Social Welfare League, City Hall, Ames, Iowa.

STARVATION IS PAINFUL



Hunger hurts—the ceaseless gnawing inside makes a fellow cry no matter how hard he tries to be brave. The picture was taken in a relief hospital in Samara. Of 10,000,000 children in the Volga valley of Russia, the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief says it will be possible to save 7,000,000 if present relief is doubled.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15 a. m.
Services 10:15 a. m.
Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m.
Services (English) 8:00 p. m.
Catechism at the usual hours on Saturday afternoon.
Rev. H. Pannkuk Pastor

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Meservey, Iowa

SAYS HOOTCH IS POISON

Declaring that the government bond on liquors today often covers nothing less than rank poison and that immediate steps must be taken to educate the general public if wholesale deaths from moonshine are to be avoided, Supt. R. N. Holsaple, of the Iowa Anti-Saloon League, issued an official warning to the people of the state.

The warning gives out the results of more than a year's study of all varieties of "prohibitive whiskey." It states that many moonshiners now resort to the practice af cutting the bottom out of bonded bottles and filling them with the rankest of poison liquor, in order to palm them off as "real goods." The league has an exhibit of such bottles, showing where the bottoms have been welded in again by means of an electric torch.

Three poisons are present in all moonshine and bootleg liquor, Holsaple's survey shows—fusel oil, furferal and formaldehyde. Blindness, lameness, insanity, rheumatism and stomach disorders are but a few of the results of these poisons. Fusel oil can be removed from whiskey only by long storage in wodden casks, the wood slowly absorbing the poison. Moonshiners never do this. They peddle it "raw" and blindness and death stalk in their wake.

The galvanized iron boilers, lead and tin pipes used in making bootleg liquor add to the poisons which are naturally found in them.

Holsaple calls upon the people of the state to help stamp out the bootlegger who not only violates our laws but brings with him a train of death and plague which is one of the scourges of the nation at the present time."

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Meservey, Iowa

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A week devoted to the selling of Cotton piece goods.

Thousands of dollars worth of domestic and imported fabrics.

Organdies, Voiles, Ginghams, Madras, Flaxon, Satins, Eponge, Longcloths, Nainsooks, Muslins, Cambrics, Sheetings, Tubings, Percales, etc.

Assortment almost endless. Prices that pay you to buy.

If you can't come, send for samples.

Imported Scotch Ginghams, 49c
36 in. White Poplins, 29c
36 in. Nainsooks, 17c
Fine Huck Toweling, 13 1-2 cents
Large Turkish Towels, 33c
64 in. Table Damask, 45c

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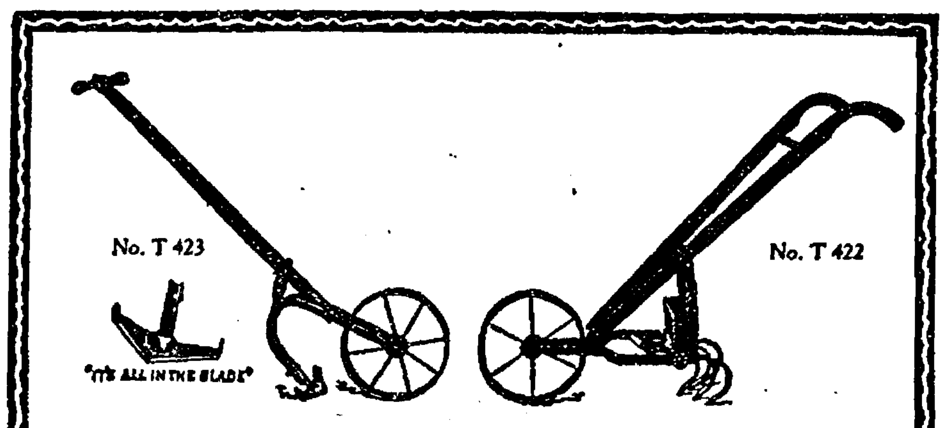
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"IT'S ALL IN THE BLADE"
No. T 422

New Design Cultivators for Home Gardens

The two tools shown above embody many improvements in cultivator designs.

The No. T 422 is an entirely new cultivator. The three attachments, plow, scuffle hoe and cultivator, are permanently attached to the frame.

The No. T 423 has a V-shaped blade forged from steel that cuts off the weeds and stirs up the soil with little effort.

Both are fine tools.

Come in and take your choice.

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Meservey, Iowa

Anniversary

With this issue we have been under the same management for seven years, during which time we have grown slowly and at the same time always tried to give a dollars worth of service for every dollar received. We wish to thank the public for past patronage and hope to be remembered in the future.

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G. E. Raecker
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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte, Hannetta and Johnnie and Mrs. Fred Murphy were callers at Hampton last Saturday.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson spent Sunday with friends at Latimer.

Mrs. Kate Starkey returned to her home after several weeks visit with relatives at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Menno Frohling and children of near Belmond spent Sunday at the Hiko Pals home.

Mrs. Lillian Seegar, who has been spending the winter with relatives at Clear Lake returned here last week and will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Larsen.

Ben Arends transacted business at Hampton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen were Hampton visitors Sunday evening.

Mrs. Butler and son, Arthur Butler visited at the Ed. Butler home in Hampton Monday.

George Batkema was a caller at Belmond Saturday.

Ben Arends and son, Bernard were business callers at Belmond last Saturday.

Arthur Peters and A. M. Butler visited at Eagle Grove last Sunday.

Hiko Pals was a caller at Chapin Sunday.

Miss Gladys Benard of Eagle Grove visited her sister, Miss Jessie the first of the week.

Miss Lillie Cornwell and Bert Kieslich autoed to Geneva Saturday and visited at the Will Waddington home.

Henry Schulte Jr. has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Lloyd Green, Miss Ethel Hall Mrs. Mary Hall and Mrs. Forrest Gillet and son, Alvah George were shoppers at Belmond Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy and daughter, Bernadine visited with relatives at Aredale last Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen and Theodore Beenen were business callers at Hampton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte and daughter Miss Hannetta and Mr. and Mrs. Jelto Beenken were among the Belmond callers last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller of Latimer were visitors at the Jesse Latham home last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Plagge of Latimer spent Sunday with relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stadtlander and Mr. and Mrs. John Muhlenbruch visited at the C. K. Stadtlander home Sunday.

Miss Wilma Foughty visited at the Benson home at Belmond on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Leslie Reed and two children, Mildred and John visited with her parents at Belmond the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Larsen and Miss Nellie Bell were callers at Belmond last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Seney of Sheffield visited at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Arends last Thursday.

William Vestweber of Belmond was a business caller at Alexander several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder spent the past week with relatives at Hampton.

Misses Bessie and Gertie Smidth were shoppers at Belmond last Thursday afternoon.

Miss Ethel Hall, who is teaching school near Hampton, spent the last of the week at her home in Alexander.

Bennie Arends Jr. was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Miss Jessie Benard, accompanied by Miss Eva Whetstone visited at her respective home at Eagle Grove on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Siberts of Dows were Alexander callers last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Jelto Beenken was a Belmond caller last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals were visitors at Belmond last Sunday.

Dr. Warner of Dows was a professional caller at Alexander last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Peters and children, Georgia, Curtis and Jean were callers at Mason City last Tuesday.

Mrs. E. E. Butler and sons, Edwin and John of Hampton visited with Alexander relatives the first of the week.

Ben Hensel of Webster City visited at the home of his brother, Oscar Hensel a few days the past week.

Jerry Beenen of Iowa Falle visited with home folks the last of the week.

L. S. Reed and W. F. Dunn were business callers at Des Moines Sunday.

Among those who attended the High school at Dows Thursday evening were Misses Eva Whetstone, Jessie Benard, Mary Charleson, Mrs. Henry Peters, Mrs. L. C. Peters, Arthur Butler and Arthur Peters.

The annual business meeting of the Cemetery Society will be held next Monday afternoon May 1st begining at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Elias Klinefelter. A large attendance is desired. Hostess for this meeting are Mesdames Elias Klinefelter, Fred Rodemeyer, and Charles Winwood.

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M. E. CHURCH NOTES

The Dorcas Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Bobst on Wednesday afternoon, May the 3rd. An unusually large crowd is desired.

Let us all notice the change in time of the Sunday services. Next Sunday April 3 we will have preaching at Nine thirty in the forenoon and Sunday school at ten thirty. Let us all be on time Sunday morning.

School Notes

Just four weeks of school. It closes May 19. The remaining school activities are the weekly movies, Arbor week activities, High school play, Health Day program, eighth grade graduation exercises, High school commencement.

The Misses Eva Whetstone and Jessie Bernard spent the week end at the latter's home in Eagle Grove. Miss Ruth Bernard accompanied the young ladies on their return trip. The trip was made in Miss Jessie Bernard's Buick.

The Near East Relief which was to have been given here in the near future and under direction of a Mr. A. J. Williams, has been indefinitely postponed. He says that the matter will be taken up next fall. We are in hopes that this coming season's crop will make it unnecessary to resume the work next fall.

Our last Movie drew a crowded house. Besides the regular educational program, two reels showing "Enoch Arden" were given. Our next program to be given on May 2nd is the last one. We are unable to report the nature of the program. We have not received a synopsis of it from Ames.

The Home Economics girls are trying their hand at the art of making bread. They're having mighty good success, too. A good bread baker in every home will do more to enlighten the burdens of man kind and give a brighter view of life than all the reformers and club workers combined.

THE FAIRGROUND STRIKES A SNAG

News: The fairgrounds plan as reported in the News Tuesday has struck a snag. And it cannot be budged. There is no authority in law for Clarion voting bonds in a sufficient sum to buy the tract. The legal limit beyond which any city under 25,000 cannot go is a sum which can be carried by a 1 1-4 mill levy for bond interest. Clarion can legally levy 2 1-2 mills for park purposes. But half of this is reserved for interest, and is insufficient at this time to meet interest payments on $14,000.

If there is sufficient interest in the matter, the county can own the grounds. The citizens at a special election, may vote whether or not they shall own and purchase a county fair grounds. A levy of 1 1-3 mills here would pay $14,000 for the grounds.

This plan is now being considered. If sufficient interest can be secured, petitions asking for a county election will be circulated. It is likely the vote could be had at the June 5th primary. This would save expenses and make such an election cost but a very small amount.

If there is a county fair hereafter, is seems likely that the people of the county as a whole would have to share in its responsibilities, financial and managerial.

The News would like very much to hear from its readers over the county as to how a county-owned fair grounds would strike them. Are you for it, or opposed to it? We would like to have letters from our readers, whether for publication or not, and urged every one to state his views.

Do you want a county-owned fair?

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BARGAINS FROM ALL OVER THE STORE
Our bargain counter is loaded with pieces of
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enough in some pieces for a Dress or Waist, priced less than half. - Also SHOES of all kinds.
SLIPPERS, OXFORDS & WORK SHOES at 20 pr. ct. off.

Come in and look over our bargains.
You can find everything you need and at one-half price.
In Groceries we will not be undersold.

We gave away Soap last Saturday. This week we will do better yet. Come in and see for yourself. We want your EGGS and are ready to meet prices to get them.

Oscar Walsh
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BREAD
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Our finished jobs are our best advertisers. None but skilled mechanics in our shop will do your job.

We have just installed a Ford Bearing Burning In Machine. Come in and see us take out that rattle and knock in your Ford motor.

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Read! Read! **FREE** Read! Read!

WE MUST HAVE 500 CASES EGGS
To every person bringing us EGGS, SATURDAY, APRIL 29th, we will give one box Matches FREE for every 5 dozen Eggs you bring. Bring us your eggs and get your matches FREE. Note these bargain prices.

Pearl White Soap, 10 bars -	48c	Pearl White Soap, box of 80 bars,	$3.79
Pork and Beans, at a special price, per can	9c	Black Tea, 5 lb. box - -	$2.00
		4 lb. sack Pancake Flour -	35c
Corn Flakes, 2 large boxes -	25c	Peanut Butter, bulk -	20c
Wantmore Flour - -	$2.25 cash		

Our grocery stock is complete and our prices are hard to beat. Come in and look our line over and you will buy.

Have you seen our line of Spring Ginghams? They are moving out pretty lively. Come in at once and get your Gingham Dress while our line is complete.

TWO BIG SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 29th
A regular $1.25 House Apron, while they last, 79c each
Jello, at a special bargain price, limit 6 boxes, of 10c packages
Remember these specials are good for Saturday only.

Remember, we pay highest prices for EGGS, CASH or in TRADE, be sure to bring us your EGGS Saturday and get one box Matches Free for every 5 dozen Eggs you bring.

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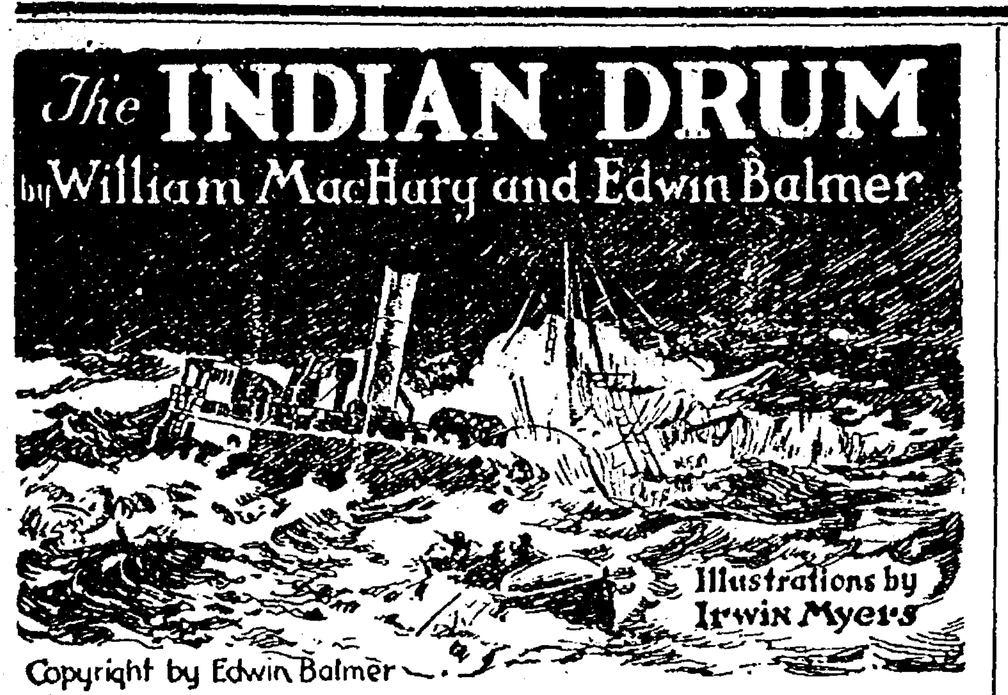

The INDIAN DRUM

by William MacHarg and Edwin Balmer

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CHAPTER I.

The Man Whom the Storm Haunted.

Near the northern end of Lake Michigan, where the bluff-bowed ore-carriers and the big, low-lying, wheat-laden steel freighters from Lake Superior push out from the Straits of Mackinac and dispute the right of way, in the island-divided channel, with the white-and-gold, electric-lighted, wireless-equipped passenger steamers bound for Detroit and Buffalo, there is a copse of pine and hemlock back from the shingly beach. From this copse—dark, blue, primeval, silent at most times as when the Great Manitou ruled his inland waters—there comes at time of storm a sound like the booming of an old Indian drum. This drum beat, so the tradition says, whenever the lake took a life; and, as a sign perhaps that it is still the Manitou who rules the waters in spite of all the commerce of the cities, the drum still beats its roll for every ship lost on the lake, one beat for every life.

So—men say—they heard and counted the beatings of the drum to thirty-five upon the hour when, as afterward they learned, the great steel steamer Wenota sank with twenty-four of its crew and eleven passengers; so—men say—they heard the requiem of the five who went down with the schooner Grant; and of the seventeen lost with the Susan Hart; and so of a score of ships more. Once only, it is told, has the drum counted wrong.

At the height of the great storm of December, 1895, the drum beat the roll of a sinking ship. One, two, three—the hearers counted the drum beats, time and again, in their intermittent booming, to twenty-four. They waited, therefore, for report of a ship lost with twenty-four lives; no such news came. The new steel freighter Miwaka, on her maiden trip during the storm with twenty-five—not twenty-four—aboard never made her port; no news was ever heard from her; no wreckage ever was found. On this account, throughout the families whose fathers, brothers and sons were the officers and crew of the Miwaka, there stirred for a time a desperate belief that one of the men on the Miwaka was saved; that somewhere, somehow, he was alive and might return. The day of the destruction of the Miwaka was fixed as December 5 by the time at which she passed the government lookout at the straits; the hour was fixed as five o'clock in the morning only by the sounding of the drum.

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Storm—the stinging, frozen sleet slash of the February norther whistling down the floe-jammed length of the lake—was assaulting Chicago. So heavy was this frost on the panes of the Fort Dearborn club—one of the staidest of the down-town clubs for men—that the great log fires blazing on the open hearths added appreciable light as well as warmth to the rooms.

The few members present at this hour of the afternoon showed by their lazy attitudes and the desultoriness of their conversation the dulling of vitality which warmth and shelter bring on a day of cold and storm. On one, however, the storm had had a contrary effect. With swift, uneven steps he paced now one room, now another; from time to time he stopped abruptly by a window, scraped from it with finger nail the frost, stared out for an instant through the little opening he had made, then resumed as abruptly his nervous pacing with a manner so uneasy and distraught that, since his arrival at the club an hour before, none even among those who knew him best had ventured to speak to him.

The man who was pacing restlessly and alone the rooms of the Fort Dearborn club on this stormy afternoon was the man who, to most people, bodied forth the life underlying all other commerce thereabouts but the least known, the life of the lakes.

The lakes, which mark unmistakably those who get their living from them, had put their marks on him. Though he was slight in frame with a spare, almost ascetic leanness, he had the wiry strength and endurance of the man whose youth had been passed upon the water. He was very close to sixty now, but his thick, straight hair was still jet black except for a slash of pure white above one temple; his brows were black above his deep blue eyes. His acquaintances, in explaining him to strangers, said he had lived too much by himself of late; he and one man servant shared the great house which had been unchanged—and in which nothing appeared to have needed replacing—since his wife left him, suddenly and unaccountably, about twenty years before. People said he looked more French, referring to his father who was known to have been a skin-hunter north of Lake Superior in the '50s but who later married an English girl at Mackinac and settled down to become a trader in the woods of the North peninsula, where Benjamin Corvet was born.

During his boyhood men came to the peninsula to cut timber; young Corvet worked with them and began building ships. Thirty-five years ago he had been only one of the hundreds with his fortune in the fate of a single bottom; but today in Cleveland, in Duluth, in Chicago, more than a score of great steamers under the names of various interdependent companies were owned or controlled by him and his two partners, Sherrill and young Spearman.

He was a quiet, gentle-mannered man. At times, however, he suffered from fits of intense irritability, and these of late had increased in frequency and violence. It had been noticed that these outbursts occurred generally at times of storm upon the lake, but the mere threat of financial loss through the destruction of one or even more of his ships was not now enough to cause them; it was believed that they were the result of some obscure physical reaction to the storm, and that this had grown upon him as he grew older.

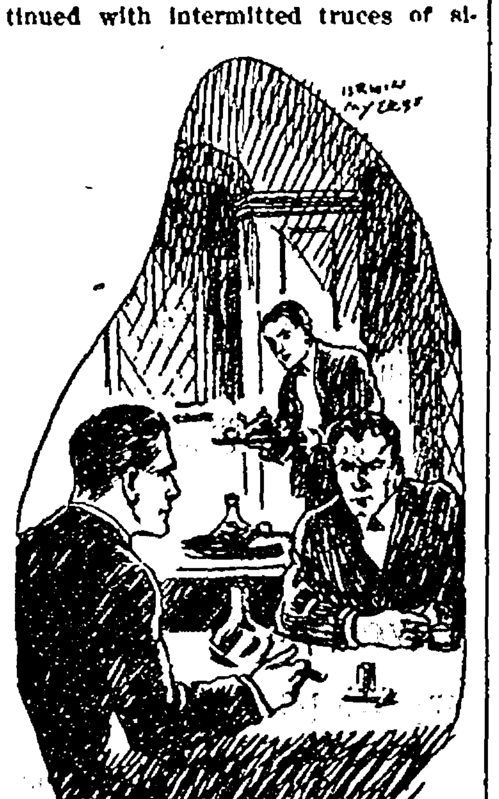
Today his irritability was so marked, his uneasiness so much greater than anyone had seen it before, that the attendant whom Corvet had sent, a half hour earlier, to reserve his usual table for him in the grill—"The table by the second window"—had started away without daring to ask whether the table was to be set for one or more. Corvet himself had corrected the omission: "For two," he had shot after the man.

The tables, at this hour, were all unoccupied. Corvet crossed to the one he had reserved and sat down; he turned immediately to the window at his side and scraped on it a little clear opening through which he could see the storm outside. Ten minutes later he looked up sharply but did not rise, as the man he had been awaiting—Spearman, the younger of his two partners—came in.

Spearman seated himself, his big, powerful hands clasped on the table, his gray eyes studying Corvet closely. The waiter took the order and went away.

When he returned, the two men were obviously in bitter quarrel. Corvet's tone, low pitched but violent, sounded steadily in the room, though his words were inaudible. The waiter, as he set the food upon the table, felt relief that Corvet's outburst had fallen on other shoulders than his.

For nearly an hour the quarrel continued with intermitted truces of silence. The waiter, listening, as waiters always do, caught at times single sentences.



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"You have had that idea for some time?" he heard from Corvet.

"We have had an understanding for more than a month."

"How definite?"

Spearman's answer was not audible, but it more intensely agitated Corvet; he dropped his fork and, after that, made no pretense of eating.

The waiter, following this, caught only single words. "Sherrill"—that, of course, was the other partner. "Constance"—that was Sherrill's daughter. The other names he heard were names of ships. But, as the quarrel went on, the manners of the two men changed; Spearman, who at first had been assailed by Corvet, now was assailing him. Corvet sat back in his seat, while Spearman pulled at his cigar and now and then took it from his lips and gestured with it between his fingers, as he jerked some ejaculation across the table.

Corvet leaned over to the frosted window, as he had done when alone, and looked out. Spearman shot a comment which made Corvet wince and draw back from the window; then Spearman rose. Corvet looked up at him once and asked a question, to which Spearman replied with a snap of the burnt match down on the table; he turned abruptly and strode from the room. Corvet sat motionless.

The revulsion to self-control, sometimes even to apology, which ordinarily followed Corvet's bursts of irritation had not come to him; his agitation plainly had increased. He pushed from him his uneaten luncheon and got up slowly. He went out to the coat room, where the attendant handed him his coat and hat.

He winced as he stepped out into the smarting, blinding swirl of sleet, but his shrinking was not physical; it was mental, the unconscious reaction to some thought the storm called up. The hour was barely four o'clock, but so dark was it with the storm that the shop windows were lit; motorcars, slipping and skidding up the broad boulevard, with headlights burning, kept their signals clattering constantly to warn other drivers blinded by the snow. The sleet-swept sidewalks were almost deserted; here or there, before a hotel or one of the shops, a limousine came to the curb, and the passengers dashed swiftly across the walk to shelter.

Corvet turned northward along Michigan avenue, facing into the gale. The sleet beat upon his face and lodged in the folds of his clothing without his heeding it.

He continued to go north. He had not seemed, in the beginning, to have made conscious choice of this direction; but now he was following it purposely. He stopped once at a shop which sold men's things to make a telephone call. He asked for Miss Sherrill when the number answered; but he did not wish to speak to her, he said; he wanted merely to be sure she would be there if he stopped in to see her in half an hour. Then—north again. He crossed the bridge. Now, fifteen minutes later, he came in sight of the lake once more.

Great houses, the Sherrill house among them, here face the Drive, the bridle path, the strip of park, and the wide stone esplanade which edges the lake. Covert crossed to this esplanade. He did not stop at the Sherrill house or look toward it, but went on fully a quarter of a mile beyond it; then he came back, and with an oddly strained and queer expression and attitude, he stood staring out into the lake.

Suddenly he turned. Constance Sherrill, seeing him from a window of her home, had caught a cape about her and run out to him.

"Uncle Benny!" she hailed him with the affectionate name she had used with her father's partner since she was a baby. "Uncle Benny, aren't you coming in?"

"Yes," he said vaguely. "Yes, of course." He made no move but remained staring at her. "Connie!" he exclaimed suddenly, with strange reproach to himself in his tone. "Connie! Dear little Connie!"

"Why?" she asked him. "Uncle Benny, what's the matter?"

"Has Spearman been here today?" he asked, not looking at her.

"To see father?"

"No; to see you."

"No."

He seized her wrist. "Don't see him, when he comes!" he commanded.

"Uncle Benny!"

"Don't see him!" Corvet repeated. "He's asked you to marry him, hasn't he?"

Connie could not refuse the answer. "Yes."

"And you?"

"Why—why, Uncle Benny, I haven't answered him yet."

"Then don't—don't, do you understand, Connie?"

She hesitated, frightened for him. "I'll—I'll tell you before I see him, if you want me to, Uncle Benny," she granted.

"But if you shouldn't be able to tell me then, Connie; if you shouldn't—want to then?" The humility of his look perplexed her; if he had been any other man—any man except Uncle Benny—she would have thought some shameful and terrifying threat hung over him; but he broke off sharply. "I must go home," he said uncertainly. "I must go home; then I'll come back. Connie, you won't give him an answer till I come back, will you?"

"No." He got her promise, half frightened, half bewildered; then he turned at once and went swiftly away from her.

She ran back to the door of her father's house. From there she saw him reach the corner and turn west to go to Astor street. He was walking rapidly and did not hesitate.

How strangely he had acted! Constance's uneasiness increased when the afternoon and evening passed without his coming back to see her as he had promised, but she reflected he had not set any definite time when she was to expect him. During the night her anxiety grew still greater; and in the morning she called his house up on the telephone, but the call was unanswered. An hour later, she called again; still getting no result, she called her father at his office, and told him of her anxiety about Uncle Benny, but without repeating what Uncle Benny had said to her or the promise she had made to him. Her father made light of her fears; Uncle Benny, he reminded her, often acted queerly in bad weather. Only partly reassured, she called Uncle Benny's house several more times during the morning, but still got no reply; and after luncheon she called her father again, to tell him that she had resolved to get some one to go over to the house with her.

Her father, to her surprise, forbade this rather sharply; his voice, she realized, was agitated and excited, and she asked him the reason; but instead of answering her, he made her repeat to him her conversation of the afternoon before with Uncle Benny, and now he questioned her closely about it. But when she, in her turn, tried to question him, he merely put her off and told her not to worry.

In the late afternoon, as dusk was drawing into dark, she stood at the window, with one of those delusive hopes which come during anxiety that, because it was the time of day at which she had seen Uncle Benny walking by the lake the day before, she might see him there again, when she saw her father's motor approaching. It was coming from the north, not from the south as it would have been if he was coming from his office or his club, and it had turned into the Drive from the west. She knew, therefore, that he was coming from Uncle Benny's house, and, as the car swerved and wheeled in, she ran out into the hall to meet him.

He came in without taking off hat or coat; she could see that he was perturbed, greatly agitated.

"What is it, father?" she demanded. "What has happened?"

"I do not know, my dear."

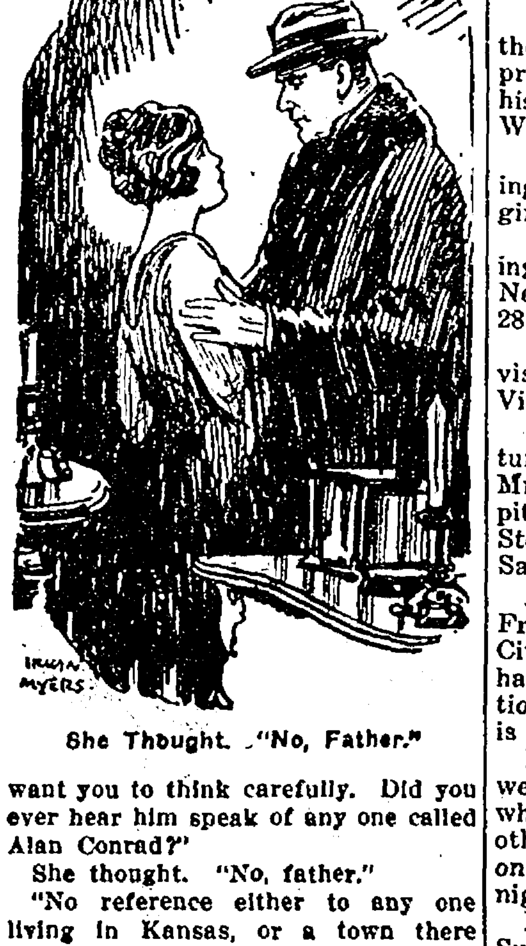
"It is something—something that has happened to Uncle Benny?"

"I am afraid so, dear—yes. But I do not know what it is that has happened, or I would tell you."

He put his arm about her and drew her into a room opening off the hall—his study. He made her repeat again to him the conversation she had had with Uncle Benny and tell him how he had acted; but she saw that what she told him did not help him.

Then he drew her toward him.

"Tell me, little daughter. You have been a great deal with Uncle Benny and have talked with him; I want you to think carefully. Did you ever hear him speak of any one called Alan Conrad?"



She Thought. "No, Father."

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"No reference either to any one living in Kansas, or a town there called Blue Rapids?"

"No, father. Who is Alan Conrad?"

"I do not know, dear. I never heard the name until to-day, and Harry Spearman had never heard it. But it appears to be intimately connected in some way with what was troubling Uncle Benny yesterday. He wrote a letter yesterday to Alan Conrad in Blue Rapids and mailed it himself; and afterward he tried to get it back, but it already had been taken up and was on its way. I have not been able to learn anything more about the letter than that. To-day that name, Alan Conrad, came to me in quite another way, in a way which makes it certain that it is closely connected with whatever has happened to Uncle Benny. You are quite sure you never heard him mention it, dear?"

"Quite sure, father."

He released her and, still in his hat and coat, went swiftly up the stairs. She ran after him and found him standing before a highboy in his dressing room. He unlocked a drawer in the highboy, and from within the drawer he took a key. Then, still disregarding her, he hurried back downstairs.

As she followed him, she caught up a wrap and pulled it around her. He had told the chauffeur, she realized now, to wait; but as he reached the door, he turned and stopped her.

"I would rather you did not come with me, little daughter. I do not know at all what it is that has happened—I will let you know as soon as I find out."

(Continued Next Week)

White Buys
EGGS
Belmond, Iowa

Rowan Local News

R. H. Kieth was a Fort Dodge caller Thursday.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens and little Wilford Nye were Belmond visitors Thursday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard.

Mrs. F. H. Fowler and daughter, Esther, were Clarion shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham, of Iowa Falls, spent several days visiting relatives here, returning to their home Wednesday.

Mrs. Fuller Bailey, of Belmond, visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Riley last week.

Alvin Haupt, of Clarion, visited friends in this vicinity last week Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Williams and Miss Vinnie Whitten were Belmond callers Tuesday.

Mrs. Roy Fitz, of Clarion visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gay Fletcher, Tuesday.

Mrs. Dena McCoy, of Clarion visited Rowan friends a part of last week and attended the Spring sale and supper at the M. E. Church.

L. A. McCalum was at Bradford last week doing some improving on his farm.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bailey returned from Rochester Saturday. Mrs. Bailey has been in the hospital at that place and is much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Meservey spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph. Guy Stumph went to Meservey the first of the week to attend to the Meat Market while the Robinson family moved into another house. Mrs. Guy Stumph motored to Meservey Friday to spend a short time at the Robinson home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers were Clarion callers Thursday.

Mrs. C. W. Fowler was a Clarion visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box were Clarion callers Thursday.

Mrs. Tom Whitten was a Belmond caller Monday.

George Wessells was a Belmond caller Monday.

Mrs. Joe Simons was an Eagle Grove visitor Thursday.

George Ballou was on the sick list the past week. He is better at the present writing and has returned to his home from his daughter's, Mrs. Will Stout.

Mr. and Mrs. Wharton are rejoicing over the arrival of a new baby girl born Wednesday.

For first class cleaning and pressing, repairing and cutting over. The New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28. J. F. Tuffree, Belmond, Iowa.

Cecil Mullans, of Aberdeen S. Dak. visited at the home of his uncle, Dick Virden several days the past week.

Mesdames Roy and Sim Stout returned Friday from Rochester, where Mrs. Roy Stout has been in the hospital for an operation. Mrs. Roy Stout went to her home at Thompson Saturday.

Mrs. George Pritchett and Miss Frances Virden returned from Iowa City Tuesday where Miss Frances has been in the hospital for an operation for appendicitis. Miss Frances is getting along nicely.

Dr. Maker and Mr. George Lineweaver went to Des Moines Friday where Mr. Lineweaver consulted other physicians concerning a growth on his lip. They returned Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher spent Sunday in Clarion at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitz.

C. W. Fowler has been having his house painted the past week.

Last Thursday Mrs. Mary Ballou, of Anita, and Mrs. L. D. Yoeman and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Stout, spending the entire day.

Several of our Rowan people attended the Webster City association which was held at Belmond last Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday. Among those present were Mrs. L. A. McCallum, Miss Florence Box, Rev. W. H. Nye and Messers. H. J. C. Box and E. Bingham. They report a fine meeting at all the sessions.

Mrs. D. E. Harris was a Belmond visitor Monday.

Rev. Tomkinson went to Forrest City Monday to spend the week assisting in special meetings.

The spring sale and supper at the M. E. church Saturday night was well attended and nearly seventy dollars was realized from this gathering.

Mrs. Etta Carr went to Latimer Sunday evening to visit relatives.

Miss Edna McCutcheon spent Saturday in Hampton visiting Miss Ruth Mitchell.

Miss Elsie Kieth, who has been visiting in Montreal Canada this winter, came to visit her brother, R. H. Kieth Saturday. She went to V[illegible] Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Kieth, who with their children Roberta and Mary Alice and David James spent Sunday at the R. H. Kieth home.

Miss Lucile Polsdofer, of Thornton, is assisting at the hotel.

Mrs. C. E. Johnson is on the sick list.

Mrs. Sim Stout is on the sick list with the grippe.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver went to Clarion Saturday to spend the week end at the home of her mother, Mrs. Heathershaw.

Mrs. J. L. Sinclair and son, Russel of Clarion spent Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler.

Mrs. Ralph Waddingham and daughter, Wanda, of Meservey, spent the week end at the home of Miss Frieda Whitten. Mr. Waddingham motored after them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder were Clarion visitors Friday at the home of their son, Howard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten were Dows callers Friday.

Glen Liming was on the sick list the past week with tonsilitis.

Mrs. Chris Klemensen and baby, of Latimer came Saturday to visit over Sunday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon, Mrs. Theo. Hansen, Mrs. Tomkinson, Mrs. G. R. Sheldon and Mrs. George Liming motored to Britt last Friday to attend W. F. M. S. convention. They report a fine meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten and daughter, Gladys and Evelyn Whitten motored to Goldfield Sunday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow.

The Misses Grada Roetman and Garman, of Goldfield and Miss Libby Moses, of Dows, spent the week end at the home of the Misses Maude and Ruby Cowley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Myers were called to Des Moines the past week by the illness of their son, Marshall, who is suffering from an abscess in his throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Hansen, who have been in the restaurant business in Sheffield for some time, have moved to their residence in the west part of town.

Mr. George Whitten is improving his town property by the addition of a fine front porch. Harvey Lineweaver and O. F. Braden are doing the work.

Mrs. Tom Ross accompanied Walter Allen to his home in Bruce S. Dak. and returned with his two small children. She will care for them for the present.

Mesdames A. H. Emerson and Ben Hadley were Fort Dodge shoppers Thursday.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

School Notes

In averaging up the six weeks grades it was found that the Seniors class stood at the head in deportment, having an everage of 99 1-3 per cent. The Juniors having the highest average in scholarship.

The Junior Senior banquet was held at the school Friday night, April 21st. The Juniors carried out the decorations in a Japaneese style. As soon as the guests arrived they were taken into the reception room. A little later they entered the banquet hall which was decorated beautifully. Four courses were served. Supt. Holliday served as Toast master. The following toasts were given; "Welcome" by James Kercheval; Farewell to schooldays (including class will) by Frances Farren; "Class Prophecy" Marie Hinkley; "To the Teachers" Henry Williams. The banquet is among the best given by the High school.

Baccalaureate Services will be held at the M. E. church Sunday night, May 21st.

The Senior graduation excerises will be held at the school house Tuesday night May 23rd. Frank E. Mossman, President of Morning Side College at Sioux City, will be the speaker for this occasion. If you wish to hear a good address be present on May 23rd.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes
Sunday April 30th
Rev. W. H. Nye, Pastor.

Morning worship 11 a. m.
Sunday school 12.
Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.
Evening Song 8 p. m.
Mid week prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.
Junior Endeavor Wednesday at 4 p. m.

Every one is cordially invited to attend these services.

The ladies will hold their spring sale and supper Saturday April 29. Everybody come and bring your friends.

The Young Ladies Mission study club will meet at the home of Miss Thelma Brooks Thursday evening Every member is urged to be present as we are starting a new course of study. Anyone having mite boxes which have not been handed in for home missions please bring them to this meeting.

SHOWS

On Saturday April 29th "Breezy Eason" will feature in "The Big Adventure." There will also be a Century feature comedy "Hold your Breath."

EDITOR IS RADICAL —THE PEOPLE OBJECT

The Ringstad Dispatch takes a whack at Bob Sherwood because he stired up trouble in his job as editor of the LuVerne newspaper. Bob is a crank, but what he has done to LuVerne is just what it needed done to it. It sometimes takes a crank to turn things.

Luverne has been a tough hole, and if the efforts of editor Sherwood helped to clean matters up, he has done a good work there. The man who stands for law and order in a lawless town is always the butt of every coarse joke sprung in that locality.—Humboldt Republican.

Belmond Local News

Own your own home.

MAY SUPPER

Congregational Aid society will serve the Annual May Supper, Monday, May 2nd. Splendid supper for 35 cents. Children under ten years, 25 cents. Remember day and date: Tuesday, May 2nd. 231c

A pie social and program will be held at Norway No. 6, Friday, April 28th. Everybody come. Ladies please bring pies. The school is one mile north and seven miles west of Belmond. 231c

Modern rooms for rent. Inquire of C. F. Greenfield, or Herb Harberts. 233c

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy spent Sunday in Hampton visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Easton and Mrs. Albert Fetrow were callers at Mason City last week Friday.

Save your coupons for free premiums.—W. A. Parsons.

Protect your own family.

Don't fail to read our ad this week. It contains something good.—W. A. Parsons.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens, of Rowan, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey spent a day or so at Rowan, visiting at the home of her parents last week.

Sheriff Lang was in town Tuesday, looking after some legal affairs here.

Eagle Grove appears to be having a hot time over the teacher question in the schools there. The board cut salaries, and a howl went up with a bunch of resignations. Their superintendent was receiving $3,700 a year.

Mrs. Leslie Reed, of Alexander, and her two children, were guests last week at the home of her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn.

Since the Battery Station and the Independent installed their radiophone the "bug" has entered into many, and several local citizens are planning on getting an outfit to "listen in."

Omn your own farm.

Miss Gladys Barry returned from Chicago this week, where she has been taking care of her sister, Pearl, who recently underwent a serious operation at the Mercy hospital in that city. Miss Pearl is reported as recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Nelson, from Eagle Grove, were visitors with relatives here during the week end.

Rev. Wilkinson, of Mason City, was a visitor one day last week with his brother, Rev. Wilkinson of Belmond.

Mrs. Jos. Pletch and Mrs. C. M. Morse were callers last week Friday at Mason City.

In this issue of the Independent will be found the announcement of Atty. J. M. Jensen, of Belmond, for the office of County Attorney. To date. his is the only announcement out for this office.

Joe Scott, Clem Cannon, and Carol McIntyre, drove to Des Moines last Thursday, where they purchased the wireless outfit now installed by the Belmond Battery Station Co. and the Independent. They were accompanied as far as Huxley by Mrs. Ole Scott, who visited with relatives at that place.

Belmond took second place in the musical contest held at Garner last week Friday evening. The contest was between several high schools, and the orchestra and band from the local high school took part. Quite a number of Belmond folks accompanied the local aggregation and report a very enjoyable entertainment.

Andrew Lieuwen, of near Alexander, was in the city last week Saturday, visiting relatives and friends.

Talk to Wolle Land Agency about own your own home. $700 buys one.

March Nordschow arrived Tuesday from Lake Mills, where he spent the winter, for a visit at the home of his brother, H. G. Nordschow, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Baker are the parents of a baby son, who arrived at their home on Tuesday of last week.

PIANO TUNER here the first week in May. Pianos, player pianos and pipe organs repaired or tuned. —Belmond Furniture Co. Phone 107. 231c

Two garden lots for rent.—Mrs. Val Griesy. 23tfc

W. H. Trafford has been enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. Ida Trafford, of DeKalb, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Menno Frohling spent Sunday visiting at the home of friends and relatives at Alexander.

We have a nice line of leather hand bags and Vanity cases. Prices right. —Schultz Drug Co.

Adam Slicemen, of Lidderdale, Ia., was a visitor the first of the week with his brother, Jacob Slicemen, and with Howard Moore. He was enroute to Ventura, where he has a farm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Papousek were at Clear Lake Tuesday, where they attended the wedding of a brother of Mrs. Papousek.

Mrs. Cameron and Miss Daisy returned to Belmond Wednesday after their winter's sojourn in California.

Lawn mower and saws sharpened. We guarantee work. Leave at Mill or residence.—J. H. Nourse.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings drove to Rowan on Monday of this week.

Mrs. Ernest Stapley was pleasantly surprised last week Saturday by a visit from her grandmother, Mrs. Wm. Hillhouse, of Jamestown, New York. She had not seen her grandmother for 24 years. Mrs. Hillhouse was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Carpenter of Iowa Falls, uncle and aunt of Mrs. Stapley.

Harold Kimmell of Manley formerly a resident of Belmond, was in town Sunday greeting his many old friends here.

The roads about the country have been getting into very nice shape lately, and automobiling has again become a pleasure. The roads generally are pretty good, with a few spots here and there where the drag has not been used to advantage and a load of gravel is needed to fill the ruts. The Belmond to Garner road is in good shape, and from Garner on to Mason City the pavement gives the limit as the speed of your car. We phrophasy that this road will see some traffic this summer, as it is a very pretty drive and an excellent highway.

Friends in Belmond learned last week of the illness of J. H. Neal, of Mason City, formerly a resident and business man of Belmond. Mr. Neal has just recovered from a quite severe attack of the flu.

HAMPTON FACTORY NOT TO RUN THIS YEAR

The Hampton-Kelly Canning Company will not operate the plant during the coming season, according to a statement made today by H. G. Kelley, manager of the company.

This will not be very good news to the many farmers of this vicinity who have been growing sweet corn the past several years at a handsome profit. However, everybody knows that business conditions during last year and at the close of 1920 put many business concerns in the country on the rocks, and it effected all lines of trade. The canning trade was hit the same as other industries, and with a large part of the 1921 pack of sweet corn still on hand officials of the Hampton-Kelly Company decided not to operate this season.

It looks like conditions would be largely improved by this time next year, so that the factory could operate as usual. Many canning factories over the country did not operate last year, and many of them will not operate this year.—Chronicle.

White Buys EGGS

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Middleton, and Mr. and Mrs. Larson, and their families, of Eagle Grove, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eaton on Sunday of this week.

Kinseth's Store News

Have you got the Radio bug yet? It's been working overtime lately, and several have been bitten. Seems queer to get messages out of the air, doesn't it? But there's nothing queer about the message we bring you this week—it is just plain bargain facts. Don't use the wireless—use the telephone and say "No 19, please, the store on the corner," and then take your pick from

Oil sardines, per can	5c
Corn Flakes, 2 pkgs.	15c
Sugar, per hundred	$6.80
Brooms	39c
Milk, large can	10c

Look at our work shoes, guaranteed all leather, at from $2.65 to $4.35. Cheap? Yes; but worth a good deal more.

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TWO POUNDS COCOA FREE with 15 dozen eggs Friday and Saturday.

"Tune in" to the Store on the Corner and listen to the money jingle that you save.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

TO USERS OF MILK

From now on, I will sell milk at 7c a quart from the wagon, 6c a quart from Kinseth's grocery. Cream is sold from the wagon.—H. H. Hawley Phone 298. 23tf

A good used Fordson tractor A-1 condition at a real bargain.—Belmond Auto Co. Belmond Ia.

FOR SALE—Choice Barred Rock eggs for hatching. From good laying strain. 75 cents per setting; $4 per hundred.—Easton & Fetrow, Phone 2009. 203*

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte baby chicks.—Mrs. Chas. Gealow, Phone 2712. 203c

Call 28 for free Rug Cleaning demonstration in your own home. New Belmond Tailor Shop.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Two Black ponies and one work horse for sale—Severt Enger, Belmond. 21tfc

Cream and eggs, we buy both and pay the top prices. Bring me your

Have your cows tuberculin tested now. Do not feed that child of yours non-tested cows milk.—R. G. Brown, D. V. M. Accredited by Iowa Commission of Animal Health, and the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry. 22tfc

WANTED—Stock to pasture; have 60 acres.—A. Ellis, Phone 3709. 233*

Wild hay for sale.—A. Ellis, Phone 3709. 231*

LOST—A lot of good news by not calling 115. When you find some, notify this office. 221tf

FOR SALE—Good building lot; $1,100. $300 down, balance at 5 per cent, 5 years time.——H. Mennenga. 223c

We sell fertilizer.—Farmers Elevator Company. 224c

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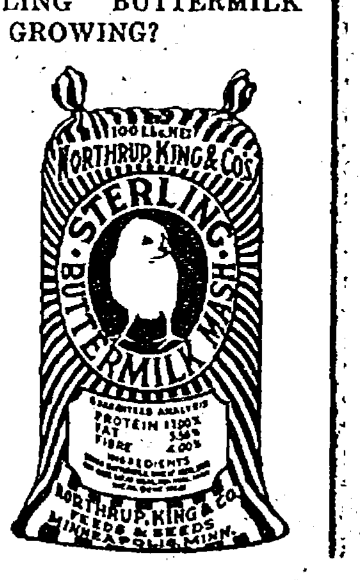

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ORGANIZATION FORMED FOR BASE BALL TEAM

Belmond Wins Field Meet from Goldfield

Take Dual Meet From Neighboring Town By Large Majority

HOPE TO HOLD OTHERS

Last Saturday afternoon Belmond defeated Goldfield in a Dual Track Meet 79-2 3-34 1-3.

Last year was the first time the present students body have tried Track and this year, for beginners, we have made an excellent showing. Only a small crowd was out last Saturday afternoon to witness the Meet, but those present were not disappointed.

We hope to have two Dual or Invitation Meets this year, but we are handicapped in holding Meets in Belmond because we lack an Athletic Field for the track events. The following is the result of the Belmond-Goldfield meet, Agard of Goldfield being the individual winner.

100 YARD DASH—11 2-5 seconds
1st Agard (G)
2nd E. Parsons (B)
3rd H. Chapman (B)
220 YARD DASH—25 seconds
1st Agard (G)
2nd H. Chapman (B)
3rd Wm. Tyrrell (B)
440 YARD DASH—60 2-5 seconds
1st L. Parsons (B)
2nd E. Parsons (B)
3rd Ellsworth (G)
HALF MILE RUN—2 min. 22 sec.
1st E. Christie (B)
2nd R. Stapley (B)
3rd L. Parsons (B)
MILE RUN—5 min. 12 seconds
1st E. Parsons (B)
2nd Comin (G)
3rd C. Nelson (G)
LOW HURDLES—27 2-5 seconds
1st Agard (G)
2nd H. Chapman (B)
3rd Braden (G)
HIGH JUMP—5 feet, 1 inch
1st Lee Lowenberg (B)
2nd Vere Jenison (B)
3rd Stockdale (G)
Jenison, Stockdale, Morey Nelson tied at 5 feet.
BROAD JUMP—18 feet 10 in.
1st William Tyrrell (B)
2nd E. Parsons (B)
3rd Morey Nelson (B)
E. Parsons and Morey Nelson tied at 18 feet 9 1-2 in.
POLE VAULT—8 feet, 10 in.
1st Ray Stapley (B)
2nd Wm. Vestweber (B)
3rd Merrill Stapley (B)
Vestweber and Stapley tied at 8 feet, 8 inches.
SHOT PUT—35 feet, 3-4 inch
1st Vestweber (B)
2nd Agard (G)
3rd Braden (G)
DISCUSS—95 feet, 4 inches
1st Agard (G)
2nd Braden (G)
3rd Wm. Vestweber (B)
HALF MILE RELAY—1 min. 45 sec.
Wm. Tyrrell, M. Nelson, H. Chapman. I. Madsen (B)
MILE RELAY—4 min. 1 sec.
E. Christie, L. Lowenberg, W. Thiltgen, E. Parsons.

The Senior class play will be given May 19. If you like to laugh, plan on seeing "Clarence" on that date.

Miss Dodd and Mr. Christie went to Kanawha Tuesday night to judge a declamatory contest.

Belmond High School continued its winning streak by defeating Sheffield last Friday. The score was 7-2. Belmond scored two runs on balls the first inning. Sheffield scored two the same inning on errors.

Klooz, pitching for Sheffield, was touched for ten hits, while Madsen allowed but three scattered hits.

Thursday of this week the team leaves for the State Tournament at Ames. Belmond has won seven games consecutively this year, and should make a good showing.

The musical program offered by the music department of the Grade school will be Monday evening May 8, at 8 o'clock, in the school auditorium. The vocal department offers the Japanese sketch, "A Box of Dolls" by third grade, and the operetta "The Fairy Rose" by fourth and fifth grades. Two instrumental numbers from Miss Ely's class will be given.

Solo—Richard Gowdy.

Trio—Ruth Jones, Lucille Skouge, Ruth Ramsay.

Miss Rourk has assisted in the drill. Accompanyments by Marjorie Williams. Admission 35c and 25c.

Joe Scott, of the Battery Station, accompanied by Clem Cannon, made a business trip via auto to Mason City, Friday. Ye ed went along for the ride, and it was sure some ride on that paved road from Garner to Mason City. Clear Lake is starting to spruce up for the summer border, and many new cottages are being constructed along the lake front. The paved road circles the lake for several miles, and makes a very pleasant drive.

McGUIRE—LESLIE

On Saturday morning, April 29, occurred the wedding of Miss Laurette McGuire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGuire of Belmond and Mr. Humphrey Leslie, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Leslie of Waverly, at St. Francis Church, Belmond.

Rev. Father Eardly officiated at the ceremony, and celebrated the High Mass which followed. The alters and sanctuary were decorated for the occasion with ferns and cut flowers, and the choir sang, besides the Easter Mass, several appropriate hymns.

The bride was very attractive in dress of brown canton crepe with gloves and hat of contrasting shades. She carried a bridal bouquet of Ophelia roses tied with white tulle.

The breakfast at noon was served at the home of the bride's parents to the members of the Leslie and McGuire families.

The groom is a graduate of the law department of Notre Dame University, and at present is practicing law in Waverly, where the young couple will make their home.

Miss McGuire is a graduate of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, and is a vey talented and accomplished young woman.

Belmond friends, with whom the Independent joins, extend their hearty good wishes for a happy and prosperous life to this fine young couple.

SHOWER FOR MISS McGUIRE

A few of the most intimate friends of Miss Laurette McGuire arranged in her honor, a very pretty shower on Friday evening April 21st the event being held at the Delaney home, which was attractively decorated with cupids and other symbols significant of the occasion. The fore part of the evening was spent in card playing. Score cards were in the form of wedding bells.

Very dainty refreshments were served. The tables were tastily decorated in the color scheme yellow and white which was used throughout the evening. The favors were a combination of hearts and tulips with small candles which were burned to determine in honor of whom the next shower should be given. Large yellow candles also adorned each table.

After refreshments a loud knock was heard at the door and it was announced that there had been delivered a huge May Basket for Miss McGuire, who with help placed it in the middle of the floor and at once examined the contents. The many useful and beautiful gifts, which the basket contained, could only partly show the love and esteem with which Miss McGuire is held by her girl friends by whom she will be missed. The shower coming as a total surprise as is did helped toward the success and merriment of the evening. Hostesses were Miss Lorette Delaney, Nellie Delaney, Maude Newgard, May Tracy, Viva Rourk and Mary Wallace.

GOODELL NEWS

Mr. Frank McNulty returned home from Chicago on April 26th.

Mr. Henning Sandberg of Iowa Falls was in town last Wednesday and Thursday looking after the interest of the Iowa Falls Electric Co.

Wm. Allaben was confined to his bed a few days last week with the flu. Albert Nolte carried the mail for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Conwell were over to Britt last Wednesday.

Miss Maude Griggs went to Ventura on Monday where she will spend a few days helping her father fix up his cottage.

Mrs. Monroe Graeber called on Mrs. Mark Wilson last Thursday.

Mrs. T. O. Letch was in Garner last Wednesday.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson, Miss Selma Sandberg, and Amos Hanson autoed to Albert Lee, Minn. They returned Sunday evening.

An unusual number of farmers are spraying their fruit trees this year. Mr. George Luick who lives west of town has about 700 trees to spray. He has a power spray which will be operated by the county agent and a special man from Ames. This orchard will be supervised by an expert horculturist for the next two years to prove the benefit of spraying.

The play put on by the seniors of the High school, given last Friday was a decided success. Each one acted his part well. Miss Dows is to be congratulated for putting on such a good play. It meant much hard work on the part of the teacher and students.

Mr. Wm. Vescelius of Britt was in town Monday meeting the voters. He is a candidate for sheriff of Hancock County.

Mr. Roach from the Iowa State Agricultural College spoke to the farmers at the Opera house Monday afternoon on the value of the motion picture machine in their township meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson, of Fort Dodge, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Spooner, of Storm Lake, and her two children came last Saturday to spend the week end at the home of relatives here.

For County Attorney

☒ **J. M. Jensen**

Republican Candidate for County Attorney, Wright County

Farm Bureau May Buy Movie Machine

Wright County Farmers' Organization Takes Progressive Step Forward

RAT CRUSADE COMING FINE

By R. M. Edwards

Lively Directors Meeting

The regular monthly board of directors meeting of the county farm bureau was held at the county agent's office Friday afternoon April 28th. Twenty-four officers and directors representing ten townships of the county were in attendance at this meeting.

The main topic of discussion at this meeting was the matter of purchasing a motion picture projector to be used by the county agent in conducting the township farm bureau meetings. Chas. Roach of the visual instruction department at Ames gave an interesting discussion of the use and advantages of the motion picture machine in county agent work and had expected to give a demonstration of this machine but was unable to do so on account of certain parts of the machine being broken in shipment. The directors voted to ask Mr. Roach to return for the next board meeting for the demonstration. Other matters of interest including county wide farm bureau picnic July 4th, boys' and girls' club work and the transaction of regular business.

The directors of the farm bureau voted to make the county wide farm bureau picnic on July 4th, a county wide Fourth of July celebration and invite all towns of the county, in fact every man, woman and child, to take part in this Fourth of July celebration since no town in Wright county has made plans for a celebration this year. A farm bureau committee consisting of the county agent, Cornelius Thompson, Grant township, and E. A. Patton, Blaine township, was appointed by the farm bureau president to meet with various commercial clubs of the county and determine whether or not they wish to take active part in this county wide celebration. In case the various towns of the county wish to cooperate with the farm bureau in celebrating the Fourth this year, committees will be appointed with representatives from both the farm bureau and the towns of the county to plan and organize the big celebration. Arrangements will be made to secure a prominent speaker who will deliver a patriotic address, in keeping with the occasion.

Interesting Program

The regular monthly Wall Lake farm bureau social was held at the Wall Lake Center school Friday evening, April 28th, and an interesting program arranged by Miss Nessa Howieson,, the local school teacher, was given. Short talks were given by the county agent and Rev. W. N. Bump but the most interesting part of the social was the program which was given by the boys and girls of the local school.

Farmers of Wall Lake township and surrounding territory are wideawake to the social life of their community as is shown by the fact that they have raised somewhere in the neighborhood of $700 at an auction a short time ago, to be used in remodeling the Wall Lake church which they expect to use as a community meeting place for farm bureau meetings and all social gatherings of that territory.

How About Spraying?

The apple orchard can be made more productive by putting on two or three good sprays at the proper time. Three sprays are preferable and with late fall and winter apples it is best to put on a fourth spray about the first of August. The first or cluster bud spray should be put on when the buds are turning pink and just before they are open. The next spray should be put on when about 95 per cent of the petals have falen. The third spray should be put on about three weeks after the second spray.

If you have the liquid lime sulphur use eight to ten quarts, but if you have the dry lime sulphur use six to eight pounds and mix one and one-fourth pounds of dry arsenate of lead into fifty gallons of water.

Spray the Bugs

Here are a few spraying formulas that might be valuable to you during the next month or two:

Currants and Gooseberries: For currant worms on both gooseberries and curants, spray just after blooming and again at the first apearance of the worms, using one pound dry led arsenate to twenty gallons of water.

Potatoes: For tip burn (so-called blight) spray when burning first appears and a second application in from five to seven days, using a pressure sprayer if possible and get the solution on the under side of the leaves. Use one pint of "Black Leaf 40" to seventy-five gallons of water. The under side of the leaf must be reached as the insect causing the burn is found there.

Cabbage: For cabbage worms start dusting when leaves are one-half grown and continue until the leaves are well closed in. Use dry lead arsenate with an equal amount of air slacked lime.

Plant Lice: Fof plant lice of all kinds, as soon as they are discovered spray with a solution of nicotine sulphate or tobacco solution, one pint to 100 gallons of water.

Rat Killing Going Strong

The county wide rat killing contest which was started by the farm bureau a few weeks ago has brought out some keen rivalry between the different boys of the county and the rats are beginning to fall for the murderous attack by the youngsters.

Boys! there are still twenty days left before the contest closes. There is still time for you to get into the contest and make a killing and perhaps win one of the five prizes which are being arranged. Remember about $50 to $60 will be given away by the farm bureau and towns of the county to the champion rat killers.

Boys who still wish to enter the contest should do so by starting an attack on the rats, saving the tails of the rats killed and reportiing to the secretary of the commercial club in his nearest town at the end of each week, the number of rats killd. This contest is open to all boys of the county both from towns and the country.

COMMUNITY WELFARE CLUB

The Community Welfare Club meeting last Friday was an inspiration to those who attended. The club voted to join the state federation of women's clubs. It was found that the club must belong in order to get the outside talent without charge. These women speak only to federated clubs except their expenses. When they speak to unfederated clubs they could command a good price, so the club decided it would be cheaper to pay the federation dues. The secretary read a letter from the chairman of the state federation which made the club feel like a lot of naughty children getting scolded for trying to get something for nothing.

The playground committee were asked to investigate and see what the club could do for the new Tyrrell Park.

After the business meeting the club was addressed by Mrs. J. E. Blythe from Mason City. Mrs. Stanbury was given a rising vote of thanks for bringing Mrs. Blythe down in her car.

Mrs. Blythe was a very interesting speaker. First she talked about citizenship, impressing the fact that it was now a woman's duty to vote, and learn to vote inteligently. Everybody was so interested they were sorry to have her stop to talk about birds, though her talk on birds was much enjoyed by all. Mrs. Blythe feeds the birds tallow and crumbs during the winter months.

Mrs. Francis Whitley from Webster City will be the speaker at the next meting. Mrs. Rosecrans asked everybody to be there and bring a friend.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

S. U. Leinbach, Pastor

We were within twelve of the mark last Sunday. Let us go over the mark next Sunday at 10 o'clock.

The annual May day supper is now in progress and it is hoped that the Aid Society will do well as they are undertaking large things this year.

Miss Inez Boughton left Monday for Cedar Rapids to attend the State S. S. Convention as the representative of our church. She will have some good things to bring back to us so be sure and hear her report next Sabbath.

The members of the Aid will please note that there will be a business meeting of the society on Thursday afternoon in the church parlors.

Bible study class Thursday eve, at 8:00. Miss Francis Baker will lead the young peoples part of the program after which will be given a short stereopticon service.

Let each one help make Sunday a banner day. A week from Sunday is Mother's Day and there will be special services on that day.

"TEN NIGHTS IN A BARROOM"

Probably few, if any, printed or acted stories have caused more lumps to arise in throats, or furtive wiping away of tears, than "Ten Nights in a bar room." Our fathers and mothers grandfathers and grandmothers, to the number of probably *millions*, read it and went to see it. And now that the great story has been filmed, they will go once more and take the children and grandchildren with them to sympathize again with the weakness of poor Joe Morgan, to be stirred to heights of anger by the plotting of Simon Slade and Harvey Green, to weep over the sad death of little Mary, and to laugh over the small-town comedy antics of Sample Surtchell and his romantic Mehitable. The very title, "Ten Nights in a Barroom," stirs up memories of laughter and tears long forgotten.

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"TEN NIGHTS in a BAR-ROOM"
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Let it not be thought that the film version of this famous story is prohibition proganda. Far from it. The lesson is there—and there more strongly than it ever was in book form or on the spoken stage—but the picturization is a strong, well acted play of family life in a small town and it is teeming with appeal to the sentiments of father love and mother love. There is also a sweet romance through it all—so devoid of the eternal triangle of sex problem as to make this phrase of the picture delightfully refreshing.

The story is filled with action and the scenes are of great beauty and wonderful in detail. John Lowell, who plays the part of Joe Morgan, the village drunkard in the original story, portrays admirably the part of a loving husband and father, strong in anger as in love, but with a weakness for drink which brings sorrow and suffering to an idolized wife and child and finally death to the little one. In his regeneration, after his realization of the depths of despair to which he has brought his oved ones, Mr. Lowell's work is such that we love him as much as we hated him before.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school 10 a. m.
Preaching by pastor at 11 a. m.
Epworth League 6:30 p. m.

7:30 p. m. the Men's Gospel Team of Mason City will be with us. These men hold an interesting service, each is an active business man and presents christianity from business man's angle.

They bring a male quartette and chalk talks. Let us give them a full house. They drive over hence service begins at 7:30 p. m. Song excerice will begin promptly.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

While E. G. Miller was out in the country Sunday, changing tires on his car, a speed fiend same by at about thirty miles, and catching his full blooded bulldog as the car tore past, broke the animals neck, killing it almost instantly. The dog might have been a child, and the same result occurred. Such drivers, going at that speed past a standing car, should be given everything the law has to give in such cases.

Entirely Different Way of Managing Used

Meeting Called For Sunday Of All Players Who Wish To Try For Team

BOARD TO DIRECT TEAM

Full arrangements have been made for organizing a base ball team for Belmond this year. The details of several things have yet to be worked out, but the main "objectives" have been taken and plans are now under full sway toward having a team.

The base ball team this year is to be managed and controlled under an entirely new and different system than has ever been used here before. At a previous meeting of the public, a board of directors, five in number, were chosen by the public vote of those present. These five directors are:

Howard Moore
Ed. Carlston
Jim Adams
Gus Nissen
Dell Rankins

This board of representative business men are the "supreme court" in all base ball affairs in Belmond. It will be their business to supervise as a whole, arrange for finances, and chose a business manager and team manager. This was done at a meeting Tuesday evening, when they elected M. C. Barry as business manager, and T. L. Finn, as team manager.

Duties of the business manager shall be to schedule games, to attend any business details with visiting teams, and the like. That of team manager will be to manage the team, both in practice and in games, and he will have full authority in such and will be held responsible for same.

The team will start with all home men, including the pitcher. A home game, between two Belmond teams, will be the first game, followed by games with other towns. The first games will probably be within the next two weeks.

Next Sunday afternoon, at 2:00 o'clock all players are asked to be at the ball grounds to try out for the team. They are asked to bring all base ball equipment they have, with them: bats, gloves, suits, and the like, by request of the management. At this time the team will be shaped up from the best material available.

Season tickets will be sold at $5, which price includes war tax. It is hoped to finance the start by this means. No donation or subscriptions are to be asked for; it is to be a straight business proposition from start to finish.

Under this plan of management and conducting, a good team should be formed for some good games, and under it the team will probably draw good public support.

COUNTY WILL VOTE ON FAIR GROUNDS

Wright county citizens will be asked to vote for the fairgrounds purchase as a county proposition and the definate figures show that a levy of 1 1-3 mills will raise funds sufficient for the purchase of the grounds. It is hoped to have the supervisors issue a call for a special election to be held at the same time the primaries are held, June 5th, and thus save the extra expense of judges and clerks of election. If June 5th is set for the election, the costs will not be much more than the cost of giving notice and printing the balots It will be very reasonable.

A levy of 1 1-3 mills will pay the purchase price and then there will be no bonds and no interest of any kind to pay. This will give the county a fairgrounds and judging from sentiment already expressed by leading farmers from every section of the county, it should carry. The farmers want a county fair. Stockmen realize its value. Now if those who favor it will get out and vote for the proposition, there is no reason to doubt its winning. No organized opposition will arise, it is hoped for the for the cost is so small that few men will oppose it.

The average property in Clarion is assessed at around $650. Not all of them, for the smaller residences are mpch lower than that, but it will average around $650. A 1 1-3 mill levy will raise the taxes on such a property for one year exactly 87c. The average quarter section farm is assessed at $3 500. A 1 1-3 mill levy on such a farm will pay $4.56 for one year. Surely it is worth that much to the average land owner to have a county fairgrounds and park for public gatherings like the Farm Bureau held last year.—Wright County News.

Anna McNamara underwent an operation at Fort Dodge, last week, for the removal of her tonsils. She will be able to resume her duties at the telephone office next week.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

A newspaper often times prints things which, to some people, seem strange, inasmuch as they do not understand where the paper secured the information. Any newspaper gathers information, news, like a magnet gathers steel filings; sometimes more, sometimes less, depending on whether there is anything to gather. Sources of information are many and varied; people talk, for instance, and a scrap here and another there, put together with one from some other place, gives a complete item.

Perhaps there is a slight "leak" on some big thing which it is desired to keep quiet, on the supposition that what the public doesn't know, won't hurt them. Perhaps someone on the "inside" drops a remark unthinkingly. In itself, it matters little, but passed on, and pieced together with other little remarks or public knowledge, it looms large.

A newspapers business first of all is to print the news. This paper goes on the eight rules of Chas. A. Dana, which he formulated for the guidance of newspaper men. They are:

1. Get the news, all the news and nothing but the news.
2. Copy nothing from another publication without giving credit.
3. Never print an interview without the knowledge and consent of the party interviewed.
4. Never print a paid advertisement as news matter; no sailing under false colors.
5. Never attack the weak and defendless, unless there is some absolute public necessity for so doing.
6. Fifht for your opinions, but do not believe that they contain the whole truth or the only truth.
7. Support your party if you have one; but do not think that all the good men are in it or all the bad ones outside.
8. Above all, believe that humanity is advancing, that there is progress in human affairs, and that as sure as God lives the future will be better than the past or the present.

It has been, and will continue to be, the policy of the Independent to print the news, regardless of whom said news is about. Several times it has been severely criticised for printing news not exactly flattering to the person to whom it pertained, but it is not our policy to favor one over another. Many times news has been left out because to publish it would do more harm than good; again, news has been printed which has met with violent condemnation, but which it was considered would do good in the end.

Only the wrong-doer fears publicity. He who has a clear conscience can face the glare of publicity unafraid, knowing that it can only react in his favor. The fear of what may be said "in the papers" has kept many things down which otherwise might have grown to large proportions. No-one need fear that the newspaper will unjustly condemn them, or unjustly praise them; newspapers as a whole are impartial—they have to be—in the matter of news.

There is a source of immense power in any periodical, to do good, or to do harm. There exists no community in the country where its newspaper, if it would, could not destroy its enemies by the "things that never see print."

If you hear a big commotion in town this summer, don't get overly excited about it; it won't be a fire, a burglary, band concert or ball game; just a dog fight.

Passenger going thru on the Klondike the other day said "What a beautiful cemetery." What did he mean?

Wonder when the Chamber of Commerce is going to elect officers, hold a meeting, do something, or stage a box social?

When you consider the progress that has been made in travel and communication, from "Shanks Mare" to the 200-mile-an-hour airplane, and carved sticks to the wireless, you wonder "what's next?" What do you think COULD be next?

Buttermilk Mash
For Little Chicks

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Belmond, Iowa

Better than Shillings---

The story goes that an English shilling picked up in the highway at Flushing, L. I., in 1647 was so great a curiosity that it attracted public attention.

Today, even a plentiful currency must give way to the growing use of personal checks which modern business has found still more convenient.

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The Bank for Everybody!

RADIO

MARCONI REALLY FATHER OF RADIO

Story of the Gifted Italian's Work In Development of Air Communication.

While experiments along the line of radio really started as far back as 1827 and hundreds of scientists were interested in solving the problems involved for many years, it was not until 1896 when Senatore Guglielmo Marconi took out his first patent that the mastery of air communication got its first great impetus. His life history is to all practical intents the history of radio communication.

Senatore Guglielmo Marconi, G. C. V. O., L. L. D., D-Sc. M. I. E. E., was born in Bologna, Italy, April 25, 1874. His mother was Irish, while his father was of a family whose mechanical ability was marked. After an education at Leghorn and Bologna, the young man interested himself in the problem of wireless telegraphy, starting his research in 1895. He went to England and in 1896 took out the first patent ever granted for a practical system of wireless telegraphy, by the use of electric waves. His early experiments in England were made at Westbourne Park. Shortly afterward Marconi saw W. H. Preece and at his request made some experiments for officials of the postoffice. Some further experiments were made in May, 1897, in the Bristol channel, wireless communication being established between Lavernock and Brean Down, a distance of nine miles.

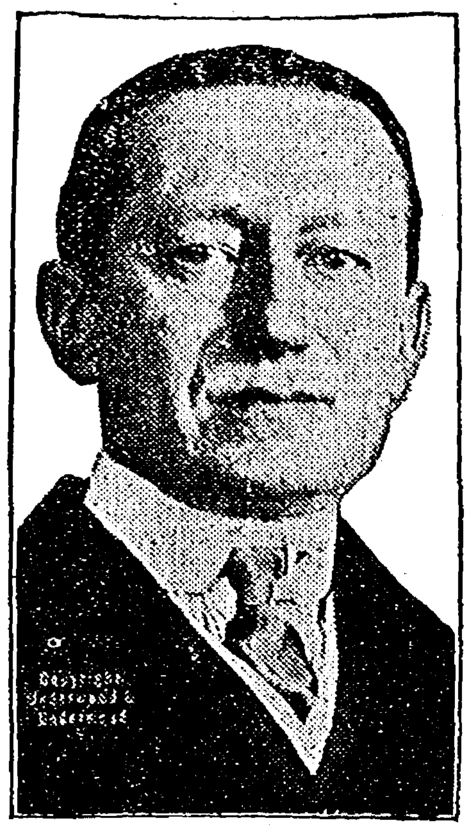
On the invitation of the Italian government Marconi afterward went to Spezia where a land station was erected, which was kept in constant communication with two Italian battleships working from a distance of 12 miles. For this success the Italian government conferred upon Marconi the honor of knighthood. After a return to England further experiments were conducted and on July 20, 1897, the first radio company was formed and two permanent stations erected. In 1898 wireless reports of yacht races in Kingston were made and proved the usefulness and adaptability to which the system lends itself to commercial purposes. In December, 1898, Marconi installed apparatus to provide communication between the South Foreland lighthouse and a lighthouse on the south coast. In 1899 Marconi read a paper on "Wireless Telegraphy" before the Institution of Electrical Engineers in London.

Early in 1901 telegraphic communication was established between two points more than 250 miles distant and at the end of that year Marconi transmitted signals from Poldhu, in Cornwall to St. Johns, Newfoundland. In 1902 he received on board the steamship Philadelphia in the presence of the officers, good messages on the tape when at a distance of over 1,500 miles from the transmitting station and signals at over 2,000 miles. In December, 1902, the station established at Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, under a contract with the Canadian government for transatlantic wireless telegraphy, was put into communication with the Cornwall station at Poldhu and inaugural messages were transmitted to the King of England, the King of Italy and to the London Times. In October, 1903, the steamship Lucania published a daily wireless bulletin from messages received from the Marconi stations. A powerful station at Clifden on the west coast of Ireland was opened early in 1907 for the establishment of commercial relations with the American continent at Glace Bay.

Mr. Marconi's work has been recognized by many governments and seats of learning; he has been decorated by the King of Italy and the late ex-Czar of Russia as an honorary doctor of many universities, including Oxford, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Liverpool and Pennsylvania, besides having received the freedom of the principal Italian cities. In 1914 he was elected a senator in the Italian parliament. He also holds many scientific awards granted by various societies and institutions.

Upon the declaration of war by Italy Senatore Marconi placed his services at the disposal of King Victor and was given the rank of lieutenant in the Italian army. He was employed on important military missions to England by the Italian government and after this service was transferred as temporary commander in the Italian navy. Marconi visited the United States in 1917 as member of the official mission sent by Italy. In 1919 Marconi was appointed plenipotentiary delegate to the peace conference at Paris, and in this capacity signed the peace treaties with Austria and Bulgaria. He was afterward awarded the Italian military cross.

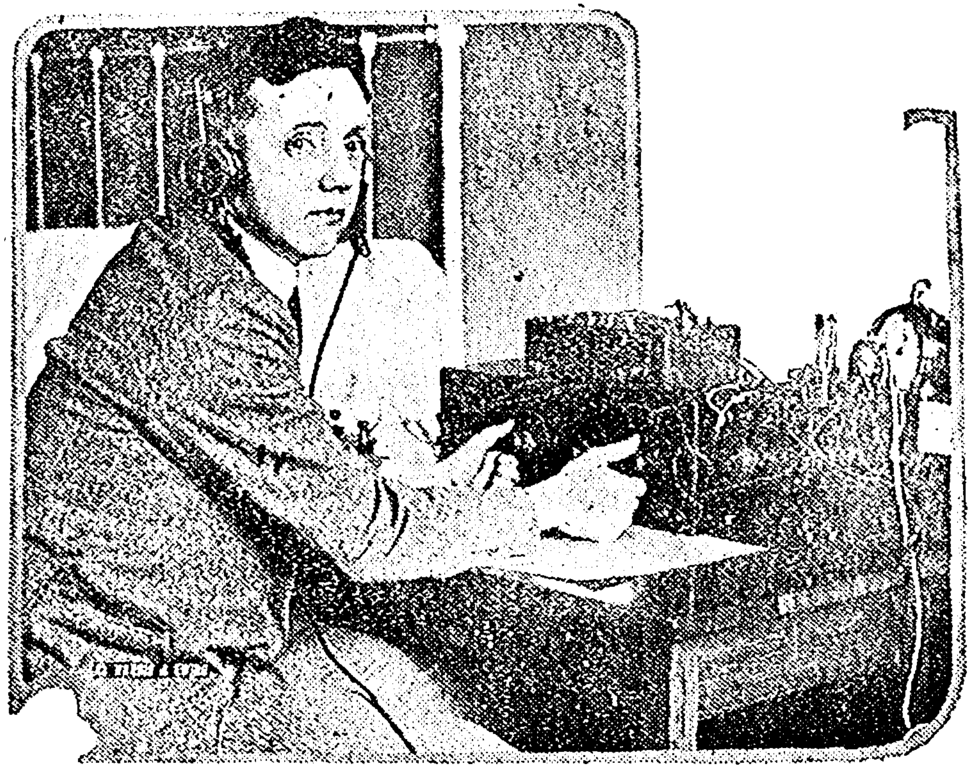
This very important figure in the wireless world, who has received about all the honors possible for the scientific world to bestow upon him, including the Nobel prize, has not given up active work, but is even now engaged in radio telephone experiments.



Guglielmo Marconi.

Radio enthusiasts have increased tenfold within the last few months, it appears from a survey conducted by the Associated Press and covering the central west, Kentucky and Texas. At virtually all points from which reports have been received, there are thousands of radio sets, particularly for purposes of telephony, where at most there were hundreds before.

While the sets are used chiefly for pleasure and experience, they are being put to practical uses in many cases. Numerous farmers are receiving market and weather reports, and police are receiving bulletins. Sermons, concerts, health talks and style talks are transmitted. Universities and professional operators are co-operating.



H. G. Corcoran of Washington, D. C., Needs No Aerial for His Radio Outfit, His Receiving Wire Being Connected to the Wire Springs of His Bed.

Approximate figures are reported from various states and centers indicating the present number of radio sets. According to A. L. Benson of St. Louis, division manager of the American Radio Relay league, about 90,000 radiophones are used in four states as follows: Iowa, 23,000; Missouri, 25,000; Nebraska, 22,000; Kansas, 20,000. In St. Louis alone there are some 2,200. The radiophones chiefly carry concert music, but in many localities farmers have installed them to receive market reports.

Correspondence from Texas reports 263 stations in Dallas, ranging in size from ¼ K. W. to 20 watts, and almost equal numbers in other cities of the state.

Cleveland, Ohio, reports probably 15-000 radio enthusiasts, 1,000 sending stations in greater Cleveland, virtually all amateur, and 10,000 receiving sets used almost nightly. These estimates exclude commercial sets. Cincinnati reports 500 sets.

Indiana has 4,500 amateur radio sets and Indianapolis 1,000 radiophones.

Wisconsin has nearly 1,500 stations, and the number is said by Malcomb P. Hanson, University of Wisconsin operator, to be increasing at the rate of five a day. Nearly 1,000 sets are reported in Milwaukee and vicinity.

North Dakota has a number of receiving stations and a few fairly powerful telegraph and telephone sending stations. The North Dakota Agricultural college is planning to install a 100-watt service for farmers. The vacuum tube is displacing older equipment in the state.

Marked growth is reported at Omaha, Neb., by two radio clubs, which have been in existence only six months. The University of Nebraska and Nebraska Wesleyan, co-operating, send to amateurs in Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, Colorado and Kansas.

Announcement for Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries June 5, 1922.

J. M. JENSEN

Announcement for Supervisor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor from the first district, subject to the primaries on June 5, 1922.

D. E. Harris

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By order of the judge of the U. S. District Court, I will offer for sale the property of Henry H. Eide, bankrupt, on his place of residence located one mile south and five miles west of Belmond; seven miles north and one and one-fourth miles east of Clarion, on

Friday, May 5th, 1922

Commencing at 1:00 O'clock

2 - Head of Horses - 2

1 bay gelding, 14 years old, weight 1300.

1 mare, 4 years old, weight 1200.

32 - Head of Cattle - 32

All young stock. Some heifers with calf at foot.

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1 Sandwich Corn Elevator 1 Fanning Mill 1 8-ft. Disc
1 10-ft. Tandem Attachment 1 Dain Hay Stacker
1 Dain Hay Bucker 1 Deere Corn Plow 1 Set Harness
2 Collars 5 Oil Drums
Many Other Articles.

Waterloo Boy Tractor
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TERMS OF SALE: Seven months' time will be given on approved notes bearing 8 per cent interest from date of sale. All property to be settled for on day of sale.

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A. B. ERICSON, Auctioneer
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A. E. Stonebrook

Hampton, Iowa

To Purchase "Movie" Machine

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

The Board of Directors of the Farm Bureau at its last regular meeting discussed the matter of purchasing a motion picture machine to be used by the county agent in conducting the regular township Farm Bureau meetings.

Mr. Chas. Roach of the Visual Instruction Section of the Agri. Extension Department, at Ames, was present at this meeting and gave an interesting lecture on the use of the "Movie" in the farm Bureau work throunghout the State. He had expected to give a demonstration on the operation of the machine but was unable to do so on account of one part of the machine having been damaged in transit. Arrangements were made with Mr. Roach to demonstrate the machine at the next board meeting.

County Agents who have used the moving picture machine in their work all agree that it is well worth what it costs the organization because of the wonderful results it brings in the way of attendance at the meetings. Wright County Farm Bureau will be placed on the movie circuit through the extension department at Ames and will receive new films every two weeks. The films will consist of educational pictures as well as comedies and pictures of general interest.

THAT TWINE OF YOURS

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Have you ordered your twine for 1922 season? If you have not there is still a chance of getting your order in if you will write or call the county agent at once giving the number of pounds you wish to buy and the name of the elevator dealer you prefer to have handle twine for you.

About six carloads of twine have been ordered from the Consumers' Cordage Co., in Minneapolis, the firm through which the order was made last year. Judging from all reports which have come to the county agent regarding the quality of the Farm Bureau twine of the 1920 and 1921 seasons this brand of twine has given entire satisfaction and we therefore have good reason to believe that the 1922 shipment of twine will be equally as good.

If you have not ordered your twine and still wish to do so fill in the blank below indicating the number of pounds you wish to order and mail to the county agent at once.

The following elevators and dealers have agreed to handle the Farm Bureau twine on the basis of 50c per hundred for handling charges making the twine to the farmers at $9.05 for cash settlement:

Clarion Farmers Elevator Co.
Eagle Grove Farmers' Elev. Co.
Belmond Farmers' Elev. Co.
Galt Farmers' Elev. Co.
Holmes Farmers' Elev. Co.
Olaf Framers' Elev. Co.
Moseley Bros., Goldfield.
Renwick Auto Co.

I, ------------------------------ hereby authorize ------------------ to purchase for me from the Consumers' Cordage Co. of Minneapolis, Minn., ------------------ lbs. of Standard "Bug Proofed" binder twine to be delivered to me at the car at $9.05 per hundred pounds. It is agreed that said ------------- shall notify me of the date of arrival of car of twine and that in the event of my failure to call for twine on such date a penalty of ¼c per pound per month shall be attached until I shall have paid for same. All orders must be in by

Signed ------------------------------

Address ------------------------------

CORN YIELD TESTS

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Plans have just been completed by the county agent for conducting four corn yield test plots to determine the yielding quality of corn from different parts of the county. Two 10 ear samples of seed corn have been collected from each township in the county and will be planted in one of the four experiment plots which have been located in various parts of the county.

The general plan of the corn yield test is to plant eight samples of corn in each of the four experiment plots, planting four rows, forty to eighty rods in length of each man's corn in the test plot. During the corn picking season short sections (perhaps about three or four rods in length) of the experimental rows will be measured off, husked, weighed and tested for moisture when comparison will be made of the different kinds of corn. This part of the experiment will be carried on with the assistance of a farm-crops expert from the experiment station who will lecture to the interested people at that time.

The farmers who have agreed to cooperate with the Farm Bureau in conducting the corn yield tests are A. E. Martin, ½ mile west of Belmond (Belmond Twp.) H. A. Flett, six miles southwest of Dows (Vernon Twp.) Harry Inners, two miles northeast of Goldfield, (Liberty Twp.) Al Watkins, three miles east of Eagle Grove (Dayton Twp.) Men who have contributed samples of corn to this experiment are:

Troy Township—A. L. Middleton and W. O. Jones.

Eagle Grove Twp.—G. L. Trask and Miller Nelson.

Woolstock Twp.—Matt Adams and Joe Carpenter.

Wall Lake Twp.—Floyd Bubeck and Eugene Wasson.

Vernon Twp.—Chas. H. Barnes and D. G. Denger.

Blaine Twp.—Ed. Harring and N. L. Vanderlip.

Iowa Twp.—T. S. Streveler and Frank Drury.

Pleasant Twp.—J. F. Henn and Frank Barry.

Norway Twp.—Harold Holm and A. M. Olson.

Boone Twp.—Bert Siemens and L. B. Price.

Liberty Twp.—T. A. Knight and Jas. McGowan.

Belmond Twp.—Geo. P. Hardwick and M. R. Pierce.

Grant Twp.—J. S. Bell and Harry Woodley.

Lincoln Twp.—Chas. M. Overbaugh and W. F. Meacham.

Dayton Twp.—John Ross and Barney Benson.

Lake Twp.—Clarence McBride and M. L. Clark.

Griesy's Store News

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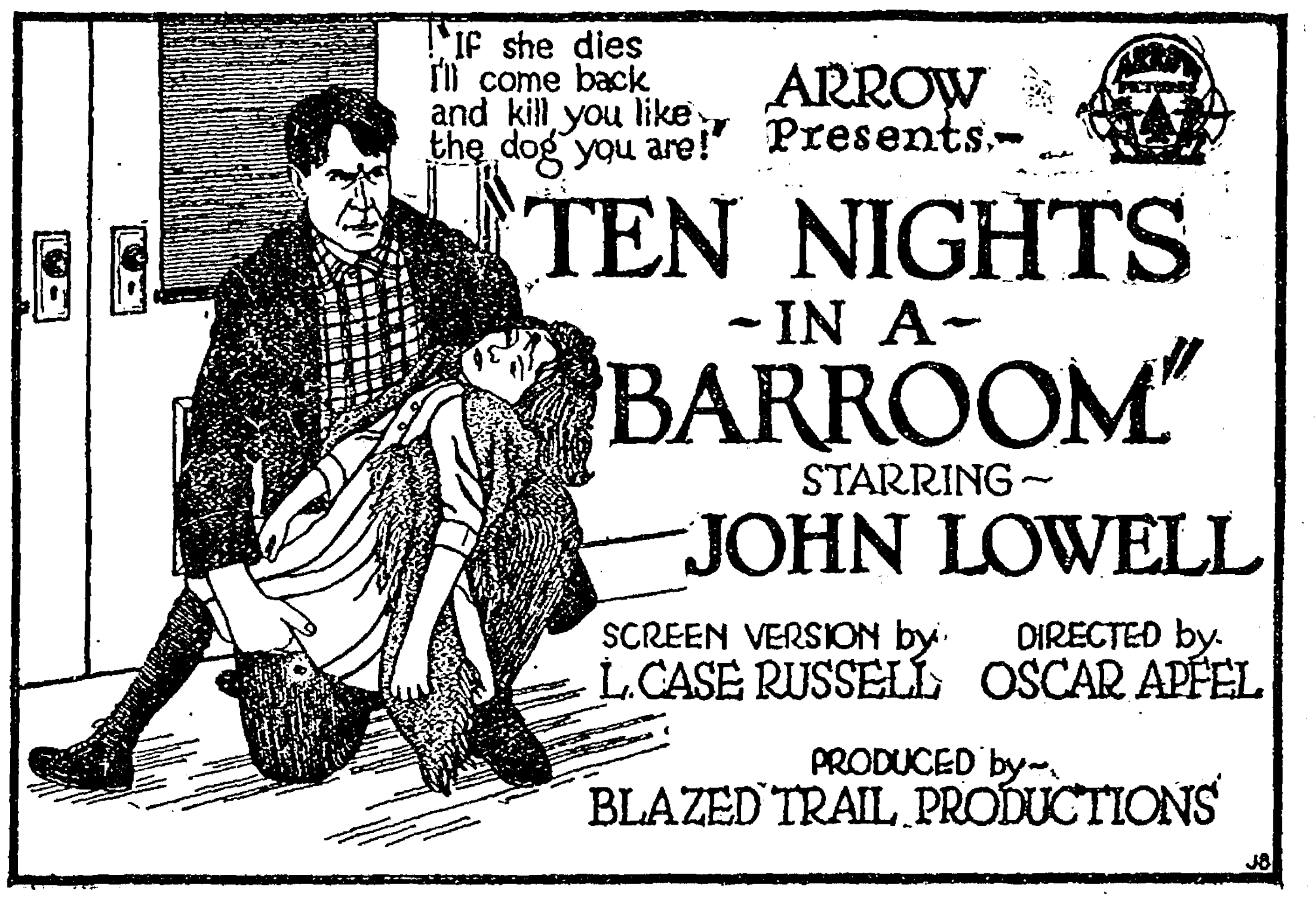

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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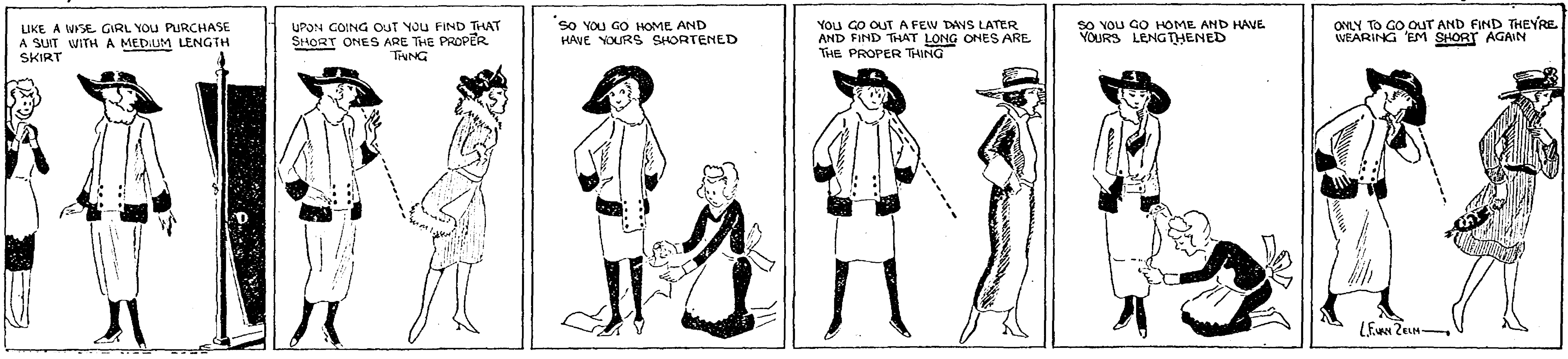
And Thus the Styles Go


LIKE A WISE GIRL YOU PURCHASE A SUIT WITH A MEDIUM LENGTH SKIRT
UPON GOING OUT YOU FIND THAT SHORT ONES ARE THE PROPER THING
SO YOU GO HOME AND HAVE YOURS SHORTENED
YOU GO OUT A FEW DAYS LATER AND FIND THAT LONG ONES ARE THE PROPER THING
SO YOU GO HOME AND HAVE YOURS LENGTHENED
ONLY TO GO OUT AND FIND THEY'RE WEARING 'EM SHORT AGAIN
L. F. VAN ZELM

MORE OF CORWITH DESTROYED BY FIRE

Corwith suffered another serious fire Monday morning when four more of her business buildings were destroyed together with stocks of goods. Only two months previous a fire of like size destroyed about one-third of the business district, so that only about one-third of the old business district remains.

The fire started about 2 o'clock in the barber shop and the flames quickly spread to the adjoining buildings, destroying F. L. Applegate's hardware store, Larson's clothing store, Pfeffer's pool hall and the Post Office. Over the pool hall was the legion club rooms and all of their furniture and paraphernalia was destroyed says the Garner Signal.

The loss is estimated at $50,000 to $75,000, but what insurance was carried is not known, as Corwith was cut from the outside world, and Monday and yesterday it was impossible to communicate with them. The loss at the time of the fire in February was estimated at $100,000.

The report is that only the most diligent work on the part of the citizens saved the balance of the town from going Monday morning. Men, women and children worked as hard as they could with their meager fire fighting apparatus to save what buildings still remain.

It was reported last week that a move was on foot to rebuild at least a part of the buildings destroyed in February, and the new buildings as planned will be substantial buildings. It is also likely that some of the buildings destroyed Monday morning will be rebuilt.

Corwith has a good trade territory and even if the entire town was wiped out it would be rebuilt. A fire is always disastrous to the persons who lose, but in time this will be the making of a much better town than Cowith has been, as many of the buildings destroyed were old frames that had stood there for may years.

Don't Keep Your Money

In the House

Put it in the

Bank

When your money is BURNED up regrets won't bring it back to you. It is very unsafe and it WORRIES you a whole lot to have money in your house or in a hole in the ground. Besides "looking" time after time to see if it is safe teaches people where it is and makes it very UNSAFE

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
MESERVEY, IOWA

TO REORGANIZE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Eagle Grove Times: The new directors of the Commercial Club have called a special meeting of the members and everyone interested in Eagle Grove, to be held at the Club rooms, Tuesday evening, May 2nd, at 8 o'clock. A complete plan of reorganization has been formulated and will be discussed and put into effect at this meeting.

The new organization will probably be known as the Chamber of Commerce and will be affilated with the national organization. Every citizen of Eagle Grove should feel it his duty to attend this meeting. A large attendance is necessary.

Phases that will have to be added to the vocabulary in order to keep up to date are "tuning up," "listening in," with "meters," "static," and amplifying" to help out. Have you been bitten yet?

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These are especially priced and are good values. Let us cemonstrate their merits.

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THIEVES AT LAKE MILLS

A new army blanket and a good overcoat belonging to Archie Green were stolen from the Geannelous car at Lake Mills last evening. A party of ladies went to Lake Mills and took along extra wraps for use in coming home. The car was parked on the street at the Winnebago garage and in full view of people passing on the street. This is not the first time Forest City people have suffered loss of articles stolen from cars parked on the streets at Lake Mills.—Forest City Summit.

MIXED JURIES A MISTAKE

New York Herald: The country is having its experience with mixed juries and the results are not at all inspiring.

In St. Paul five women were locked over night in a jury room with seven men, the cots on which they slept separated by a curtain. It is no wonder Minnesota men are protesting against the compelling of their wives to serve on juries; no wonder the governor of Minnesota declares that he would not permit his wife to serve on a jury under such conditions; no wonder that Minnesota judges denounce the occurrences as disgraceful.

In Trenton this week a jury of six women and six men was locked up all night because of disagreement. One of the women describes the experience as follows:

"We tried for several hours to reach a verdict but in vain. Then we sent out for cards and newspapers and played cards with the men, and read the papers. After we got tired of this we took the cushions off the seats and took naps about the room. The men were considerate of us. All the women accepted the experience good naturedly, but some expressed anxiety as to how matters were going at home. One women told me her husband put the children to bed and in the morning dressed them, preparer their breakfast and sent them to school."

There's a picture of progress and emancipation for you! The wife passing the night miserably in a jury room while half the jurors are men while the husband at home dresses the children and prepares their breakfast.

It is futile to say that sensible officials would have provided privacy for the women jurors. Fro centuries it has been a custom not to separate a jury. In this and most other states the law provides that the jury shall be "kept together." If the custodians of a jury were to separate the women jurors from the men, the losing side of the case would claim a mistrial.

The mixed jury will not work. If the present laws force women to serve on juries the law should be changed and made optional with the women, and if women are determined to get on juries, let it be so arranged that the juries be all women or all men.

New York state which has not opened the jury gate to women, can learn a lesson from experiences in Minnesota and New Jersey.

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

CORN BORER IS NOT A DANGER TO IOWA

Mistaking other pests in the cornfields for the European corn borer, many farmers have become unnecessarily alarmed over their crop, says Dr. F. A. Fenton, acting state entomologist at Iowa State College.

The ear worm, a native pest which was prevalent last year and which feeds on the kernels near the top of the ear, has been mistaken for the borer by many. The stalk borer, which cuts into the stalks, but does no serious damage, and the boring smatweed caterpillar also have been found in cornfields, and have been mistaken for the borer, Mr. Fenton says. None of these pests is serious.

So far there have been no outbreaks of the European borer closer than Michigan and the quarantine was merely placed on the state to keep out infested seed.

R. W. Elder and family drove to Belmond Sunday for a visit with friends.—Times.

AMES SPECIALISTS COMING

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Miss Gertrude Lynn, home equipment specialist from Ames will be in Wright County May 9th, 10th and 11th to lecture to the ladies of this county in her special line of work. Miss Josephine Arnquist, State Leader of girls' club work will be in the county May 18th and 19th for the purpose of assisting in the reorganization of the girls' garment clubs which were organized under the leadership of Miss Spencer of Grant township. Miss Elizabeth Putman will be in Wright County May 31st, and June 1st, and 2nd to demonstrate to the ladies of our county the method of refinishing furniture.

The places for holding these demonstrations will be worked out later by a committee and will be announced by the township cooperators and through the local papers.

"WILD CAT" STOCK AGAIN

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Information comes from the State Federation office at Des Moines that the "Wild Cat" stock salesmen are operating again in the State of Iowa. A so-called real estate firm has representatives out soliciting the farmers and asking them to list their farms for sale under a one sided contract. The farm owner must pay down $25 when listing the farm, the company agreeing to advertise the farm. This they can do with a little 15 or 20c ad and then declare that there is no demand. They have the $25 to their good. 1 per cent commission is charged and 30 days notice is required before land can be withdrawn from sale.

A second contract provides for appraisal of the land and gives the company the right to sell at the appraised value. If the appraised price is low enough the company may make the purchase and still collect the 1 per cent commision. They may also collect the commission if the farmer sells his farm himself. Many are the schemes to make a little easy money.

WATKINS GROWING HUBAM

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Al Watkins, three miles east of Eagle Grove, has sown twenty acres to "Hubam" annual sweet clover using oats as a nurse crop, and expects to plow this clover under in the fall as a green manure crop.

Hubam has been recommended very highly as a green manure crop and farmers in the vicinity of Eagle Grove are watching with great interest the twenty acre patch of Hubam which Mr. Watkins has put in. A strip of red clover perhaps about two or three rods wide has been sown along side the Hubam in order that the two clovers may be compared in the results they give when used as a green manuure crop.

STANLEY HOWIESON ROUGH ON RATS

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Stanley Howieson, a thirteen year old boy, from Wall Lake Township holds the record so far for the number of rats killed in the rat killing crusade which is being conducted by the Farm Bureau. Stanley reported 128 rats in one week and we presume that with such a record he will continue in his murderous campaign upon rats of his territory.

Boys! here's your chance to get in on the contest for the county wide prize money. The contest does not close until May 20th, so there is still plenty of time to get your name in the ring, and make an effort to win a part of the $60. 00 in cash prizes which have been arranged through the cooperation of the Farm Bureau with the towns of Wright County. Most of the towns of the county have agreed to contribute $10.00 each toward the prize money which will be awarded in about four or five different prizes to the different boys having the highest number of rats to their credit.

Boys who still wish to enter this rat killing contest should write the county agent at once and make a weekly report of the number of rats killed.

FACTS ABOUT THE IOWA WOOL POOL

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)
(By Iowa Fleece Wool Growers' Ass'n)

We have received many letters from county agents and consignors in which many questions are asked about the handling of wool in the pool and the method of marketing same. These are questions which have been asked by their constituents and it is impossible for them to answer them satisfactory. For that reason we believe that all county agents and county pool managers, especially in counties which have consigned wool in the past two years, should have full information in regard to the handling of this wool and the conditions that surround it.

We are preparing a circular which contains much valuable information in regard to shipping marking sacks and general interest to pool managers.

Some questions have arisen regarding the sale of wool before the rise in prices which came a few weeks ago. In answering these questions, we should go over the conditions of the market during the past season and should also study the situation to see if any agencies or individuals other than our own selling agency foresaw this rise. You will remember that during the larger part of the 1921 season wool prices remained on approximately the same level as prices received for the 1920 clip with slight variations among the different grades. This was perfectly natural, for government figures showed that there was a considerable surplus of wool in

Corn Test 97 Per Cent

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

The county wide corn germination test which was completed last week by the county agent gave an average test of 97 per cent strong, 1 per cent weak and 2 per cent dead kernels. This seems unusually high for a county wide germination test but those who have not tested their seed corn should not take it for granted that their seed has strong vitality and fail to make the proper test of their corn.

This test was quite representative of the entire county since from five to ten (100 kernel) samples were collected from each township in the county altho the result obtained from this test is no assurance that all of Wright County's seed corn has such high germinating qualities.

Don't be satisfied until you have made a test of your seed corn because it may be affected by the dry rot mould which judging from outward appearance is very deceiving.

FIND FARM BUREAU TAX IS SMALL ITEM

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Agitation in some counties for the aboltion of county aid to the Farm Bureaus has caused the Fayette county bureau officers to figure out just what the average farmer pay by taxation toward support of the bureau.

The situation as to a township and as to a large and to a small taxpayer are summarized in n article by O. W. Stevenson, seretary of the bureau, in the curent number of the Fayette County Farmers Exchange published by the bureau. He says:

"I have figured that the farmers and farm owners of Smithfield township for the year 1921 contributed $121.36 toward the $3,000 county aid to the Farm Bureau. In Smithfield township for 1921 I pay a tax of $279.84 on a 263 acre farm and part of the personal property thereon. I have carefully figured the matter out and find that $1.12 of this 1921 tax of $279.84 goes to support the bureau. The average renter pays a tax of less than $25.00 and he pays by taxation 10 cents or less per year for the suport of the bureau and the county agent. Nearly half the farmers of Iowa are renters. How much would they decrease their family expenses by obolishing the county agent?

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Art Peters of Alexander was in town on Wednesday of last week visiting at the E. A. Strasburg home.

Rev. Pannkuk and family motored to Mason City on last week Wednesday visiting Mrs. H. Dirks at the hospital.

Joe Smith was a passenger to Mason City on Wednesday of last week taking treatments.

Jake Koenen and family and Henry Oltman and family of Latimer were visitors at the J. Ruiter home last Sunday.

Mrs. Earnest Eckhoff and Miss Lily Barkema were shoppers at Mason City Friday.

Harm Groen and wife and Mrs Dan Schmidt and children were callers at Mason City on Friday.

J. F. Hartfelder was a caller at Mason City Friday.

On Tuesday evening of last week a number of young folks gathered at the H. B. Frey home to spend the evening. The evening was spent in playing various games, after which Pie a la mode was served as refreshments. A number of about 18 were present and a splendid time is reported.

Aiko Koenen and daughter, Anna, were at Mason City Saturday visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital.

Lovers of good music enjoyed a rare treat when they were permitted to listen to the rendition of the beautiful Easter Cantata entitled "Our Death Triumphant" at the Immanuel Reformed chuhch at Palsville last Thursday evening. A chorus of 22 voices took part, and those who attended cannot say enough in praise of the way it was rendered, and of the talent displayed. The solo work was exceptionally good, and special mention should be made of the way the organist performed her part. Those who attended the Cantata from here were: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and the Misses Kate Gruis, Mildred Gealow, Whilemina Loats, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals and son, Clarence, and Grace and Anna and the Misses Tille and Ollie Pals and Jennie Meinderts, J. R. Schmidt and family Miss Jennie Ostendorf, Ben Boelman and daughter, Rena and Hannah and Carl and Seman Eckhoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hemmes and daughter, Wilma of Latimer spent the day Sunday at the J. J. Ruiter home.

Louie Peters of Alexander was in town one day last week on business.

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met last Thursday in the church basement. Only a small number were present and refreshments were served.

Ed. Bachman and family of near Klemme visited at the Mrs. Meinderts home Sunday.

Miss Lula Wilkins of Goodell visited with friends here Monday evening.

The Cemetery society will meet Tuesday May the 9th at Mrs. Con Bier's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koenen and daughter, Mary of Latimer spent the day Monday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Ruiter.

Dick Barkema and family and Harm Pals and family of Belmond spent Sunday visiting at the L. Pals home.

Andrew Nelson and wife of Klemme were Sunday evening callers at the Mrs. Meinderts home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ruiter spent Sunday evening at the John Riekens home near Renwick, Iowa.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson and son Melcome returned home Monday after spending the week end visiting at Rowan and Dows.

Miss Ruth Smith spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends at Mason City.

Mrs. Harm M. Koenen and daughter Edith of South Range, Wisconsin, spent a few days visiting at the H. Hiteland and J. Ruiter homes. Mrs. Koenen was called here by the death of her father, Mr. Hubboard of Sheffield.

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Miss Jennie Meinderts left Tuesday for Mason City where she will attend the operator's school, which will be given there Tuesday and Wednesday under the instruction of Miss Anne Barnes of Des Moines.

FOR SALE—Rose and single comb Rhode Island eggs for hatching. Fertility guaranteed.—Jacob Niesen, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

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The heaviest Pumpkin decides the winner.

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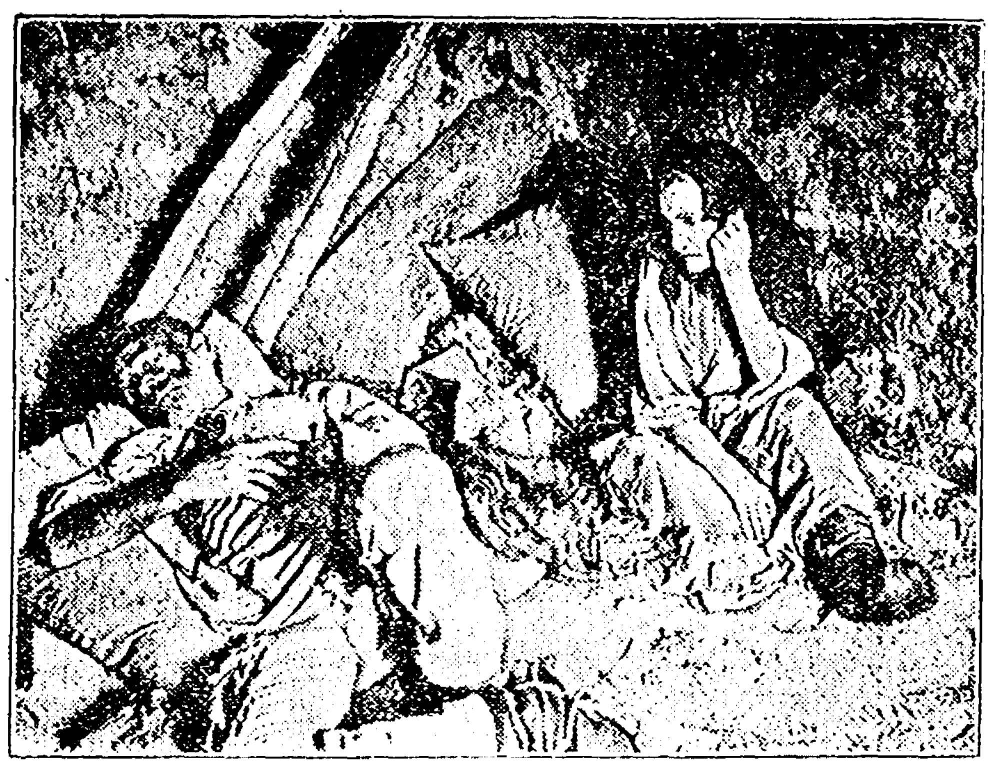

According to the American Committee for Russian Famine Relief, 405 Steinway building, Chicago, this picture of two victims of the famine in the Volga valley in typical. Husband and wife are slowly dying of starvation. Because aid sent to Russia has proved utterly inadequate, additional contributions are solicited. One dollar will save a life.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

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Services 10:15 a. m.
Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m.
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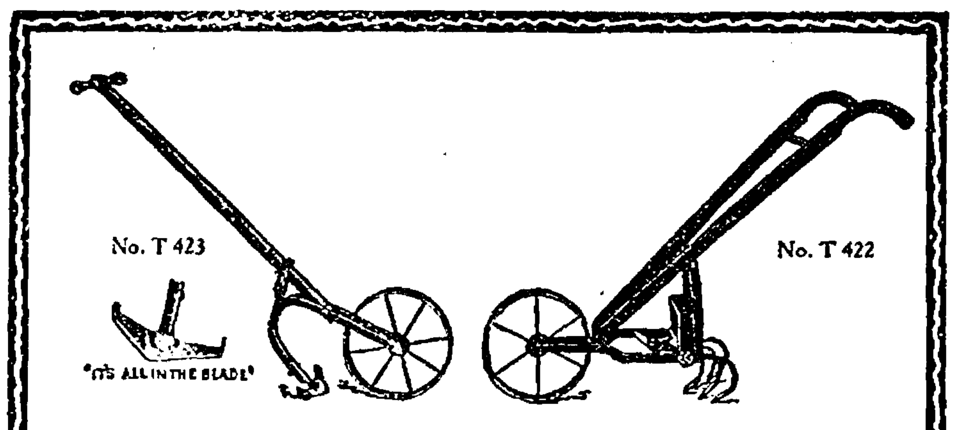

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WANT NO FREE SEED

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Commenting on the action of the House of Representatives in Washington in putting back into the agricultural appropriation bill the item of $360,000 for free seeds which was cut out by the committee, J. W. Coverdale, secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation, said:

"Farmers do not want free seed. They view with disgust and not approval the action of any congressman in sending them, under government frank, a lot of free cucumber seed designed primarily to take the place of campaign cigars. The Farm Bureau stands for economy in government. This little item of $360,000 for government free seed would be a good place to begin governmental economies. The Farm Bureau is unalterably opposed to free seeds and has gone on record time and time again to this effect."

We are quite willing to have all wrong severely punished, provided we are the judge of right and wrong.

WANTED—20 head of cattle to pasture.—Harold, Quandt, Thornton, Iowa. 231*

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

H. C. Yaw of Iowa Falls was transacting business at Alexander several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and family were callers at Belmond Wednesday evening.

Hans Barkema, Hannas Pals, Henry Greenfield, Chris Schulte and Henry Schulte autoed to Rochester, Minn., last Saturday to visit with Adolph Eden who is at the hospital, his condition is reported to be as good as could be expected.

J. F. Bell and Lewis Bell were business callers at Belmond last Tuesday.

Mrs. Lars Nelson and daughters, Misses Addie and Esther and Mrs. Chas Winwood were shoppers at Hampton last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith are the happy parents of a fine baby girl born Monday April 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Aldinger and two children visited with relatives at Hampton last Sunday.

Miss Ethel Hall of Hampton spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Mary Hall, of this place.

Ole Foughty and daughter, Wilma and Mrs. Anna Pekarek and daughter, Josephine spent Sunday with friends at Ventura.

George S. Yaw of Iowa Fals visited with friends and relatives at Alexander the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter, Leona of Hampton spent Sunday at the Nels Larsen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens were business callers at Hampton last Thursday.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer visited her parents at Sheffield the last of the week.

Miss Vivian Meierbachtol of Tripoli visited with friends at Alexander last Saturday and Sunday.

Jerry Beenen of Hampton spent Sunday with his home folks at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs and Edgar Mantel of Goodell visited at the Ben Arends home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clay of Mason City were callers in town Sunday.

Alfred Anderson was a Belmond caller last Friday.

Miss Gertrude Berminghausen and Theo. Beenen were Hampton visitors last Saturday.

Among the callers at Belmond last Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Karl Johanneson and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Hiko Pals, Ethel Schulte, Misses Lillie Cornwell, Nellie Bell, Vivian Meierbachtol, Cornelious Stoffer, Arthur Winwood. Bert Kieslich and Bert Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Meno Frohling and children of near Belmond were Sunday visitors at the Peter Pals home.

Arthur Thomas and Mrs. Geo. Yaw of Iowa Falls spent Sunday at the Chas. Winwood and Fred Rodemeyer homes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and family, Margaret Dunn and Letha Bohlen autoed to Austinville Sunday and visited with Mrs. Arends mother, Mrs. Rev. C. Bode and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel enjoyed a visit from the formers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hensel of Webster City on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

The Cemetery society met at the home of Mrs. Elias Klinefelter, Monday and held their annual business meeting. The following officers were elected for the esuing year: President Mrs. John Arends; vicee president, Mrs. Otto Kieslich; Sectary, Mrs. Grant Smith; treasurer, Mrs. George Dunn; Trustees, Charley Winnwood, Aldrich Bennen, and Mrs. Lee Reed.

Methodist Church Notes

Don't forget that we have morning services now. Last Sunday we had a large crowd out. Let us see still more present next Sunday. Time of service: Preaching at nine thirty a. m. Sunday school at ten thirty a. m.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

School Notes

We observed Arbor day by planting fourteen walnut trees along the west side of the school yard and also by clearing the yard of all rubbish. The high school planted the trees. The cleaning of of school ground was accomplished by the whole school.

Leslie Hopkey received a badly sprained ankle while playing during the last recess last Friday afternoon. Latest reports say that he is getting along nicely.

We shall make use of the school plot this year by planting it ti potatoes the seed of which will be treated for scab. We also expect to experiment with soy beans and Huban clover. The latter is an annual sweet clover discovered by Prof. Hughes of Iowa State College, while he was exploring in Alabama.

The Agriculture class is getting some practical experience along the line of pruning orchards and vineyards. If we can find means of transportation, we expect to visit the Earl Ferris Nursery at Hampton, in the near future.

Last Tuesday evening, May 2nd was the last "Movie" on the circuit sent out by the Visual Instruction Service, Ames, Iowa. We expect to obtain films elsewhere and to continue the "movie" until the close of school, May 19th.

Several of the youngsters spent last Saturday afternoon at Elm Lake. The party put in the time fishing and studying the fauna and flara of that region. Our science instructor acted ac chaperon.

The High school play entitled "Deacon Dubbs" will be given next Friday night May 5th at the school auditorium. The caste of characters is as follows:

Deacon Dubbs—Alfred Ammerman.
Amos Coleman—Walter Smith.
Rawdon Crawley—Bennie Arends.
Mayor McNutt—Theodore Nelson.
Deuteronomy Jones—Ralph Schulte.
Rose Raleigh—Alice Barkema.
Philipena Papover—Ruth Polmateer
Emily Dale—Ruth Beenen.
Trixie Coleman—Gail Thompson.
Yennie Yensen—Marie Blau.

The play consists of three acts requiring about two hours.

Act 1.—A country auction. The Deacon arrives from Sorghum Center, State of West Virginny.

Act 2—A country wedding. Shadows of the past. The Deacon takes a prisoner.

Act 3—A country Husking Bee. Crawley escapes from the Penitentiary. The Deacon takes a wife.

HEAR SCHUMANN-HEINK CONCERT

Solos by Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink were relayed from the Coliseum in Des Moines where the famous contralto was appearing in concert, Monday evening by the radio station on the Register-Tribune building and received at the Hobbie radio station here.

Many Hampton people were at the Hobbie garage to hear snatches of the concert by Schumann-Heink, but on acount of some disconnection in the station at Des Moines were not able to hear her voice clearly during the entire program. However, there were moments when every note she sang was heard clearly and distinctly.—Recorder.

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SPECIAL ELECTION TO PURCHASE FAIR GROUNDS

Monitor: A series of meetings have been held the past week or two to determine the proper course to pursue relative to the purchase of the old fair grounds for a public park. At the meeting Monday night it was decided to submit the matter to a vote of the people.

A petition will be circulated and as soon as the required number of signatures are obtained a special election will be called. This is a fair way to dispose of the matter and gives all the people a voice.

A brief review of the whole proposition is due at this time that there may be no misunderstanding. When Dr. Sams purchased the grounds he was approached by a committee who asked him to place a price on the land for a park. He stated that he would sell it to the city for about what he paid for it, $11,000. The matter of raising the funds was canvassed and a week later a committee advised him that they would have to give up the proposition for want of sufficient encouragement. Mr. Sams then set about to carry out some of his own plans of improvement. The first being to contract for about $1000 worth of tiling, which is now being done. He has also purchased machinery, seed, etc., to the amount of several hundred dollars. Again he was approached on the subject of sale, but informed those seeking a price that he did not care to sell as he had already made his plans for several years ahead. He did finally offer to lease the grounds for $1500 for the year and in case of a sale this amount was to apply on the purchase price, which was now to be $15,000. This proposition met with considerable favor at the start, but it too was finally abandoned.

At Monday night's meeting, at which Messrs. Linebarger, King and MacDonald were the most enthusiastic boosters, Mr. Sams made a final proposition and that was for him to go ahead and tile the land as planned and withhold other improvements until a special election could be called. He also reduced the price to $14,000.

Everybody conversant with the facts considers the proposition of Dr. Sams a fair and reasonable one. The whole matter resolves itself into the one problem and that is whether or not the taxpayers want the grounds for a park.

Dentist office robbers who have been visiting many towns throughout the state of late, paid Hampton a call Tuesday night and got away with over $200 worth of gold, consisting of crowns, bridges, and other dental supplies taken from the office of Dr. R. T. Warner.

Entrance through the outer door of the waiting room was obtained by breaking the lock. A skeleton key was evidently used to open the door of the private office. The gold and other supplies were kept in a safe and the yeggs apparently knew the combination for there were no evidences of prying or forcing the door open. Dr. Warner was the first person to discover the robbery when he opened his office Wednesday morning, and immediately notified the sheriff. He was working in his office on several sets of teeth until after 10 o'clock the night of the theft. No clue as to the identity of the thief or thieves had been obtained when this paper went to press.—Recorder.

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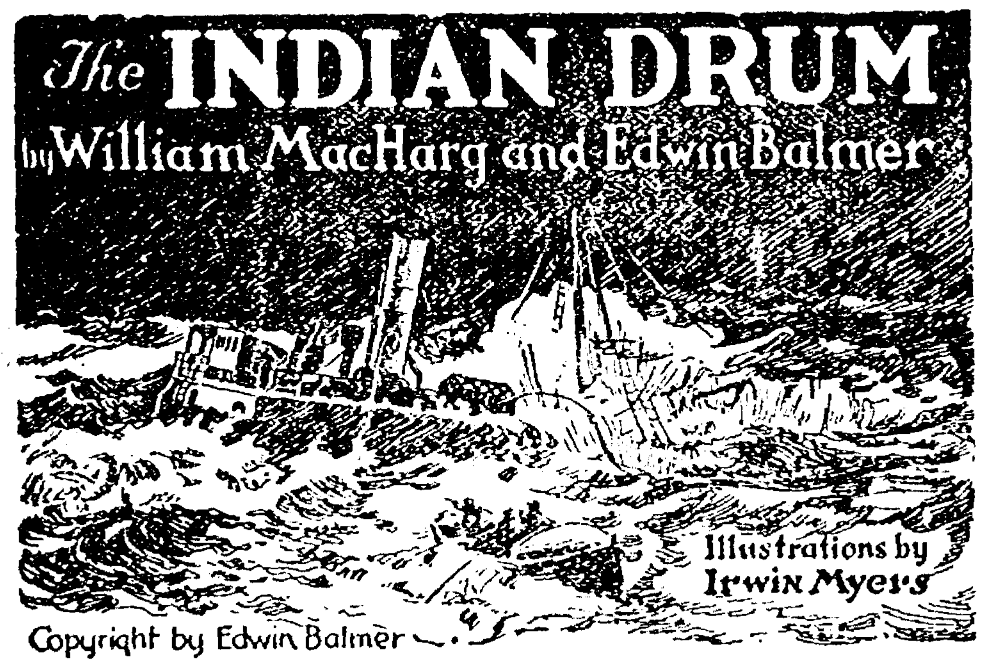

The INDIAN DRUM

by William MacHarg and Edwin Balmer

Illustrations by Irwin Myers

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The finality in his tone stopped her from argument. As the house door and then the door of the limousine closed after him, she went back toward the window, slowly taking off the wrap. For the moment she found it difficult to think. Something had happened to Uncle Benny, something terrible, dreadful for those who loved him; that was plain, though only the fact and not its nature was known to her or to her father; and that something was connected—intimately connected, her father had said—with a name which no one who knew Uncle Benny ever heard before, with the name of Alan Conrad of Blue Rapids, Kansas. Who was this Alan Conrad, and what could his connection be with Uncle Benny so to precipitate disaster upon him?

CHAPTER II

Who Is Alan Conrad?

The recipient of the letter which Benjamin Corvet had written and later so excitedly attempted to recover, was asking himself a question which was almost the same as the question which Constance Sherrill had asked. He was, the second morning later, waiting for the first of the two daily eastbound trains which stopped at the little Kansas town of Blue Rapids which he called home. As long as he could look back into his life, the question, who is this person they call Alan Conrad, and what am I to the man who writes from Chicago, had been the paramount enigma of existence for him. Since he was now twenty-three, as nearly as he had been able to approximate it, and as distinct recollection of isolated, extraordinary events went back to the time when he was five, it was quite eighteen years since he had first noticed the question put to the people who had him in charge: "So this is little Alan Conrad. Who is he?"

Following the arrival of certain letters, which were distinguished from most others arriving at the house by having no ink writing on the envelope but just a sort of purple or black printing like newspapers, Alan invariably received a dollar to spend just as he liked. To be sure, unless "papa" took him to town, there was nothing for him to spend it upon; so, likely enough, it went into the square iron bank, of which the key was lost; but quite often he did spend it according to plans agreed upon among all his friends and, in memory of these occasions and in anticipation of the next, "Alan's dollar" became a community institution among the children.

"Who gives it to you, Alan?" was a question more often asked, as time went on. The only answer Alan could give was, "It comes from Chicago." The post-mark on the envelope, Alan noticed, was always Chicago; that was all he ever could find out about his dollar. He was about ten years old when, for a reason as inexplicable as the dollar's coming, the letters with the typewritten addresses and the enclosed money ceased.

Except for the loss of the dollar at the end of every second month—a loss much discussed by all the children and not accepted as permanent till more than two years had passed—Alan felt no immediate results from the cessation of the letters from Chicago. Papa and mama felt them when the farm had to be given up, and the family moved to the town, and papa went to work in the woolen mill beside the river.

Papa and mama, at first surprised and dismayed by the stopping of the letters, still clung to the hope of the familiar, typewriter-addressed envelope appearing again; but when after two years, no more money came resentment which had been steadily growing against the person who had sent the money began to turn against Alan; and his "parents" told him all they knew about him.

In 1896 they had noticed an advertisement for persons to care for a child; they had answered it to the office of the newspaper which printed it. In response to the letter a man called upon them and, after seeing them and going around to see their friends, had made arrangements with them to take a boy of three, who was in good health and came of good people. He paid in advance board for a year and agreed to send a certain amount every two months after that time. The man brought the boy; whom he called Alan Conrad, and left him. For seven years the money agreed upon came; now it had ceased, and papa had no way of finding the man—the name given by him appeared to be fictitious, and he had left no address except "general delivery, Chicago"—Papa knew nothing more than that. He had advertised in the Chicago papers after the money stopped coming, and he had communicated with every one named Conrad in or near Chicago, but he had learned nothing. Thus, at the age of thirteen, Alan definitely knew that what he already had guessed—the fact that he belonged somewhere else than in the little brown house—was all that any one there could tell him; and the knowledge gave persistence to many internal questionings. Where did he belong? Who was he? Who was the man who had brought him there? Had the money ceased coming because the person who sent it was dead? In that case, connection of Alan with the place where he belonged was permanently broken. Or would some other communication from that source reach him some time—if not money, then something else? Would he be sent for some day?

Externally, Alan's learning the little that was known about himself made no change in his way of living; he went to the town school, which combined grammar and high schools under one roof; and, as he grew older, he clerked in one of the town stores during vacations and in the evenings. Alan always carried his money home as part payment of those arrears which had mounted up against him since the letters ceased coming. At seventeen, having finished high school, he was clerking officially in Merrill's general store, when the next letter came.

It was addressed this time not to papa, but to Alan Conrad. He seized it, tore it open, and a bank draft for fifteen hundred dollars fell out. There was no letter with the enclosure, no word of communication; just the draft to the order of Alan Conrad. Alan wrote the Chicago bank by which the draft had been issued; their reply showed that the draft had been purchased with currency, so there was no record of the identity of the person who had sent it. More than that amount was due for arrears for the seven years during which no money was sent, even when the total which Alan had earned was deducted. So Alan merely endorsed the draft over to "father"; and that fall Jim, Alan's foster brother, went to college. But, when Jim discovered that it not only was possible but planned at the university for a boy to work his way through, Alan went also.

Four wonderful years followed. In companionship with educated people; ideas and manners came to him which he could not have acquired at home; athletics straightened and added bearing to his muscular, well-formed body; his pleasant, strong young face acquired self-reliance and self-control. Life became filled with possibilities for himself which it had never held before.

But on his day of graduation he had put away the enterprises he had planned and the dreams he dreamed and, conscious that his debt to father and mother still remained unpaid, he had returned to care for them; for father's health had failed and Jim, who had opened a law office in Kansas City, could do nothing to help.

No more money had followed the draft from Chicago and there had been no communication of any kind; but the receipt of so considerable a sum had revived and intensified all Alan's speculations about himself. The vague expectation of his childhood that sometime, in some way, he would be "sent for"; had grown during the last six years to a definite belief. And now—on the afternoon before—the summons had come.

This time, as he tore open the envelope, he saw that beside a check, there was writing within—an uneven and nervous-looking but plainly legible communication in longhand. The letter made no explanation. It told him, rather than asked him, to come to Chicago, gave minute instructions for the journey, and advised him to telegraph when he started. The check was for a hundred dollars to pay his expenses. Check and letter were signed by a name completely strange to him.

He was a distinctly attractive looking lad, as he stood now on the station platform of the little town, while the eastbound train rumbled in, and he fingered in his pocket the letter from Chicago.

On the train he took the letter from his pocket and for the dozenth time reread it. Was Covert a relative? Was he the man who had sent the remittances when Alan was a little boy, and the one who later had sent the fifteen hundred dollars? Or was he merely a go-between, perhaps a lawyer? There was no letterhead to give aid in these speculations. The address to which Alan was to come was in Astor street. He had never heard the name of the street before. Was it a business street, Corvet's address in some great office building, perhaps?

At Chicago Alan, following the porter with his suitcase from the car, stepped down among the crowds hurrying to and from the trains. He was not confused, he was only intensely excited. Acting in implicit accord with the instructions of the letter, which he knew by heart, he went to the uniformed attendant and engaged a taxicab—itself no small experience; there would be no one at the station to meet him, the letter had said. He gave the Astor street address and got into the cab.

It had begun to snow heavily. For a few blocks the taxicab drove north past more or less ordinary buildings, then turned east on a broad boulevard where tall tile and brick and stone structures towered till their roofs were hidden in the snowfall. A strange stir and tingle, quite distinct from the excitement of the arrival at the station, pricked in Alan's veins, and hastily he dropped the window to his right and gazed out. The lake, as he had known since his geography days, lay to the east of Chicago; therefore that void out there beyond the park was the lake or, at least, the harbor. A different air seemed to come from it; sounds . . . Suddenly it all was shut off; the taxicab, swerving a little, was dashing between business blocks; a row of buildings had risen again upon the right; they broke abruptly to show him a wooden-walled chasm in which flowed the river full of ice with a tug dropping its smokestack as it cut below the bridge which the cab crossed; buildings on both sides again; then, to the right, a roaring, heaving crashing expanse.

The sound, Alan knew, had been coming to him as an undertone for many minutes; now it overwhelmed, swallowed all other sound. It was great, not loud; all sound which Alan had heard before, except the soughing of the wind over his prairies, came from one point; even the monstrous city murmur was centered in comparison with this. Over the lake, as over the land, the soft snowflakes lazily floated down, scarcely stirred by the slightest breeze; that roar was the voice of the water, that awful power its own.

Alan choked and gasped for breath, his pulses pounding in his throat; he had snatched off his hat and, leaning out of the window sucked the lake air in his lungs. There had been nothing to make him expect this overwhelming crush of feeling. The lake—he had thought of it, of course, as a great body of water, an interesting sight for a prairie boy to see; that was all. No physical experience in all his memory had affected him like this; and it was without warning; the strange thing that had stirred within him as the car brought him to the Drive down-town was strengthened now a thousand-fold; it amazed, half-frightened, half dizzied him. Now, as the motor suddenly swung around a corner and shut the sight of the lake from him, Alan sat back breathless.

The car swerved to the east curb about the middle of the block and came to a stop. The house before which it had halted was a large stone house of quiet, good design; it was some generation older, apparently, than the houses on each side of it, which were brick and terra cotta of recent fashionable architecture; Alan only glanced at them long enough to get that impression before he opened the cab door and got out; but as the cab drove away, he stood beside his suitcase looking up at the old house which bore the number given in Benjamin Corvet's letter, then around at the other houses and back to that again.

The neighborhood obviously precluded the probability of Corvet's being merely a lawyer—a go-between. He must be some relative; the question ever present in Alan's thought since the receipt of the letter, but held in abeyance, as to the possibility and nearness of Corvet's relation to him, took sharper and more exact form now than he had dared to let it take before. Was his relationship to Corvet, perhaps, the closest of all relationships? Was Corvet his . . . father? He checked the question within himself, for the time had passed for mere speculation upon it now. Alan was trembling excitedly; for—whoever Corvet might be—the enigma of Alan's existence was going to be answered when he had entered that house. He was going to know who he was. All the possibilities, the responsibilities, the attachments, the opportunities, perhaps, of that person whom he was—but whom, as yet, he did not know—were before him. He went up the steps and, with fingers excitedly unsteady, he pushed the bell beside the door.

The door opened almost instantly—so quickly after the ring, indeed, that Alan, with leaping throb of his heart, knew that some one must have been awaiting him. But the door opened only half way, and the man who stood within, gazing out at Alan questioningly, was obviously a servant.

"What is it?" he asked, as Alan stood looking at him and past him to the narrow section of darkened hall which was in sight.

Alan put his hand over the letter in his pocket. "I've come to see Mr. Corvet," he said—"Mr. Benjamin Corvet."

"What is your name?"

Alan gave his name; the man repeated it after him, in the manner of a trained servant, quite without inflection. Alan, not familiar with such tones, waited uncertainly. So far as he could tell, the name was entirely strange to the servant, awakening neither welcome nor opposition, but indifference. The man stepped back, but not in such a manner as to invite Alan in; on the contrary, he half closed the door as he stepped back, leaving it open only an inch or two; but it was enough so that Alan heard him say to some one within:

"He says he's him."

"Ask him in; I will speak to him." It was a girl's voice—this second one, a voice such as Alan never had heard before. It was low and soft but quite clear and distinct, with youthful, impulsive modulations and the manner of accent which Alan knew must go with the sort of people who lived in houses like these on this street.

The servant, obeying the voice, returned and opened wide the door.

"Will you come in, sir?"

Alan put down his suitcase on the stone porch; the man made no move to pick it up and bring it in. Then Alan stepped into the hall face to face with the girl who had come from the big room on the right.

She was quite a young girl—not over twenty-one or twenty-two, Alan judged; like girls brought up in wealthy families, she seemed to Alan to have gained young womanhood in far greater degree in some respects than the girls he knew, while, at the same time, in other ways, she retained more than they some characteristics of a child. Her slender figure had a woman's assurance and grace; her soft brown hair was dressed like a woman's; her gray eyes had the open directness of the girl. Her face—smoothly oval, with straight brows and a skin so delicate that at the temples the veins showed dimly blue—was at once womanly and youthful; and there was something altogether likable and simple about her, as she studied Alan now. She was slightly pale, he noticed, and there were lines of strain and trouble about her eyes.

"I am Constance Sherrill," she announced. Her tone implied quite evidently that she expected him to have some knowledge of her, and she seemed surprised to see that her name did not mean more to him.

"Mr. Corvet is not here this morning," she said.

He hesitated, but persisted: "I was to see him here today, Miss Sherrill. He wrote me, and I telegraphed him I would be here to-day."

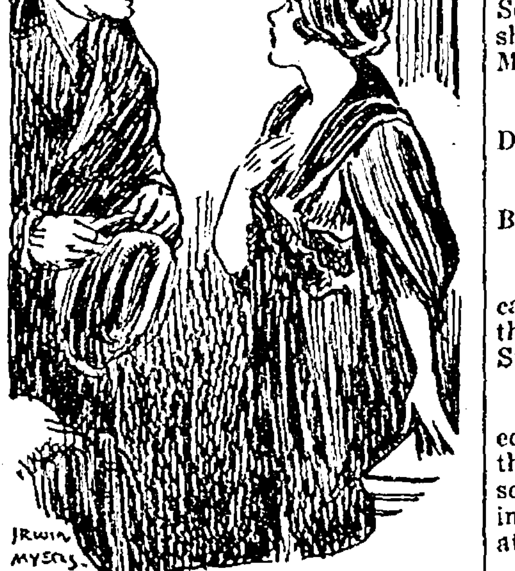
"I know," she answered. "We had your telegram. Mr. Corvet was not here when it came, so my father opened it." Her voice broke oddly, and he studied her in indecision, wondering who that father might be that opened Mr. Corvet's telegrams.

"Mr. Corvet went away very suddenly," she explained. She seemed, he thought, to be trying to make something plain to him which might be a shock to him; yet herself to be uncertain what the nature of that shock might be. Her look was scrutinizing, questioning, anxious, but not unfriendly. "After he had written you and something else had happened—I think—to alarm my father about him, father came here to his house to look after him. He thought something might have . . . happened to Mr. Corvet here in his house. But Mr. Corvet was not here."

"You mean he has—disappeared?"

"Yes; he has disappeared."

Alan gazed at her dizzily. Benjamin Corvet—whoever he might be—had disappeared; he had gone. Did any one else, then, know about Alan Conrad?



Alan Gazed at Her Dizzily—Benjamin Corvet—

"No one has seen Mr. Corvet," she said, "since the day he wrote to you. We knew that—that he became so disturbed after doing that—writing to you—that we thought you must bring with you information of him."

"Information!"

"So we have been waiting for you to come here and tell us what you know about him or—or your connection with him."

CHAPTER III

Discussion of a Shadow

Alan, as he looked confusedly and blankly at her, made no attempt to answer the question she had asked, or to explain. His silence and confusion, he knew, must seem to Constance Sherrill unwillingness to answer her; for she did not suspect that he was unable to answer her.

"You would rather explain to father than to me," she decided.

He hesitated. What he wanted now was time to think, to learn who she was and who her father was, and to adjust himself to this strange reversal of his expectations.

"Yes; I would rather do that," he said.

She caught up her fur collar and muff from a chair and spoke a word to the servant. As she went out on to the porch, he followed her and stooped to pick up his suitcase.

"Simmons will bring that," she said, "unless you'd rather have it with you. It is only a short walk."

(Continued Next Week)

Rowan Local News

Lyndon Whitten was out of school several days last week on account of illness.

For first class cleaning and pressing, repairing and cutting over. The New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28. J. F. Tuffree, Belmond, Iowa.

Miss Elfrieda Whitten finished her years work in the school room last year at Meservey where she has given splendid satisfaction.

Miss Susan Duffy was home from Hansel over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Webber were Hampton callers Monday.

Miss Nora Shaffer and Miss Dorothy Steffens were Belmond callers Monday.

Miss Ruth Mitchell, of Hampton came Friday night for a short visit with her cousin Miss Edna McCutcheon. They both went to Miss McCutcheon's home in Goldfield Saturday to spend the week end.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson spent last week at the home of her son, Will and wife at Blairsburg, returning home Saturday.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires. Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion met in regular session Monday night. They completed their plans for the services Memorial Sunday and Memorial Day. A committee from the Legion will meet with a committee from the town at the Legion Hall Friday night at eight o'clock to complete arrangements in detail for Memorial Day services. The Post is planning a good service for this day, the program of which will be printed later, so let us all turn out and help to make this day a success.

Mr. Dan Fletcher and son, Gay, went to Thornton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Steffens have moved from the Clint Kecheval residence, which they have occupied since Mr. and Mrs. Olsen have been in California this winter to the upper apartments of the Sinclair Flat.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitz of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Gay Fletcher.

George Boyington spent the week end with friends at Dows.

Mr. Ed. Drury, of High More So. Dak. came Friday to spend a week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Herb Hadley and his son, Frank, and family.

Mrs. Levi Johnson, of Sioux Falls So. Dak. came last week to visit a short visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler.

O. F. Braden and Ike Ericson were Dows callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett were Belmond callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller, of Clarion came Sunday to spend a few days at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Guy Stumph and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers returned from Des Moines last week where they were called by the illness of their son, Marshall. They report him much improved. He suffered from a severe attack of quinsey.

The community was shocked last Thursday to learn of the accidental death of Mr. Irvin Knox, of Dows. Mr. Knox had many friends around Rowan who extend their sympathy to the family in their time of bereavement. Several from Rowan attended the funeral which was held at Dows Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Chipman returned from California last Wednesday and made a short visit at the home of his daughter Mrs. Fred Webber. He went to Iowa City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten were Clarion callers Thursday.

August Rietz was on the sick list this last week and unable to attend to his duties at the bank. He is able to be about again.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Mhitten and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Echelberger near Eagle Grove.

Miss Wilda Whitten closed a successful year of school work last Friday in the Harvey neighborhood. The last day was enjoyed by all as the pupils and patrons were given a treat of ice cream and wafers by the teacher.

Mrs. Harry Robinson and daughter, Muriel, and Mr. H. McCallum went to Mason City Tuesday where they will make their future home. Mr. Robinson went a short time before and got things ready for them. Their friends wish them success in their new business locality.

Harry Harson returned to Kanawha Tuesday after a weeks end visit with friends in this vicinity.

Gay Fletcher and D. K. Stout spent Tuesday in Des Moines, motoring down for the day.

Nels Olsen left for Wynett, Ill., Tuesday evening where he will visit relatives and friends for a short time.

Mrs. Dan Fletcher went to Fort Dodge Thursday to visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Morris Sullivan.

Mrs. J. S. Farren was a Fort Dodge shopper Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bingham and Mrs. Joe Rowen were Belmond callers Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks went to Clarion Thursday to see Mr. Frank Pester, who is very ill.

Carol Hoke is assisting at the home of Mrs. M. Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Emerson and family moved from the Will Azeltine property to the south apartment in the Sinclair Flat.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Nelson, of Galt spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell were Dows callers Friday.

Mr. Fleming Evans and son, Chas., were calling on friends in this vicinity Thursday evening. Mr. Evans, with his wife and daughter, Mary Ellen, have only just returned from California where they have been spending the winter. They report a lovely trip and a fine winter.

The Young Ladies Mission Study club met last Thursday night at the home of Miss Thelma Brooks. A good crowd attended this meeting. Miss Frances Farren was the leader of a very interesting lesson. Mrs. Roy Hyde and Miss Esther Emerson were assistant hostesses. We would be very glad to get more of our young ladies interested in this Mission Society. It will soon be picnic time again.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn, of Coulter spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher.

Monday night found the children of Rowan very excited with their May baskets.

School Notes

Supt. Holliday went to Iowa City Friday where he attended a Supt. meeting, returning home Saturday.

The Rowan School team of the lower grades played the Clarion school team at Rowan Saturday. Rowan won by a score of 23-2. Good work Rowan, keep it up.

Clair LaGue, while playing on the school campus one day last week, was struck in the face with a baseball. He was absent from school several days.

The same day Eddie Ketchum was struck in the mouth with a ball loosening four teeth and cutting his lip. Both boys are doing all right now.

Miss Osterhus, one of the high school teachers, was on the sick list one day last week.

The Eighth Grade Graduation excerises will be held in the High School Auditorium Thursday night May 25th. The program is as follows:

Processional—Ruth an Stella Emerson.
Salutatory—James Kehler.
The Class Girls—Douglas Farren.
The Class Boys—Anna Peddle.
Piano Duet—Alta Allen and Anna Rietz.
The Class History—Delilah Thomas and Doris Gunderson.
Class Doctors—Telford Simons and Dale Farren.
Playlet—Our Aunt from California—Ione Francomb, Mabel Cupp, Bonnie Thomas, Grace Holliday, June Burt, Alta Allen, Anna Rietz.
Class Will—George Utz.
Class noem—Doris Gunderson.
Class Prophecy—Dolly Duffy.
Class Song—Class.
Presentation of Diplamas.
Valedictory—Eleanor Martin.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Sunday May 7th, 1922
Pastor, W. H. Nye.

Morning Worship 11 a. m.
Sunday school 12:00
Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.
Evening song 8 p. m.
Mid week prayer meeting, Wednesday afternoon at 4:00

Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

The senior Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. E. Bingham Thursday afternoon. Mrs. H. J. C. Box is leader. Everyone is invited to be present.

The Young People's Christian Endeavor Society will hold their monthly social hour and business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Aldinger Thursday evening. We urge all the young people to attend this meeting and see what good times we do have.

A lot of dresses are made out of stuff they call crepe. In Belmond is seems especially appropriate this summer.

Does the ball necessarily have to go the same way as the band?

If every knock is a boost, some folks are sure boosting us.

Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butterfield are visiting a few days this week with friends and relatives at Klemme.

Miss Inez Boughton left Monday of this week for Dinsdale, where she visited a day or two, and then went on to Cedar Rapids to attend the State Sunday School convention held at that place on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Peterson and family, from Hampton, were visitors here Sunday with relatives, driving over.

Mrs. Lew Reed, of Alexander, was among the out of town shoppers in town Saturday.

Candidate McClellan, of Clarion, was in town Saturday looking over the field and greeting some of the voters. He is a candidate for the office of sheriff.

That new red truck you have seen going down the street is the newest addition to the service of that progressive merchant, Cato C. Griesy.

Garner's new mayor, Walt Pritchard is landing hard on the evil doers, and last week gave two Mexicans stiff fines for stealing some cloth from a store, each man getting $50 apiece.

J. M. Jensen went to Des Moines the first of the week, where he argued a case before the supreme court of Iowa.

Dan Loraine, the Clarion man chargd with assault on a former Belmond girl, was found guilty at his trial.

A shower was given in honor of Miss McGuire at the DeLaney home, April 21. The first part of the evening was spent in playing five hundred, after which dainty refreshments were served. The tables were prettily decorated, the colors being yellow and white. The surprise of the evening was a huge May basket found at the door, filed with beautiful and useful gifts, consisting of cut glass, aluminum and pyrex. The hostess were Misses Newgard, Rourk, Tracy, DeLaney and Wallace.

Eagle Grove is going after the road situation adjacent to the city in nice shape, and improving practically every road leading into town.

Potted Plants of all kinds at Belmond Furniture Co., May 10-24th.

Cato C. Griesy made a business trip to the Twin Cities the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Leonard, of Swaledale were in town Monday of this week, attending to some business affairs and visiting relatives.

L. M. Foster has his remodeled cafe and restaurant open and doing business, and has a very neat and attractive appearing place.

Cabbage, tomato, celery, pepper, cauliflower and all kinds of vegetable plants. Belmond Furniture Co., May 10-24th.

Miss Dorothy Purcell was hostess to the Standard Bearers on Monday evening of this week. The regular lesson was enjoyed, and refreshments were served. A delightful time was enjoyed by the guests.

Prospects for a base ball team for Belmond this season seem to be somewhat brighter than they have been.

Pick out a nice fern or other house plant at Belmond Furniture Co. May 10-24th.

Mrs. Shaffer's division of the M. E. Aid society met yesterday at the home of Mrs. Doctorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kinney spent part of last week at Clarion visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Nagle.

Mrs. Cutler, from Clarion, was a visitor here with friends and relatives a few days last week.

A regular green house at Belmond Furniture Co., May 10-24.

J. C. Barry of Des Moines is visiting his brother, Pat and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler returned last Thursday fro Shell Rock, where they have been to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fyler's father.

Cut flowers at Belmond Furniture Co., May 10-24.

Manager Kellog, of the Iowa Falls Electric Co., was in the city last week, attending to some business affairs of the company here.

Mrs. E. G. Miller was a business callers last Friday at Latimer.

Get your order in early for Mother's Day flowers. Belmond Furniture Co.

Box Social Friday evening May 25, at Dist. No. 8, Belmond township. One mile west of Morse Lake. Ladies please bring baskets. Program will be given.—Jeanette Benson, Teacher.

Six room house and lot for rent.—J. N. Johnson. 24tfc

Remember the dates May 10-24th. Plant sale at Belmond Furniture Co.

Miss Jane Ramsay has been quite ill lately with ear trouble. Her parents, from Garner, drove down Sunday to visit her.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bullis, and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh, drove to Dows, Sunday, where they visited with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Tolford Thompson were visitors at Fort Dodge on Saturday of last week, driving down in their car.

Mrs. Ole Scott returned last week from her visit with relatives at Huxley, where she had been the past week.

Rev. Wilkinson now fills the pulpit at Alexander at 9:30 in the morning, the services having been changed to that hour from three in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Bonte and family spent Sunday at the Rev. Geo. Bonte home in Ackley.

Rev. Geo. Bonte of Ackley and Harm Harms of Alexander were business callers here Tuesday.

Mrs. Nate Church, of Goodell, was in town last week Saturday, doing some shopping.

Lawn movers sharpened.—T. H. Broeffle, blacksmith.

Charley Dalrymple is here from Moss Beach, California, called here by the illness of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Lein.

Mac McNamara has been on the sick list, but is better now.

The Chain of Ten met with Mrs. Holden Nelson on Monday of this week.

The Priscilla club holds the next meeting on Wednesday, at the home of Mrs. Strieby.

Mrs. Granan, from Dows, was the guest of friends and relatives in Belmond on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mrs. H. L. Gowdy and Miss Rena Purdy were doing some shopping at Mason City last week Saturday, driving up in Miss Purdy's car.

Mrs. Clair White, of Fort Dodge is visiting relatives here this week

We are a little late in reporting an intersting piece of news, but Mayor Pritchard is a busy man and we will forive him this time for not telling us. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard have a new grandson at the home of their son, Paul at Tulsa, Oklahoma, born on April 5. The Pritchard have one other grandchild, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pritchard. Miss Catherine Pritchard is at the home of the new baby caring for the baby and its mother. At the time the new baby arrived was when the floods were on at Tulsa, and the gas was shut off. Catherine writes home that they had neither light nor heat, and Paul was obliged to get a stove and an electric lantern.—Garner Signal.

Mesdames C. E. Barnes and W. S. Pritchard were at Belmond Tuesday, as guests of the Progressive Club of that city. The club was entertained by Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans.—Leader.

"A Tutor who tooted the flute,
Tried to teach two young tooters to toot;
Said the two to the Tutor,
Is it harder to toot, or
To tutor two tooters to toot?"

F. L. Bush was at Belmond last Friday to attend a meeting of the sugar beet factory company. That the factory will be operated this year is an assured fact.—Reporter.

At Burt the superintendent of schools refused to sign a contract at the reduced price offered him, and friends took up a collection to make up the difference and he remains another year.—Clarion News.

Farm Bureau News

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

TUBERCULOSIS FACTS

1. One death in every fifteen caused by tuberculosis.
2. Fifteen per cent of Iowa hogs have the disease.
3. There is four times as much T. B. in our hogs as in 1908—twice as much as cattle.
4. Five to ten per cent of Iowa cattle react to T. B. tests.
5. Tuberculosis is transmitted in the milk of cows.
6. Four out of five flocks of chickens in Wright county are infected with T. B.

Cull your poultry.

Give your cows T. B. test at government expense.

Make application at Farm Bureau office.

MEAT CURE FOR PORK

For 500 pounds of meat take six quarts of salt, one and one-half pounds of brown sugar, one half pound of black pepper, finely ground, one half pound of pulverized saltpeter. Mix all in a pan, and when meat is thoroughly cool, apply mixture by holding over pan, rubbing skin side first then flesh side. Let meat lay two days and rub again. The meat may be smoked after a few days with cobs or wood. It must not be piled up and when smoked should be carefully wrapped in paper to protect against flies and insects and left hanging.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE APPROPRIATION

A farmer remarked recently that he had heard other farmers kick on the money spent at Ames for agricultural education but that he had never heard one object to the money spent at the State University. Apparently they were willing to be taxed to educate doctors, lawyers and business men but not to educate farmers.

Possibly these fellows do not know that the State University receives a larger appropriation than the college at Ames nor do they realize that scarsely one fourth of the funds expended on the State schools goes to instruction along agricultural lines.

Most of the kicking and complaining that we hear based on lack of information or misunderstanding. Things never look so bad when we know the facts.

Kinseth's Store News

News seems to be rather scarse this week, but we have some good news for you in King Charles flour, which we have just received, at $1.95. a sack.

When you see flour this low in price you begin to think that it must be rather poor stuff, or the price would be higher. But King Charles Flour, which is Minnesota flour, of a very high grade, is the result of a bargain we picked up, and as we only have 21 sacks you want to get yours early.

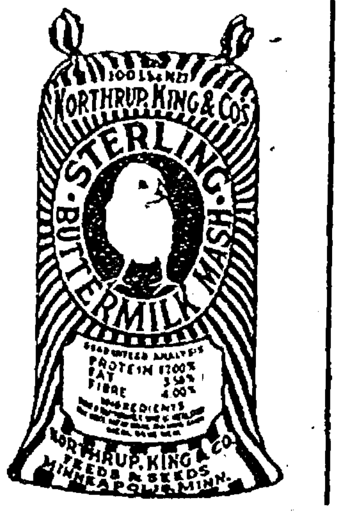
And don't forget that the store on the corner gives you bargains every day in many other things besides flour. Drop in when you need something, or call 19 and we'll deliver to your door.

SAVE EVERY CHICK

When you go out in the morning to feed the chicks and you find them all huddled up and droopy—doesn't it make you feel sick all over?

But isn't it a "GRAND and GLORIOUS FEELING" to find the little rascals scampering around lively, climbing over each other to get at the STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH and GROWING?

FEEDING DIRECTION IN EVERY BAG



STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH HAS SOLVED THE PROBLEM

It is composed of choice grains and ground feeds carefully compounded with PURE DRIED BUTTERMILK in such a manner as to insure rapid growth. Chicks thrive on it. IT STARTS THEM—IT GROWS THEM—IT MATURES THEM.

TOWNSAN HARDWARE
PHONE 34
Belmond, Iowa

The M. E. Missionary society will hold their next meeting today, Thursday, May 4th, at the home of Mrs. J. B. Tiara. The program leader will be Mrs. R. H. Klemme.

FAREWELL PARTY

The ladies of the M. E. Aid society gave a farewell party in honor of Mrs. Daisy Pierce, last Thursday afternoon, at her home. About 25 ladies were present and an enjoyable and social afternoon was spent. Delicious refreshments were served, and Mrs. Pierce was presented with a hand bag as a small token of the appreciation for her many years of faithful service in the society. Mrs. Pierce goes to St. Paul, to make her future home with her son, Paul and his family.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

White treats you white on your eggs and cream. Give us a trial.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

We save your money on tires. Get our prices before you buy.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

FOR SALE—Good second hand one-ton Ford truck. Run only 5000 miles. A bargain)—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Buy your tires of the Belmond Auto Co. at a big saving. See us first before you buy.

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

FOR RENT—Pasture for about siv colts.—Earl Jenison, phone 1908. 24tfc

FOR SALE—1 team horses, wagon, beet cultivator, 1916 7-passenger Chandler car, 1 Sampson tractor with 2 and 3 bottom plows. Inquire State Bank of Belmond, Belmond, Iowa. 24tfc

Strayed—Bull calf, red, about a week ago. Please notify John Chapman, phone 3713. 241*

Found—Stray calf, weighing from 250 to 300 pounds. Owner can have same by proving property and paying costs.—A. A. Williams. 243c

Modern rooms for rent. Inquire of C. F. Greenfield, or Herb Harberts. 233c

LOST—A lot of good news by not calling 115. When you find some, notify this office. 221tf

We sell fertilizer.—Farmers Elevator Company. 224c

Two Black ponies and one work horse for sale—Severt Enger, Belmond. 21tfc

WANTED—Stock to pasture; have 60 acres.—A. Ellis, Phone 3709. 233*

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

TO USERS OF MILK

From now on, I will sell milk at 7c a quart from the wagon, 6c a quart from Kinseth's grocery. Cream is sold from the wagon.—H. H. Hawley Phone 298. 23tf

Protect your own family.

Talk to Wolle Land Agency about own your own home. $700 buys one.

Two garden lots for rent.—Mrs. Val Griesy. 23tfc

Lawn mower and saws sharpened. We guarantee work. Leave at Mill or residence.—J. H. Nourse.

FOR SALE—Two room dog kennel rubberoid covered, well built, can be had at reasonable price. Inquire at Independent.

FOR SALE—Seed corn at $1 a bushel. Will also sell my Overland automobile, in good running order; 1 second hand hay rake and stacker; also a few loads of good tame hay.—S. A. Bohning, phone 3203. 242c

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If 73 young men were to buy each a new suit they would save $734.
We have 20 popular fabrics on sale with an extra pair of pants FREE. Choice white flannel, mohair, Palm Beach.

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Suits Cleaned and Pressed, $1.50
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Meats for Supper

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Saturday and Sunday we will have Fresh Strawberry Ice Cream for you, in either Chocolate or Vanilla flavors. Drop in and try a dish of this delicious, refreshing confection, or take home a quart for the wife and family. Remember, it is Special for

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BELMOND INDEPENDENT

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BELMOND SCHOOL MAKES A FINE RECORD

Sheriff Finds Still In Norway Township

Cunningly Concealed Trap Door Under Stairs Leads To Nice Fat Reserve

OTHER INTERESTING ITEMS

Sheriff Lang and Marshal Leonard raided the John Groh farm house in Norway township one day last week and captured eight gallons of whisky. The officers had suspicioned this man for several months. In fact two or three attempts had been made to capture him before, but he was too foxy for them. They searched the house from top to bottom and were about to give up again when the sheriff's eagle eye dected a small ring in a floor board under the stairway. It was very nicely covered with a piece of linoleum, but the officers soon had the board out. This with a second board made a neat trap door as one would find in a long search. There exposed in full view were three rain barrels set in the ground with just the tops exposed. In these barrels were jugs, jars and bottles containing liquor to the above amount. Marshal Leonard being the smallest was sent below to recover the contraband goods. He handed up the jugs while the sheriff stood guard. They were later brought to Clarion for safe keeping. Groh was given a hearing before Justice Brown, who held him to the grand jury under $500 bonds, which was furnished by a nighbor. For some time young men in that township have been getting drunk at dances and this fact led to Groh's undoing.

The jury found Roy Fortunte guilty of burglarizing the stores at Goldfield and Woolstock. They were out less than two hours. The trial of his pal, Herbert Bige, is set for today.

Perry Fielder, an Eagle Grove railroad man, plead guilty to the charge of adultry Friday and Judge Thompson sentenced him to five months in the county jail. He also allowed defendant credit for the four months he had already served because of his inability to get bond.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to Emma Olson and Virgil Cdowe, Cruze Gonsales and Felictar Martines, Walter Ervin Braumann and Caroline Hansena Jorgenson, Humphrey Louis Leslie and Loretta Genevieve McGuire; Mack Fairbanks and Gertrude Thalia Fisher; Robert William Brown and Carrie Baker.

Claude Veeder and M. H. Galloway, two Belmond young men, plead guilty to robbing a Great Western freight car of three cases of eggs and some candy. Judge Thompson fined them $100 each and imposed a sentence of five months in the county jail. The eggs were sold at Rowan and a check given in payment. This with the fact that the officers had their auto number led to their detection.

Ray Hendrickson of Eagle Grove brought five cub wolves to the county auditor's office Monday for which he received a bounty of $4.00 each. He dug them from their den south of that city. On Tuesday Theo. Schaeffer brought in the male wolf, which he shot in the same vicinity. He received $20 bounty. Last week Henry Aldrich of Galt dug out a den of wolves in that locality and captured seven cubs for which he received a county warrent for $28.

Dan Loraine of Clarion was found guilty of rape by the jury after deliberating on his case about four hours. The trial was begun Monday and concluded about five o'clock Thursday afternoon. The Kalvig girl told a straight forward story and there was little or no doubt in the minds of the jurymen as to the guilt of the defendant. Loraine did not go on the witness stand in his own defense. Judge Thompson has allowed defendant ten days in which to ask for a new trial. It is probable sentence will be passed on Monday next.—Monitor.

FARM BUREAU PICNIC

A Farm Bureau social will be held next week Wednesday, May 17th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Henn. in Pleasant township. The social will be given in the evening, and all are invited. A program will be given, and refreshments served. Miss Liddle, the County Nurse, will be present and will deliver an address for the ladies. It is requested that all ladies attending bring some home-made candy. This candy it is planned to sell, the funds derived to be used, probably, towards the purchasing of [illegible] proposed moving picture machine, which the Farm Bureau is contemplating.

A demonstrator from Ames was at the city hall on Wednesday of this week, giving the ladies of the community a demonstration on how to construct and use a home-made fireless cooker. A goodly crowd was present, and an interesting session is reported.

MANY CONCERTS BEING RECEIVED BY RADIO

Albany, New York, Concert Comes In Fine—Market Reports Received

The Radiophone receiving set of the Belmond Battery Station Co. and the Independent, has been in fine working order the past week, and some good concerts have been received. Albany, New York, was heard last Thursday evening, and a fine concert enjoyed from that place. It came in clear and distinct, so that nearly every word of the announcement could be heard. The musical selections were especially good. In fact, music comes in much better than anything else, particularly music by horns, altho some string instruments have been heard in nice fashion.

Notably among these was the cello solo given by the Register one evening, when practically every note was distinguishable. Last Tuesday evening, in the middle of the rain, Des Moines was picked up and held thruout the concert. After that, Kansas City was picked up and held until after nine o'clock, a lecture and half a dozen musical selections being heard. Following this, base ball returns and market reports, together with a short address from a Peoria pastor, were picked up from Illinios.

Pittsburg has been heard several times, and market reports have been taken from Omaha. Listening in has become somewhat like taking dope: you itch to get another dose. There is a fascination about it which, once experienced, is difficult to get rid of. The wireless is a peculiar affair at this time, and performs some queer stunts. You may be getting it when it will start to "fade," and no jiggling of the levers will bring it back. Where it fades to, or what makes it fade, is a mystery, and is something that has not yet been explained. "Static," or electricity in the air, is the greatest trouble to be experienced in receiving now, as the noise—a grating, scraping, scratching sound—drownds out the music to such an extent that often it is impossible to get anything.

The set owned by the previously named firms has, however, been working pretty fairly, and the owners have no kick to register regarding its workability and results. The bug has bitten many, and this next fall and winter will doubtless see a number of receiving sets listening in" in Belmond. The craze seems to be spreading eveny day, and manufacturers are thousands behind on orders.

BELMOND TEACHERS WHO GO TO OTHER TOWNS

Among the teachers in the local school who will teach in other towns this next year, are the following:

Prof. Greutzmacher goes to Britt, at a salary of $2,280, an increase of $710 over what he was offered here. Mrs. Greutzmacher is tendered a position in the Britt schools also, at $115 per month, an increase of $5 per month.

Miss Stedman will teach at Forest City, receiving a salary of $160 per month, an increase of $15 per month.

Miss Dodd goes to Sigourney at $155 an increase of $10 per month.

Miss Ramsay will teach in the Des Moines schools next year, at a salary of $1,200, an increase of over $100.

C. C. Christie has been tendered a position in the Sigourney schools at $200 per month, but has not yet accepted.

The Misses Leavy, Baumgardner, and Brooks have not as yet signed contracts elsewhere.

Miss Agness Dillon, a local girl, will teach next year at Corwith, having the second grade, at $100 per month. Miss Ennis Allen, another Belmond high school graduate, will be numbered next year among the teachers at Latimer.

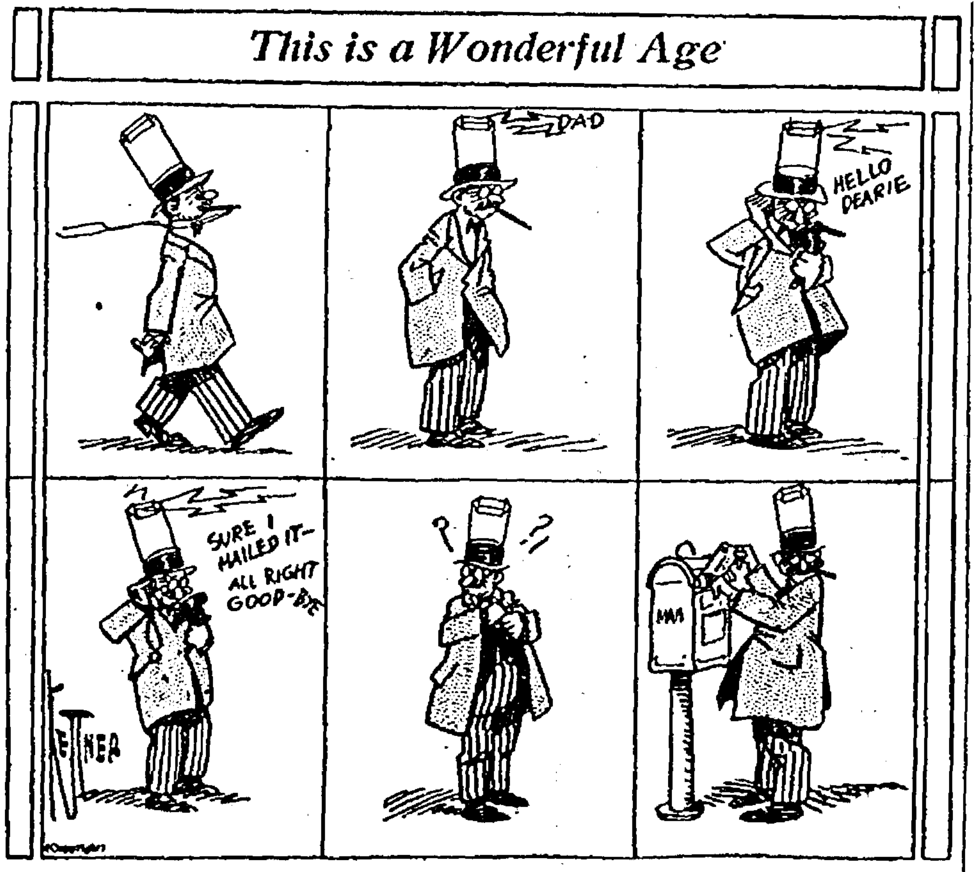
PLEASANT TOWNSHIP TEACHERS PLAN PROGRAMS

The teachers of Pleasant township met with Mrs. J. F. Henn, Farm Bureau township lady chairman, last Saturday and perfected the organization to give the programs at the Farm Bureau meetings in Pleasant township this summer. Miss Virgie Jenison was chosen a chairman of the program committee. Meetings will be held once a month, at the homes of farm bureau members in the township.

ENJOY ENTERTAINMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Larson gave a five course dinner at their home in Klemme in honor of Mr. Larson's fathr, J. P. Larson of Klemme. Among the out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butterfield of Belmond, and Oscar Larson of Garner. When supper was served and the 77 candles lit on the mamouth birthday cake the other lights were turned out and the dining room was as bright as day. The evening was very pleasantly spent in a social way all voting the Larson's capital entertainers. The occasion will be long remembered by all.

This is a Wonderful Age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TWO AUTO ACCIDENTS WITHIN PAST WEEK

Two auto accidents which luckily did not result seriously, occured here within the past week. Miss Rena Purdy struck and knocked down Sam Johnson, at the hotel corner, badly bruising him but not injuring him to any extent. Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Kemp, of Goodell, were in a collision with the Pech car, from Belmond, at the Berg corner. Mrs. Kemp and baby were thrown out, but escaped any injuries except a few scratches and bruises. Both accidents were exceedingly lucky in that neither were serious.

NEXT YEAR'S TEACHERS WHO HAVE SIGNED

The following is the list to date of the teachers who have signed contracts to teach in the Belmond schools next year:

Miss Newgard, Kindergarten.
Miss Purdy, 2nd.
Miss Rourk, 3rd.
Miss Quigley, 4th.
Miss Sharon, Math.
Miss Hill, Music.
Miss Brown, Domestic Science.
Supt. Farmer.

Miss Hill is from Earlham, and Miss Brown from Hartley. Supt. Farmer is also from Hartley.

Other applications are pending, contracts not yet having been signed.

PROGRESS CLUB ELECTS

At a recent meeting of the Progress Club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. E. W. Luick; Vive President, Mrs. E. W. Luick; Vice Presiing Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. O. T. Jacobson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. W. Goetz.

HAS INTERESTING RELIC

Milton Dawson was here the first of the week visiting at the home of his son-in-law, Max Baker, and family. Mr. Dawson showed the editor part of the second number of the Wright County Monitor, printed in 1869, which is an interesting relic of the old days. This was the second number of the first newspaper in the county, and contains the names of the county officials of that time, some items which would interest the old timers, and a variety of reading which would do credit to a modern paper. The Monitor then was as well gotten up as it is now, and was a real newsy sheet, typographically neat and business like, and a splendid paper for the time.

BELMOND NOW ON TRUCK ROUTE FROM IOWA FALLS

Belmond is reported now on a truck route, running from Iowa Falls via Hampton, Rowan, Galt and Clarion, turning at Belmond for the return The trucks haul ice cream, bread etc., taking a return load of eggs, cream and the like. Joe White informs us that Higley & Co., of Mason City, will start a truck line from Mason City to Clarion, bringing in their products and hauling back produce.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings visited with Eagle Grove friends and relatives Sunday driving over.

Mr. and Mrs. Kimmel, from Manly, formerly residents of Belmond, were meeting friends here on Sunday of this week.

E. F. Bailey went to Minneapolis on Monday, to look after some business matters.

J. P. Byers returned last week from his western trip, where he has been the past winter. He reports the apple trees all in bloom when he left, and crops generally coming nicely, but that Iowa looks pretty good just the same.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

Martin Paulson was an over Sunday visitor in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kessler of Iowa Falls spent Sunday at the S. O. Windecker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo Baxter entertained the following at their home last Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lerson and Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Evans.

E. O. Munson drove to Story City Saturday to remain over Sunday with his family.

S. O. Windecker spent a couple of days of last week in Iowa Falls, transacting business.

G. Halverson and family drove to Story county Sunday to visit relatives.

Henry Fritz, of Clarion, while here taking care of stock, which he had purchased of farmers, was taken very ill; we understand he is a little better at this writing.

Beet workers have begun to arrive. Most of them are from Moline, Ill., of Polish nationality.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Geo. C. Johnson, this week Wednesday.

Little Omar Hanson, who has been quite sick of tonsoliis is now better.

The directors of the Farmers Elevator Co., held their regular business meeting last Thursday. Martin Paulson and Geo. Baxter were both rehired.

IMMANUAL REFORMED CHURCH

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Sunday school 9:20 a. m.

Our attendance last Sunday was 143.

Morning worship 10:30 (German)
C. E. 7:30 p. m. (American.)
Evening service 8 p. m. (American)

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

At 11 a. m. the pastor will give an address appropriate to Mothers' Day. Bring the family—use the [illegible]ly.

Epworth League 7 p. m. This is Anniversary Day. Come.

Evening service will be at 8 p. m. The King's Heralds will give a program and take their Annual Thank Offering at this service. 40 good live boosters belong to the organization.

Thursday evening prayer meeting. Bring your Bibles.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

S. U. Leinbach, Pastor.

It is a pleasure to see our members growing so rapidly with the coming of spring weather. We will have to set a new high mark for our Bible school as we have now passed the former mark.

Remember our Bible school opens at 10:00 a. m. and our morning worship at 11:00. Next Sunday is Mother's Day and we hope that you will honor your mother by being present at the services of the sanctuary. Wear her favorite flower if you can secure one if not some other flower which your mother loved. The evening services at 8:00. The young people have charge of the first part of this service and in the second part Mr. Trafford will sing that beautiful old song "The Holy City" which will be illustrated with pictures on the screen. Beginning a week from Sunday night we will take up the study of the life of Saul of Tarsus for six Sunday nights. These sermons will be illustrated with from sixty to seventy-five slides and we hope that all who love the study of the Word and the work of the Kingdom, and whose duties do not call them elsewhere, will join us in the study of this great character. "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord."

RAT KILLING CRUSADE ON FINAL HOT SWING

Hundreds Of Rats Being Killed—Not Too Late Yet To Get In

By R. M. Edwards

Corn Yield Experiments

The corn yield experiment plots which were planned by the county farm bureau are being planted this week in four different parts of the county. The county agent has spent considerable time assisting these cooperators in planting these various samples which were contributed from different parts of the county.

Eight samples of corn are being planted in each plot. Four rows of about forty rods in length will be planted from each sample of corn contributed. Portions of these rows will be husked, weighed, and tested for the moisture at corn husking time when comparisons will be made to determine the high yielding corn.

Rat Killing Continues

The county wide rat killing contest has brought to light some real rat killers also some very interesting stories regarding the methods used in the war against these pests.

The highest record reported for last week was 184. The boy who reported this number for his last week's killing seems quite enthused over the contest and will no doubt mak a close run for the first prize money. There are still two weeks left for the boys to make a killing and many of them are becoming quite anxious to know who the champion rat killer will be and his record.

Federation Conference

Our local county agent, accompanied by E. A. Patton treasurer of the farm bureau, were in attendance at the district conference of the Seventh congressional district of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation at Des Moines Thursday, May 4th.

C. W. Hunt, of the Iowa federation, Murl McDonald, state county agent leader, and J. F. Coupe, assistant secretary of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, were the principal speakers at this conference. Mr. McDonald gave a very interesting address on the relation between the county agent, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the State Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. Hunt and Mr. Coupe, spent most of their time in explaining what has been done in the past year through the efforts of our state federation and urged very strongly a closer cooperation between the county farm bureau and the state federation. Optimism seemed to be the keynote to all address given at this conference. All speakers seemed to be very hopeful for the future of our great organization and seemed to feel that the organization is advancing and gave figures to show that the membership thruout the state has actually increased during te past year, although reports would seem to indicate that the membership has decreased.

Home Equipment Specialist Here

Miss Grtrude Lynn, home equipment specialist from the Extension Department at Ames, is in Wright county this week demonstrating to the ladies some of the various kinds of home conveniences, such as the fireless cooker, the pressure cooker, etc.

Miss Lynn, is surely a specialist in her line and the ladies of the county are all agreed that she has given suggestions which are very helpful in the line of equipment for the home.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ELECTS OFFICERS MONDAY

About 16 old members of the Chamber of Commerce met at the city hall Monday evening, and elected officers for the ensuing year. The same officers were chosen as have been heading the organization the past two years: W. R. Ramsay, president; Herman Schultz, vice president C. O. Fitts, secretary and treasurer; The new board of directors is the same as before, with the exception of two vacancies filled by C. I. Williams and R. A. Rankins, the personel of the board now being E. Bock, H. F. Luick, W. C. Tyrrell, M. C. Barry, A. L. Luick, H. D. Moore, R. A. Rankins, W. T. Gfeller, C. I. Williams. H. D. Bohning and C. C. McGuire.

The board meets next week Wednesday evening, in the library basement, at which time probably an attempt will be made to stir things up a little. Various things pertaining to the community's betterment were discussed at the meeting Monday evening, and it is hoped to get the Chamber reorganized and once more on going basis. There are many things which it can do.

GROH PASSES EXAMINATION

Edmund Groh was one of two Wright county men who passed the State examinations held recently in Des Moines for Registered Pharmacists. The other was Chas. Pinkham, of Goldfield. There were 83 in the class.

If you would get a lot out of life, put much into it.

Many Activities Are Planned At Term End

Ball Team Makes Splendid Showing In State High School Tournament

SCHOOL ON LAST MONTH

The Baseball Team is trying to defray Tournament expenses by selling "Belmond" auto plates. They sell for $1.50 and are much neater and more serviceable than a penant. If you are not ashamed of your town, let others know it. See the High School boys for plates.

The High School Team made a very creditable showing at the State Tournament held at Ames May 5-6. The draw was Webster City. After getting away with a poor start in the first inning, coupled with three errors, Madsen twirled a good game. Only one man struck out against Webster City. The final score was 5-3

The second game was with Earlham. This was the closest and the fastest game of the tournament. Belmond led with three runs until the sixth inning. Chapman passed the first man, the next man got on by an error, and the next man up coupled with Chapman's delivery for the only hit, a home run, thus tieing the score. In the seventh, Madsen who replaced Chapman, walked the first man, who scored on a bunt along first base line, winning for Earlham 4-3. This was the closest and hardest fought game Earlham had in the tournament. This is a most excellent showing, since at the time of writing, Earlham is either runners-up or State Champions. This game was Belmonds first defeat this year.

The grade musical program given Monday night under the direction of Miss Baumgardner, provided a pleasurable evening for the children and their friends. While the costumes of the children were suggestive and appropriate, affort was directed toward demonstrating artistic singing for childish voices rather than toward providing an elaborately staged and costumed pageant. Simply as such a program may be planned, it represents an infinite expenditure of time and work by those who undertake it. Earnest appreciation from the school patrons and the benefit which is given to the children constitute their reward.

Friday evening, May 19, the Senior Class presents "Clarence" a comedy by Booth Tarkington. "Clarence" is considered by critics as the cleverest play produced in the last ten seasons. Plan to attend.

Cast of Characters

Mrs. Martyn—Leona Smith.
Mr. Wheeler—William Vestweber.
Mrs. Wheeler —Carol Tyrrell.
Bobby Wheeler—Lee Lowenberg.
Cora Wheeler—Luella Hauge.
Violet Penny—Marjorie Williams.
Clarence—Teddy Johnson.
Della—Elaine Rierson.
Dinwiddie—Irwin Haupt.
Hubert Stein—Clifford Johnson.

Tickets on sale at Schultz's the first of next week. Prices 50c and 35c.

A matinee for school children will be given in the afternoon. Admission 25c. No advance ticket sale for matinee. Adults tickets for matinee 50c.

The Commencement Excercises of the 8th grade will be on Thursday evening June 1. Members of the graduating class will present a one-act play—title to be chosen. The Junior High Girls' Glee Club will give "Fays of the Foating Island," three-part contata by Paul Bliss. The Junior High Girls' Glee Club has been organized by Miss Baumgardner to create a greater musical atmosphere and to train the voices for a larger and finer High School Glee Club next year.

The High School Glee Club are preparing three special numbers for Commencement and Baccalaurate srvices:

Amaryllis—Gavatte—Ambrose.
Over the Sea—Fifth Nocurne—Leybach.
My Sylvan Glories—La Ciuquantaine—Gabriel-Marie.

Mrs. Purcell, Mrs. O. Tomson, and Mrs. Dochterman were fourth grade visitors last week.

CROPS BEHIND IN ILLINOIS

Mrs. A. W. Martin and Mrs. Tom Brooks returned last week from Illinois, where they were recently called by the death of their father Mrs. Martin reports farming conditions in Illinois as being very poor, with much of the ground covered with water as a result of the many heavy rains they have had in that part of the country. Very little seeding had been done in the part of the state where she was, and prospects for the crops this year were exceedingly gloomy.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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SELL YOUR HAMMER

This is a large world, with many folks in it, and some of them queer ones. To our notion, among the queerest are those turtle-shelled folks who regard progress and improvement as something on the wicked order, not to be tolerated as a community affair, and to be pitied and condemned in an individual. To do their little bit towards making the world "safer" and "saner," they swing their hammer upon every progressive move that comes up.

If anyone suggests an improvement to the community, the hammer starts swinging, and occasionally the noise they make drownds out the idea. A community move of a progressive nature runs into the battery of hammer swingers at the first corner. The disarmemant conference brought out an anvil chorus in full, and the hammers beat their song like frogs on a hot night. Because there always had been war, there must always be. Altho they used to burn "witches" at the stake we seem to have gotten away from that idea; why not burn them yet?

"Sell your hammer and buy a horn" is a slang phrase which should be adopted as a motto by a great many people. You know yourself how tiresome, boresome and disgusting the fellow is who continually knocks, knocks, knocks; who slushes a pail of cold water on everything that comes up; who says it can't be done, it never has been done, hadn't ought to be done, is foolish, idiotic and senseless, and the money ought to be saved and the time and labor devoted to something else. And if you drop it and start "something else" he brings his hammer into play on that.

Such folks give us large in-growing pain. They take all the joy out of life, and substitute vinegar for honey. Every community ought to have a lake in which to drop such pesticators; if they didn't drown, they might at least be cooled off. There isn't one of them who would go back to "the good old days" they tell us about, of the little red school house, and the sythe, and the mud fireplace, and the ox carts, and pony express.

If you can't boost, at least be reasonable enough to shut up and let someone else do it; don't bring your hammer down with a "wham!" on everything that comes up. If you don't want to do anything for your community, then go away back and sit where you won't be noticed, and let the rest push the thing through. You'll benefit, along with the rest, but the rest will greatly appreciate your curtesy if you'll let 'em alone while they benefit you, instead of hindering them as they work.

READ THE RADIO ARTICLES

Are you reading the Radio articles now being published in the Independent? If not, read them. They contain some interesting "dope" on the newest and most far-reaching invention, or discovery, as well as craze, of the age. There are in Iowa alone 23,000 receiving Radio sets, with a number of sending stations, and in the country over it is estimated that there are a million receiving stations in operation.

Radio is only in its infancy; the great developments are to come. It is one of the queerest things ever discovered, in the way it acts and works. These articles are designed to give you the knowledge of radio that will make it understandable, without the tiresome and—to most people—incomprehensible details of the technical part of it. The Independent and the Battery Station will be glad to show you their receiving set, and explain the "little we know" about it. Many concerts have been caught on it, from as far as Albany, N. Y., and market reports received. When you stop to think that it is just "coming from the air," it seems impossible, but it is there, nevertheless.

Have you ever noticed that the fellow who thinks he knows it all, usually proves to know but very little?

Now that the ball team has secured a start, it's about time for somebody to start swinging a hammer.

If the saying, "A wise man changeth his mind, a fool never," is true, there are a bunch of both in Belmond.

Ten Nights In A Barroom, as a play, gave the younger generation a glimpse into the honorible past. Probably in another fifty years they will have a similar play entitled "Ten Afternoons In A Soda Parlor."

CLIPPINGS

It appears that Henry Sporaa must love excitement and appears to enjoy being tangled with the law. Saturday of last week he was again arrested for "throwing a fit." This time, the information recites, he used profane and abusive language, and in other ways disturbed the Mayor Pritchard. Sporaa asked for peace and quiet of our city. Marshall MacNichol brought him before time to secure counsel and this His Honor granted, taking the precaution of placing him under $300 bonds for appearance Monday, however. At Monday's hearing, a continuance until today was asked, and this to was granted by Mayor Prichard. An ungovernable temper when coupled with lack of judgment, is no prize for anyone to foster, and in this respect, Sporaa is indeed unfortunate.—Garner Signal.

Mrs. A. W. Martin of Belmond came Monday morning from Illinois where she was called by the death of her mother.—Signal.

Marcellus Jensen has announced his candidacy for county attorney on the republican ticket in Wright county. Mr. Jensen was born and raised in this county, and later located for the practice of law at Buffalo Center. While there he was chairman of the republican county central committee, and later was elected mayor of Buffalo Center, which position he resigned when he moved to Belmond about eighteen months ago. We have not learned whether he will have opposition or not, but J. M. is a campaigner and will make his opponent go some—if he has one.—Forest City Summit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carlston and little daughter autoed here from Belmond, Sunday and spent a few hours with relatives and friends. The were accompanied by Miss Natzke who had been a visitor at the Carlston home for a couple of days. Reporter.

The local ball players are getting things lined up for a Carion ball club this year. There are a number of the boys who played last year rarin' to go, and others have since come to town and will play with the local organization, so it is figured a strong team can be gotten together in time to start playing soon. Sunday the boys play a pick-up nine at Cornelia.

The question of financing the organization has not as yet been decided upon, but some local support will be needed. Belmond is organizing a purely home town team and is financing it by selling season tickets at $5.—News.

They are going to ask Wright county to vote the bonds necessary to buy the old fair grounds there and preserve them as a county fair grounds. Steps have been taken to circulate the necessary petition, and it is hoped that the supervisors will call an election and vote on the subject.

Of course it is certain that the other towns of the county will object to the cash being spent in Clarion, and it is also profitable that the project will fail.

The failure will be caused by the selfishness of human nature. The right thing would be to buy the grounds.—Humboldt Republican.

Announcement for Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries June 5, 1922.

J. M. JENSEN

Announcement for Supervisor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor from the first district, subject to the primaries on June 5, 1922.

D. E. Harris

Announcement For Co. Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney for Wright county subject to the Republican primaries of June 5, 1922.

J. A. ROGERS

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the primary on June 5, 1922, on the Republican.

F. H. Peterson

Perhaps the greatest lack in human life is the lack of praise. Have you not looked on many a human face that held within it the suggestion of tragedy due to the fact that no word of kindly praise or encouragement had ever fallen into that heart? If we were half careful enough to express our pleasure in the person who renders any worthy service, what a different world it world be. And, after all, have we any right to be silent when any one has given us joy, or done a thing that is worth while?

RADIO

PROGRESS OF RADIO THROUGH THE YEARS

Wireless Research Began Long Ago, But Development Has Been Swift Lately.

Wireless research started many years ago, as far back even as 1827. Even the radio telephone is not a recent perfection; rather it is that introduction to the layman of the human voice and music has suddenly popularized something that wireless men had thought a pastime or amusement. Here is the chronological record of wireless:

1827—It was found that the magnetic discharge from a leyden jar would magnetize a steel needle.

1831 — Electro-magnetic induction was discovered between two entirely separate circuits by Michael Faraday.

1837—Cooke and Wheatstone of London, England, and Morse of the United States take out first patent for electric telegraph.

1838—K. A. Steinheil of Munich suggested that a system of wireless telegraphy could be established after his discovery of the use of the earth return.

1840—Joseph Henry (U. S. A.) produced the first high-frequency electric oscillations, and stated that the condenser discharge is oscillatory.

1842 — Wireless experiments were made by S. F. B. Morse by electric conduction through water across Washington canal and across wide rivers.

1843—A wireless system for transatlantic communication was suggested.

1845—Water was used as a conducting medium in wireless experiments across a wide river.

1849—Intelligible signals were actually sent across a river 4,500 feet wide in India, but the cost was found prohibitive for commercial use.

1867—The electric waves that are now utilized in wireless telegraphy and telephony were predicted in an address before the Royal Society in London, England.

1880—The sending of an electric current through earth was systematically studied by John Trowbridge of Harvard. It was found that signaling might be carried on over large distances between places not connected by wires.

1885—It was found that telephonic speech could be conveyed by induction over a space of quarter mile. This experiment took place in England.

1889—Electric waves were suggested as being particularly suitable for the sending of signals through fogs.

1892—An instrument for the detection of electro-magnetic waves was discovered which was given the name of a "coherer."

1894—A scientist of Berlin signaled through three miles of water.

1895—High frequency waves excite curiosity of Senatore Marconi.

1896—First patent for practical wireless transmitting system is taken out in London by Marconi. Afterward, successful signaling was carried out over distances as great as one and one-quarter miles. Sir William Preece of the British postoffice system interested his cohorts in Marconi's wireless experiments.

1897—Marconi establishes communication between points four miles distant. Balloons were used to suspend antennae.

Marconi demonstrates his wireless system before the king of Italy, communicating with two Italian warships nine miles distant.

The first Marconi station is erected on the Isle of Wight and experiments conducted over a distance of 14 miles.

Near the end of the year the first floating wireless station was successfully operated.

1898—The first paid marconigram was sent from the Isle of Wight station.

1899—Reports made on lighthouse accident by radio. First French gunboat is fitted with radio apparatus. In Vienna communication between two balloons is established. New York Herald receives radio report of international yacht races. The British war office introduces Marconi apparatus into the South African battlefields.

1900—German vessel communicates a distance of 60 miles by radio signals.

1901—Radio communication started with five islands in the Hawaiian group. The first British ship is fitted with the wireless telegraph.

1902—Radiograph signals received aboard vessels at sea at 1,500 statute miles. Signals received from a distance of 2,000 miles.

1903—King Edward receives a radio message from President Roosevelt. High-power stations were ordered by the Italian government. First transatlantic radio message sent. Telegraphic news service for ships at sea is started. Marconi knighted in Russia.

1904—The first press message was sent across the sea.

1905—Patent suit started in New York between the Marconi and De Forest company.

Patent for horizontal directional aerial is taken out. This was a great step forward in long-distance work.

1906—International conference is held in Berlin, at which most of the countries of the world are represented.

1907—The use of steel disks for producing notes were successfully tested.

Radio stations in Ireland and Nova Scotia were opened for limited public service.

1908—Radio stations opened for unlimited public service between Great Britain and Canada.

1909—Steamship in collision with another off the coast of Florida succeeds in calling assistance by radio.

1910—Marconi receives messages 6,700 miles while on board ship going to South America.

Spanish radio company formed.

1911—Canadian government leased radio stations for 20 years.

1912—Radio distress signals from the Titanic bring assistance and save lives of 700 passengers.

1913—Tests were made between the Eiffel tower in France and the station at Washington. During the trip into Central Asia an explorer received his longitude and time signals from a distant radio station.

1914—Marconi and radio officials start test of wireless telephone between vessels of the Italian fleet. The test was continued between vessels on the high seas and voices were heard with clarity at a distance of 44 miles. One day radio-telephone communication was kept up constantly for 12 hours. Great Britain declared war upon Germany August 4 and all private radio telegraphy and telephony suspended.

1915—Radio communication between America and Japan is completed. The stations were located at San Francisco and Tokyo with a relay station at Honolulu.

The American Telephone and Telegraph company succeeded in radio telephoning from Arlington station at Washington to Hawaii, a distance of nearly 5,000 miles.

Secretary Daniels of the United States navy transmitted telephonic messages from Washington to the Brooklyn navy yards.

1916—President Wilson and the mikado of Japan exchange messages over the new transpacific radio service, which is formally opened.

1917—Senatore Marconi visits the United States and aids greatly in recruiting for radio operators for the United States army.

1918—Wireless telephony progressed rapidly, being used to a great extent in the equipment of airplanes.

Several new long range stations were erected in the United States, it being claimed for one built at Annapolis, Md., that it was capable of communication at 4,000 miles. The United States government also opened a high-power station at Bordeaux.

In September of this year radio signals sent from a point 12,000 miles away were received in Sydney, Australia.

1919—With the exception of the three transatlantic flights—that of the U. S. NC-4, and the British flights of Alcock and Brown and the dirigible R-34, in which radio communication played an important part in keeping the ships of the air on their courses—no very great progress was made in radio telegraphy, although radio telephony was being pushed along quietly.

Restrictions upon amateur receiving and sending were lifted by the American government.

1920—This was the year of the radio telephone, more attention probably being paid to this branch of radio than to its older brother, telegraphy. Several broadcasting stations were opened.

1921—This year was another radio telephonic year. It was marked by the opening of numerous broadcasting stations.

INTERNATIONAL

Elizabeth A. Bergner, Radio Instructor in Lane Technical High School, Chicago, and Her Class.

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ROWAN NEWS

The Andrew Whitten Post of the American Legion is making preparations along with the local committee of the town for Memoriol Day Sunday and Decoration Day. Captian H. Tomkinson will deliver the Memorial sermon in the M. E. Church, whilst Captain Van Meder, of Odebolt, formerly pastor of the Clarion and Belmond M. E. churches will deliver the Decoration Day oration.

Captain H. Tomkinson will speak at Thornton on Decoration Day.

A large number of base ball fans turned out to see the game between Meservey and Rowan High school teams. The game went against Rowan—this was due largely to the fact that the team had had no workouts.

A meeting of the Rowan Tennis and Croquet Association was held at the bank last Monday evening when the following officers were elected: President, William A. Rietz; Vice President, G. W. Whitten; secretary, Rev. H. Tomkinson; Treasurer, Guy Sheldon.

It was decided to limit the membership to twenty five. The courts are already fixed up and everything points to a successful season. Games are being arranged with outside teams.

The Baccalaurate Sermon will be conducted in the M. E. church on Sunday, May 21, when the preacher will be Rev. Herbert Nye.

The speaker for the Commencement exercises of the High school will be Dr. Frank Mossman, of Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa.

Next Sunday will be observed as Mothers Day, when a special service will be held in the Methodist church. The pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will preach on "America's uncrowned Queen." Let us fall in line with thousands of people who will next Sunday, "Render tribute to whom tribute is due" by being present at church.

The Missionary society of the Congregational church met at the home of Mrs. E. Bingham last Thursday afternoon. A good crowd attended. Mrs. H. J. C. Box was the leader and a very interesting lesson was studied concerning the Missionary work in Porta Rica.

The Young People's Christian Endavor held their regular montnly business meeting and social hour at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Aldinger Thursday evening. Several car loads went from town well loaded. Over fifty young people attended this social time. After a short business meeting the evening was turned over to the entertainment committee and was spent in games and music. Much fun was derived from several of the games. Refreshments of ice creamand wafers were served and the crowd left at quite a late hour voting a very pleasant evening.

Saturday afternoon a number of the Rowan people attended a demonstration at the home of Mrs. Wm Moellering, at which time she demonstrated to us the Burrows course in Music for children. This is surely a wonderful course for beginners as the method of teaching the formally dry parts of music are dressed up in little songs and games which leave them so indelibly marked on the memory that they will never be forgotten. All present felt the afternoon had been very profitably spent.

The M. E. Ladies Aid Society met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. H. Whitten. A good crowd attended this meeting. A lunch was served which was enjoyed by all.

Several of the Rowan people attended the show "Ten Night's in a Barroom" which was shown at Belmond Monday night.

Miss Florence Nordmeyer, of Livermore, spent the week end in Rowan with her friend, Miss Laura McCallum.

Fletcher and Son traded their dray truck to a man at Thornton, Monday for two teams.

The work on the state road is progressing nicely now. The grading is finished in town and the men moved to Goodell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, of Meservey sepnt the week end with Rowan friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle entertained at dinner Sunday the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller and daughter, Blanche, of Clarion, Mr. Gordon Thomas of Eagle Grove, George Miller, of Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs of Goodell, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks and family, Miss Fannie Reed and Chalie Graff.

Mr. E. J. Lineweaver went to Iowa City last week to return home with his wife who has been in the hospital at that place. She is improving slowly in health.

Tom Lindsey was on the sick list the past week.

Miss Izetta Fletcher went to Fort Dodge last Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. Morris Sullivan and help them move and settle.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten are rejoicing over the arrival of a ten pound baby boy who arrived at their home last Friday. His name is Daniel Eugene. Mother and baby are reported as doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow, of Goldfield visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Whitten Friday.

Miss Jennette Kervink spent the week end with Miss Edna McCutcheon at her home in Goldtienld.

Miss Susan Duffy spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Duffy.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten was called to Harrold So. Dak. Tuesday evening to attend the funeral of a niece.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten and daughter, Gladys, Evelyn and Wayne Whitten and Miss Angie Baines spent Sunday in Coulter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harm Brinkman.

The W. C. T. U. will meet Wednesday May 17th, at the home of Mrs. R. H. Kieth. The leader will be Mrs. Hannah Whitten. Everyone is invitd to come.

Mrs. Jens Kjar is on the sick list with tonsilitis.

Grace Hubbell is assisting at the hotel this week.

Mr. Guy Stewert and Mr. Benson visited at their home in Armstrong and Algona, respectively, the first of the week.

Miss Zelda Fuller, of Fort Dodge spent Sunday with her friend Miss Izetta Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Verni McCallum, of Chicago came the first of last week for a visit at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum.

Mrs. J. K. Johnson, of Allison is visiting at the home of her son C. E. and family. Mrs. C. E. Johnson does not improve in health as rapidly as could be hoped.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olson have moved back into the Clint Kercheval residence.

Mrs. Ida Ryder has vacated her residence in town and will live with her son on the farm this summer.

George Miller, of Hampton, was a week end visitor with Rowan relatives and friends.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Dr. C. O. Ring, Chiropractor, Rowan.

Mrs. William Steffens and daughter Dorothy and Clarence Lindsey motored to Colfax Saturday where Mrs. Steffens will enter the Sanitorium for traetment for rheumatism. She has been suffering from this disease all winter. Mr. Lindsey returned Sunday. Miss Dorothy remained with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers called at the J. L. Sinclair home in Clarion Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter, LaVonne, returned from their six week visit with relatives in California, Friday afternoon. They rport a very pleasant time. Mr. Ballou resumed his duties at the Rock Island depot Monday, Mr. Denniger, the young man who had been supply going to another place Monday night.

Operator Campbell and wife left Sunday for Eagle Grove where Mr. Campbell will work the third trick at the Great Western Depot.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers were rady to start to Jenkins, Minn., Monday to visit at the home of a son, when Mrs. Myers was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis. They were going by the way of auto. She is reported easier at the present writing.

The Athletic Association of Rowan have been preparing a Croquet ground in connection with the Tennis Court. This is a fine addition to the sports.

The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reitz was bitten by a dog last week. The dogs of the town are using their teeth most too promiscuously as other children have been bitten but not so badly.

Ed Drury spent several days at Dows the past week looking after his property at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Emerson and family were Iowa Falls shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box and daughter, Florence, Mrs. Jessie Agnew and sons, John and Dean visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box at Clarion Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Brooks, of Belmond spent part of Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kieth and family motored to Vincent Sunday to visit relatives at that place. Mr. Kieth's sister, Miss Elsie returned with them to make a short visit at their home.

George Pritchett was a Clarion caller Wednesday.

Henry Williams was a Belmond shopper Friday.

Miss Fannie Reed spent last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle. She expects to go to Clarion to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith before returning to her home in Polo,, Ill.

Announcements were received this past week of the marraige of Brooks Heath a former Rowan boy to Miss Frances Alberta, of Des Moines at Mason City September 7th, 1921. The many friends of Brooks extend heartiest congratulations and wish them a long happy life.

Married April 11th, 1922

Another former Rowan boy was married this spring when Harry Smithers was united in marriage to Miss Vleste Urban in Mason City at the home of his parents. Miss Urban was a stenographer. Harry was the manager of the Midland Telephone Co. exchange in Lake Park for two or three years and it was here that the acquaintance began. They will make their home in Spirit Lake after May first. Harry has the best wishes of a host of friends in this community.

Dr. and Mrs. Roy Brown, of Des Moines, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Steffens. Mrs. Brown is a sister of Mrsfl Steffen.

J. L. Sinclair, a former merchant of Rowan, has bot the Our Store at Clarion. His many friends wish him success in his new business.

Mrs. Milton Brown, of Marengo, came last week to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler and to visit with her sister, Mrs. Levi Johnson, of Sioux Falls So. Dak., who is also home for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine and family spent Sunday in Iowa Falls at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. D. Bingham.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

May 14th.

Pastor, Rev. W. H. Nye

Morning worship 11:00
Sunday school 12:00
Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.
Evening worship 8 p. m.
Mid week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.
Junior Endeavor, Wednesday at 4 p. m.

Sunday May 14th, is Mother's Day come and hear the special music the choir has prepared for this service.

Let us all go to church next Sunday "Mother's Day."

School Notes

Mrs. J. F. Howell visited the primary room Friday.

Esther Emerson was on the sick list last week.

Rowan played baseball with Meservey on the Rowan diamond Friday. The Meservey boys have a good team and put it over our boys in the way of scores. But our boys will do much better playing when they have had more work and they also need more support.

The Freshmen had a picnic Friday night. A good time was enjoyed tho they were nearly caught in the rain.

Don't forget Senior Commencement May 23rd, and Eighth Grade Graduation May 25th at the school auditorium.

SHOWS

May 13th, Harry Carey in "The Wallop."
Comedy—Twelve hours to live.
May 17th, "Wings of Pride."
Comedy—55 or Bust.

This is the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Ulysses S. Grant, a man everybody called a failure until suddenly a time came when they realy needed him, and he stood forth and did the job. Quiet, earnest sturdy, with a passion for getting things done, and too interested in things to talk much about them, he left an inspiring example for a nation of orators.

Griesy's Store News

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REMEMBER

The International Line is the most complete line on the market today. Every machine has that built-in value and is backed by the same unequalled service you have learned to expect from those good old names —Mc Cormick and Deering.

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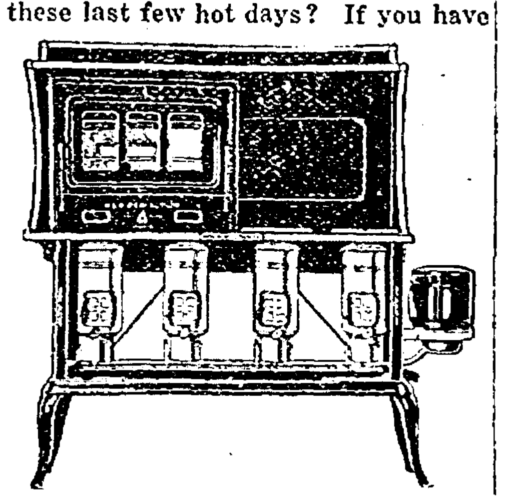
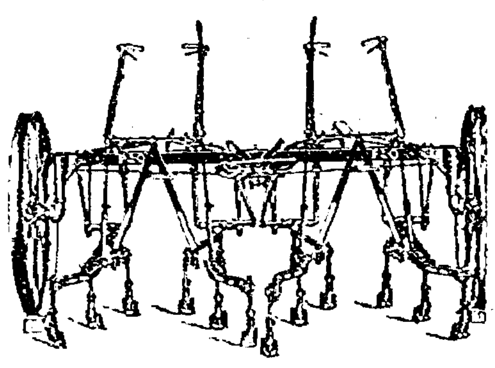
Gosh—isn't it hot? Yes, and just think what we can expect this summer when things get really started. Have you been out in the kitchen these last few hot days? If you have you will surely come in and buy the Good Wife one of our oil stoves. And while we are thinking about it a new refrigerator or an electric washing machine might help things out quite a bit.



Get A Big Yield.

From the first day those tender corn plants push through the soil into sight, you look anxiously down the corn rows and picture in your mind's eye the crop to follow, what that crop yield will be depends much on your cutivator and how you use it. Do you like to use it? Is it easily controlled? Does it do the work effectively? These are important questions. In buying our line of cultivators we beleive we have taken into consideration all of these features. Come in and talk it over.



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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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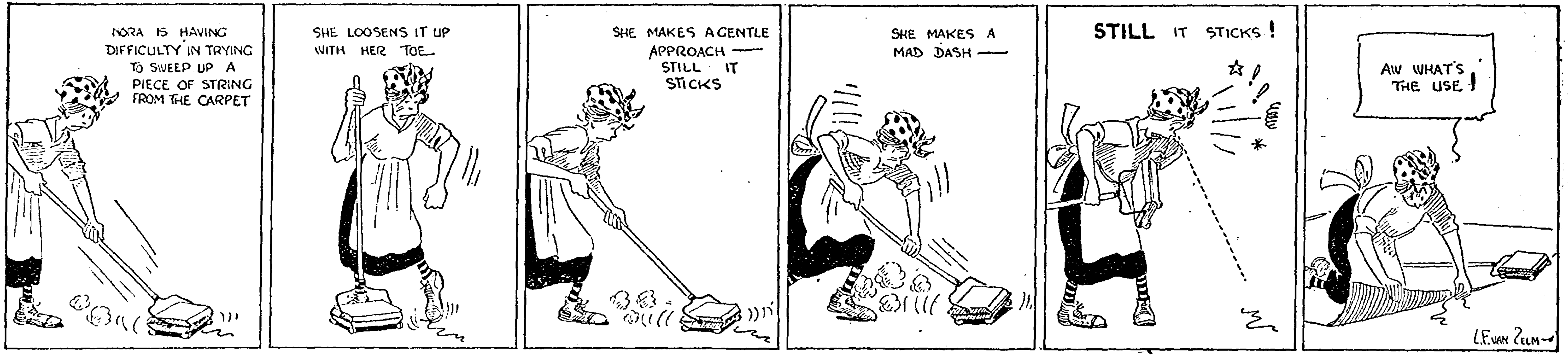
So Under the Rug it Goes


NORA IS HAVING DIFFICULTY IN TRYING TO SWEEP UP A PIECE OF STRING FROM THE CARPET
SHE LOOSENS IT UP WITH HER TOE
SHE MAKES A GENTLE APPROACH — STILL IT STICKS
SHE MAKES A MAD DASH —
STILL IT STICKS!
AW WHAT'S THE USE!
L.F. VAN ZELM

UNTESTED FAMILY COW CAUSES DEATH OF TWO

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

The Chicago Drovers Journal of April 8th, cites another startling instance of disease and death in a happy farm family caused by drinking milk from a tubercular cow in an untested herd in Indiana. The account of the case is furnished the Drovers Journal by one who is thoughly familiar with all the facts of the tragedy. The description below presents the bare facts without exaggeration or sensationalism:

Wife is First Victim

During 1917 the wife of a prominent farmer, banker and merchant in this community began to fail in health, become feverish and finally in a period of six months after the first conditions became evident their doctor suspected tuberculosis. Yet he thought it could barely be possible because of the strict sanitary conditions and the great precaution used on this farm.

On this farm a fine herd of some 100 purebreds, and a single Jersey which was producing the family's milk supply, rich, creamy and in abundance. This Jersey had been on the farm for several years. After a thorough going over of the entire herd by a veterinarian, accompanied by the family doctor, they were still at a loss to find a causative agent among the cattle to suspect tuberculosis. However, suspicion fell on the Jersey cow. A pathalogical examination was made of her whole cream, skim milk and butter, with the result tubercular bacilli were found in great quantities.

Ignore First Warning of Danger

The fine looking, good old high producing Jersey was condemned and killed on the farm. On post mortem examination her condition was pronounced 100 per cent generalized case of tuberculosis. Her undder was typical incubator for the bacteria.

Then, is was thought all was well again. During the early period of the world war the eldest son, 23 years of age, enlisted for service, was examined and found to be physically perfect—170 pounds of real bone, muscle and energy. He was sent overseas and after 18 months of army life returned to the place of his birth to further his father's aim and desire, namely, to manage the farm and the herd. During this interval another family cow was chosen from the 125 purebreds and taken from the herd and placed alone. During three years she brought three heifer calves into the world and three more were nursing her at intervals. The young man consumed the milk and butter from this chosen cow.

First Son Succombs.

In April, 1921, this healty young man was held up in an unexpected blizzard, an exposure was experienced and within three days he was confined to his bed. The doctor first suspected lung trouble or pneumonia, and in just 90 days the death toll was sounded. An autopsy was held and tuberculosis found in general form.

During February 1922, the intrdermal test was applied to 73 cattle on the farm, all purebreds, containing this family milch cow and the six calves which she raised. 13 head reacted to the test, including this choice cow and her six calves. The reactors were sent to Chicago, slaughtered under federal inspection, and on post mortem the cow and one of her calves were wholly condemned as having generalized tuberculosis. The remaining animals showed prominent lesions in the spreading stage.

The latest chapter to the case was written when the suspected cow was slaughtered in the Chicago abattoir where such animals are handled. The owner of the cow, and bereaved father after wittnessing the examination of the carcass, and being convinced of her diseased condition, was overcome with grief when he realized that he might have protected his dear ones from the ravages of a dreaded disease.

Apply to the County Agent for the Federal test for your herd. Additional appropriation is being voted by congress for payment of indemnities for cattle affected with T. B. This money will be available in Iowa as soon as the bill is passed. Better get your application in at once because 69 applications from Wright County are on file at the State veterinarians office in Des Moines at present.

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DEATH SPECTRE NEAR

Thirty-three million starving men, women and children in the Volga Valley of Russia know death. The death rate now exceeds 35,000 a day and the toll promises to surpass that of the "black plague" in the Fourteenth century. Babies and little children are taken first, being unable to subsist on the famine "bread," made from horse manure and camel dung, executives of the American committee, 405 Steinway building, Chicago, say. The picture shows a Russian peasant woman and her little boy waiting in a hovel for death.

DON'T PLANT POTATOES

(From Farm Bureau Exchange)

Don't plant any potatoes without first giving them the formaldehyde treatment—one pint of formaldehyde, 30 gallon of water, leaving the potatoes in two hours, then dry them. This should be done before they are cut. Don't plant potatoes on soil that had scabby potatoes in before.

The saddest thing about a late spring is that it delays the watermelon.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

Salads should form an important part of the day's menu during these first spring days. In order to make an attractive, tasty salad have the salad materils tender, crisp nd cold.

--Mayonnaise Dressing for spring salads is made as follows: 1t. mustard, 1 t. salt, 1 t. powdered sugar, few grains cayenne, 2 t. lemon juice, yolks of two eggs, 2 t. vinegar, 1½ c. olive oil. Mix dry ingredients, add egg yolks and when well mixed add ½ t. vinegar. Add oil gradually, at first drop by drop, stirring constantly. As mixture thickens, thin with vinegar or lemon juice. Add oil and vinegar or lemon juice alternately until all is used, stirring or beating constanty. If oil is added to rapidly, dressing will have a curdled appearance. A smooth consistency may be restored by taking another yolk of egg and adding mixture (curdled) to it slowly. It is desirable to have bowl containing mixture placed in crushed ice. Olive oil should throughly chilled when used in this dressing. Mayonnaise should be stiff enough to hold its shape. It soon liquifies when added to meat or vegetables; therefore it should be added just before serving time.

Thousand Island Dressing— 1 c. mayonnaise, 1 t. tarragon vinegar, ¼ t. paprika, 1 t. chopped chives, 1 t. chopped pimentos, 1 t. chopped green peppers, 1 cooked egg yolk grated, 1 t. catsup, 1-3 c. chili sauce. To the mayonnaise add the chopped and grated ingredients. Mix thoroughly then add the vinegar. If the dressing is too thick, add some olive oil and stir vigorously.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Graeber and Mr. and Mrs. Beier while out for a ride viewed the shores of Clear Lake.

Rev. Tom Roberts of Sheffield, will deliver the Baccalaureate address for the High school graduating class at th U. B. church on May 14, 8 p. m. Rev. is the State Chaplain for the American Legion. He is a fine speaker and will give an excellent address.

Last Friday morning at five o'clock the barn of Mrs. Julia Wilson, who lives east of Twin Lakes, burned with all of its contents. A cow and ten calves were burned; the horses and other stock having been turned out during the night. A call over the telephone brought the neighbors who by hard work saved the corn crib and the granary. The building and stock were covered by insurance.

Mr. L. G. Avery and family and Mrs. John Ahrnkiel went to Hampton on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Surbale of Garner were calling on friends of Goodell on Thursday evening.

Supt. O. Nelson was taken sick Wednesday morning with the flu and has been confined to his bed since.

Mrs. H. T. Miller is teaching Mr. Nelson's classes while he is sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood of Marshalltown came Saturday to visit at her mother, Mrs. Africa. Mr. Wood returned to Marshalltown the first part of the week, but Mrs. Wood will remain some time to help care for little Fray Alice who is sick with the flu.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. O. Sandberg, daughter Edith and son, Carl visited at the home of Mr. Bensons near Kanawha.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ellsworth called at the home of Mrs. Julia Wilson on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Alva Matson is spending some time in Des Moines this week.

The T. R. Burgess family visited at the home of Matt Smith on Sunday.

A large number attended the opening of the Catholic church on Sunday. The past week they were busy cleaning up the ground and leveling up around the church.

Mrs. O. Nelson's sister came Monday to visit her.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Own Conwell drove to Clear Lake and visited the fish hatchery.

U. B. Church Notes

The Womens Missionary Association held their monthly meeting last Friday.

Miss Alma Ruka attended the State Sunday School at Cedar Rapids last week. She will make her report next Sunday at the close of the Sunday school hour. It was a great convention and she will have some good things to tell us.

May the 14 will be observed as Mother's Day. A sermon appropriate for the occasion will be preached in the morning.

The Baccalaureate service will take place at the evening service.

The attendance at Sunday and church services has been good since the roads are good. You are invited to meet with us for the study of the Word and worship.

Pastor, H. T. Miller.

Notice for Bids

Bids will be received for hauling gravel to gravel Main street of Meservey, Iowa, starting at the Chicago Great Western R. R. crossing, extending north to the Evangelical church. Should the council decide to extend graveling further north, the same rate as for the foregoing shall be asked. Bids close May 22, 1922 at 1:00 o'clock p. m.

The council reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids. For further information see or write the City Clerk or Mayor of Meservey. Dated at Meservey this 8th day of May, 1922.

By order of Council
Frank Haferman,
Clerk.
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School Notes

Grammar Room

The grammar room pupils are very much enthused over the nearness of the close of school. Each are very anxious concerning their promotion.

We are planning a 8th grade Commencement exercise for our pupils to be held May 26. It is to be the first one held in Meservey.

Do not forget to visit the grammar room, Play day and Exhibition day, May 22. You are cordially welcome.

The Manual Training department will be open for inspection May 22. It is hoped many will come, as we have a very interesting exhibit of the work done by the pupils of the school.

High School

The Senior Class play, "The Old Fashioned Mother" will be given Friday night May 19.

The Class Sermon orBaccalaureate Address will be held Sunday May 21. Rev. Pannkuk will give the address.

Commencement exercises will be held May 23, at the Evangelical church. Rev. Stewart, of Spencer, Iowa will give the address.

On Tuesday, May 23, the Domestic Science work will be on exhibit. Everyone welcome.

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. A. J. Nissen and Marjorie and Miss Mildred Gealow spent Thursday shopping at Mason City.

Jake Koenen and family were at Mason City on Tuesday of last week shopping and visiting Mrs. Dirks.

The young people of the Bible class of the Reformed church spent a very pleasant evening last Wednesday evening when a number of about 30 gathered at the Harm Pals Jr. home at Palsville. Ice cream and cake was served as refreshments and a splendid time is reported.

Fred Blau and wife and son were passengers to Mason City on Wednesday visiting Mrs. Dirks who is getting along as nicely as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Clausen and daughter, John Sims and daughter, Edith of Buffalo Center spent the day Sunday at the Wm. Morris home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jacobs of Klemme were callers at the Mrs. L. Wilkins home on Thursday evening.

A number of the people of Meservey and vicinity attended the Junior play at Thornton last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Koenen and family visited Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital at Mason City Thursday.

Fred Fulton of Belmond was in town Friday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ostendorf and Jennie and Mrs. J. R. Schmidt and children motored to Mason City Friday on shopping and business matters.

Y. P. A. MET

The Y. P. A. met Monday evening of last week at the H. Fischer home The number of about nineteen were present and the evening was spent by having their regular business and social meeting. Refreshments were served and a very enjoyable time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loats and daughters of near Belmond were here Friday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and Donald and Merle Brogan, and Mrs. H. F. Reif attended the services conducted by Rev. Metcalf at Thornton on Thursday evening.

Word was received here Thursday evening of the death of Mrs. Tom Graft of Martelle, Iowa. Mrs. Graft is a sister of Fred Ralston.

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Herman Gruis Sr. was at Mason City Monday on business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph of Rowan were visitors at the R. L. Robinson home the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiteland and daughter spent the day Sunday visiting relatives at Latimer.

Miss Freda Schroeder of Latimer is spending a few days at the Henry Hiteland home.

The helping hand society will meet Thursday p. m. May the 18th in the Evangelical church basement at the usual hour. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. E. G. Thomas. A full attendance is desired.

Miss Jennie Meinderts spent Sunday visiting friends at Klemme.

Mrs. George Peal of Tama, Ia., came Saturday for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. J. Wendel and family.

About 12 boys of the Hi Y Gospel team of Mason City spoke here in the Evangecial church Sunday evening. The subject of their discussion was "Qualities that win." Secretary C. E. Gilman and wife were present and the solos sung by Mrs. Gilman were much enjoyed.

Mrs. Oelson and baby were callers at Thornton between trains one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartfelder and H. B. Blewitt and family spent Sunday at the Hartley Blewitt home at Thornton.

Carl Gruis who is attending College at Cedar Falls spent the week end here at the home of his father, H. Gruis Sr.

Titus Frohling and family of near Ackley spent the day Sunday here visiting at the F. Frohling home.

Carl Hermann was a motor passenger to Mason City Monday attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Knipp and family of near Goodell were Saturday evening callers at the Mrs. L. F. Wilkins home.

Miss Dora Witt of Webster City spent Sunday here at the L. B. Hulsebus home.

Word was received here from Mr. and Mrs. Hulsebus who are still in Germany. Both are enjoying the best of health and are having a fine time.

"BUSINESS IS GOOD"

The farmer sells a load of wheat,
And all the world grows fair and sweet:

He hums a couple of cheerful tunes,
And pays the grocer for his prunes;

The Grocer who had the blues,
Now buys his wife a pair of shoes.

That ten the Shoeman thinks God-sent,
And runs and pays it on the rent.

Next day the Rent Man hands the ten
To Jones and Smith the Hardware men.

And Billy Jones, he tells his Frau,
That business is improving now.

And cheers her up and says "My dear,
You've been quite feeble for a year.

I'm thinking you should have a rest,
You'd better take a trip out west."

And in a couple days the Frau,
Is on the farm of Joshua Howe.

She pays her board to Farmer Howe,
Who take the bill and says, "I swow,

Here's something that just can't be beat,
This bill's the one I got for wheat."

He hums a couple cheerful tunes,
And goes and buys a lot more prunes.

Use above as your guide to help business.
Start the $10.00 right now.

Mrs. Antone Boller and children and Mrs. Tony Boller of Goodell spent Sunday visiting at the Langlitz and Rief homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bier and children of Swea City spent the week end here at the C. Bier home.

W. F. Butz returned home Monday from a visit at the Dr. Butz home at Montrey Minn.

The Halfpop—Gruis trial is on at Mason City this week.

A. D. Brogan has been relieved from jury duty until May 15th.

Officials of th C. G. W. R. R. met with the city council Monday relative to a new street crossing over the right of way at 3rd street. It is also expected that the railroad will do some tiling on the south of their track.

Quite a number of our young people attended the evangalistic meeting at Thornton last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hemming spent Sunday at the Edw. Foss home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bier of Swea City spent Sunday at the Conrad Bier home.

The program given by the Mason City Hi Y boys at the Evangelical church Sunday eve, was very much appreciated. It was strictly of a religious order. Mr. Gilman, the leader, is to be congratulated on the work he is doing.

The foundation for the addition to the Reformed church is completed and the carpenters have started with the frame work.

In a letter received from Mr. and Mrs. Hulsebus dated April 18, they report that the weather is still cold and that the past winter has been the coldest for many years. They are evidently enjoying their trip as they make no mention of coming home yet.

The dandelion has taken possession of most of our lawns, but we have one satisfaction of knowing that they do not show up so prominent a little later in the season.

Miss Ruth Smith spent the week end with friends at Mason City.

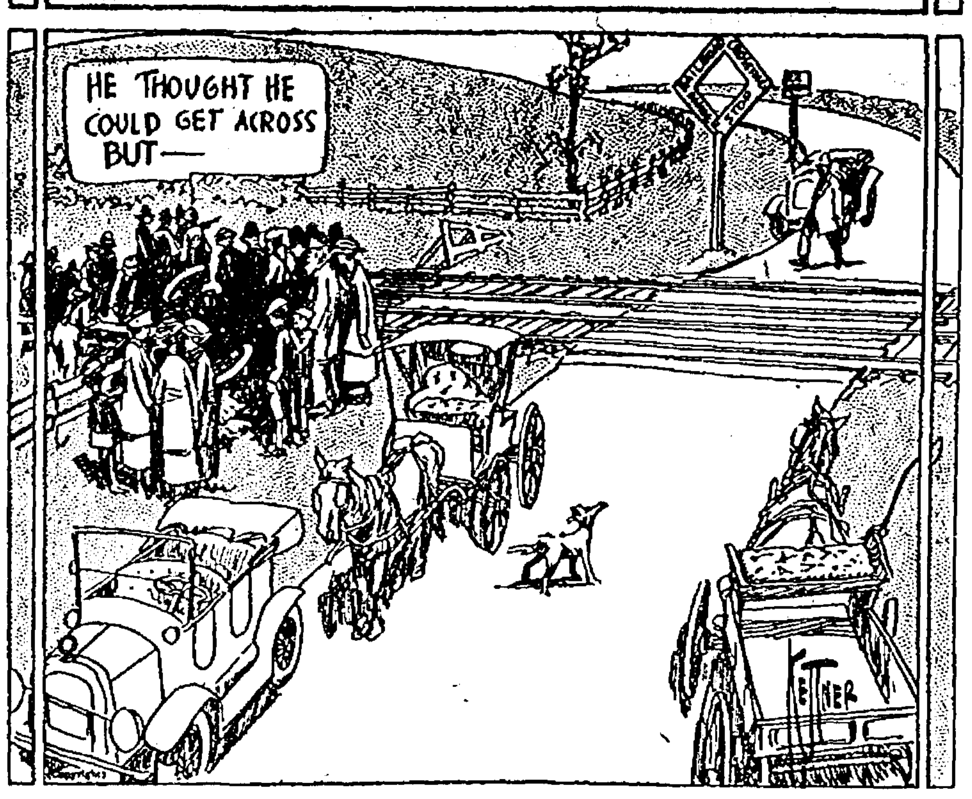
Wm. Butz returned home Monday from Montrey, Minnesota where he has been visiting his brother Joe and family.

LITTLE HERALDS PROMOTION DAY PROGRAM AT EVANGELICAL CHRUCH

Sunday Evening May 14

Song—Audience.
Prayer and Scripture reading—Mrs. Schlesselman.
Roll Call.
Report.
Ladies Duet—Name of Mother.
The Birdlings—By the Little Heralds.
Recitation—Esther Smith.
Male Quartette
One Minute talks,"Why be a Little Herald"—By Three Mothers.
One Minute talks. "What I missed by not Being a Little Herald."—By Three Fathers.
Song, "It is Not Very Far to Heaven."—By Carolyn McCall.
Coming to the Border—Promotion of the Little Heralds.
Reading—I Shall Miss the Children.
Song, "Mother's Always Near"—By Four Little Heralds.
Talk—By the Pastor.
Song—Mixed Quartet.
Orchestra Music.
Offering.
Closing Hymn—Audience.

The Old, Old Story


HE THOUGHT HE COULD GET ACROSS BUT—
FETHER

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EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

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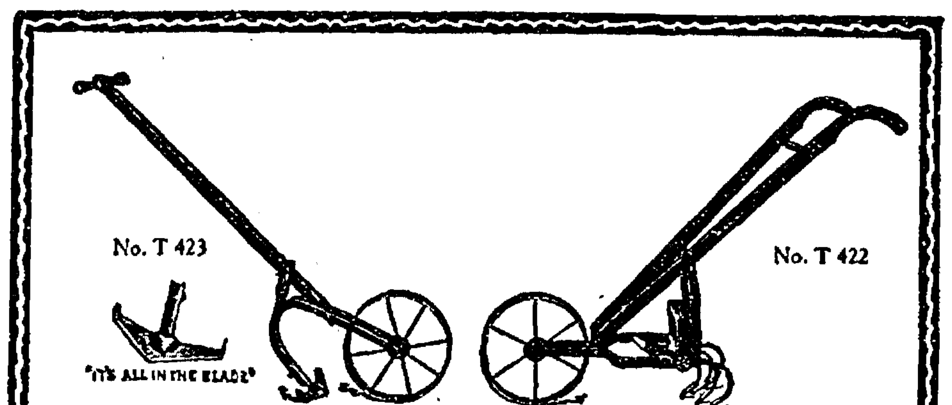
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Alexander Department

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Alexander Local News

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and two sons, were business callers at Mason City last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Kausian of Ackley spent the past week visiting her sister, Mrs. Peter Bohlen of this place.

Miss Addie Larsen attended the telephone operator's school at Mason City last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Branners and children of Belmond were Sunday visitors at the Casper Piel home.

Misses Bertha and Grace Gartz of Palsville visited with Mrs. Fred Greenfield last Friday.

Rev. and Mrs. Mohr and son, Arthur visited with relatives at Polk City the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and two sons were Webster City visitors on Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Miller are the happy parents of a fine baby boy born Monday May the 8th.

Peter Bohlen was a business caller at Hampton Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter, June and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son, Frederick visited with relatives at Belmond Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Finkle and daughter Leona of Hampton were visitors at the Nels Larsen home on Sunday.

A fine baby girl was born at the Ed Bohlen home on Sunday April 80th.

Miss Ethel Hall of Hampton spent the week end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peters and children, Georgia, Curtis and Jean were Belmond callers Saturday.

Among those who attended the services of the Gospel Team of Mason City at Belmond Sunday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Frederick, Miss Jessie Bell, John Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Larsen and children, Mrs. Lillian Seegar, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and children, Ralph and Lewis Schulte and E. S. Barker.

Misses Grace and Frieda Meyer and Jerry, Frieda and Katherine Boldt of Grundy Center were week end visitors at the Karl Kerch and Casper Piel homes.

Theodore Nelson was a caller at Hampton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peters and children were Hampton visitors last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Winwood visited with relatives at Iowa Falls last Sunday.

Fred Greenfield was a business callier at Belmond Friday.

Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls was a visitor at Alexander last Sunday.

Arthur Butler and Bernard McCallum were business callers at Clarion last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Modderman and sons autoed to Hampton last week to visit with Charley Scott who is in the hospital at that place.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

There will be divine worship at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. The pastor will deliver a sermon appropiate for Mother's Day. There will be special song service, beginning at 9 30 o'clock.

If you are not associated with any Sunday School be present next Sunday morning, as we would like a large attendance for Mother's Day and again on Children's Day. You will enjoy these occasions all the better by being present every intervening Sunday.

The Dorcas Society will meet with Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen next Wednesday afternoon May 17th.

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School Notes

The High school play, "Deacon Dubbs" given last Friday night, drew a packed house. Each individual of the caste, acted the part in a manner bordering on professionalism. Miss Eva Whetstone who trained the players, deserves much praise and credit for their excellent showing.

The Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson assisted very materially in the musical part of the program.

The net receipts will approximate seventy five dollars.

Next Sunday evening at eight o'clock Rev. Hyenga of the local Reformed church, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon. The excerises will be held in the school auditorium. Music will be furnished by a choir composed of representatives from the choirs of the local churches.

The Commencement exercises will be given next Wednesday and Thursday evening, May 17 and 18 respectively. The eighth grade graduation exercises will held on the former date and the High School Commencement on the latter. Rev. A. D. Mohr of the local Congregational church will deliver the address for the eighth grade excerises and Rev. Wilkinson of the Methodist church will give the Commencement address. Subject,—"Running for a Prize."

Our Movie for Tuesday evening May 9, is "A Love Sublime." This will probably be the last one put on by the school, this year. The rain on Tuesday evening May 2, cut our attendance down to such an extent as to cause a slight financial loss. We have admitted school children free to all the shows and are ahead to the extent of over forty dollars. As we expect to use all surplus funds for the library and laboratory we can not stane very many losses. Remember when you attend our Movies the surplus funds save you just that much in taxes—on the same principle as extracting teeth without pain.

The Health Program given under the auspices of the Red Cross, at the school auditorium was a decided success. The school children put on a short program in the afternoon, consisting of health songs and dialogues. Prof. Waterman did not arrive in time to deliver the afternoon lecture. The evening excerises consisted of several films illustrating personal and community sanitation. Prof. Waterman also lectured on "Health and Sanitation." The Health Poster display was very interesting and instructive. The sixth grade children prepared many of the postes. This part of the program was under the management of Mrs. Geo. Dunn and Mrs. C. R. Clark. This meeting was one of several series of meetings in a better health campaign being put on in Franklin county by Miss Harriett Lee, our county nurse.

PREPARATION COST PER ACRE

The following report on the cost of preparing and seeding a field of oats has been conducted with the aim in view of giving the members of the Vocational Class some idea of the actual expense incurred in putting in a field of oats in this community. Each field crop is divided into what we call operation units; namely, preparation of seed bed and seeding; harvesting; threshing and marketing. In the corn crop we have five units

The table in the following report are the actual figures from the different farms with the costs of labor and machinery figured as follows: man Hrs. 20c per hour, horse labor 10c per hour, machinery labor 5c per each horse hour, tractor hours 80c to $1.00 per hour depending on the size of the machine. These labor costs are sent out by the Farm Management Dept. of our state based upon the actual labor cost on one hundred twenty successful farms in Iowa.

What It Costs To Seed Oats

In the first place the cost of seeding and preparing the land for oats depends upon the quality and quantity of work done. Usually when more work is put into the preparation and seeding a larger yield is obtained when the oats are harvested in the fall. Using a tractor helps in many cases to put in the crop quicker therefore reducing the net cost per acre.

The best way to seed oats on stalks as has been experiemented is to double disc, sow with broadcast seeder, single disc, then cross harrow. Where the stalks are not heavy single discing the first time is sufficient. Another good method is to corner disc, sow, then straight disc and harrow. This method levels off the ground. The following is the cost per acre for seeding and preparation of the seed bed for oats and barley seeding on the different farms of the Vocational Agriculture Class members:

Farm No. 1. Cost per acre $1.029
No. Acres 12.
Farm No. 2. Cost per acre $1.365
No. acres 40.
Farm No 3. Coct per acre $ .892
No. acres 40.
Farm No. 4. Cost per acre $ .874
No. acres 80.
Farm No. 5. Cost per acre $1.072
No. acres 40.
Farm No. 6. Cost per acre $1.225
No acres 45.
Farm No. 7. Cost per acre $1.087
No. acres 65.
Farm No. 8. Cost per acre $1.228
No. acres 25.
Farm No. 9. Cost per acre $1.48
No. acres 15.
Farm No. 10. Cost per acre $1.34
No. acres 35.
Farm No. 11. Cost per acre $1.096
No. acres 60.

The small cost per acre of the farms No. one and four was because a tractor was used. The cost was more as on farms No. eight and nine because it cost more to seed a small field of oats than it does to seed a large field. The relative small cost for seeding field No. three was because the land was disced only once. Whether this is a paying proposition or not will be told next fall when the yield per acre is found—By Cecil Riley.

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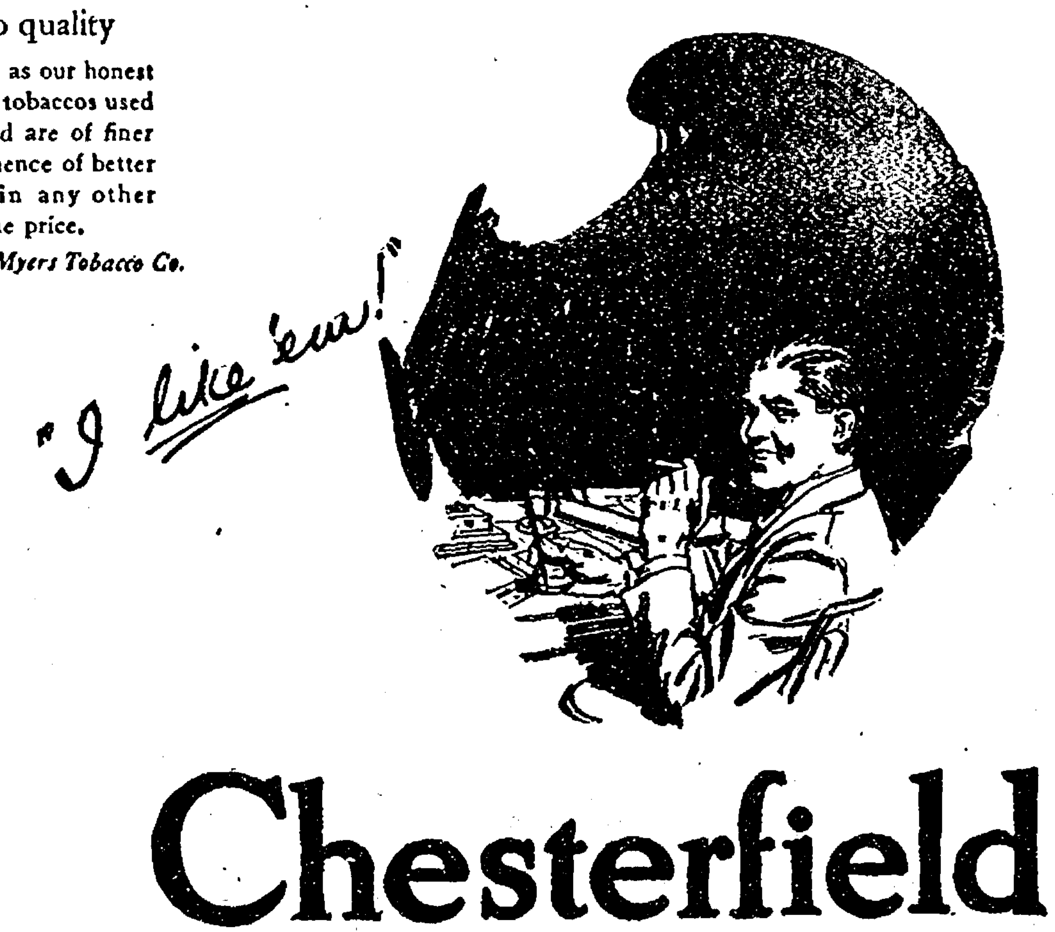

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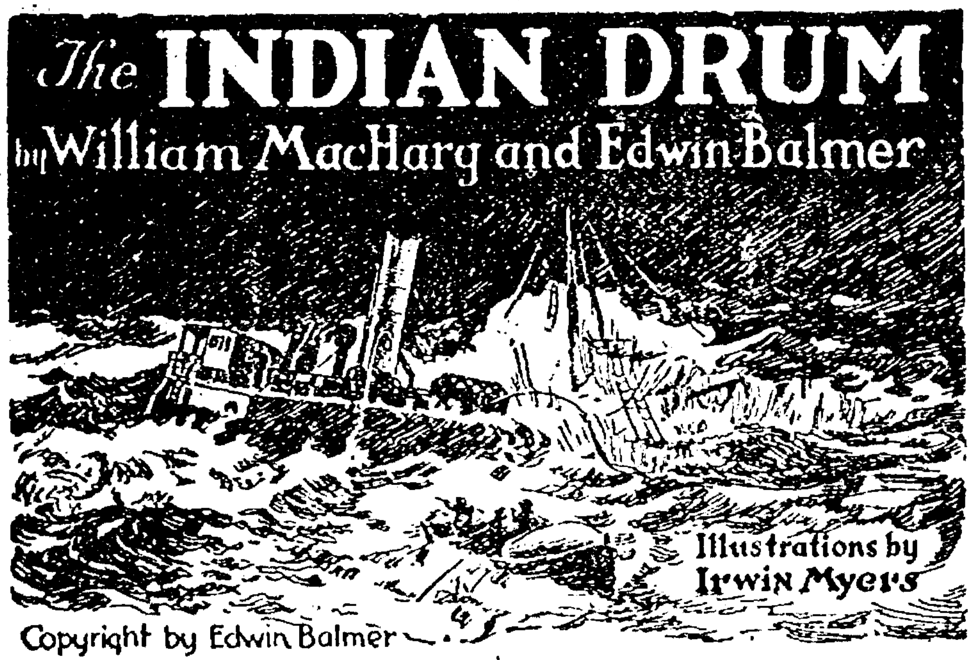

The INDIAN DRUM

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

They turned in at the entrance of a house in the middle of the block and went up the low, wide stone steps; the door opened to them without ring or knock; a servant in the hall within took Alan's hat and coat, and he followed Constance past some great room upon his right to a smaller one farther down the hall.

"Will you wait here, please?" she asked.

He sat down, and she left him; when her footsteps had died away, and he could hear no other sounds except the occasional soft tread of some servant, he twisted himself about in his chair and looked around. Who were these Sherrills? Who was Corvet, and what was his relation to the Sherrills? What, beyond all, was their and Corvet's relation to Alan Conrad—to himself? The shock and confusion he had felt at the nature of his reception in Corvet's house, and the strangeness of his transition from his little Kansas town to a place and people such as this, had prevented him from inquiring directly from Constance Sherrill as to that; and, on her part, she had assumed, plainly, that he already knew and need not be told.

He straightened and looked about, then got up, as Constance Sherrill came back into the room.

"Father is not here just now," she said. "We weren't sure from your telegram exactly at what hour you would arrive, and that was why I waited at Mr. Corvet's to be sure we wouldn't miss you. I have telephoned father, and he's coming home at once."

She hesitated an instant in the doorway, then turned to go out again.

"Miss Sherrill—" he said.

She halted. "Yes."

"You told me you had been waiting for me to come and explain my connection with Mr. Corvet. Well—I can't do that; that is what I came here hoping to find out."

She came back toward him slowly.

"What do you mean?" she asked.

He fought down and controlled resolutely the excitement in his voice, as he told her rapidly the little he knew about himself.

He could not tell definitely how she was affected by what he said. She flushed slightly, following her first start of surprise after he had begun to speak; when he had finished, he saw that she was a little pale.

"Then you don't know anything about Mr. Corvet at all," she said.

"No; until I got his letter sending for me here, I'd never seen or heard his name."

She was thoughtful for a moment.

"Thank you for telling me," she said. "I'll tell my father when he comes."

"Your father is—?" he ventured.

She understood now that the name of Sherrill had meant nothing to him. "Father is Mr. Corvet's closest friend, and his business partner as well," she explained.

He thought she was going to tell him something more about them; but she seemed to decide to leave that for her father to do. She crossed to the big chair beside the grate and seated herself. As she sat looking at him, hands clasped beneath her chin, and her elbows resting on the arm of the chair, there was speculation and interest in her gaze; but she did not ask him anything more about himself.

She, he saw, was listening, like himself, for the sound of Sherrill's arrival at the house; and when it came she recognized it first, rose, and excused herself. He heard her voice in the hall, then her father's deeper voice which answered; and ten minutes later, he looked up to see the man these things had told him must be Sherrill standing in the door and looking at him.

Alan had arisen at sight of him; Sherrill, as he came in, motioned him back to his seat; he did not sit down himself, but crossed to the mantel and leaned against it.

"I am Lawrence Sherrill," he said.

As the tall, graceful, thoughtful man stood looking down at him, Alan could tell nothing of the attitude of this friend of Benjamin Corvet toward himself. His manner had the same reserve toward Alan, the same questioning consideration of him, that Constance Sherrill had had after Alan had told her about himself.

"My daughter has repeated to me what you told her, Mr. Conrad," Sherrill observed. "Is there anything you want to add to me regarding that?"

"There's nothing I can add," Alan answered. "I told her all that I know about myself."

"And about Mr. Corvet?"

"I know nothing at all about Mr. Corvet."

"I am going to tell you some things about Mr. Corvet," Sherrill said. "I had reason—I do not want to explain just yet what that reason was—for thinking you could tell us certain things about Mr. Corvet, which would, perhaps, make plainer what has happened to him. When I tell you about him now, it is in the hope that, in that way, I may awake some forgotten memory of him in you; if not that, you may discover some coincidence of dates or events in Corvet's life with dates or events in your own. Will you tell me frankly, if you do discover anything like that?"

"Yes; certainly."

For several moments, Sherrill paced up and down before the fire; then he returned to his place before the mantel.

"I first met Benjamin Corvet," he commenced, "nearly thirty years ago. I had come West for the first time the year before; I was about your own age and had been graduated from college only a short time, and a business opening had offered itself here. Times were booming on the Great Lakes. Chicago, which had more than recovered from the fire, was doubling its population every decade; Cleveland, Duluth, and Milwaukee were leaping up as ports. Men were growing millions of bushels of grain which they couldn't ship except by lake; hundreds of thousands of tons of ore had to go by water; and there were tens of millions of feet of pine and hardwood from the Michigan forests. Sailing vessels, it is true, had seen their day and were disappearing from the lakes; were being 'sold,' many of them, as the saying is, 'to the insurance companies' by deliberate wrecking. Steamers were taking their place. Towing had come in. I felt, young man though I was, that this transportation matter was all one thing, and that in the end the railroads would own the ships. I have never engaged very actively in the operation of the ships; my daughter would like me to be more active in it than I have been; but ever since, I have had money in lake vessels. It was the year that I began that sort of investment that I first met Corvet."

Alan looked up quickly. "Mr. Corvet was—?" he asked.

"Corvet was—is a lakeman," Sherrill said.

Alan sat motionless, as he recollected the strange exaltation that had come to him when he saw the lake for the first time. Should he tell Sherrill of that? He decided it was too vague, too indefinite to be mentioned; no doubt any other man used only to the prairie might have felt the same.

"He was a shipowner, then," he said.

"Yes; he was a shipowner—not, however, on a large scale at that time. He had been a master, sailing ships which belonged to others; then he had sailed one of his own. He was operating then, I believe, two vessels; but with the boom times on the lakes, his interests were beginning to expand. I met him frequently in the next few years, and we became close friends."

Sherrill broke off and stared an instant down at the rug. Alan bent forward; he made no interruption but only watched Sherrill attentively.

"Between 1886, when I first met him, and 1895, Corvet laid the foundation of great success; his boats seemed lucky, men liked to work for him, and he got the best skippers and crews. There was a saying that in storm a Corvet ship never asked help; it gave it; certainly in twenty years no Corvet ship had suffered serious disaster. Corvet was not yet rich, but unless accident or undue competition intervened, he was certain to become so. Then something happened."

Sherrill looked away at evident loss how to describe it.

"To the ships?" Alan asked him.

"No; to him. In 1896, for no apparent reason, a great change came over him."

"In 1896!"

"That was the year."

Alan bent forward, his heart throbbing in his throat. "That was also the year when I was brought and left with the Weltons in Kansas," he said.

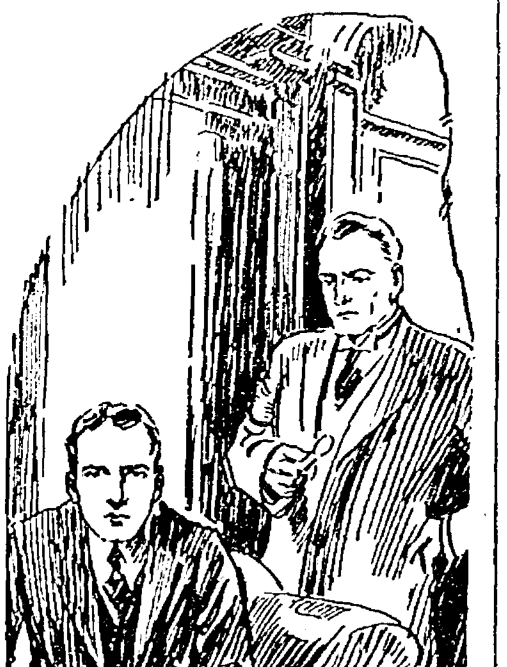
Sherrill did not speak for a moment. "I thought," he said finally, "it must have been about that time; but you did not tell my daughter the exact date."

"What kind of change came over him that year?" Alan asked.

Sherrill gazed down at the rug, then at Alan, then past him. "A change in his way of living," he replied. "The Corvet line of boats went on, expanded; interests were acquired in other lines; and Corvet and those allied with him swiftly grew rich. But in all this great development, for which Corvet's genius and ability had laid the foundation, Corvet himself ceased to take active part. He took into partnership, about a year later, Henry Spearman, a young man who had been merely a mate on one of his ships. This proved subsequently to have been a good business move, for Spearman had tremendous energy, daring, and enterprise; and no doubt Corvet had recognized these qualities in him before others did. Since then he has been ostensibly and publicly the head of the concern, but he has left the management almost entirely to Spearman. The personal change to Corvet at that time is harder for me to describe to you."

Sherrill halted, his eyes dark with thought, his lips pressed closely together; Alan waited.

"When I saw Corvet again, in the summer of '96—I had been South during the latter part of the winter and East through the spring—I was impressed by the vague but, to me, alarming change in him. I was reminded, I recall, of a friend I had had in college who had thought he was in perfect health and had gone to an examiner for life insurance and had been refused, and was trying to deny to himself and others that anything could be the matter. But with Corvet I knew the trouble was not physical. The next year his wife left him."



"That Was 1897."

"The year of—?" Alan asked.

"That was 1897. There was no question of their understanding and affection up to the very time she so strangely left him. She died in France in the spring of 1910, and Corvet's first information of her death came to him through a paragraph in a newspaper."

Alan had started; Sherrill looked at him questioningly.

"The spring of 1910," Alan explained, "was when I received the bank draft for fifteen hundred dollars."

Sherrill nodded; he did not seem surprised to hear this; rather it appeared to be confirmation of something in his own thought.

"Following his wife's leaving him," Sherrill went on, "Corvet saw very little of any one. He spent most of his time in his own house; occasionally he lunched at his club, at rare intervals, and always unexpectedly, he appeared at his office. I remember that summer he was terribly disturbed because one of his ships was lost. The Corvet record was broken; a Corvet ship had appealed for help; a Corvet vessel had not reached port. . . . And later in the fall, when two deckhands were washed from another of his vessels and drowned, he was again greatly wrought up, though his ships still had a most favorable record. In 1902 I proposed to him that I buy full ownership in the vessels I partly controlled and ally them with those he and Spearman operated. Since then, the firm name has been Corvet, Sherrill, and Spearman.

"Our friendship had strengthened and ripened during those years. The intense activity of Corvet's mind, which as a younger man he had directed wholly to the shipping, was directed, after he had isolated himself in this way, to other things. He took up almost feverishly an immense number of studies—strange studies most of them for a man whose youth had been almost violently active and who had once been a lake captain. I cannot tell you what they all were—geology, ethnology, nearly a score of subjects; he corresponded with various scientific societies; he has given almost the whole of his attention to such things for about twenty years. But he has made very few acquaintances in that time, and has kept almost none of his old friendships. He has lived alone in the house on Astor street with only one servant—the same one all these years.

"The only house he has visited with any frequency has been mine. He has always liked my wife; he had—he has a great affection for my daughter, who, when she was a child, ran in and out of his home as she pleased. My daughter believes now that his present disappearance—whatever has happened to him—is connected in some way with herself. I do not think that is so—"

Sherrill broke off and stood in thought for a moment; he seemed to consider, and to decide that it was not necessary to say anything more on that subject.

"Is there anything in what I have told you which makes it possible for you to recollect or to explain?"

Alan shook his head, flushed, and then grew a little pale. What Sherrill told him had excited him by the coincidences it offered between events in Benjamin Corvet's life and his own; it had not made him "recollect" Corvet, but it had given definiteness and direction to his speculations as to Corvet's relation to himself.

Sherrill drew one of the large chairs nearer to Alan and sat down facing him. He felt in an inner pocket and brought out an envelope; from the envelope he took three pictures, and handed the smallest of them to Alan. As Alan took it, he saw that it was a tintype of himself as a round-faced boy of seven.

"That is you?" Sherrill asked.

"Yes; it was taken by the photographer in Blue Rapids."

"And this?"

The second picture, Alan saw, was one that had been taken in front of the barn at the farm. It showed Alan at twelve, in overalls and barefooted, holding a stick over his head at which a shepherd dog was jumping.

"Yes, that is Shep and I, Mr. Sherrill. It was taken by a man who stopped at the house for dinner one day; he liked Shep and wanted a picture of him; so he got me to make Shep jump, and he took it."

"Doesn't it occur to you that it was your picture he wanted, and that he had been sent to get it? I wanted your verification that these earlier pictures were of you, but this last one is easily recognizable."

Sherrill unfolded the third picture; it was larger than the others and had been folded across the middle to get it into the envelope. Alan leaned forward to look at it.

"That is the University of Kansas football team," he said. "I am the second one in the front row; I played end my junior year and tackle when I was a senior. Mr. Corvet—?"

"Yes; Mr. Corvet had these pictures. They came into my possession day before yesterday, the day after Corvet disappeared; I do not want to tell just yet how they did that."

Alan's face, which had been flushed at first with excitement, had gone quite pale, and his hands, as he clenched and unclenched them nervously, were cold, and his lips were very dry. He could think of no possible relationship between Benjamin Corvet and himself, except one, which could account for Corvet's obtaining and keeping these pictures of him through the years.

"I think you know who I am," Alan said.

"You have guessed, if I am not mistaken, that you are Corvet's son."

The color flamed to Alan's face for an instant, then left it paler than before. "I thought it must be that way," he answered; "but you said he had no children."

"Benjamin Corvet and his wife had no children."

"I thought that was what you meant." A twinge twisted Alan's face; he tried to control it but for a moment could not.

"Do not misapprehend your father," Sherrill said quietly. "I cannot prevent what other people may think when they learn this; but I do not share such thoughts with them. There is much in this I cannot understand; but I know that it is not merely the result of what others may think it—of 'a wife in more ports than one,' as you will hear the lakemen put it. What lies under this is some great misadventure which had changed and frustrated all your father's life."

Sherrill crossed the room and rang for a servant.

"I am going to ask you to be my guest for a short time, Alan," he announced. "I have had your bag carried to your room; the man will show you which one it is."

Alan hesitated; he felt that Sherrill had not told him all he knew—that there were some things Sherrill purposely was withholding from him; but he could not force Sherrill to tell more than he wished; so after an instant's irresolution, he accepted the dismissal.

Sherrill walked with him to the door, and gave his directions to the servant; he stood watching, as Alan and the man went up the stairs. Then he went back and seated himself in the chair Alan had occupied, and sat with hands grasping the arms of the chair while he stared into the fire.

He seemed to be considering and debating something within himself; and presently he seemed to come to a decision. He went up the stairs and on the second floor he went to a front room and knocked. Alan's voice told him to come in. Sherrill went in and, when he had made sure that the servant was not with Alan, he closed the door carefully behind him.

Then he turned back to Alan, and for an instant stood indecisive as though he did not know how to begin what he wanted to say. As he glanced down at a key he took from his pocket, his indecision seemed to receive direction and inspiration from it; and he put it down on Alan's dresser.

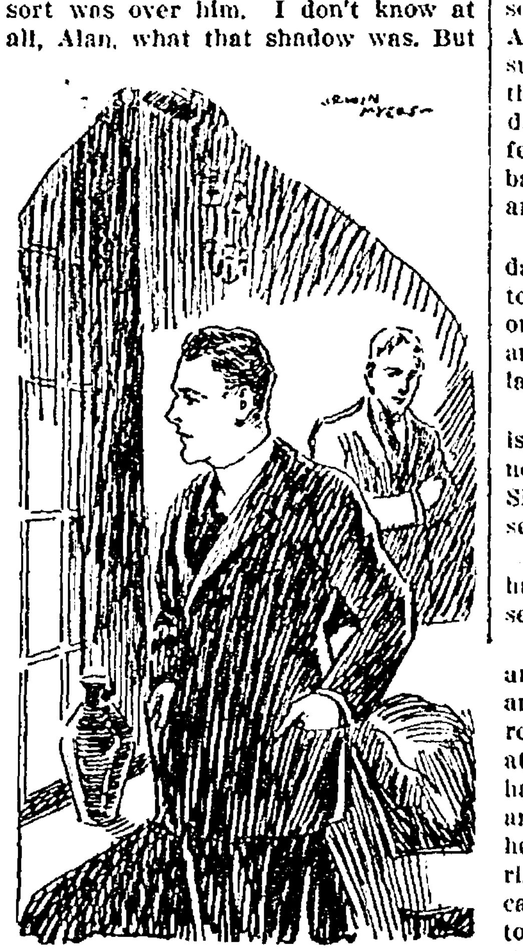
"I've brought you," he said evenly, "the key to your house."

Alan gazed at him, bewildered. "The key to *my* house?"

"To the house on Astor street," Sherrill confirmed. "Your father deeded the house and its furniture and all its contents to you the day before he disappeared. I have not the deed here; it came into my hands the day before yesterday at the same time I got possession of the pictures which might—or might not, for all I knew then—be you. I have the deed down town and will give it to you. The house is yours in fee simple, given you by your father, not bequeathed to you by him to become your property after his death. He meant by that, I think, even more than the mere acknowledgment that he is your father."

Sherrill walked to the window and stood as though looking out, but his eyes were blank with thought.

"For almost twenty years," he said, "your father, as I have told you, lived in that house practically alone; during all those years a shadow of some sort was over him. I don't know at all, Alan, what that shadow was. But it is certain that whatever it was that had changed him from the man he was when I first knew him culminated three days ago when he wrote to you. It may be that the consequences of his writing to you were such that, after he had sent the letter, he could not bring himself to face them and so has merely . . . gone away. In that case, as we stand here talking, he is still alive. On the other hand, his writing you may have precipitated something that I know nothing of. In either case, if he has left anywhere any evidence of what it is that changed and oppressed him for all these years, or if there is any evidence of what has happened to him now, it will be found in his house."



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Sherrill turned back to Alan. "It is for you—not me, Alan," he said simply, "to make that search. I have thought seriously about it, this last half hour, and have decided that is as he would want it—perhaps as he did want it—to be. He could have told me what his trouble was any time in these twenty years, if he had been willing I should know; but he never did. Your father, of course, had a key to the front door like this one; his servant has a key to the servants' entrance. I do not know of any other keys."

"The servant is in charge there now?" Alan asked.

"Just now there is no one in the house. The servant, after your father disappeared, thought that, if he had merely gone away, he might have gone back to his birthplace near Manistique, and he went up there to look for him. I had a wire from him today that he had not found him and was coming back."

Sherrill waited a moment to see whether there was anything more Alan wanted to ask; then he went out.

CHAPTER IV.

"Arrived Safe; Well."

As the door closed behind Sherrill, Alan went over to the dresser and picked up the key which Sherrill had left. He put it, after a moment, on the ring with two or three other keys he had, and dropped them into his pocket; then he crossed to a chair and sat down.

Sherrill had spoken of the possibility that something might have "happened" to Corvet; but it was plain he did not believe he had met with actual violence. He had left it to Alan to examine Corvet's house; but he had not urged Alan to examine it at once; he had left the time of the examination to be determined by Alan. This showed clearly that Sherrill believed—perhaps had sufficient reason for believing—that Corvet had simply "gone away." Corvet, Sherrill had said, had married in 1889. But Sherrill in long knowledge of his friend, had shown firm conviction that there had been no mere vulgar liaison in Corvet's life. Did this mean that there might have been some previous marriage of Alan's father—some marriage which had strangely overlapped and nullified his public marriage? In that case, Alan could be, not only in fact but legally, Corvet's son; and such things as this, Alan knew, had sometimes happened, and had happened by a strange combination of events, innocently for all parties. Corvet's public separation from his wife, Sherrill had said, had taken place in 1897, but the actual separation between them might, possibly, have taken place long before that.

The afternoon had changed swiftly into night; dusk had been gathering during his last talk with Sherrill, so that he hardly had been able to see Sherrill's face, and just after Sherrill had left him, full dark had come. Alan did not know how long he had been sitting in the darkness thinking out these things; but now a little clock which had been ticking steadily in the blackness tinkled six. Alan heard a knock at his door, and when it was repeated, he called, "Come in."

The light which came in from the hall, as the door was opened, showed a man servant. The man, after a respectful inquiry, switched on the light. He crossed into the adjoining room—a bedroom; the room where Alan was, he thought, must be a dressing room, and there was a bath between. Presently the man reappeared, and moved softly about the room, unpacking Alan's suitcase. He hung Alan's other suit in the closet on hangers; he put the linen, except for one shirt, in the dresser drawers, and he put Alan's few toilet things with the ivory-backed brushes and comb and other articles on the dressing stand.

Alan wondered, with a sort of trepidation, whether the man would expect to stay and help him dress; but he only put the buttons in the clean shirt and reopened the dresser drawers and laid out a change of things.

"I was to tell you, sir, Mr. Sherrill is sorry he cannot be at home to dinner tonight. Mrs. Sherrill and Miss Sherrill will be here. Dinner is at seven, sir."

Alan dressed slowly, after the man had gone; and at one minute before seven he went downstairs.

There was no one in the lower hall and, after an instant of irresolution and a glance into the empty drawing room, he turned into the small room at the opposite side of the hall. A handsome, stately, rather large woman, whom he found there, introduced herself to him formally as Mrs. Sherrill. Her reserved, yet almost too casual acceptance of Alan's presence, told him that she knew all the particulars about himself which Sherrill had been able to give; and as Constance came down the stairs and joined them half a minute later, Alan was certain that she also knew.

Dinner was announced, and they went into the great dining room, where the table with its linen, silver, and china gleamed under shaded lights. The oldest and most dignified of the three men servants who waited upon them in the dining room Alan thought must be a butler—a species of creature of whom Alan had heard but never had seen; the other servants, at least, received and handed things through him, and took their orders from him.

What Sherrill had told Alan of his father had been iterating itself again and again in Alan's thoughts; now he recalled that Sherrill had said that his daughter believed that Corvet's disappearance had had something to do with her. Alan had wondered at the moment how that could be; and as he watched her across the table and now and then exchanged a comment with her, it puzzled him still more. He had opportunity to ask her when she waited with him in the library, after dinner was finished and her mother had gone upstairs; but he did not see then how to go about it.

"I'm sorry," she said to him, "that we can't be home tonight; but perhaps you would rather be alone?"

He did not answer that.

"Have you a picture here, Miss Sherrill, of—my father?" he asked.

"Uncle Benny had had very few pictures taken; but there is one here."

She went into the study and came back with a book open at a half-tone picture of Benjamin Corvet. Alan took it from her and carried it quickly closer to the light. The face that looked up to him from the heavily glazed page was regular of feature, handsome in a way, and forceful. There were imagination and vigor of thought in the broad, smooth forehead; the eyes were strangely moody and brooding; the mouth was gentle, rather kindly; it was a queerly impelling, haunting face. This was his father! But, as Alan held the picture, gazing down upon it, the only emotion which came to him was realization that he felt none. He had no emotion of any sort; he could not attach to this man, because he bore the name which some one had told him was his father's, the passions which, when dreaming of his father, he had felt.

Alan stood still a moment longer, then, remembering the book which he held, he drew a chair up to the light, and read the short, dry biography of his father printed on the page opposite the portrait. It summarized in a few hundred words his father's life. Alan shut the book and sat thoughtful. The tall clock in the hall struck nine. He got up and went out into the hall and asked for his hat and coat. When they had been brought him, he put them on and went out.

He went down the steps and to the corner and turned west to Astor street. When he reached the house of his father he stopped under a street lamp, looking up at the big, stern old mansion questioningly.

He could not call up any sense that the house was his, any more than he had been able to when Sherrill had told him of it. He own a house on that street! Yet was that in itself any more remarkable than that he should be the guest, the friend of such people as the Sherrills? No one as yet, since Sherrill had told him he was Corvet's son, had called him by name; when they did, what would they call him? Alan Conrad still? Or Alan Corvet?

(Continued Next Week)

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm.
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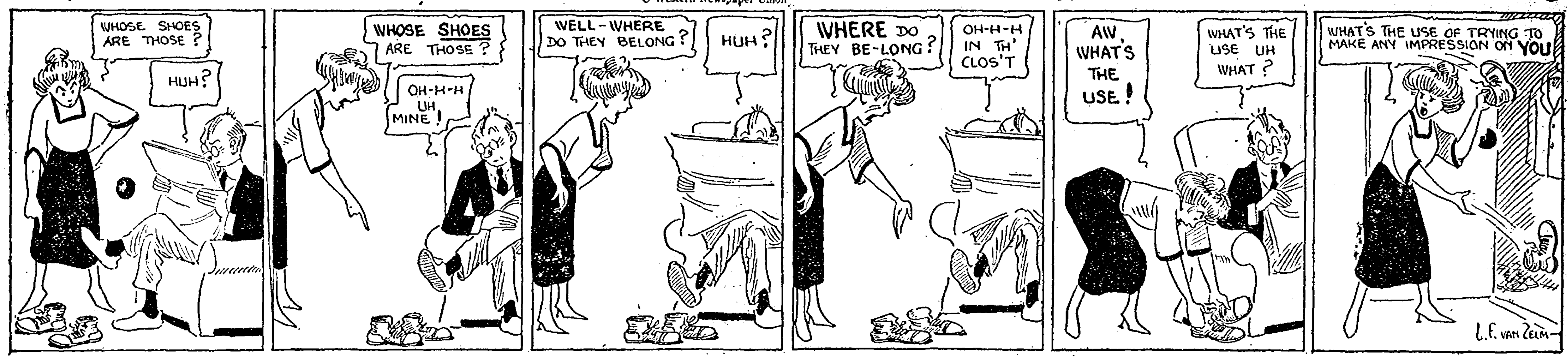
Get 'Em Young, Treat 'Em Rough and Tell 'Em Nothing


WHOSE SHOES ARE THOSE?
HUH?
WHOSE SHOES ARE THOSE?
OH-H-H UH MINE!
WELL - WHERE DO THEY BELONG?
HUH?
WHERE DO THEY BE-LONG?
OH-H-H IN TH' CLOS'T
AW, WHAT'S THE USE!
WHAT'S THE USE UH WHAT?
WHAT'S THE USE OF TRYING TO MAKE ANY IMPRESSION ON YOU
L. F. VAN ZELM

Belmond Local News

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Program of the Forty-seventh Annual Convention of the Wright County Sunday School Association to be held in Belmond in the Congregational church May 16, 1922.

Morning

9:00—Registration.

9:30—Devotional Exercises, Rev. A. H. Waalkes, Belmond.

9:45—What the Sunday Schol can contribute to the Child Life of Today, Mr. W. E. Warnes, Eagle Grove.

10:05—Some Social Functions the Church School should sanction, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, Rowan.

10:25—The Christian Education of the Home through the Church School, Mr. O. G. Herbrecht, Des Moines, Supt. of Young People's Division.

10:45—Song.

10:55—The Frame of a Church School, Mr. Walter Hutton, Des Moines, Gen. Sec. of Iowa State S. S. Association.

11:30—Appointment of Committees and Announcements.

Adjournment.

Afternoon

1:00—Committee Meetings.

1:30—Devotional exercises, Rev. W. G. Comin, Goldfield.

1:45—Separate Conference. See explanation below.

3:00—Re-assemble. Song. Reports of committees, Recommendation, nomination, election of officers, and installation. Looking Ahead.

3:30—The Scope of the Sunday School, A state worker.

4:00—Adjournment.

Evening

7:30—Song service and special music. Devotional exercises, Rev. C. A. Richards, Dows.

8:00—What Young People Think of the Sunday School, by one of them, Gesald Hill, **Clarion.**

8:15—A Great Opportunity for Service, Mr. O. G. Herbrecht, State Worker.

Program for Separate Conference.

Children's Division,

Miss Elizabeth Dean, State Supt. of Children's Division, presiding.

Prayer.

Topics for Consideration: "Who are the "Children"?, Lesson Material for Children's Division, Training Children in Worship, Missionary Institution for Children, Expressional Work, Promotion Day and Requirements, Teachers of Children—Who and How, Discussion.

Adjourn to general session at 3:10.

Yong People's Division

Mr. O. G. Herbrecht presiding.

Prayer.

Topics for Consideration: Grading the Young People, Worship, Curricula, Class Organization, Sunday Program in the Class, Class Activities and week day program, Leaders and Teachers, Development of Leadership, Bibliography and Discussion.

Adjourn to general session at 3:10.

Adult Division

Mr. Walter Hutton presiding.

Prayer.

Topics for Consideration: Class Organization, Workers Conference, Standards, Training Department, Other topics selected, Discussion.

Adjourn to general session at 3:10.

H. A. Peters, proprietor of the Peters Garage at Alexander, was a business caller in the city on Saturday of last week.

Miss Thomas was a judge at a declamatory contest for Hancock county, held at Britt last week Friday. Adolph Skovlin was one of the judges at the track meet held at the same town that day.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Miller, of Boone drove over Sunday to spend the day with Mrs. R. Tomlinson. Mr. Miller is a brother of Mrs. Tomlinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Rabe were at Kanawha on Sunday, where they attended the funeral of an old neighbor.

Miss Vida Jenison returned Monday from Iowa City, where she went last week Thursday to spent the week end with friends.

Mr. Saucke, of the sugar company, left Monday of this week on a business trip to Omaha and Lincoln, Neb., where he is seeking field men for the beet fields this summer.

C. N. Hildebrand left Monday of this week on a business trip to Decorah, Iowa, and points in Wisconsin, looking after some road and ditch work in the respective localities.

H. F. Reif, of Meservey, the business agent at that place for the Independent was in town one day last week, driving down with his brother-in-law.

Co. Attorney J. A. Rogers was in town last Saturday, looking after his political fences. He is a candidate for re-election to the office he now holds.

F. H. Peterson of Dows, was meeting voters here last week, in behalf of his candidacy for Treasurer ot Wright County. Mr. Peterson is a genial gentleman, well qualified for the position he seeks, and if elected will give Wright county voters a good adminstration of the office.

Mrs. Ella Cleveland is improving th interior of her Cafe to satisfy the growing demands of the restaurant business.

Dr. O'Brien, from Mason City, the ear specialist, was in town last week in consultation with Dr. Steele regarding Miss Jane Ramsay, who has been troubled for some time with her ears. An abcess was found.

Miss Agness Dillon has been substituting for Miss Jane Ramay in the First grade during her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings were visitors with friends at Eagle Grove over Sunday.

Come in and hear all the latest Victor and Edison Records.—Schultz Drug Co.

Use Lowe Bros. durable floor Varnish on your floors and linoleums.—Schultz Drug Co.

Harm Mikesh was operated on last week at Mason City, for eye trouble. He is reported as coming along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Jenison and family were recent visitors at the Chas Harris home at Latimer.

Rena Mennenga recently underwent a minor operation at Mason City, for the removal of her tonsils.

W. T. S. Rath, of Ackley, was being introduced to the voters here last Friday by J. H. Reese. Mr. Rath is an amiable gentleman and has a pleasing personality.

There is to be one more meeting of the Good Fellowship club, we are informed, this summer. The date has not yet been set.

Clair White came up from Fort Dodge last Friday, to accompany his wife home after her visit here with relatives for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlston, Adolph Skovlin and Miss Mildren Baumgardner were Mason City callers Sunday.

Have you got your fishing tackle ready for Monday?

Mrs. Chas Moore from Lidderdale is visiting at the home of her son, Howard Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey were visiting relatives at Rowan Sunday.

Mrs. Hugh Hawley is on the sick list.

Mrs. A. B. Landon from Goodell was a Belmond caller Tuesday.

Scott Smith from Cedar Rapids was a week end visitor at the McBurney home.

Mrs. L. C. Smith returned home from Des Moines last week. She underwent a successful operation at the Methodist Hospital at Des Moines. Miss Iva Trumbell accompanied her home.

NOTICE

The parties who have been molesting my property just north of the school house, are warned that they must stop, or action will be taken against them.—Henry Groen.

Joe Scott, of the Battery Station, was a caller at Kanawha last week Friday, looking after some business interests tsere.

"Lefty" Ray came back to the city last week, to meet old friends here. He has been down in Kansas where he was playing with a league ball team. He is undecided as yet whether he will remain in Belmond or not.

Atty. J. M. Jensen was a caller at Rowan, Dows and Galt last week one day, looking after the political fences in those neighborhoods in the way of his candidacy for the office of county attorney. He reports good success.

The Epworth League held an enjoyable social in the church parlors.

Mrs. Bridge, of Cedar Rapids, who has been visiting her brother, H. H. Hawley, and family, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Benson left Tuesday for Marshalltown where they were called by the sudden death of Mr. Benson's brother.

A. W. Hill was a business caller at Des Moines several days last week.

Miss Wilma Thompson, accompanied by her mother and aunt, drove to Clarion on Tuesday evening.

The Chain of Ten meets next week Monday at the home of Mrs. Pullin.

Mr. Mann, of Eagle Grove, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings on Tuesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Elder and family drove to Fort Dodge last week Saturday, to visit with relatives.

Miss Beatrice Barry and Miss Iris Trumbell drove to Rowan on Wednesday morning, on business matters.

Miss Cecilia Barry left Wednesday for Sinsinania, Wis,, to visit her Alma Mater and will spend a few days at Webster City on her return.

Lawn mowers sharpened.—T. H. Broeffle, blacksmith.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Benson are rejoicing over the arrival at their home Monday morning, of a fine 9½ pound baby boy. Mother and child are coming very nicely, and Claude has the whole bank radiating smiles.

Dan Loraine, convicted at his trial recently, was given a life sentence.

Henry Williams, of Rowan, was a business caller here one day last week.

Dr. Hanna Leinbach, of Kansas City, a sister of Rev, S. U. Leinbach of Belmond was recently elected president of the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery, at the annual election of that institution.

Mrs. Tom Brooks was a recent visitor with relatives and friends at Rowan.

"White treats you white" on your eggs and cream at all times. Open Wednesday and Saturday evenings.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Almost new rug for sale, 9 X 12.—Mrs. Daisy Pierce.

White treats you white on your eggs and cream. Give us a trial.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

FOR SALE—Good second hand one-ton Ford truck. Run only 5000 miles. A bargain—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Buy your tires of the Belmond Auto Co. at a big saving. See us first before you buy.

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

FOR RENT—Pasture for about six colts.—Earl Jenison, phone 1908. 24tfc

FOR SALE—1 team horses, wagon, beet cultivator, 1916 7-passenger Chandler car, 1 Sampson tractor with 2 and 3 bottom plows. Inquire State Bank of Belmond, Belmond, Iowa. 24tfc

Six room house and lot for rent.—J. N. Johnson. 24tfc

For first class cleaning and pressing, repairing and cutting over. The New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28. F. J. Tuffree.

City Meat Market

Home of the

Home Killed Meats

Meats for Breakfast
Meats for Dinner
Meats for Supper

Nissen & Harbison, Props.
Phone 207

Modern rooms for rent. Inquire of C. F. Greenfield, or Herb Harberts. 233c

LOST—A lot of good news by not calling 115. When you find some, notify this office. 221tf

We sell fertilizer.—Farmers Elevator Company. 224c

WANTED—Stock to pasture; have 60 acres.—A. Ellis, Phone 3709. 233*

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Talk to Wolle Land Agency about own your own home. $700 buys one.

Two garden lots for rent.—Mrs. Val Griesy. 23tfc

Lawn mower and saws sharpened. We guarantee work. Leave at Mill or residence.—J. H. Nourse.

ROBINSON'S

Cane Sugar $6.85

Peaberry Coffee, lb. 25c

Prunes, lb. 12 1-2c, 20c, 30c

Prices have not advanced much. Call and we will tell you the rest.

Plenty of flour.

Bring in your coupons for Butternut coffee.

Watch our window for aluminum ware sale soon.

FOR SALE—Two room dog kennel rubberoid covered, well built, can be had at reasonable price. Inquire at Independent.

We save your money on tires. Get our prices before you buy.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Kinseth's Store News

Say wasn't it hot yesterday? Regular July weather, seemed like. Sure indication that summer is coming.

And speaking of summer, before you buy that straw hat come in and see the ones we have to offer. Nothing fancy about them, but they're real serviceable ones and cost you only 28 cents.

We've a bunch of little things this week that you can get bargains on. Washing powder, in large packages, for 19 cents. Corn beef in cans of good size at only 20 cents. Cocoa, high grade, just the thing for morning these warm days instead of coffee, two pounds for two bits. Flour at $1.95. Matches a big box for a nickel. These are just a few of them. Come in and ask us about the others and remember when the Store on the Corner says bargains, bargains it is.

Oh, yes, folks; one thing more: DON'T FORGET that we'll deliver to your door ANY TIME of the day. It's part of our service. Just call 19 and get what you want when you want it.

Figures Don't Lie!

If 73 young men were to buy each a new suit they would save $734.

We have 20 popular fabrics on sale with an extra pair of pants FREE. Choice white flannel, mohair, Palm Beach.

New Belmond Tailor Shop

Suits Cleaned and Pressed, $1.50

Phone 28 F. J. Tuffree

A Complete

Bank

We are a complete bank and have a department for taking care of your checking account.

Another is ready to help you save and will pay you interest on your savings.

We have a place for taking care of your valuables and can advise you in regard to your will or in matters pertaining to real estate transactions.

The Belmond Savings Bank

SAVE EVERY CHICK

When you go out in the morning to feed the chicks and you find them all huddled up and droopy—doesn't it make you feel sick all over?

But isn't it a "GRAND and GLORIOUS FEELING" to find the little rascals scampering around lively, climbing over each other to get at the STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH and GROWING?

FEEDING DIRECTION IN EVERY BAG

STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH HAS SOLVED THE PROBLEM

It is composed of choice grains and ground feeds carefully compounded with PURE DRIED BUTTERMILK in such a manner as to insure rapid growth. Chicks thrive on it. IT STARTS THEM—IT GROWS THEM—IT MATURES THEM.

TOWNSAN HARDWARE PHONE 34 Belmond, Iowa

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STERLING BUTTERMILK MASH
NORTHRUP, KING & CO. FEEDS & SEEDS MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

BELMOND INDEPENDENT

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SENIOR CLASS PLAY GIVEN FRIDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Friesleben Dies During Night

Well Known Citizen Answers Last Call During Early Hours of Morning

FUNERAL HELD SUNDAY

Anna Elizabeth Friesleben, nee Wenzel, was born Dec., 5 1855, in Wahra Hesse, Germany. There she received the sacrement of Holy Baptism. She was also instructed in the word of God, and confirmed there. In May of the year 1878 she emigrated with her parents to America, and setteld in the near vicinity of Peru, Ill.

On the 17th day of Feb. 1885 she was united in marriage with Christian Friesleben. The duration of this happy union was a little over 37 years. In the year 1894 she, together with her family, moved to Iowa and settled in the near vicinity of Belmond. In 1901 the family moved onto their own farm in Wisner township, Franklin county, nine ad one-half miles east of Belmond, where she spent many years which were not without the blessing of God. In 1918 she with her husband moved to Belmond, there to spend the remaining years of her life in peace.

Mrs. Friesleben was always a faithful member of the Ev. Lutheran church. Her good deeds towards her church as also towards her pastors, were many. It was always a great joy for her to find her way into the House of God, there to join with the congregation in worshiping, to hear and to learn more of the saving truth of the Word of God. Her good deeds were many but she performed them not for rewards; they came as an outward expression of her faith in Jesus Christ, who alone could save her from her sins.

She always enjoyed the best of health until about five years ago, when heart trouble set in. A few months ago she was taken sick and confined to her bed for some time, but by the grace of God she was soon able to be up and around again. She was apparantly improving in health until the Lord suddenly and unexpectedly called her home. Her death came as a shock to the entire community. On the evening of May 10th she retired in seeming good health. Early on te morning of the 11th about 1:30 she passed away, the Lord calling her in her sleep. She reached the age of 66 years, five months and six days. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, four sons, John, Henry, Will and Christal, all of this locality; two daughters, (Marie) Mrs. Meier, of Manson, Ia, and (Emma) Mrs. Fred Pletch, of Belmond; four daughters-in-law, and many other relatives and a host of friends. May the Lord bless and comfort those who are near and dear to them.

Funeral services were held Sunday, at the Evangelical Lutheran church in Belmond, Rev. Wippermann assisted by Rev. Meier in charge. Interment was made in the Belmond cemetery.

Out of town relatives and friends who were present at the funeral were Rev. and Mrs. Meier of Manson, Ia; H. Wenzel of Peru Ill; Mrs. A. Moews of Hennepin, Ill: Mr. and Mrs. Gus Vestweber, and Mrs. Bieber, of Lakefield, Minn; Mrs. Henry Long, of Shellrock, Ia.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors who so kindly comforted and assisted us in the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother, and for the beautiful floral offerings contributed to our loved one.

Christ Friesleben and Children.

Glenn Klemme was a business visitor at Eagle Grove Monday.

Friends in Belmond recently received word of the death at Grandview, Washington, of A. C. Whiting, an old time resident of Belmond. Mr. Whiting will be remembered by many of the older residents of the city, who will extend to the relatives their sympathy.

RADIO CONCERTS COMING FROM MANY PLACES

Concerts Received From Many Middle West Stations And From New York

Concerts over the Radio of the Battery Station and the Independent continue to come in nicely, and some very fine concerts have been received and enjoyed. Many different stations in the middle west have been heard, while market reports are received at noon every day. Last Friday evening was the best that has come thru yet, when St. Paul and Des Moines each gave three selections, Kansas City five and two hours steady from Schnectedy, N. Y. The Schnectedy concert came in clear and loud, so that practically every word could be distinguished. Interference was very little. Static, as a rule this time of the year, is the greatest trouble in getting concerts clearly. Tuesday evening of this week several different stations were heard, Des Moines and Dearborn, Mich., coming in the best, both being clear and loud. Manager Hake, at the Lyric, has been able lately to "step up" some of the concerts so that they could be heard by the audience, thru his amplifier.

RADIO MARKETS YESTERDAY

Radio market reports received yesterday noon give hogs 10 cents lower, prices $10.05 to $10.30, with top $10.35; cattle steady; sheep 25 cents lower. Chicago receipts were 16,000 hogs, 11,000 cattle, 16,000 sheep, with today's estimated receipts at 25,000 hogs, 11,000 cattle, and 12,000 sheep. Rye and barley remained unchanged, oats ¼c lower, corn ½ to 1c lower. Weather report gives showers probably today (Thursday) for Iowa. Seeding thruout the middle west two to three weeks behind. Received from Radio Station WAAW, Omaha Grain Exchange.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school 10 a. m. We are anxious to get over the 200 line.

11 a. m. regular preaching service by the pastor.

Epworth League at 7 p. m. Good interest is manifested in these meetings.

We expect Rev. D. A. McBurney to be with us in the evening service at 8 p. m. Hear him.

Ladies Aid meet with Mrs. Mary Thayer on Thursday at 2:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Thursday evening. Bring your Bible.

W. A. Wilkinson, pastor

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF IOWA, Wright County, ss.

To Rube McFerren, Minnie McFerren, E. F. King, Webster City Savings Bank of Webster City, Iowa, J. A. Daniels, Belmond Lumber Company of Belmond, Iowa, Cato C. Griesy, and James Kenefick:

You are hereby notified that by virtue of a Special execution, to me directed and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgement rendered in said Court in favor of John Dorenkamp, and against Rube McFerren and Minnie McFerren for the sum of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Two and 18-100 dollars debt, and Two Hundred Twenty-Two and 11-100 dollars costs, I have levied upon the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

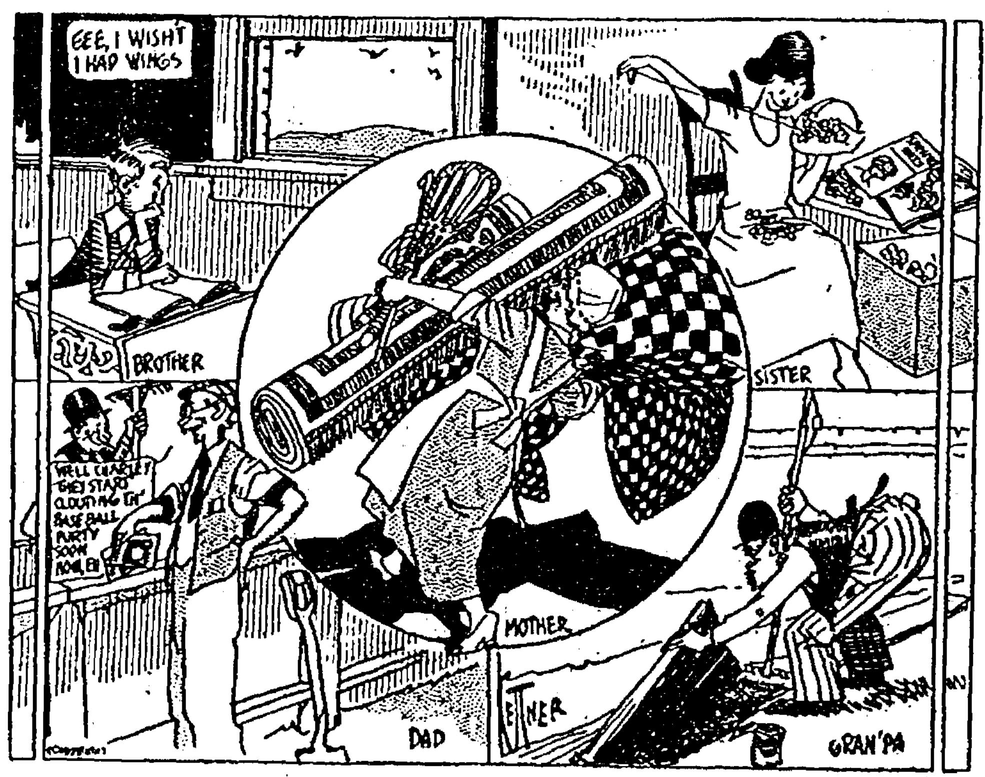
The South-east Quarter (SE1-4) of Section Twenty Seven (27) and the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1-4) and the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1-4) of Section Thirty-Four (34) all in Township Ninety-Three (93) North, Range Twenty Four (24) West of the 5th P. M. in Wright County, Iowa.

And that on the 9th day of June, 1922, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the front door of the Court House in Clarion, Wright County, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clarion, on this 10th day of May, 1922.

HENRY LANG,
Sheriff Wright County, Iowa.
J. M. JENSEN, Attorney.
262c

One Touch of Nature


GEE, I WISH I HAD WINGS
BROTHER
SISTER
WELL CHARLEY THEY STARD CLOUTING TH' BASE BALL PURTY SOON NOW, EH
MOTHER
DAD
GRAN'PA

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET PROVES BIG TIME

Some Fine Toasts Given By Students—Program Of Event In Full

Minimum Essentials

Madam toastmistress, fellow students, and faculty. We have been taught that minimum essentials on any subject is the least possible that can be said. So you will find that I am giving the very minimum essentials.

The very least that I can say on the subject of the banquet is that it has been a wonderful success. In speaking for the Senior Class I want to express our sincere appreciation of this entertainment given us by the Juniors.

I shall now get down to the real minimum essentials. First it is essential that Doris talk to at least one of the Jenison's every morning.

Second, it is essential that Harvey get a calling down every two weeks.

Third, it is essential that Lois and Leona wear the same style clothes each day.

Fourth, it is essential that Mildred Parsons and Irving Haupt talk after the 1:15 bell each day.

Fifth, it is essential that Winston look at Marjorie for five minutes just preceding recess.

Sixth, it is essential that Mr. Fyler carries a ring of keys on his belt so that we may hear him coming.

Seventh, it is essential that Beatrice Davenport has her Blood Hounds on the trail.

Eighth, it is essential that Lee come to school every morning with Elizabeth, for how could the school get along without Elizabeth?

Ninth. it is essential that Cecil Riley have a different girl every night in the week.

Tenth, it is essential that Mrs. Peterson be the big boss of the Junior-Senior banquet to make it a real success and fianally, it is essential that I quit if I expect to keep my B. H. S. FRIENDS.

Mr. Fyler's Toast

The topic, "Proof" which was given me suggests different ideas to each one of us, but the program turns our thoughts toward Geometry.

As Seniors you will soon say goodbye to your schoolmates and enter life's work. What kind of a life is yours to be?

You entered High school four years ago, after eight years preparation in the grades, and now you have six years more training along educational lines than the average citizen of the United States. How will this preparation effect yoru life?

Returning again to Geometry, your proposition is "To Live a Successful Life."

You have been given twelve years preparation in the schools of one of the best states in the Union.

You are to prove to the world that the education you have received will enable you to better preform your duties as a citizen in the community in which you live.

And finally comes the Proof, when in a few short days you will receive your diploma and bid farewell to B. H. S. Your Proof is to make "good" in life.

What is a successful life? Each one of us would probably answer the question in a different way, but to me, a successful life is a life of service in which character reigns and the individual does his best at all times, without fear or favor.

Success should not be measured in dollars, but by deeds. Success should not be measured by thoughts, but by action. Even success in High School should not be measured by grades, as many of us may think, but by honest effort, willingness and ability to do the thing at hand promptly and well.

Grades in the High School mean but little to me, but they are a necessary evil of the school system and must semain.

A student with a grade of 70 per cent has worked honestly and faithfully is more deserving of promotion and graduation than one who has received a higher grade, unfairly without effort, because the first has formed a habit that will be an asset in meeting life's problems whereas the latter will have a libility.

Character is the cornerstone of a successful life, and cannot be obtained in a short time. Remember that character is what you are, and not what you may be able to make other people think you are. It is the sum total of all your thoughts and acts, whether good, bad or indifferent.

As you go out into the battle of life, and you will find it to be a battle, remember that high ideals will mean much toward living a successful life.

Perhaps some of you may have heard the story about the small boy who worshipped his pet Bantam hen, but was sorely disappointed in the size egg she laid. One day as the boy's father was pasing the coop he stooped and looked in. There, before the nest and a little above it, he saw suspended by a string a large ostrich egg upon which was written, "Keep Your Eye On This And Do The Best You Can.

The thought I wish to leave with you is, AIM HIGH and do the best you can to be of service to others. "Live not for self alone, but for others, that your life may prove a blessing to mankind." Follow high ideals and you need have no worry about your life being successful.

Axioms and Postulates
(Marjorie Williams)

Madam Toastmistress, Juniors Seniors and Faculty: My subject is Axioms and postulates, so undoubtedly I'm to tell all the truths that are self-evident about the faculty.

Now there are certain things that are self-evident about the faculty to the Seniors, that perhaps the Juniors have not learned as yet, and we deem it wise to pass a few of these on to the coming Senior class.

First, I'll give a hint as to how certain members of the faculty should be treated in order to retain their good will.

Mr. Gruetzmacher's specialty is grades. Now, if for any possible reason you are not satisfied with a grade you receive from him, don't hesitate to see him and complain about it, for he is always so willing to raise a grade you are not satisfied with.

Another thing, don't ever think of bothering to return your report card,

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FARM BUREAU NEWS OF WRIGHT COUNTY

Many Interesting Items And Doings Of Farmers' Organizations

By R. M. Edwards

Norway Will Picnic

Members of the Norway Township Farm Bureau are planning an all-day picnic for Thursday, May 25th, Mrs. E. E. Evans and Harold Holm, chairman of the Norway farm bureau organization, have selected the folowing committee members to plan and organize the picnic program:

Ground committee: A. B. Erickson, John O. Engh, W. E. Buck, E. E. Evans, Elmer Thorson.

Refreshments Committee: Ernest Carr, Mrs. L. E. Evans, Austin Espe, Mrs. Bert Espe, Mrs. John Engh.

Program committee: Mrs. E. E. Evans, Henry Holm, Miss Jennie Maage, Harold Holm, Miss Alma Erickson, Mrs. W. E. Buck, Mrs. Edwin Johnson.

Athletic committee: Cryder Wicks, Joe Erickson, Roy Mickelson.

A. J. Shinn of Woodbine, who is an executive member of the State Farm Bureau Federation Board has been secured as the speaker of the occasion. Mr. Shinn has been in Wright county on several other occasions and those who heard him know his ability as a farm bureau speaker.

It will be remembered that Norway township staged a real honest to goodness picnic last year. The picnic was held last year at the W. E .Buck home and will be held at the same place this year. The program committee will report later on the complete program for the day.

Girls' Club Leader Here

Miss Josephine Arnquist, state leader in charge of the Girls' club work is in Wright county this week conducting meetings with the girls' garment clubs of Wright county. Miss Arnquist's work is being carried on with the garment clubs which were organized here when Miss Spencer had charge of the work.

Meetings have been arranged so that Miss Arnquist is meeting with the different garment clubs out in the different communities where the girls live. Great interest has been shown in the girls' club work and our only regret is that we do not have a country club leader who could devote her entire time to boys' and girls' club work in the county.

Livestock Shipping Association Meetings

Martin E. Sar, director of the livestock department of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation at Des Moines, will be in Wright county next week to speak to members of the various livestock shipping associations.

Mr. Sar is a wizard on livestock shiping problems and every farmer who is interested in hearing a real authority on the livestock situation should plan to attend one of the meetings.

The livestock shipping association meetings will be held as follows:

Belmond Monday, May 22, 7:30 p. m., Belmond Township hall.

Clarion, Tuesday, May 23, 7:30 p. m., county agent's office.

Eagle Grove, Wednesday, May 24, 7:30 p. m., Geo. Atwood's office.

Galt, Thursday, May 25, 7:30 p. m., Farmers' Elevator.

Dows, Friday, May 26, 7:30 p. m., Farmers' Elevator.

Woolstock Get-to-Gether

Members of the Woolstock Township Farm Bureau enjoyed a most interesting program at the Center school last Friday evening, May 12th. A program consisting of recitations, dialogues, and a splendid talk by one of the local members was given at this meeting. A short talk was also given by the county agent.

The feature of this meeting was a detailed explanation of a hog feeding experiment which was given by Ed Kirstein. This experiment which was conducted by the Nebraska Agricultural experiment station showed that the quickest and cheapest grains in feeding hogs are by feeding corn and alfalfa. The hogs in this experiment were purchased at $10.00 per cwt. and sold at the end of the experiment at $9.00 per cwt. The hogs which were fed on corn alone showed a loss of 75 cents per head and those which were fed on corn and alfalfa made a profit of $8.62 per head, showing the relative value of alfalfa as a supplement.

Farm Bloc in the Future

Senator Capper of Kansas is now the leader of the farm bloc. He has taken up the leadership where Senator Kenyon left off and under his steering the farmers of the United States are expecting the farm bloc to function with its usual efficiency in securing for them much needed legislation.

Senator Capper outlines the program of the bloc as follows:

"The farm bloc favors a liberal but sane appropriation for the Department of Agriculture, that it may function efficiently and conduct its activities on a scale in conformity with the size and importaance of the industry it serves.

"The farm bloc believes railway freight rates are too high and must come down.

"The farm bloc would restore to state railway commission much of the power taken away from them by an unwarrantable interpretation of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"Another measure favored by the farm bloc which will contribute to a permanent and prosperous system of agriculture is the development of the musle shoals project. We should resume work immediately on the government's great fertilizer and power plants on the Tennessee river. I believe it is possible to reduce this one-half if we carry out the Muscle shoals program.

"The farm bloc is supporting the Caper-French Truth-in-fabric bill to compel makers of clothing to brand their goods so that the buyer will know the amount of pure wool and the amount of shoddy in it."

"Clarence" Will Hold Forth That Evening

Senior Class Play Will Be The Big Event Of Week—Plan To Attend

AT SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Friday evening, May 19, the Senior Class Play "Clarence" will be given at the High School auditorium. Every one will want to see this play as it has a laugh in every line. Around Clarence revolves such a group of characters as only Booth Tarkington can offer.

Cast of Characters

Mrs. Martin—Leona Smith.
Mr. Wheeler—William Vestweber.
Mrs. Wheeler—Carol Tyrrell.
Bobby Wheeler—Lee Lowenberg.
Cora Wheeler—Luella Hauge.
Violet Pinney—Marjorie Williams.
Clarence—Teddy Johnson.
Della—Elaine Rierson.
Dinwiddie—Irvin Haupt.
Hubert Stem—Clifford Johnson.

A matinee for school children will be held in the afternoon at one o'clock Admission 25c. Adults 50c.

Monday afternoon the Annuals were sold to High School pupils. The second annual is a great success and every one will want one. They will be ready for distribution to Alumni and town people the last of the week.

Any merchant having bills against any class or school organization must present their bill on or before May 29 to assure payment of same during present school year.

Miss Jane Ramsay, of the teaching faculty, left last Friday for her home in Garner, where she will rest up a few days from her illness. She expects to be back on duty at the school the latter part of this week.

Ronald Purcell celebrated his 10th birthday last Friday, when 10 of his boy friends gave him a surprise party in honor of the event. An afternoon of various games was enjoyed, after which delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Purcell.

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SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn.

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

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Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

GREAT POWER FROM GOD:—Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall by any means hurt you.—Luke 10: 19.

Monday.

A SURE GUIDE:—Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him.—Psalm 37: 5, 7.

Tuesday.

THE FIRST AND THE LAST:—I am the first, and I am the last: and besides me there is no God . . . Is there a God besides me? yea, there is no God: I know not any.—Isaiah 44: 6, 8.

Wednesday.

REAL PEACE:—Wisdom's ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. — Proverbs 3: 17.

Thursday.

GOD'S GOOD GIFTS: — The Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Psalm 84: 11.

Friday.

THE OMNISCIENT GUIDE:—The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord.—Psalm 37: 23.

Saturday.

NO MORE WAR:—Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.—Isaiah 2: 4.

Announcement for Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries June 5, 1922.

J. M. JENSEN.

Announcement for Supervisor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor from the first district, subject to the primaries on June 5, 1922.

D. E. Harris

Announcement For Co. Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney for Wright county subject to the Republican primaries of June 5, 1922.

J. A. ROGERS

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the primary on June 5, 1922, on the Republican.

F. H. Peterson

How's Your Battery?

Maybe you've noticed that it isn't turning the motor over as strong as it might, that it hasn't quite the pep it used to have, that it seems to be just a little "off its feed".

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JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET PROVES BIG TIME

Some Fine Toasts Are Given By Students—Program In Full

(Continued from Pape 1)

for Miss Thomas just loves just delights in making out new ones.

If you're ever in a farce directed by Miss Dodd, consider yourself lucky, for she never requires the lines to be memorized. She likes to prompt people from the wings.

One good thing about Miss Sharon is that she never requires original work. She recommends to all her Latin classes the Latin ponies sold by Sears, Roebuck & Co. Does she get a commission?

Mr. Fyler is so accomodating about bills at the office that, well, in fact he doesn't care if you don't pay your bills at all. No names are ever put on the board for bills less than 1 cent.

If you're on the B. B. squad and want to especially please Miss Stedman, follow the directions carefully: On out-of-town games never come home on the right train, but manage to be at least a day late. If she says anything, don't worry, for she never means a word she says.

While I'm speaking of Basket Ball coaches, I'll give a word of advice to the boys. You can throw a ball any old place in your practice, for Mr. Christie is noted for his "calm temper" and silence.

Commercial people notice: Let your shorthand go on busy days, for Miss Eastman won't even expect you to prepare a lesson when you have heavy assignments in other subjects.

All girls taking Glee Club work plan to be 5 minutes late every morning and don't under any circumstances learn the songs for public appearances.

When Mrs. Peterson is helping anyone in the study room, every one else start talking and whispering. Mrs. Peterson can think better when there is plenty of noise.

Second, I'll give you some instructions, as all of our faculty will not be here next year, you will need some directions that work equally well with all teachers:

1. Learn the first lesson perfectly. Once you get your reputation established you can pull the wool over the teacher's eyes easily.
2. Always laugh loud and long at your instructor's jokes.
3. If you don't know anything about a subject, and you are asked to recite, don't hesitate but start right out and pretty soon you will see the prof. become intensely interested in some point you touch. Hang on to it and let the rest go.
4. The curse of H. S. life is boredom. Driven by this you are likely to get interested in study if are not careful. To avoid this, one great preventive is sleep. Sleep all you can. If you don't sleep enough in bed sleep in class.
5. Never do today what the teacher will forget to call for tomorrow.

When the Junior banquet is over, and commencement days have gone by; When the Seniors' colors have faded, and the Juniors' are flying high; Our thoughts will return to those good old days, When we Seniors were supreme. And the days we spent in High school are nothing but a dream. And only the faculty praised us, and only the faculty blamed; When none of us worked for money, and only a few for fame, and none for the joy of working, and none for the grades he earned; And now we're beginning to realize, how very little we learned. In spite of all our foolishness, and all the things we have done we wouldn't give up one moment, one least little bit of our fun. But when we are gone we shall miss them, we shall miss them most of all of our friends, for they have faithfully guided us, on them we have learned to depend. So now to each faculty member, our best of wishes extend; Success, good-bye and thank you, dear friends.

The annual Junior-Senior banquet was held at the school building Friday evening, May 12. The gymnasium was artistically decorated with the Senior class colors, green and white. A canopy was suspended from the ceiling under which the tables were placed in the form of a cross. Lily-of-the-Valley, the Senior class flower, and ferns made the table decorations. The prevailing colors were carried out in the following menu:

Pistachio Punch
Wafers
Mashed Potatoes with Peas
Meat Loaf Roulettes
Watermelon Pickles
Cucumber Salad
Cheese Balls
Ice a' la 1922
Macaroons
Coffee Mints

After the serving of the banquet an interesting toast program was given, Doris Bailey presiding as toastmistress.

Proposition 1—Doris Bailey.
Minimum Essentials—Morey Nelson
Axioms and Postulates—Marjorie Williams.
Q. E. D.—Cecil Riley.
The Nth Power—Miss Sharon.
Proof—Mr. Fyler.
"Boosting"

Proposition 1
(Doris Bailey)

Members of the Senior Class, Faculty and friends, although I was listed on the program as PROPOSITION 1, it seems to me that this should be the Corallary. However, I'll leave it to you how much of a Proposition this banquet has been. I never could understand why toast is served last at a banquet, unless it is the perlude to breakfast. There are several kinds of toasts, according to most hotel menus, but I have chosen cinnamon toast, because I want *something spicy.*

To be real frank with you, I feel something like a certain Captain of whom a Lieutenant remarked, "They say Captain Jinks was very calm and collected after his accident this morning."

To which a brother replied, "Yes, yes, quite calm, but he is still being collected."

Now it's just the other way with us. You are collected and I suppose I should feel quite calm.

We Juniors take great pleasure in welcoming the Seniors and faculty here this evening.

This annual gathering may be the high spot in the social activities of the Junior year, and each member of the class is glad to have had a share in this party, which we trust will be a great memory of high school days to you who will so soon be counted as students in the school of life.

The Nth Power

The proper introduction for this toast would be a defination of the subject, but my proposition is like that of the negro school master who was taking an oral examination from his board of directors. He had answered question after question without the least hesitancy, and after each question he had become more satisfied with himself. Finally one of the examiners asked him to define the word jeopardy.

"What's that word, Mister?"

"The word is jeopardy."

"You wants me to define the word jeopahdy?"

"Yes, explain the meaning of the word, jeopardy."

"Well, I should define the word jeopardy as being any action or deed which has been or will be performed by a jeopard."

My definition of the Nth power is the value of a number raised to the degree N.

But we meet many illustration of the Nth degree in our daily life, or at least we come to many places where it might well be used.

We often hear children talking in this manner: if one says "Oh, I have a hundred of those," the other will say, "I ave a hundred-hundred." Then the first goes up to ten hundred hundred and so on. They are carried away by the numbers until they seem to b lost in a maze of figures, but neither can come to any stopping place. The value N might help them, but it is saved for more advanced mathematics.

There are occasions too, much nearer to us, where values areraised to the exponent N. The seniors working their arithmetic are a good example; they make enough flourishes and scowls and even groans to convince us that they are raising a little care to Nth power. Or the teachers hurrying about seem to be raising the urgency of their affairs to the Nth degree.

There are places in the world of facts where some such indefinite value as N is demanded, where the relations of Arabic numerals no longer are practical nor even valid. The number of stars, the age of the world are values so unlimited that their contemplation is almost dizzying. But much nearer to us there is another unlimited value, which is often called the variable in the human equation. Variable it certainly is, without limit of any kind. Everyone of us will have to admit that we have never yet done our very best possible work, without leaving some little place which might have been better. And here the functional relation stands for effort raised to the Nth degree, we may expect a return of achievement in the same degree.

And this, Seniors and Juniors is our wish for you. Success and happiness, the reward of effort in the Nth power.

Q. E. D.
(Cecil Riley)

Honorable toastmistress: guests of Honor, teachers of Belmond High School and classmates it has been a difficult task for me to prepare a speech for this occasion. I am a little handicapped having been here only a short time with you. Nevertheless I have been here long enough to discover some of the real virtures of the class of '22, and realize that we the students of the Junior class, have a high standard to attain in order to fill acceptably that position which they vacate. At this time I am reminded of a story of a young school teacher who had just been graduated from a normal school and who was asked to substitute in a grade higher than her own. She was a little nervous over the temporary promotion and was anxious that everything should go off in the usual good order. While instructing the class in composition, she said: "Now children don't attempt any flights of fancy. Don't try to imitate the things you have heard, but just be yourselves and write what is really in you." As a result of this advice, one little boy turned in the following composition:

"I ain't goin' to attempt no flite of fancy; I'm just goin' to write what's in me, and I got a hart, a liver, two lungs, and some other things like that; then I got a stummick, and it's got in it a pickle a piece of pie, two sticks of peppermint candy, and my dinner."

I am going to follow that teachers advice as the boy did and not try any flights of fancy but deliver my sentiments in a straight forward simple way.

Every graduating class is fine, but this class is superfine, which proves there a reexceptions to every rule. Several individuals of the class should receive honorable mention for their competitive work in school and in athletics. The class has in it many leaders and captains, there's Everett Parsons the track captain with more individual honors than any other athlete in school. He is also a whirlwind of a basket ball player. Wiliam Vestweber captain of the basket ball put his team through the season successfully having won more games than he lost to his apponents. Bill did great work on the debating team in declamatory and was president of the literary society one semester. Besides all that I have mentioned, he was kept busy giving the necessary attention to his numerous girl friends. Elaine Rierson is an all around girl student and athlete. She was the main stay of the debating team. The girls basket ball team owe much of their success this year to Elaine, who was one of the best players on the team and was truly qualified to hold the position as floor manager. Whenever there is a look of doubt on Elaine's face, yu can be pretty sure she will ask the question "where is Lee." Teddy Johnson also did commendable work on the debating team this year. His ability as a ball player is notable, as he succeeded in holding a steady job on both baseball and basket ball teams. Carol Tyrrell did wonderful work as a dramatic speaker. What puzzled me is how she could accomplish successfully such work when she is so timid and modest. We all know there is one in the class of '22 who has developed strong lungs. As a leader of the yell group *Morey Nelson has helped our boys* and girls teams to recuperate in spirit and win when defeat seemed almost certain. Eloise Brooks accomplished much as a dramatic speaker. The self appointed position as class critic she held successfully and I believe she is unsurpassed along that line of work. Lee Lowenberg has made a fine record in track so far this year as well as in debate and other school activities. I could keep on telling the work and virtures of the rest of the class but it would take too much time. The class has in it many who are noted for their talkative manner, for instance, Ellen Hinman, Wilma Thompson, and Josie Kallestad.

The seniors have proved their ability in school work and athletics and only need a Q. E. D. to make their proof complete. The Juniors have just reached the place where the proposition is put before them to prove, and I sincerely hope that they will prove it with as great a degree of success as did the class of '22.

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A FEW THOUGHTS ABOUT YOUR BATTERY

Asking how many months a battery will last is like asking how many months a pair of shoes will last. The maker, or his agent can only answer that it is "Wear, tear and care" that count, but at the same time he will lay special stress on the "care." Manufacturers of the Willard storage battery have figured as a matter of fact, that there are just four things that determine the life of a battery. These are use, time, care, and the quality of the battery itself.

If a person makes unusual demands upon a battery he will probably reduce its life by a few months, but with all other things equal he will have attained a satisfactory milage. Consequently cost per mile in such a case is as fair a basis for comparison as cost per month.

What does time do to your battery? Going back to the shoe argument, if you bought a new pair, wore them a couple weeks and then left them off exposed to every condition for a length of time, they would deteriorate. In fact, you would discover that they had been wearing themselves out. It's the same with a battery.

Care comes next. The battery is something not only to use, but to use up. You provide your car with electricity for starting, lighting and ignition by using up the battery. The battery is not an inexhaustible supply of electricity, but it is a boxful of electricity making ingredients and these ingredients must be restored as used or the supply will give out. The best protection is to refill the cells with water, recharge the battery regularly, preferable at a service station, and make tests of the battery every two weeks. Such care will guard against a sudden and perhaps costly breakdown.

If the professional reformers really must reform something, why don't they start on themselves?

If silence is golden, we know a lot of folks who haven't even small change.

"The Battle Cry of Freedom" seems to be the favorite song of the divorcee.

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NEW FISH HATCHERY AT CLEAR LAKE

If one has never seen the inside of a fish hatchery, it is well worth the time to make a trip to Clear Lake and see the new state hatchery in operation. Mr. Monpleasure is in charge of the place, and he will do his best to explain the workings of the place to you. At this time, and until about the 20th inst, pike are being hatched. Spon from which the fish are being hatched, has been brought from Wisconsin points, and there is a sufficient quanity of it to produce 10,000,000 fish. The hatching process is very interesting, and when the fish first appear, they look just like "wigglers" that we have all seen in rain barrels. In size and appearance, they are almost identical. As they hatch, they swim to the top of the glass jar in which the eggs are located. Running water passes thro these jars all the time. The current is strong enough to carry the little fellows overboard when they get near the top, and they are thus dumped into a large vat. From this they are placed in cans for shipment or dumped into the lake as desired. Three-Fourths of the pike hatched this season will be placed in Clear Lake to restock that resort. Mr. Monpleasure tells us that approximately ten per cent of the minnows hatched live to be real fish. With a few million extra fish cavorting about the lake, we are of the opinion that even we would be able to land one occasionally. After the 20th, the hatchery will be closed for the season. A great many people have availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting the place.—Garner Leader.

As a general rule, the ones whom you do the most favors for are the very first to forget them.

I like the optimist who is so sure that the corn crop will be a big success, that he hustles to keep it weeded and growing.

Griesy's Store News

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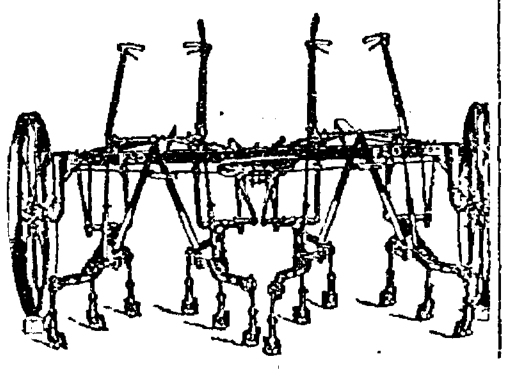
Twine

Yes, we are here every week to remind you that harvest time will be on your heels before you know it. And harvest time means that you must have twine. We have already placed our reservation for a quantity of the old reliable Deering twine, but in order to make sure that you get yours, give us your order now. Prices this year sound mighty good. Buy good twine. The only kind of twine that pays is the kind that binds the grain securely, and is free from breakage, snarling, and slippage. You will find this in Deering twine at the lowest price over five years.

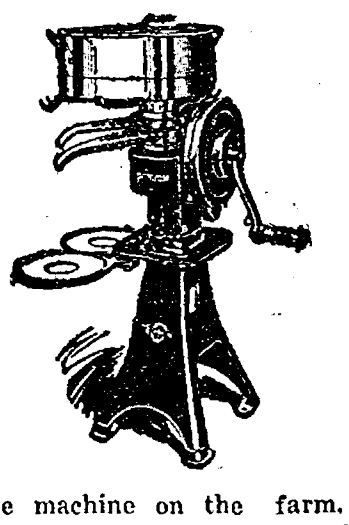
Cultivators of Merit

Years ago International and P & O cultivators were introduced to cultivator users in this locality. They were good cultivators then. Since that time every possible improvement has been made. They stand today at the top of the list—light in draft and weight, easy for man or boy to handle and with well-earned reputation for lasting dependable service. In these lines you will find walkers, riders, shovel, disk, surface, two-row, and single row cultivators. Come in, let us show them to you.



A Profit Maker

The Primrose cream separator properly used becomes the most profitable machine on the farm. A Primrose provides the means of securing ample skimmilk in the best possible condition for feeding, always at the same temperature. It saves all the butter fat and delivers cream that brings the highest market price, in the best condition for butter making. Let us tell you about the Primrose. Ask us to show you this profit making machine the next time you are in Belmond.



Are You Ready

Haying and harvesting time will soon be here. Perhaps some of those old machines will hold together another year if they are repaired, and perhaps some other machines not so old need repairs to put them in good working order. For your McCormick-Deering haying and harvesting machines use only I C H repairs. They last longer and wear better. No doubt you will also need at least one new machine this year. We have it—a complete line-up from mowers to threshing machines in the McCormick-Deering machines.

Is that old lawn mower working? We carry a complete line at reasonable prices.

Oaks spring from acorns, yes, but not over night.

April showers bring May flowers, but will May showers bring oats?

Some fellows never do much scratching unless they have the itch.

The quitter is the only man who ever loses a battle.

They say that troubles never come singly. Most of them seem to be married.

White Buys EGGS

Fill Your Cistern

By letting me repair the eave troughs, or placing new ones before the spring rains come. Don't wait until the last minute--we may be too busy then---do it now. Leave orders at Johnson & Wright's store.

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Res. Phone 229

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For Congress

The people of the Third district have an opportunity to put in congress a man of ripe legislative experience and standing---one who has been elected speaker of the Iowa House of Representatives and who has the distinction of having been re-elected to that exalted position by acclamation. Arch W. McFarlane of Waterloo has been a loyal and active republican all his life, and has given freely of his time and means to the support of the party and its principles. He commands the confidence and esteem of those who know him.

Experience United With Character

United with experience of the most valuable kind, Mr. McFarlane possesses the character of a sturdy, dependable and successful business man,

Vitally concerned in all problems of interest to every person in the Third district

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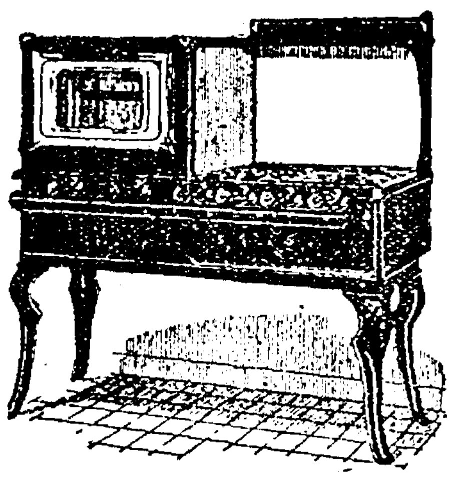

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

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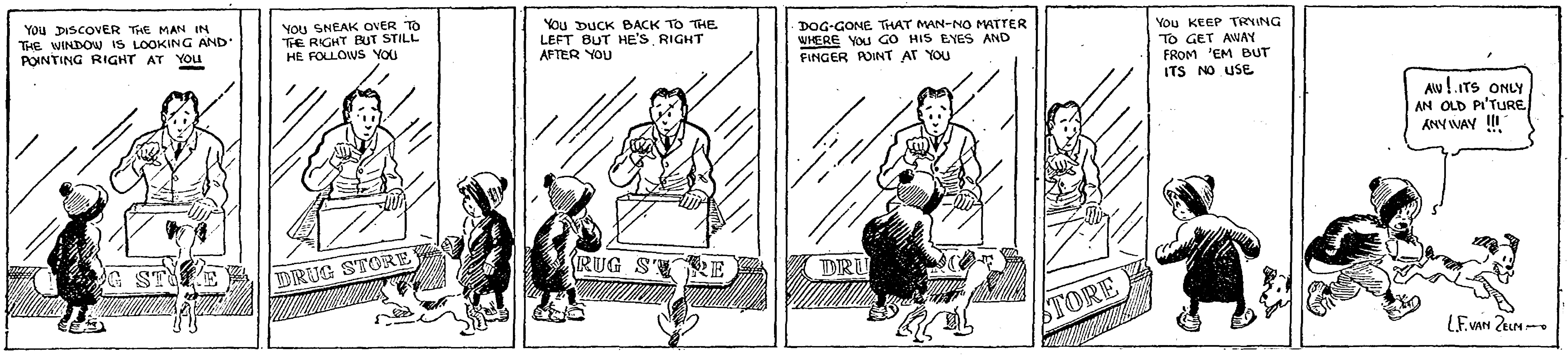
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YOU KEEP TRYING TO GET AWAY FROM 'EM BUT ITS NO USE
STORE
AW! ITS ONLY AN OLD PI'TURE ANYWAY !!!
L.F. VAN ZELM

School Notes

Senior Class play Thursday evening May 18, "An Old Fashioned Mother." The story of a Prodigal son; a real story, pathos and humor mixed and blended. Play lasts two hours.

The Class Sermon Sunday evening at Evangelical church. Union services in charge of Rev. Scniesselman. Rev. Pannkuk will deliver the sermon.

Junior banquet for Seniors will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendel, Monday evening, May 22.

The seventh grade will hold a reception at the home of Miss Tena Pals, Friday afternoon for the eighth grade.

Eighth grade commencement will be held at the M. E. church in the evening, May 25. A good program is being prepared by the school. County Supt. R. E. Newcomb will be present and give an address to class and present diplomas.

The following program will be presented at the Meservey schools Wednesday May 24, 1922. 9-11-45 School work. Exhibit of Grade, High School work, Manual Training, and Domestic Science. 11-45-1:30 Picnic Dinner. 1-1:30 Parents Hour—In charge of Mr. John Hartfelder. 1:30-3:00 Games, Sports, Drills. Drill 3-4 grade by Miss Thomas. Girls Potato Race—In charge of Miss Ralston. Boys in 50 yard dash—In charge of Mr. Klinker. Boys in 75 yard dash—Mr. Klinker in charge. Boys in 100 yard dash—Mr. Klinker in charge. Girls Standing Broad jump—Miss Ralson in charge. Boys Running Broad jump—Mr. Klinker in charge. Boys High jump. May Pole Drill—Miss Thomas in charge. 3-3:30 Girls Basket Ball game. Goodell vs. Meservey. 3:30 Base Ball game.

Exhibit day play day and picnic next Wednesday May 24. A full day is arraanged with basket dinner at noon.

The children of the 5th and 6th grades have completed their tissue paper umberellas which they have been working on in handiwork.

The pupils of these grades are busily engaged in the display for exhibit day.

The 3rd and 4th grades are making umberellas, spelling books and note book lids to put on exhibition for play day. The girls are preparing a May pole drill and the boys are practising their drills.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15 a. m.
Services 10:15 a. m..
Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m.
Services (English) 8:00 p. m.
Catechism at the usual hours on Saturday afternoon.
Rev. H. Pannkuk Pastor

Women's Missionary Society

The W. M. S. met last Thursday afternoon in the Evangelical church basement for their annual business meeting. Following are the officers elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. A. Schlesselman.
First Vice Pres.—Mrs. A. E. Muller
Second Vice Pres.—Mrs Braiter.
Treasurer—Mrs W. F. Butz.
Sec. of Message Bearers—Mrs. C. J. Janssen.
Sec. of Little Heralds—Mrs. H. F. Reif.

Mrs. Braiter was chosen delegate to the annual convention at Cedar Falls with Mrs. Mullr as alternate, they receiving tie votes.

Little Heralds Promoted to Message Bearers Society:

The Little Heralds' Promotion Day exercises were held last Sunday evening in the Evangelical church. The program was well rendered and much enjoyed by those present. The house was packed and those in charge felt amply repaid for their efforts. The Message Bearers received 13 new members thru promotion and the little members felt quite proud of their diplomas. The Message Bearers offering amounted to $15.12 this being a semi-annual Thank-offering The Little Heralds' offering was $34.-08, this also being a semi-annual cradle offering combined with the plate offering. The following are the Little Herald members promoted to the Mesage Bearers Society:

Ronald Groesbeck, Onnallee Halfpop, Glen Janssen, Jans Oleson, Orenza Quandt, Juanita Eiler, Norman Muller, Lyle Fischer, Lauretta Kennedy, Viola Koehler, Arlo Paul, Esther Smith, Carolyn McCall.

GOODELL NEWS

The Manual Training Department of the High school has a fine exhibit in the windows of the old drug store.

A large crowd listened to the excellent address delivered by the Rev. Tom Roberts of Sheffield, to the graduating class. The church choir and the high school girls furnished the music for the occasion.

The operata given last Tursday night by the grades of the school was enjoyed by all that attended. Each pupil preformed his or her part in a very creditable manner. To render such a program required much training. The teachers are to be congratulated. on the excellent results.

Last Wednesday evening at a six o'clock the seniors of the High school were entertained by the teachers and the lower clases. At 5:30 they journeyed toward the Iowa river and enjoyed the refreshments on the banks of the river near Old Town.

Supt. Nelson has so improved that he was able to attend the Baccalaurate sermon on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Sandberg drove to Belmond Friday afternoon.

On Firday Mrs. Harry Ruka was taken to the Hospital at Hampton for treatment.

A large force of men are working in the Wilson Highway both north and south of Goodell. Between 60 and 70 men are tiling and grading on this road.

Mrs. Iva Christie Stacy of Lake Mills, who has been visiting her mother and sisters for some time returned to her home on Sunday. Her Husband came down for her.

Mr. Harold Smith and family called at the T. R. Burgess home Wednesday evening.

Tuesday evening Mrs. T. R. Burgess and Mrs. L. W. Wesenberg entertained the teachers at the home of Mrs. Burgess.

Mr. James Trumbell of Mason City was seen on our streets Saturday.

The Commencement exercises will be held in the U. B. church on Thursday evening at 8 p. m. Dr. Shannon of Des Moines will be the speaker of the evening.

Roy Cline came down from Buffalo Center on Sunday and spent a few hours with his parents. His father returned with him Sunday afternoon.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

A much needed rain is gently falling this morning, Monday. Small grain, beets and garden truck have all been suffring from rain.

We are on the truck line which runs from Kanawha to Iowa Falls, via of Hampton. Swift & Co. have their cream delivered in this way. We have been wondering how it would be when the roads get bad.

Geo. Baxter and Clarence Scott traded their automible to Geo. Cook for two cows.

Margary Lien went to Kanawha Saturday to take part in a music recital given by Mrs. Magor's pupils.

Ole Shaw and sons of Belmond have been doing some much needed repair work on the store building occupied by S. O. Windecker.

Martin Paulson recently purchased a new Ford runabout.

School closed Friday, the teacher, Miss Gladys Hauge, treated her children to all the ice cream that they could eat.

Roy Lee, who fell from the disc and broke his leg is doing nicely.

The Ladies Aid Society, which met with Mrs. Geo. C. Johnson, last Wednesday was well attended. In three weeks it will meet with Mrs. Herman Johnson.

S. O. Windecker was a business caller in Belmond Saturday.

Mr. E. Eden who has been at the Rochester hospital for te last six months has returned to his home and is getting along nicely. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent the week end at her home at Belmond.

A. D. Brogan was a business caller at Mason City Monday.

Maybe when folks learn more about "tuning in" there will be less divorce.

Summer Suit Suggestions

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That is not our belief. Our customers want fair prices, the lowest prices possible for quality merchandise. But they know we cannot sell good clothing at the same price as cheap clothing.

There is nothing the public buys in which quality is so important as in clothing. Nor is there anything in which workmanship can be so easily concealed from the casual observer.

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Dinnerware At Half Price

Fancy Nippon China and Dinnerware and Johnson's English Dinnerware in plain white. Manufacturers of China and dishes are still demanding and getting war prices. We shall discontinue the line until prices are more reasonable. That's the reason for this sale.

A Rug Sale

We offer about 15 rugs, 9x12, Axminster and Body Brussels and Tapestry Brussels

A $50 rug is priced $40
A $40 rug is priced $32

A number of Axminster Rugs, 27x54 are priced
$3.00

These prices are good to and including Monday, May 22. Bring along a copy of this ad or tell us the name of the paper you saw it in. This is a special offering to our out-of-town trade.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Strasburg and daughter, Mae, motored to Mason City on Tuesday afternoon of last week.

Bertha Thorman of Belmond was at Meservey Tuesday and Wednesday giving her weekly music lessons.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stadtlander and Mrs. Emma Stadtlander were Mason City callers Wednesday of last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and Lydia motored to Hampton on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Cemetery Society

The Cemetery Society met with Mrs. Canrad Bier Tuesday 9th. The afternoon was enjoyably spent after which refreshments were served. A fine time was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brogan and children were Mason City callers Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ruiter were callers at Mrs. Ruiter's folks' home in Latimer Wednesday eve.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Robinson and son Melcome were at Rowan Thursday eve of last week.

Mrs. Meyers was a shopper at Mason City Friday.

Mrs. Henry Proost was a dental caller at Mason City Friday.

Herman Gruis and daughter, Kate and son, Carl were business callers at Mason City Thursday.

Mrs Harm Dirks was at Mason City visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks, who is still at the Park Hospital.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson was at Hampton Wednesday of last week having dental work done.

Miss Virginia Nelson of Thornton spent the week end at the S. Faaburg home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bachman and children, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson and daughter and Mr. Nelson of Klemme were Sunday guests at the Mrs. L. F. Wilkins home.

G. Lauster and family were Sunday guests at the Ed Rooks home near Klemme.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schroeder of Britt were Sunday callers at the Hiko Kuhler home.

Mrs. H. Meinderts returned home with her daughter Mrs. Nelson on Sunday for a short visit.

A number of the people from here attended the funeral services of Mrs. Friesleben at Belmond on Sunday aftrnoon.

Miss Jeanetta Lauen who is working near Klemme spent Sunday here at the home of her parents.

Quite a number of people of this vicinity took advantage of the opening of the fishing season Monday.

The Catechism graduates of the Meservey Reformed church were accompanied by Rev. Pannkuk and family who motored to Mason City Monday where they had their pictures taken.

Walt Braga and family spent Sunday with relatives at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Enabnit of near Clear Lake spent Sunday evening at the F. C. Sprau home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Robinson were shopping at Mason City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlander were accompanied by Mrs. Geo Gerdes who motored to Mason City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Pals and little son of near Belmond spent Sunday with Relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Bier and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hafferman motored to Belmond Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. Friesleben.

Don't forget the Seniors Play, "The Old Fashioned Mother" which will be given Thursday May 18th at the M. E. church.

Mrs. Kletts of Sigourney, Iowa came last week for a short visit at the home of her niece, Mrs. Carl Herrmann.

Louie Tokman of Belmond was here on business one day last week.

Forrest and Lyle Brogan of Fairmont Minn., same last week for a visit here at the homes of their brothers, Clifford and Adrain.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and daughters and Mrs. C. E. Brogan autoed to Thornton last Thursday evening to attend the services conducted by Rev. Metcalf.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gruis autoed to Dows on Friday visiting friends. Miss Jacobs of that place returned home with them to spend the day Saturday.

AMERICAN LEGION MEET

The American Legion met last Tuesday evening in the office of the Reacker Garage. A fine bunch were present and plans were made for Decoration Day. After the meeting the boys enjoyed a feed at the City Cafe. The next meeting will be the second day of June on the first Thursday of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Meintz and sons, Harm and Abe were callers at Sheffield on Friday.

Mrs. J. C. Robinson of Mason City visited at the F. A. Lemke home last week.

Miss Ruby King was a shopper at Mason City Saturday.

Mrs. F. L. Halfpop was a passenger to Mason City on Saturday morning pertaining to business matters.

Miss Margurite Galbraith spent Sunday with her mother at Mason City.

C. J. Wendel and Mr. Con Bier and wife were at Lake Okaboji on Thursday and Friday of last week on business matters. Mrs. Bier visited at the home of her son, Chas. at Swea City.

Melvin Smith was at Mason City Thursday of last week.

Passenger No. 16 was delayed several hours last week Wednesday due to engine trouble.

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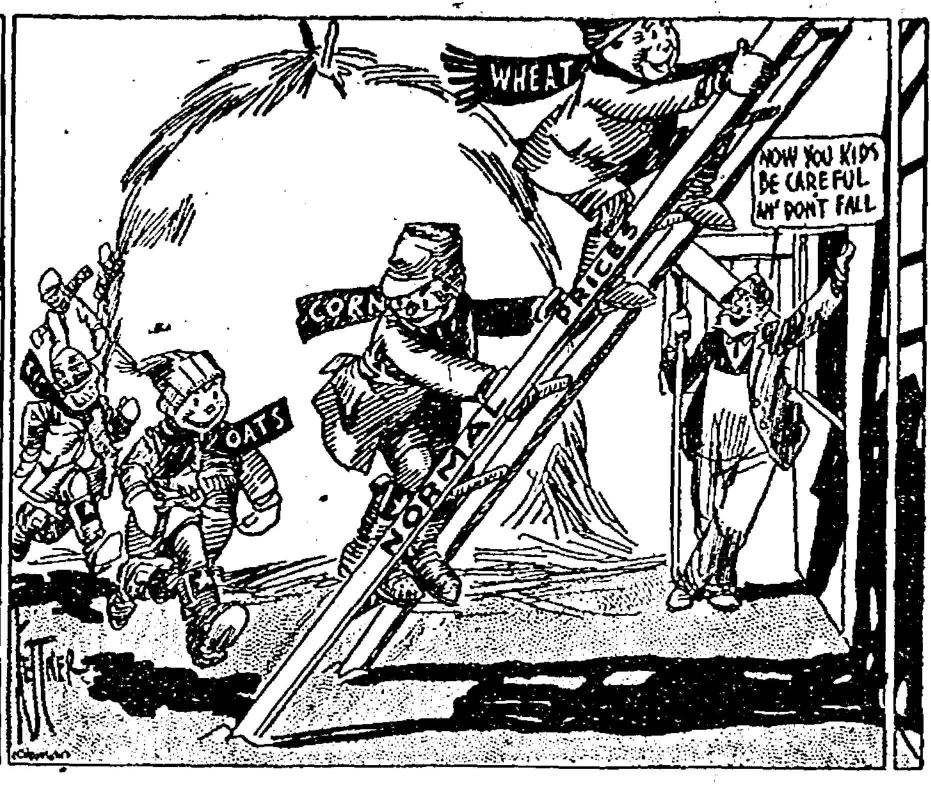
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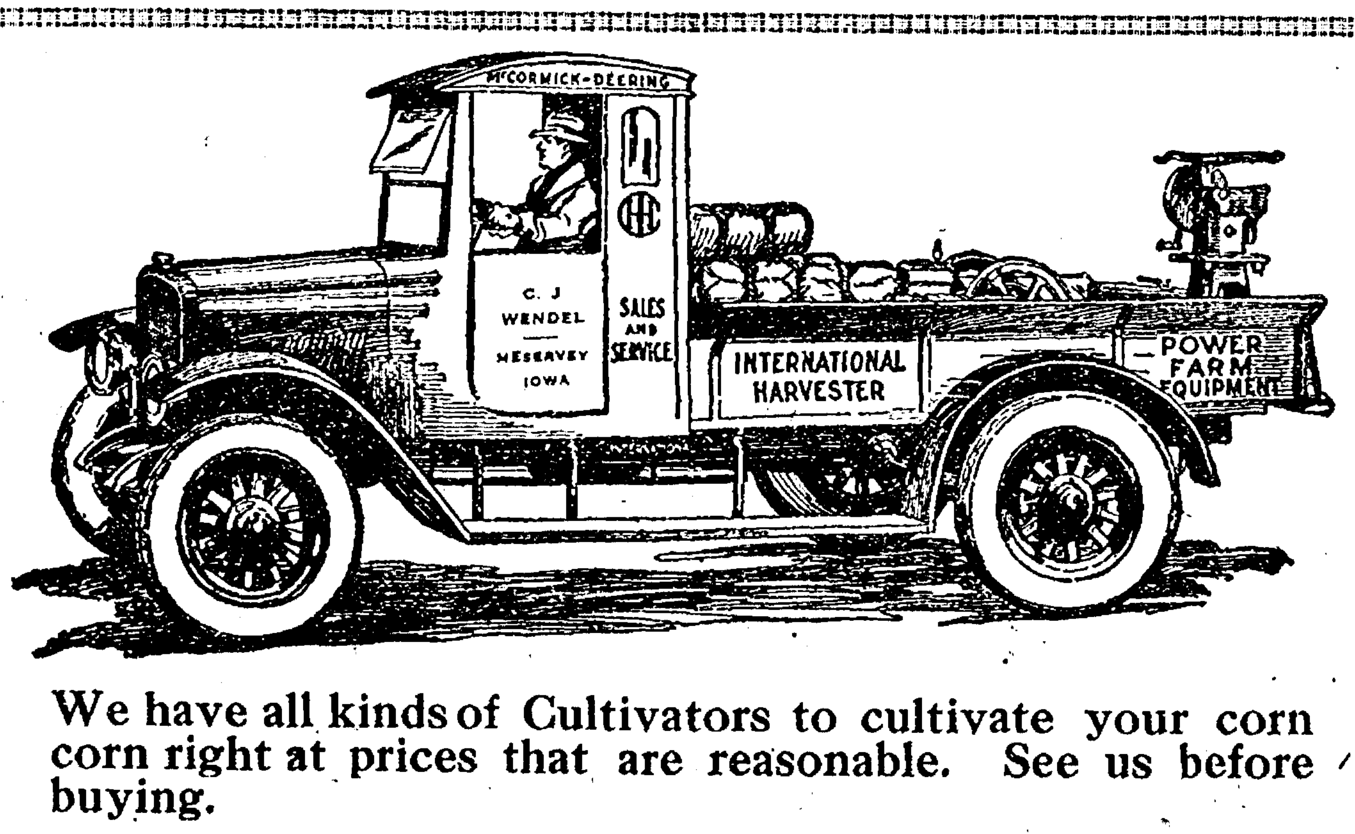

We have all kinds of Cultivators to cultivate your corn corn right at prices that are reasonable. See us before buying.

C. J. Wendel

WANTED—20 head of cattle to pasture.—Harold Quandt, Thornton, Iowa. 281*

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FOR SALE—Rose and single comb Rhode Island eggs for hatching. Fertility guaranteed.—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 19tfc

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

J. C. Arends was a business caller at Clarion Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pell and Robert Weber of Waterloo visited with relatives at Alexander the first of the week.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson, Jessie Benard and Gertrude Berninghausen were shoppers at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends entertained twenty-five of their relatives and friends to dinner last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton French of Rowan were Sunday visitors at the Henry Polmateer home.

Jerry Beenen of Hampton spent the first of the week at his home at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geitz and family attended the funeral services of Mrs. Friesleben at Belmond last Sunday.

Carl Griemann our M. & St. L. agent spent the week end with friends at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Waddington of Geneva were Sunday visitors at the Otto Kieslich home.

Fred Greenfield was a business caller at Belmond Saturday.

Mrs. Belle Tower of N. Loin, New York visited at the Henry Polmateer home the first of the week.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen Miss Anna Beenen and Theodore Beenen autoed to Renwick last Sunday and visited at the Will Beenen home of that place.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer visited at her home in Sheffield last Saturday.

Miss Eva Whetstone, Mrs. Butler and Arthur Butler were callers at Hampton Saturday afternoon.

Peter Bohlen was a caller at Hampton one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer and son, Cacil George, and Mrs. Chas. Winwood were shopers at Hampton Thursday.

George S. Yaw of Iowa Falls was a business caller in this vicinity the past week.

The Misses Cornwell, Bernard and Berninghausen three of our teachers of school were very pleasantly entertained at the J. C. Arends home last Saturday.

Mrs. George Yaw and Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls visited with Alexander relatives on Sunday.

Miss Lillie Cornwell and Bert Kieslich were callers at Dows Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and Lena were visitors at the Suntken home near Meservey one day last week.

School Notes

The Baccalaurate services were held in the High School auditorium last Sunday evening. Rev. Heyenga of the Reformed church delivered the sermon. His sermon was an excellent one teeming with food for thought, high ideals and inspiration. Rev. A. D. Mohr assisted in the preliminaries. The singing was furnished by the combined choirs of the churches of the town and was rendered in a highly pleasing manner. A large crowd was present and filled the auditorium to the limit.

Next Friday May 19th will be a day long to be remembered on account of the heavy rainfall induced by the proposed annual school picnic. All grades plan an excursion on this date, to various parts of Franklin and Wright counties.

School closes this week on Friday May 19. The eighth grade exercises will be given Wednesday evening May 17th. The eighth grade class this year is composed of 19 members, five boys and 14 girls. The High School Commencement will be held Thursday evening May 18th. The class consists of two members, Walter Smith and Alice Barkema.

We are in receipt of a letter from the Earl Ferris Nursery offering us a dozen South Carlonia poplars for the school yard, free of charge. We hope the weather is favorable for our getting the trees and planting them

School exhibits will be on display Wednesday and Thursday night. These exhibits include various phases of the school work of the present year. The public is invited to inspect the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter, Leona of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Lewis Bell home.

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KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR

Get acquainted with your neighbor!
Stop and pass the time of day;
You may get a lot of pleasure
From the things he has to say.
You may find a different fellow
Than you thought him at the start;
You may form a mutual liking,
Tho your views be far apart.

He may have a good suggestion
That's the very thing you need—
That will you fame or fortune
If you cultivate the seed.
He may need some small assistance,
In a purely personal way,
That you'd feel quite free in giving,
So why treat him like a stray?

How is one to love his neighbor,
As the Bible bids us do,
If you never get acquainted—
If he's not a help to you?
Would each happy wife be married
To her present choice of man,
If she hadn't learned to know him
In a way no stranger can?

You may some day be a stranger,
Like the man who's just "moved in."
Meeting folks with good intentions,
But who just forget to grin.
Friend, regardless of your calling—
Whether business, field or labor—
Know the felow at your elbow—
Get acquainted with your neighbor!

—G. R. Reed.

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There is always some compensation. As the oyster goes out, the politician comes in.

The soda fountain clesk is about the only one who doesn't mind charging it.

AUTOS AND ADS HELP THE CHURCH

Kearney, Neb.,—Publicity has changed the automobile from an enemy to a friend of the church, according to the Rev. Oliver Kene, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church here. When the people of the whole community know of a church and the kind of sermons preached the car will carry them to it instead of away from it, he said. "By advertising in local papers I have quadrupled the membership of my church in four years. Christ said, 'Go out and compel them to come in.' What is more compelling than advertising in the modern way?"

"I have often inserted a quarter page or half page ad in the home town papers. The expense of advertising is met by the collection box, and the more people the advertising draws to church of course, the larger the collections. So the ads pay for themselves in actual money. The good, sound, honest gospel message from the pulpit. Nothing can take the place of the gospel; not movies, nor current topics. And the man who goes once is pretty apt to bring someone with him."

BELMOND BOY WINNER SWINE JUDGE CONTEST

Ames, Ia., May 4.—(Special—F. H. Leinbach of Belmond won first place in the annual swine judging contest for junior animal husbandry students at Iowa State College in which 115 students competed. Leinbach wins the gold medal presented annually for this contest by W. F. Silver, well known Hampshire hog breeder of Cantril.

Second place was taken by J. H. Hilton of Ames, 3. S. Wheeler of Caldwell, N. J., was third, and O. E. Felton of Fairmount, Ind., fourth.

Eight classes of hogs were judged. including Duroc Jersey aged sows, Hampshire fat barrows, Berkshire gilts, Chester white aged sows, Poland China boars, Duroc Jersey barrows, Poland China sows and Poland China gilts.

The twenty men who ranked highest in this contest will compose the squad from which the intercollegiate swine judging team is picked next fall to judge at the national swine show at Peoria, Ill.

INSPECT US

"Out of the clothes that cover me
Tight as the skin on the grape
I thank whatever gods may be
For my unconquerable shape.

The forms of other acturines
I put away into the shade,
All of them flossie near blondies
Find and shall find me unafraid.

It matters not how straight the tape
How cold the weather is, or warm—
I am the mistress of my shape,
I am the captain of my form."

—Edith Daniell.

Don't pick all the flowers—some other wayfarer may pass.

Always On the Job

We are still right here on the job ready to wait on you and sell you the best things for the home money can buy.

The Opal brand cannot be improved and every can warranted or money back—the same quality always. Just try a can of Opal coffee—only 35c, and we have a good coffee at 25c and 28c. We can suit your taste and fit your pocket book.

In Dry Goods we have all you need. Union suits for the whole family. Shoes from the first step up to No. 11 and larger if you want them.

All kinds of chick feed from the first feed up to scratch feed and at prices that are moving them fast.

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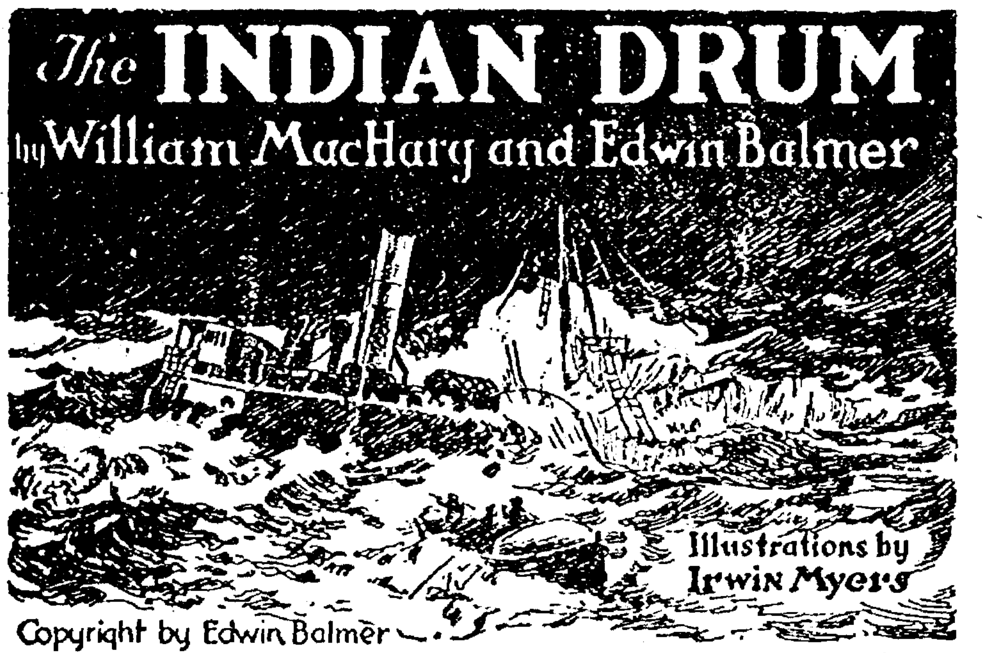

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

He noticed, up a street to the west, the lighted sign of a drug store and turned up that way; he had promised, he had recollected now, to write to . . . those in Kansas—he could not call them "father" and "mother" any more—and tell them what he had discovered as soon as he arrived. He could not tell them that, but he could write them at least that he had arrived safely and was well. He bought a postcard in the drug store, and wrote just, "Arrived safely; am well" to John Welton in Kansas. There was a little vending machine upon the counter, and he dropped in a penny and got a box of matches and put them in his pocket.

He mailed the card and turned back to Astor street; and he walked more swiftly now, having come to his decision, and only shot one quick look up at the house as he approached it. With what had his father shut himself up within that house for twenty years? And was it there still? And was it from that that Benjamin Corvet had fled? He saw no one in the street, and was certain no one was observing him as, taking the key from his pocket, he ran up the steps and unlocked the outer door. Holding this door open to get the light from the street lamp, he fitted the key into the inner door; then he closed the outer door. For fully a minute, with fast-beating heart and a sense of expectation of he knew not what, he kept his hand upon the key before he turned it; then he opened the door and stepped into the dark and silent house.

CHAPTER V

An Encounter.

Alan, standing in the darkness of the hall, felt in his pocket for his matches and struck one on the box. The light showed the hall in front of him, reaching back into some vague, distant darkness, and great rooms with wide portiered doorways gaping on both sides. He turned into the room upon his right, glanced to see that the shades were drawn on the windows toward the street, then found the switch and turned on the electric light.

Alan had the feeling which so often comes to one in an unfamiliar and vacant house that there was some one in the house with him. He listened and seemed to hear another sound in the upper hall, a footstep. He went out quickly to the foot of the stairs and looked up them.

"Is any one here?" he called. "Is any one here?"

His voice brought no response. He went half way up the curve of the wide stairway and called again, and listened; then he fought down the feeling he had had; Sherrill had said there would be no one in the house, and Alan was certain there was no one. So he went back to the room where he had left the light.

The center of this room, like the room next to it, was occupied by a library table-desk. He pulled open some drawers in it; one or two had blueprints and technical drawings in them; the others had only the miscellany which accumulates in a room much used. There were drawers also under the bookcases all around the room; they appeared, when Allan opened some of them, to contain pamphlets of various societies, and the scientific correspondence of which Sherrill had told him. Alan felt that seeing these things was bringing his father closer to him; they gave him a little of the feeling he had been unable to get when he looked at his father's picture. He could realize better now the lonely, restless man, pursued by some ghost he could not kill, taking up for distraction one subject of study after another, exhausting each in turn until he could no longer make it engross him, and then absorbing himself in the next.

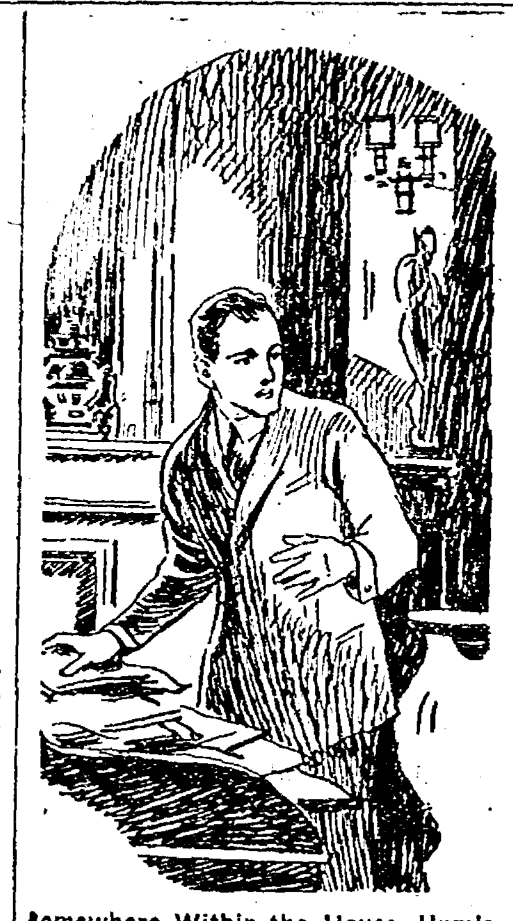
On the top of a chest of high drawers in a corner near the dressing table were some papers. Alan went over to look at them; they were invitations, notices of concerts and of plays twenty years old—the mail, probably, of the morning when Corvet's wife had gone away, left where her maid or she herself had laid them, and only picked up and put back there at the times since when the room was dusted. As Alan touched them, he saw that his fingers left marks in the dust on the smooth top of the chest; he noticed that some one else had touched the things and made marks of the same sort as he had made. The freshness of these other marks startled him; they had been made within a day or so. They could not have been made by Sherrill, for Alan had noticed that Sherrill's hands were slender and delicately formed; Corvet, too, was not a large man; Alan's own hand was of good size and powerful, but when he put his fingers over the marks the other man had made, he found that the other hand must have been larger and more powerful than his own. Had it been Corvet's servant? It might have been, though the marks seemed too fresh for that; for the servant, Sherrill had said, had left the day Corvet's disappearance was discovered.

This proof that some one had been prying about in the house before himself and since Corvet had gone, startled Alan and angered him. Who had been searching in Benjamin Corvet's—in Alan's house? He pushed the drawers shut hastily and hurried across the hall to the room opposite. In this room—plainly Benjamin Corvet's bedroom—were no signs of intrusion. He went to the door of the room connecting with it, turned on the light, and looked in. It was a smaller room than the others and contained a roll-top desk and a cabinet. The cover of the desk was closed, and the drawers of the cabinet were shut and apparently undisturbed. He tried the cover of the desk, but it appeared to be locked; after looking around vainly for a key, he tried again, exerting a little more force, and this time the top went up easily, tearing away the metal plate into which the claws of the lock clasped and the two long screws which had held it. He examined the lock, surprised, and saw that the screws must have been merely set into the holes; scars showed where a chisel or some metal implement had been thrust in under the top to force it up. The pigeonholes and little drawers in the upper part of the desk, as he swiftly opened them, he found entirely empty. He hurried to the cabinet; the drawers of the cabinet too had been forced, and very recently; for the scars and the splinters of wood were clean and fresh. These drawers and the drawers in the lower part of the desk either were empty, or the papers in them had been disarranged and tumbled in confusion, as though some one had examined them hastily and tossed them back. To Alan, the marks of violence and roughness were unmistakably the work of the man with the big hands who had left marks upon the top of the chest of drawers; and the feeling that he had been in the house very recently was stronger than ever.

Alan ran out into the hall and listened; he heard no sound; but he went back to the little room more excited than before. For what had the other man been searching? For the same things which Alan was looking for? And had the other man got them? Who might the other be, and what might be his connection with Benjamin Corvet? Alan had no doubt that everything of importance must have been taken away, but he would make sure of that. He took some of the papers from the drawers and began to examine them; after nearly an hour of this, he had found only one article which appeared connected in any way with what Sherrill had told him or with Alan himself. In one of the little drawers of the desk he found several books, much worn as though from being carried in a pocket, and one of these contained a series of entries stretching over several years. These listed an amount—$150—opposite a series of dates with only the year and the month given, and there was an entry for every second month.

Alan felt his fingers trembling as he turned the pages of the little book and found at the end of the list a blank, and below, in the same hand but in writing which had changed slightly with the passage of years, another date and the confirming entry of $1,500. Alan looked through the little book again and put it in his pocket. It was, beyond doubt, his father's memorandum of the sums sent to Blue Rapids for Alan; it told him that here he had been in his father's thoughts. He grew warm at the thought as he began putting the other things back into the drawers.

He started and straightened suddenly; then he listened attentively, and his skin, warm an instant before, turned cold and prickled. Somewhere within the house, unmistakably on the floor below him, a door had slammed. Some one—it was beyond question now, for the realization was quite different from the feeling he had had about that before—was in the house with him. Was it . . . his father who had come back? That, though not impossible, seemed improbable.



Somewhere Within the House, Unmistakably on the Floor Below Him, a Door Had Slammed.

Alan stooped quickly, unlaced and stripped off his shoes, and ran out into the hall to the head of the stairs, where he looked down and listened. From here the sound of some one moving about came to him distinctly; he could see no light below, but when he ran down to the turn of the stairs, it became plain that there was a very dim and flickering light in the library. He crept on farther down the staircase. His hands were cold and moist from his excitement, and his body was hot and trembling.

Whoever it was that was moving about downstairs, even if he was not one who had a right to be there, at least felt secure from interruption. He was going with heavy step from window to window; where he found a shade up, he pulled it down brusquely and with a violence which suggested great strength under a nervous strain; a shade, which had been pulled down, flew up, and the man damned it as though it had startled him; then, after an instant, he pulled it down again.

Alan crept still farther down and at last caught sight of him. He was a big, young-looking man, with broad shoulders and very evident vigor; Alan guessed his age at thirty-five; he was handsome—he had a straight forehead over daring, deep-set eyes; his nose, lips and chin were powerfully formed; and he was expensively and very carefully dressed. The light by which Alan saw these things came from a flat little pocket searchlight that the man carried in one hand, which threw a little brilliant circle of light as he directed it; and now, as the light chanced to fall on his other hand—powerful and heavily muscled—Alan recollected the look and size of the finger prints on the chest of drawers upstairs. He did not doubt that this was the same man who had gone through the desk; but since he had already rifled the desks, what did he want here now? As the man moved out of sight, Alan crept on down as far as the door to the library; the man had gone on into the rear room, and Alan went far enough into the library so he could see him.

He had pulled open one of the drawers in the big table in the rear room and with his light held so high as to show what was in it, he was tumbling over its contents and examining them. He went through one after another of the drawers of the table like this; after examining them, he rose and kicked the last one shut disgustedly; he stood looking about the room questioningly, then he started toward the front room.

He had, as yet, neither seen nor heard anything to alarm him, and as he went to the desk in the front room and peered impatiently into the drawers, he slammed them shut, one after another. He straightened and stared about. "D—n Ben! D—n Ben!" he ejaculated violently and returned to the rear room. Alan, again following him, found him on his knees in front of one of the drawers under the bookcases. As he continued searching through the drawers, his irritation became greater and greater. He jerked one drawer entirely out of its case, and the contents flew in every direction; swearing at it, he gathered up the letters. One suddenly caught his attention; he began reading it closely, then snapped it back into the drawer, crammed the rest on top of it, and went on to the next of the files. He searched in this manner through half a dozen drawers, plainly finding nothing at all he wanted; he dragged some of the books from their cases, felt behind them and shoved back some of the books but dropped others on the floor and blasphemy burst from him. The beam of light from the torch in his hand swayed aside and back and forth. Without warning, suddenly it caught Alan as he stood in the dark of the front room; and as the dim white circle of light gleamed into Alan's face, the man looked that way and saw him.

The effect of this upon the man was so strange and so bewildering to Alan that Alan could only stare at him. The big man seemed to shrink into himself and to shrink back and away from Alan. He roared out something in a bellow thick with fear and horror; he seemed to choke with terror. There was nothing in his look akin to mere surprise or alarm at realizing that another was there and had been seeing and overhearing him. The light which he still gripped swayed back and forth and showed him Alan again, and he raised his arm before his face as he recoiled.

The consternation of the man was so complete that it checked Alan's rush toward him; he halted, then advanced silently and watchfully. As he went forward, and the light shone upon his face again, the big man cried out hoarsely:

"D—n you, d—n you, with the hole above your eye! The bullet got you! And now you've got Ben! But you can't get me! Go back to hell! You can't get me! I'll get you—I'll get you! You—can't save the Miwaka!"

He drew back his arm and with all his might hurled the flashlight at Alan. It missed and crashed somewhere behind him, but did not go out; the beam of light shot back and wavered and flickered over both of them, as the torch rolled on the floor. Alan rushed forward and, thrusting through the dark, his hand struck the man's chest and seized his coat.

The man caught at and seized Alan's arm; he seemed to feel of it and assure himself of its reality.

"Flesh! Flesh!" he roared in relief; and his big arms grappled Alan. As they struggled, they stumbled and fell to the floor, the big man underneath. His hand shifted its hold and caught Alan's throat; Alan got an arm free and, with all his force, struck the man's face. The man struck back—a heavy blow on the side of Alan's head which dizzied him but left him strength to strike again, and his knuckles reached the man's face once more, but he got another heavy blow in return. The man was grappling no longer; he swung Alan to one side and off of him, and rolled himself away. He scrambled to his feet and dashed out through the library, across the hall, and into the service room. Alan got to his feet; dizzied and not yet familiar with the house, he blundered against a wall and had to feel his way along it to the service room; as he slipped and stumbled down the stairway, a door closed loudly at the end of the corridor he had seen at the foot of the stairs. He ran along the corridor to the door; it had closed with a spring lock, and seconds passed while he felt in the dark for the catch; he found it and tore the door open, and came out suddenly into the cold air of the night in a paved passageway beside the house which led in one direction to the street and in the other to a gate opening on the alley. He ran forward to the street and looked up and down, but found it empty; then he ran back to the alley. At the end of the alley, where it intersected the cross street, the figure of the man running away appeared suddenly out of the shadows, then disappeared; Alan, following as far as the street, could see nothing more of him; this street too was empty.

He ran a little farther and looked, then he went back to the house. The side door had swung shut again and latched. He let himself in at the front door and turned on the light in the reading lamp in the library. The electric torch still was burning on the floor and he picked it up and extinguished it; he went upstairs and brought down his shoes. He had seen a wood fire set ready for lighting in the library, and now he lighted it and sat before it drying his wet socks before he put on his shoes. He was still shaking and breathing fast from his struggle with the man and his chase after him, and by the strangeness of what had taken place.

When the shaft of light from the torch had flashed across Alan's face in the dark library, the man had not taken him for what he was—a living person; he had taken him for a specter. His terror and the things he had cried out could mean only that. The specter of whom? Not of Benjamin Corvet; for one of the things Alan had remarked when he saw Benjamin Corvet's picture was that he himself did not look at all like his father. Besides, what the man had said made it certain that he did not think the specter was "Ben"; for the specter had "got Ben." Did Alan look like some one else, then? Like whom? Evidently like the man—now dead, for he had a ghost—who had "got" Ben, in the big man's opinion. Who could that be?

Alan got up and went to look at himself in the mirror he had seen in the hall. He was white, now that the flush of the fighting was going; he probably had been pale before with excitement, and over his right eye there was a round black mark. Alan looked down at his hands; a little skin was off one knuckle, where he had struck the man, and his fingers were smudged with a black and sotty dust. He had smudged them on the papers upstairs or else in feeling his way about the dark house, and at some time he had touched his forehead and left the black mark. That had been the "bullet hole."

The rest that the man had said had been a reference to some name; Alan had no trouble to recollect the name, and, while he did not understand it at all, it stirred him queerly—"the Miwaka." What was that? The queer excitement and questioning that the name brought, when he repeated it to himself, was not recollection; for he could not recall ever having heard the name before; but it was not completely strange to him. He could define the excitement it stirred only in that way.

(Continued Next Week)

READ THE ADS

ROWAN NEWS

Dr. Maker was a Belmond professional visitor last Friday.

Bine Wilder and family of Iowa Falls moved into the Dr. Gordon house last week.

F. B. Sheldon was an Estherville business caller last week.

Nellie Hackley went to Dows last week to visit relatives. She returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell left Friday for Colfax, where Mrs Howell will take treatment for rheumatism. Mr. Howell returned home Sunday morning.

Mrs. Milton Brown, who has been visiting relatives here returned to her home at Marengo last Thursday.

Rev. Nye returned from Dickens Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Whitten and Gladys, Mrs. Wm. Tresidder, and Izetta Fletcher autoed to Clarion last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers left early Monday morning for Minn. They expect to be gone most of the summer, visiting their son, Howard and family and looking after their farm.

Mrs. Edith Harson and Catherine came from Kanawha last week. They expect to spend the summer here.

Mesdames W. R. McCallum and L. McCallum and Miss Jeanette Kervink were Clarion visitors Saturday afternoon.

G. W. Fletcher purchased the Chas. Huber house and lot in the east part of town. They expect to move in soon.

The Fred Smith family of Clarion spent Sunday with relatives here.

E. J. Azeltine took his daughter, Mildred to Iowa Falls, Monday to spend some time with her aunt, Mrs. Lorenzo Bingham. Mrs. Bingham does not improve in health as rapidly as her many friends wish.

V. E. Munson's horse ran away Thursday afternoon. It was hitched to the buggy. No serious damage was done.

Mary Williams was a Belmond caller last Thursday.

Robert Keith's sister, Miss Elsie Keith spent last week at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keith, Margaret and Miss Elsie Keith went to Goldfield Sunday afternoon. Miss Keith remained there to visit relatives.

George Boyington was home Friday for a short visit. From here he went to Mitchell Co.

Mrs. Edith Harson is assisting at the Tom Ross home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle went to Goodell Sunday to visit at the Earl Jacobs home.

Special services were held at the Congregational church last Sunday. Rev. Stook from Royal preached two fine sermons.

A mixed quartette sang several Mother's Day Songs. A beautiful solo rendered in the morning by LaVonne Ballou, and duet in the evening by Florence Box and LaVonne Ballou.

Fuller Bailey and wife of Belmond visited relatives here Sunday.

F. H. Brooks has been improving the front of the Star Theatre. He plans on installing an electric fan soon.

Mrs. Dr. Chassel and two children of Belle Fourche S. Dak., are visiting here.

Fred Hackley and D. W. Whitten were Eagle Grove and Clarion callers last Friday. While there Mr. Whitten purchased a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rietz, A. J. Azeltine and Mrs. F. H. Fowler were at Iowa Falls last Thursday visiting at the L. Bingham home.

Ed. Brooks and family of Cornelia spent Sunday at the F. H. Brooks home.

Mrs. Belle Tower from New York came last week to spend a few days with her brother, D. A. French and family.

D. A. French and wife left Monday evening for Battle Creek, Mich., where Mrs. French expects to take treatment in the sanitarium. Mrs. Tower eccompanied them as far as Chicago

Miss Celia Azeltine is keeping house for her uncle, R. A. Azeltine.

Rev. Nye and family expect to leave next Monday for their new appointment at Dickens.

Rev. Bushnell, the M. E. District Superintendent of Algona district called in town Sunday evening. He came here from Lincoln, where he preached at a Mother's Day Service in the afternoon. From here he went to Latimer to take charge of the evening service there.

STAR THEATRE PROGRAM

Saturday May 20, a special—"The Beautiful Gambler.

Wednesday May 24. Farnum in "In The Shruggle."

School Notes

Ruby Cowley and Wilda Whitten were visitors Thursday afternoon May 11.

Florence Lent and Katherine Harson were visitors Friday afternoon May 12.

The Domestic Girls entertained the Mothers of the High school pupils Friday afternoon from 3 to 4 o'clock. Twenty-four mothers were present. Exhibitions of discoveries, inventions and recepes constituted the program.

Pimento sandwitches, date wafers and coffee were served.

Mrs. Gunderson and Mrs. LaGue visited school Friday, May 12.

The High School students enjoyed a picnic at Abraham Heights Friday night. All had a fine time and enjoyed a fine supper.

The seven downstairs grades will give a program to the public, Friday May 19. Come and enjoy a good program.

The tennis and Croquet courts are occupied most of the time and a fine interest is taken in the games by the ladies and gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. Shroeder, their daughter Fern and Earl Sams visited Rowan last Sunday.

Mother's Day services last Sunday were largely attended in both churches. Rev. J. Stook, of Royal, Iowa, conducted the services in the Congregational church and delivered two splendid sermons suitable to the occasion. The M. E. church also had a great day, the seating capacity of the church auditorium and Sunday school being taxed to the utmost. The pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, preached on the subject, "America's Uncrowned Queen."

The commencement exercises will be held on Tuesday May 23, the special spaker being, Dr. Frank Mossman, President of Morningside College, Sioux City.

The Baccalaureate service will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday evening at eight o'clock. A special program of music, vocal and instrumental, will be given. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Herbert Nye. This will be Mr. Nye's farewell message also. You will need to come early if you want a good place in the church.

Will the citizens of Rowan kindly remember Memorial Day Exercises, and kindly cooperate with the American Legion in making the Day a day of great patriotic inspiration. Captain Van Meder, of Odeboldt, will be the special speaker. Captain Van Meder is well known in Clarion, Belmond, and Wright county generally. Mr. George Pritchett will assume the duties of marshall for the day.

Miss Freda Whitten and Miss Mildred Azeltine have finished their terms in the schools.

Miss Esther Fowler expects to spend a month in Sioux Falls, S. D., with her sister, Mrs. Levi Johnson.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Pastor, Rev. W. H. Nye

May 21st

Morning worship 11 a. m.

Sabbath School 12 a. m.

Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.

There will be union services at the M. E. church at 8 p. m. This is in honor of the High School Class that will graduate this year.

The W. C. T. U. meets with Mrs. R. Keith Wednesday May 17th. Mrs. Hanna Whitten, leader.

Th Ladies Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. H. J. C. Box Thursday afternoon of this week.

The Rev. Stook of Royal, Iowa, preached at the Rowan Congregational church last Sabbath, and there was a very good attendance at the morning and evening services.

Rev. W. H. Nye will be in his pulput for the morning service at the Congregational church, and will deliver the Baccalaureate address at the M. E. church Sunday evening the 21st.

You can't reach the top at one bound. Even the largest whale started out as a small one.

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For Little Chicks

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Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Local News

Al Nissen, president of the Farmers Savings Bank at Meservey, was in town on business last Thursday.

Mrs. Ole Lein, who has been quite ill is reported better.

Sheriff Lang was in town last Friday on business. Mr. Lang has been too busy to campaign much, but from what reaches our ears he does't need to much in this locality.

The Cemetery Aid society will hold a food sale on Saturday, May 27.

Art Cuppett, who has been here visiting and looking after business matters, returned last week to his farm in Minnesota.

Dr. Parsons spent Monday at Spirit Lake, angling for the finy tribe. He came home with pretty good success, which is usual with Doc when he goes fishing.

Mrs. L. R. Parsons went to Fort Dodge Sunday evening where she spent a few days visiting with relatives.

The M. E. Aid society meets this week Thursday afternoon for their regular monthly business meeting. The meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. J. R. Thayer.

Mrs. R. C. Morse will be hostess next week Wednesday afternoon to the ladies of the Priscilla Club.

We save your money on tires. Get our prices before you buy.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Miss Alvia Vestweber and Bertha Jacobson visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Tom Shurson at Eagle Grove last week.

Everything in house plants and vegetables plants at the Belmond Furniture Co.

Paulina Peterson left Friday for Clarion, where she was a guest at a party given by Miss Ruth Roosevelt. Mrs. Peterson went over Saturday evening returning next day with her daughter.

Sen. Leslie E. Francis, candidate for U. S. Senator will be in Belmond Thursday of this week (today) to meet the voters.

Mrs. Wm. Brevig and children left last week for points in Wisconsin, where they expect to spend the summer with Mrs. Brevig's parents and other relatives.

Friends of Mrs. Fred Luick will regret to learn that her health has been very poor the past week or so.

Mrs. Robbins was a visitor with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Stebbleton, at Britt, last week.

Weaving rugs made to order.—Mrs. Geo. Kessler, Klemme, Iowa. 262c

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Olaf Eliason, a resident of Norway township, underwent an operation at the local hospital Monday of this week, for acute appendicitis. He is reported as recovering in very nice shape.

Everybody likes good bread. Try ours.—Belmond Bakery.

Don't miss our Chi-Namel demonstration. Time and Place, Schultz Drug Co., May 24th and 25th.

FOR SALE—White seed corn.—A. W. Potts.

H. H. Larson left Monday of this week for Chicago with three carloads of cattle. The beef was from the farm near Belmond, and owned by Larson and Pritchard. Three cars of cattle represent some beefsteaks, and ought to bring their owners a neat little sum. Evidently Messrs. Larson and Pritchard believe there is money to be made in feeding.

Will Felton arrived in town Sunday of this week to spend a while visiting at the home of his father, Fred Felton, and sister, Mrs. Harold Neilson.

Lou Sherman, of Goldfield, accompanied by a bunch of companions, visited the town last Friday in the interests of Mr. Pinkham, of that place, candidate for State Representative.

Atty. Jensen has been making the rounds of the county looking after political fences. He is meeting with cordial support and the outlook for his candidacy for County Attorney in Wright are encouraging. J. M. will fill the job satisfatorily if elected, and it will give Belmond representation in the councils of the mighty.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF IOWA, Wright County ss.

To Rube McFerren, E. F. King, Webster City Savings Bank of Webster City Iowa, J. A. Daniels, Belmond Lumber Company of Belmond, Iowa and Cato C. Griesy.

You are hereby notified that by virture of a special execution, to me directed, and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgment rendered in said Court in favor of James Kenefick and against Rube McFerren and Minnie McFerren for the sum of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Two & 18-100 Dollars debt, and Two Hundred Twenty Two & 11-100 Dollars costs, I have levied upon the following Real Estate property, to-wit:

The South East Quarter (SE¼) of Section Twenty Seven (27) and the North West Quarter (NW¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼) and the Northeast Quarter (NE¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼) of Section Thirty-four (34) all in township Ninty three (93) North, Range Twenty-four (24) West of the 5th. P. M. in Wright County, Iowa.

And that on the 9th day of June 1922, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., at the front door of the Court House in Clarion, Wright County, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clarion, on this 10th day of May 1922.

HENRY LANG
Sheriff Wright County, Iowa.
J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

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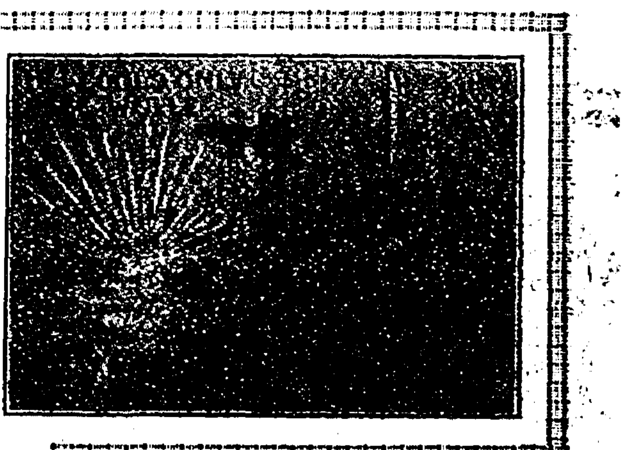

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DECORATION DAY PROGRAM HELD TUESDAY MORNING

Pioneer of Belmond Goes to Her Reward

Mrs. Fred Luick Dies At Her Home In Belmond After Long Illness

A PIONEER SETTLER HERE

Alice (Packard) Luick, widow of Fred Luick, died at her home in Belmond, Friday evening, May 19th, 1922 aged 75 years and 6 months. Mrs. Luick was born Nov. 18th, 1846, at Fredonia, Licking county, Ohio. Her father, E. C. Packard, was decended from Samuel Packard who came from England to America, in 1638, settling in Massachusetts. When four years of age Mrs. Luick's parents moved to Wisconsin, where they lived until 1864 when they came to Iowa locating near Bailey's Grove in Hancock county. She drove an ox team from Wis. to Iowa. She came to Belmond to teach school in a little school house located on the present site of Belmond cemetery. In this little frontier settlement she met the soldier lad, Fred Luick, who wooed and won her, and by their marriage established one of the homes which powerfully molded the life of this community through the intervening years. They lived first in a little log house in the grove, a house 12x 14 feet in size, and with none of what in present days count as luxuries and few indeed of present day necessities. But whatever the vicissitudes of those early pioneer days they have produced a race of men and women who have upheld the ideals of America's civilization. Mrs. Luick was preceeded in death by her husband, Fred Luick, who passed away in December, 1919. The were blessed with four children, Mrs. S. U. Leinbach, C. P. Luick and H. F. Luick who with their families are residents of Belmond and Albert who died in infancy. Nellie E. an adopted daughter, resides in Los Angeles California. Eight grandchildren survive the deceased as does her brother, D. E. Packard of Belmond and a sister, Mrs. Alma Vennum who resides in Florida.

Time is all too brief and our words all too limited to fully record all the manifold activities and services of Mrs. Luick. A descendant of pioneers, herself a pioneer in two different states of the union, her life was full to the uttermost. And through it all, efficient in the practical needs of everyday life in a new and growing country, always she helped build up in the community the things of greater worth in the intellectual and religious world. During the busiest part of her life, in the midst of the duties of a farm and of raising a family who have grown up to do her honor and to be an honor to her training, during that period she found time to devote to the developmet of the finest culture in intellectual life. She found time to select and build up a library of the choicest literature. She found time to cultivate the intellectual life of the community and was one of the leading spirits in the "Holly Press Club" Women's club of earlier years in Belmond, whose members, in prose and poetry, made their efforts known favorably by the greater world of letters. For many years there was little of a community nature or of a purpose to benefit the community in which Mrs. Luick did not have a leading place. That her literary ability and inclination was deeply bred is evidenced by the fact that an ancester was likewise the ancester of William Cullen Bryant, one of America's great poets. One of her treasured privileges was her membership in the Candle Stick Chapter of the D. A. R. at Hampton to which her Revolutionary ancesters gave her title.

A great number will think of her with tenderest recolection and mourn for her passing. She had passed the three score and ten and the grain was ripened to the sickle of the Harvester, and yet her sterling worth her Christian character and attractive and unselfish personality so stamped the lives of her loved ones and all with whom she came in contact that they cannot but mourn their loss. To many she was "Aunt Alice" and to others of no blood relation she was "Mother Luick." And to her family she was "Mother" in all that word implies. And where can be found the pen that can portray the profound and marvelous meaning of that word "Mother." So beautifully it has been said that "God needs someone to be his agents here on earth so he made mothers." A good women, a lofty character, a forceful personality for the upbuilding of her surroundings, a devoted Christian mother has gone to her reward. To be greeted by Him who has given us mother's love as the best portrayal of His own image in humankind.

Mrs. Luick's beauty of character and unselfish desire for service is most aptly expressed in one of her own poems:

How I Would Be Remembered

When quietly I'm lying beneath the churchyard shade,
I would not be remembered by the cutting words I've said,
Nor leave a wound still bleeding from a cruel thrust I've made.
I would not, by my presence, cast a shadow o'er a heart;
Nor by one look or action cause the guarded tear to start;
But, bear the balm of healing to sooth each painful smart.
I'd understand the heartaches, understand them by my own,
Guide where I had been mistaken, lead where I had walked alone
Sympathize before the golden opportunity had flown.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist church Monday afternoon at 2;30 o'clock conducted by the pastor Rev. Wilkinson assisted by Rev. Burress of Madrid, Iowa. Interment was in Belmond cemetery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION INTERESTING

Tuesday of this week the Forty-seventh Annual Convention of Wright County S. S. Association met in regular session in the Sands Memorial church. This was the first time in many years that the Convention met in our city. It is perhaps for the reason that only a few of the teachers and officers of the various churches of Blmond and vicinity were present. It would seem that the value of education and inspiration of such a gathering is either not understood or else not known. One of Lincoln's wise sayings was: "Nothing is settled until it is settled right." The same holds true of the value of a County Convention. You can't settle the matter as to the estimate that can be placed upon a S. S. Convention until you've been there and have heard and seen things that show you how a class of boys or girls can be won and interested and the interest won held indifinitely. To settle the matter whether a S. S. Convention is worth one's time, it will be necessary to attend such a session and the unanimous report will be that it is worth the time spent in listening to men and women who make a specialty of S. S. work. Three such workers led the discussion, Mr. Walter Hutton of Des Moines, Gen. Sec. Ia. State S. S. Ass'n., Mr. O. G. Herbrecht, State Supt. of Y. P. Division and Miss Elizabeth Dean, State Supt. of Children's Division. Each state worker spoke and led the discussions in his or her particular line. Each worker was a specialist, and gave much valuable information out of the abandance of their knowledge and experience. We separated with new visions of the possibilities before the tacher and parent. It is to be greatly desired that the next time a meeting of this sort is held in our city the fathers and mothers will come en masse so that evry available seating room is taken. Unless one specializes along the line of child training or else spends much time and effort in the study of the various ages of child life, his training of the child will be greatly hampered by lack of knowing how. For example, what are the needs of the child at the age of 12-14? Do we understand the child and what its needs are at the age of 15-17? What of the needs of the young man or women during the ages of 18-24? If we are ignorant of the physcology of the child life, how shall we adequately meet their needs? A proper knowledge of the child life and the needs at the various stages of their lives will help keep our penitentiaries empty and crime will be lessened. All these matters were touched upon and explained and analyzed in detail at the convention. We who have been present have received a new vision and added knowledge of the how and the wherefore of child training.

A. W. Waalkes.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Don't forget the regular services in the American language at the Immanual church every Sunday evening at 7:30.

Rev. Meinderts, who attended the funeral of Mrs. Henry Meinderts, occupied the pulpit of the Immanuel church last Sunday night.

The remains of Mrs. Henry Meinderts, who died recently of pneumonia at her home in Willard Minnesota, were brought to Belmond last Saturday and funeral services were held in the Immanuel church Sunday afternoon. The Henry Meinderts family was formally residents of this township, and only about seven years ago made their home in Minnesota. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the relatives and friends in their time of sorrow.

Mrs. Robert Walters, and daughter, Harriet, were over Sunday visitos at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Theodore Wendel in Nora Springs.

Fannie Burns left last Tuesday for Meekin, Ill., where she will visit her brother, Bruno, who is attending school there.

The Harm H. Pals family near Meservey were Sunday callers at the Fol. Mennenga home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Barkema and family spent Sunday evening at the Chas. Barkema home.

Program

9:00 a. m.—All ex-service men meet at Legion Hall.

9:30 a. m.—Music by Band on street

9:45 a. m.—Form in front of Legion Hall and march to Library.

10:00 a. m.—Program at Library:

1. Remarks by Post Commander A. H. Skovlin.
2. Invocation, Rev. Leinbach.
3. Music, Quartette.
4. Memorial Day Address, Rev. J. B. O'Connor.
5. Star Spangled Banner, Audience with Band Accompaniment.
6. Benediction.

Immediately after program March to Cemetery:

Order of March:
1. Colors
2. Band.
3. Firing Squad.
4. Strewing Squad.
5. Civil War Veterans.
6. Spanish War Veterans.
7. American Legion.
8. American Legion Auxilary.
9. Other Patriotic Bodies.

Program at Cemetery

1. Prayer by Post Chanplain Griesy
2. Lincoln's Gettysburg Address—C. R. Townsan.
3. Roll of Honor—Post Adjutant C. M. Morse.
4. Firing Squad Salute.
5. Taps.

Committees:

General Committee: C. O. Fitts, A. H. Skovlin.
Band: C. C. Benson and Fred Fulton.
Music: C. R. Townsan.
Speaker: A. H. Skovlin.
Flowers: Cato C. Griesy.
Autos: Glenn Klemme.
Grounds: C. M. Morse.
Firing Squad: Ray Morris.

Any person desiring information or wishing to assist please see Chairman of any of the above committees.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Court did not adjourn until Friday owing to the large number of witnesses in the case of Thebiay vs. Thebiay from Eagle Grove. The evidence was all submitted and Judge Thompson adjourned court until June 7th, when he will return and hear the attorneys' pleas and also dispose of several other matters. In the meantime he is presiding over the regular May term of court at Fort Dodge.

The board of supervisors let three road grading and draining contracts Friday. The grading of the nine miles of the Wilson highway, known as primary No. 15, from Blairsburg north, and let at 24.7c per cubic yard to a Nevada firm. Six miles between Woolstock and Dows, and four miles between Goldfield and Renwick was let at 23.5c. Thus it will be seen the county grading was let at the lowest figure. Competition was keen, twenty-five or thirty bidders being present. Good prices were also obtained for the tile work.

In publishing the list of candidates for county office last week an injustice was inadvertently done J. C. Peterson of Dayton township by giving his residence at Eagle Grove. As a matter of fact he has received his mail and transacted the bulk of his business in Clarion for several years. He was on the Eagle Grove route at one time and this fact led to the error.

Miss Hope Pardun is assisting with the stenogaphic work in the county clerk's office, there being an especially large amount of court work.

At the primary election June 5th in addition to the regular ballot the voter will be handed a yellow ballot upon which will appear two special propositions. One is the matter of voting $14,000 for the purchase of the fair grounds site. The other is for the purpose of obtaining an expression of the voters regarding the continuance of the county nurse. The law says the board of supervisors "may" support the nurse, but in the case of the farm bureau agent it says it "shall" support the work. The board has supported the nurse work for the past few years, but now asks the approval of the people for a continuance of the same. In other words it will be a "straw vote" on the proposition.

To do away with the county nurse at this time would not only seem unwise, but false economy. It would mean the waste of the money already expended in establishing the work. The state legislature passes laws to combat hog choera and other animal diseases and appropriates several hundred thousand dollars to carry on the work. Why cannot Wright county continue to expend a few hundred dollars for the betterment of its children—the men and women of the future? The tax to the average property owner is about fifty cents—a couple of dozen eggs per year. The saving of a child's tooth is worth ten times that amount, to say nothing of the care of the eyes and a dozen other troubles. The prevention of a single epidemic of smallpox or diphtheria is enough to satisfy most people of the value of the nurse's work.

Last year the amount of taxes collected on the tobbacco sold in the United States alone was over $225,000,000. How much would you say was spent for the purchase of tobbacco? The automobile tax was over $237,000,000. No right thinking man or woman has a right to deny a child the privilege of healthful supervision for the matter of small saving referred to above.—Monitor.

Father Eardley went to Colorado last week, to visit Frank Johnson, at Colorado Springs.

TO HOLD POPPY SALE

A poppy sale will be conducted by the American Legion Auxiliary, on Saturday, May 27, and on Memorial Day, May 30. This drive has been indorsed by President Harding as a National movement. The poppy has been chosen as an official flower of sorrow; the sale has a two-fold purpose: that every one may wear the poppy in memory of the sacrifice made by the boys who were in service; and that the proceeds of the sale may be used in caring for the needy families of service men and for hospital work for the boys who have not been released from Government hospitals or the service men who may be sick and again return to hospitals.

LIBRARY NOTICE

Persons desiring the use of the Library Basement for meetings of whatever nature will please make request of the Librarian before announcing dates. This will avoid conflictions with others who may previously have engaged it and with organizations for which permanent dates have been reserved.

Librarian

LET GRADING CONTRACT

Friday was road letting day at the courthouse and the Supervisors opened bids on the projects advertised letting grading of the Wilson highway project south of Dows to R. E. Shugart of Nevada, Iowa, at 24.7c per square yard. There are nine and one-half miles of the highway to be improved. The tiling for the stretch goes to the Jorgenson company of Garner for a total of $12.634.85. This is a primary road improvement.

O'Hanlan & Reilly, of West Bend, landed the contact for the county road project let at this time, at 23½ sents per square yard for the grading. The tiling contract for the same job was let to the Westergaard concern of Buffalo Center, for a total of $5,081.45 for the ten miles stretch. These contracts cover four miles of county road south of Renwick and six miles on the Woolstock-Dows roadway.

The Supervisors have also acted favorably on a proposition of adding to the colnty road system seven and one-half miles of roadway running from Galt thru Lincoln, and joining up the Eagle Grove and Clarion main roads. The matter has gone to the State Highway commission, which will likely O. K. the matter and thus the farmers in the territory served will secure the benefit of a better road along the route.—News.

"CLARENCE"

The large audience which saw the class play, "Clarence," produced under the efficient direction of Miss Thomas last Friday were unanimous in their praise of the play and the players. The lines of of play were full of the subtleties which tickle one's finer sense of humor instead of producing roaring laughter. In the field of portraying juvenile characters Booth Tarkington is without a peer. However, the smiles which Cora and Bobby provoke are rather from the adult who recalls similar near-tragedies of his own youth than from the high school pupils who are not far enough away from that stage themselves to see them in perspective.

The parts were all very well interpreted, in fact, it seemed impossible to imagine being done by any others than the ones who were chosen to play them. The numbers between the acts gave pleasing variety to the program. In every way the class brought themselves and the school honor on this occasion which one feels should be the climax of the year's public programs.

COMMUNITY CLUB ITEMS

The Community Welfare Club meets in the library basement Friday afternoon, May 26. Mrs. Francis Whitley from Webster City will speak about our National parks. This ought to be a very interesting talk; and everybody should try to come and bring a friend.

The serving committee are: Miss Julia Johnson, Mrs. Box, Mrs. Groh, Mrs. M. R. Pierce, Mrs. J. D. Baker, Mrs. E. W. Luick, Mrs. Nordschow, Mrs. Lillie Anderson.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Bring the family.

11 a. m. Union Memorial services at the Congregational church. Let us all be on hand and honor our soldier dead.

Evening service at the High school auditorium at 8 p. m. This is a Union Service. The pastor will address the graduating class.

Prayer meeting Thurday evening at 8 p. m. Bring your Bibles.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

127,249 FORDS SOLD IN APRIL 1922

According to a report received from the Ford Motor Company, a daily average of 5,210 retail sales of cars and trucks had been reached by the close of April in the Uuited States alone.

Sales of cars and trucks for the month, including both domestic and foreign, totaled 127, 249. This establishes a new high record, exceeding the largest previous month, June 1921, by 15,467.

The sale of tractors has also been steadily climbing. A total of 11,131 Fordsons were sold during April in the United States, a total average of 469 having been reached by the end of the month. This gives a new sales record, and shows one hundred per cent increase over the best month in 1921.

The Ford Company is enjoying a banner year in all departments. Output of cars and trucks for the year, according to present estimates, will exceed 1,100,000 which represent a ten per cent increase over 1921.

The factory is now operating at full capacity, having a force of more than 40,000 men on the payroll. The scheduled output for May will probably reach 135-000 cars and trucks, which will be applied against orders approximately 165,000.

Despite the attempt of the factory and the twenty-three assembling plants in the United States to produce a sufficient number of cars to meet the unusually heavy demand, it has been impossible for dealers in most cases to make immediate deliveries.

A PLEA FOR THE NURSE

During six years' experience as a teacher in both town and rural schools I decided that every mother should teach at least one year of school, but since becoming a mother I am sure that every one concerned would be benefited much more if every mother could pass a creditable examination in home nursing.

If we could sum up the time and energy lost both by teacher and pupils, in order that some pupil, who has enlarged tonsils, poor eye sight or poor hearing, (or more than likely all three), may be given special instruction because he hasn't heard directions given by the teacher, can't see the blackboard, or is simply listless and inattentive from the effects of ill health, the "two dozen eggs" required of the average taxpayer to pay a competent nurse for a year would be comparatively nothing.

Before our county nurse came we used to recommend treatment for children—even promote some on the condition that they have eyes or ears treated, tonsils and adenoids removed, etc., during the summer vacation but there was one one to do the follow up work and to see that it was done, consequently the child came back to school in September with the request that he be allowed to continue with his class because it cost too much to go to a doctor for the treatment, and the child was allowed to drag through another year. Now all such cases are taken care of either at home or at Iowa City by one of our nurses.

The law says the board of supervisors shall support the farm bureau agent in order that the farmers may be helped in the raising of the best type of hogs, but it is left to the discretion of five men as to whether we farm women are to have any help in the care and feeding of our children.

And now that not only the farm women, but all women interested in healthy intelligent children, can use their influence at the polls it is a pleasure that all should share to show the county supervisors whom we have placed in their present positions that we do want and need, more than any individual can realize, a county nurse.

Ex-Teacher, Mother, Farmer's Wife.

Turn to the right hand upper corner of page three for interesting Store News.

Commencement To Be Held Next Week

Graduation Exercises To Occupy Week—Sermon To Be Given Next Sunday

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

The Commencement Exercises of the Belmond High School will be held the week of May 28. Rev. Wilkinson of the M. E. chuhch will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon in the High school auditorium next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday evening May 31 at 8 o'clock, Honorable Frederick F. Faville, Judge of the Supreme Court of Iowa, will deliver the Commencement address to the class of 1922.

Thursday evening, June 1, the Eighth Commencement excerises and Class Play, "The Revolving Wedge," will be held in the school auditorium at 8 o'colck. An addmission of 15c and 25c will be charged for these exercises.

The Revolving Wedge

Mr. Thomas Martin, a Cambridge gentleman—David Tyrrell.
Mrs. Thomas Martin, Martin's wife—Elaine Moe.
Bob Martin, A Harvard Football Player—Gerald Barry.
Nell Martin, Martin's daughter
Mr. Edward Biddle, Martin's second cousin—Clair Rierson.
Dr. George Brown, Mrs. Martin's brother—Albert Matin.
Norah, Their servant—Bernice House.

Synopsis—The Harvard and Pennsylvania football team scheduled a game for Thanksgiving. Bob Martin, a player on the Harvard team has secured a promise from his father to premit him to play all the games that season. Mr. Martin has always had a family reunion on Thanksgiving and is much opposed to football, so has forbidden the other members of the family to attend the game. All the guests decline the invitations except Mr. Biddle, which angers Mr. Martin very much. Mr. Biddle finally appears and jokes with Mr. Martin about his being so clever as to not to go to the game and see his college beaten.

Thursday evening, June 1, in conjunction with the commencement exercises and Class Play, the Junior High Girls Glee Club will present the cantata, "Fays of the Floating Island," by Paul Bliss. This cantata is the first of its kind to be given in Belmond schools. This is very difficult, using three voice parts throughout. This Glee Club has been organized only four months, and is full of enthusiastic workers and promising voices who will lend valuable aid to the High School Glee Club in the coming years.

The school is indebeted to many business firms and individuals for the loan of many things necessary for the stage setting of "Clarence." We are especially indebted to Carlston & Skovlin, Wright Co. Furniture Co. and the Belmond Furniture Co.

The Annual Staff will have annuals to sell this week. Every one will want one of these books at $1.00. If you do not get yours phone Marjorie Williams.

The Picture given by the Seniors to the school in now framed and hung in front of the assembly. It is a reproduction of "The Rocks" by Dunning, an Iowa painter.

Last Friday our baseball team took Dows into camp 6-4. Upon reading the Dows write-up it occurs to us that seemingly all of the Dows team starred but when the scores were counted Belmond had 6 to Dows 4. Our boys pulled the game out of the fire 3 times, Madsen getting two doubles with men on. The ground was very wet and a rain during the entire game made it disagreeable playing, more so for Dows than us.

Dows will play a return game here Friday. This should be of much interest as it is your high school which is claiming Northern State Championship, having won all regularly scheduled games and having played the State champions a 4-3 game. The Earlham coach said Belmond gave them the hardest battle of the season. Will Dows ruin our records? Not if you come out and Boost!

Monday the baseball team went to Klemme and emerged victor in a very loosely played game, with the score standing 16-3. The game was mostly comedy, interspersed with wild heaves and costly errors. The Klemme catcher allowed 3 of first four scores on passed balls with men on 3rd. Belmond scored almost at will.

Students are studying hard this week preparatory to taking the Semester Examinations which will be given Monday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

Friday June 2nd will be a "Gala Day" for B. H. S. All the High school students will meet at 9 o'clock

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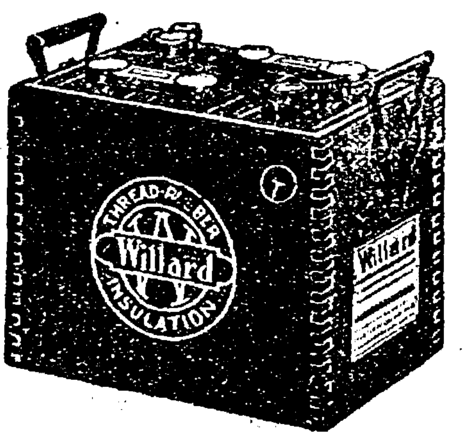

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MODERN CAVE MAN BEATS NEIGHBOR'S WIFE

Leader: Too much "hootch" coupled with an ungovernable temper, has gotten Mike Simmek, a beet weeder who resided north of Eagle Lake, in bad Monday of this week, Sheriff Hanson was called to that section to take the fellow into custody. Simmek was to work beets on the land just south of the Bill Coller place. In some manner, he and the wife of a neighbor beet worker got into a row and Simmek beat the woman unmercifully, so the story goes. Sheriff Peck was told to bring Dr. McMahon with him to attend the lady's injuries. Simmek was brought to Garner and placed in the city jail. Yesterday, he was given a hearing before Justice Mullen of Britt. The charge against him was "Attempt to commit great bodily injury." He was bound over to the grand jury on $500 bonds.

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LEST WE FORGET

If Memorial Day served no other purpose than to bring to our minds those who have served us in the last full measure of devotion, it would be worth while. That such a day was set aside, lest we forget those who died for us, is typical of America, and characteristic of our Christian principles. It is not possible that we could forget, in the rush of our daily lives, these American Men who fell on the fields of battle in our cause, but that one certain day is set aside for their memories is fitting. We would not have it otherwise. In justice to ourselves, we wish it. We wish, on this day, to bow our heads in reverence, in humilation, and in love, to those heroic men and women who gave their lives that American principles of freedom and liberty might prevail, that "government of the people, by the people, and for the people" should not perish from the earth.

And we wish on this day, then to raise our heads toward the Divinity who has guided us a nation thru the trials, the temptations and pitfalls that have beset us, and thank Him for His guidence and help to pray that in the future as in the past, "In God We Trust" may be our motto. We wish to lift our heads in pride for the noble manhood and womanhood which this nation has produced; in pride for their shining services to humanity. It is a Day wherein we, as fellows of those who have gone, wish to renew our pledges of loyality, of service, to our country; to vow anew that we shall maintain, as our fallen brothers maintained, those Christian principles of Americanism which have made America the chosen of God, and American people the favored of Him.

And we would render loving services to our dead. We would visit their last resting places, that we may place upon their graves flower symbols of our rememberance and devotion; that we may join with one another in a Holy Service of their memories. Memorial Day is a Day of strengthening, heartening memories; a Day of pride, of glory, of devotion; and a Day in which we shall all, as loyal, true Americans, give honor to our nation's dead; and promise them as fellow Americans, to uphold as they upheld, our freedom and liberties, and keep and protect America in loyalty to her standards as they would have us do.

"In Flanders' fields the poppies grow,
Between the crosses, row on row."
And we shall not forget.

THE COUNTY FAIR

One of the things which you will be asked to vote upon Monday, June 5, will be the question of the county fair grounds. As is generally known, the fair grounds, thru various circurstances, were sold to Sams, at Clarion. Agitation to have the city of Clarion buy them for a park and use as fair grounds for the county fair, resulted in favorable action, when it was found that the law does not permit a town to levy sufficient tax to meet the cost of the grounds.

It was argued pro and con, and ultimately decided to put the proposition of county owned fair up to the voters at the June 5th primary. The voters of Wright county are asked on that day to state whether they shall be taxed to purchase these grounds FOR THE COUNTY. The tax will run, as we gather it, from 50c to three or four dollars, for one year only; that is, you will pay your share whether it be 50 cents, or four dollars, ONLY ONCE.

Some "kick" has been registered because the fair grounds will be in Clarion, and Clarion it is claimed, will benefit thereby while the other towns in the county foot the bill. The Independent believes this is a rather small view to take of the matter; Belmond would benefit, perhaps in some slight degree if the grounds were located here; so would Eagle Grove, or Dows, or Goldfield. It is a question of wether Wright county people want to hold the county fair, or let it drop. The Independent believes that the fair should be maintained; to go into the reason therefor is needless, they are obvious to all. Granting that Clarion may benefit slightly, for the sake of argument—and we aren't going to benefit Clarion for nothing, not if we know it—so do the other communities of the county benefit, while the farmer benefits most of all.

If Wright county is to maintain its past progressive policy, to keep in the march of progress industrially and agriculturally, it needs the fair. This paper favors it. It is endorsed by the Farm Bureau, thru the County Agent as a benefit to the farmers. Making it a county affair is the logical thing to do. The cost individually is small, and it gives the universal interest which any fair needs. Rightly conducted and managed, it will return a profit to the county—and that profit will reduce the taxes that much. Lay aside petty jealousies and considerations; forget that circumstances place the grounds in Clarion; throw off the selfish viewpoint, and consider the proposition impartially. Sum it up in these two ways: Do we need it? Will it pay?

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

BE CHARITABLE:—Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.—Gal. 6: 1.

Monday.

LOVE DEFRAUDS NOT:—Owe no man any thing, but to love one another. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not covet. Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.—Romans 13: 8. 9.

Tuesday.

A GOOD NAME THE BEST ASSET:—A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.—Proverbs 22: 1.

Wednesday.

ROAD TO SUCCESS:—Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. . . .Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him.—Psalm 37: 5, 7.

Thursday.

JESUS SAID:—And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me.—John 12: 32.

Friday.

LOVE MASTERS FEAR:—There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear.—1 John 4: 18.

Saturday.

BOAST NOT:—Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.—Proverbs 27: 1.

A LA WALT MASON

In the spring the whiskered farmer drinks hard cider from the can, thowing wads of burning language at the loafing hired man; in the spring the village gardner plants his lettuce, beets, and corn, and the cut worm eats it while he sleepeth in the morn; in the spring the old sow wanders to some quiet fen or brake, and returns with seven piglets cutely toddling in her wake; in the spring the good dog Rover hides behind the bushes damp, waiting always, waiting ever, for a chance to nail a tramp that has been a pet for years, gores the proud, confiding farmer, sits on him and eats his ears; in the spring the youth and maiden go to picnils in the woods, packing with them in their basket jells and fudge and other goods; and they fall into the river and the bull heads eat them up, till they come home in the evening swollen like a poisoned pup.—Miller

WRIGHT COUNTY LAND SELLS FOR BIG PRICE

The Des Moines Regiseter for Sunday, the 7th, contained two interesting "deals in dirt," one of which was in Wright county. Th old Birdsall farm bordering on Wall Lake was sold to an attorney at Davenport for $200,000 There are 860 acres in the place. The other transaction was the sale of 6,000 acres near Sioux City, for a total of $1,500,000. Judging from the prices on these two parcels of land, Iowa soil is a pretty good investment yet in spite of the high taxes.

When Spring doesn't get here on time we have that much longer anticipation.

Don't get faint-hearted. The world ain't going to ruin—not even when it's going your way.

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RADIO

THINGS BEGINNERS MUST LEARN FIRST

Explanation of Terms Used in Radio and of Its Basic Principles.

Due to the great interest taken in radio since broadcasting stations have been started, many radio terms are seen and heard that may be unfamiliar to the novice. Some of the most commonly used terms are explained and defined below.

Like light, heat and sound, radio energy is propagated in the form of a wave motion. Every one is familiar with the wave motion set up on the surface of a still body of water by the dropping of a stone into it.

Every time a point on the surface of the waves goes through a complete set of motions and starts to repeat those motions the wave is said to have gone through a cycle.

The number of complete cycles gone through per second is the frequency.

The human ear is responsive to sound frequencies up to a few thousand cycles per second but is not capable of responding to the higher frequencies encountered in radio. Arbitrarily a frequency of less than 10,000 cycles has been called an audible frequency—one which can be heard—and frequencies above 10,000 cycles, radio or inaudible frequencies—because they cannot be heard by the human ear.

The particular type of wave which propagates radio energy is an electromagnetic wave. All of us have seen bits of iron and steel attracted by the little toy magnets made up in the form of horseshoes. This attraction of the magnet for the bits of iron and steel showed the existence of a magnetic field about the tips of the magnet and this same kind of a field propagates the electro-magnetic force, except that unlike the toy magnet, its power comes off in the form of wavy motions. This electro-magnetic force propagates radio energy in all directions.

The medium that transmits the electro-magnetic waves is the same medium that transmits light—the ether. This medium is supposed to fill all space, even that occupied by fluids and solids. Little is known about its properties.

In radio it is more common to speak of wave length than frequency. The wave length of any wave motion is the distance between any two successive crests in the same direction. The wave length depends upon the frequency. If the frequency is high the wave length is short. On the other hand if the frequency is low the wave length is long. Numerically the wave length is equal to the distance traveled by the wave in one second divided by the frequency. Suppose, for example, that it were desired to know the wave length of an electro-magnetic wave having a frequency of 835,000 cycles. Electro-magnetic waves travel at the same speed as do light waves, that is, 186,000 miles per second. Dividing the 186,000 by 835,000 the wave length would be .223 miles or 396 yards. In radio work it is measured in meters. A meter is equal to approximately 1.1 yards. Converting 396 yards into meters the wave length would be 396 divided by 1.1 or 360 meters. This is the wave length on which KDKA operates. It also means that the electro-magnetic waves sent out from this station have a frequency of 835,000 cycles.

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

In a radiophone transmitter there are two requirements that must be fulfilled. First, there must be a source of high-frequency current, say, between 15,000 and 1,500,000 cycles so connected to an antenna and ground system that energy in the form of electromagnetic waves will be radiated. Second, there must be some method of controlling this high-frequency current or modulating it so that the variations in the amplitude of the high-frequency current will be directly proportional to the voice or music to be transmitted.

The high-frequency current is known as the carrier-wave and its function is to radiate into space in the form of electro-magnetic waves and by its variation in amplitude carry with it the variation in the tone at the transmitting station.

It is the frequency of the carrier-wave that determines the wave-length on which a radiophone station is transmitted. By experiment it has been found that electro-magnetic waves travel at the same velocity that light waves travel, that is, 186,000 miles per second. Wave-length is the distance between any two similar points on two successive waves; for example, the distance from crest to crest of any two successive waves in the same direction, measured in meters, a unit of length equal approximately to one and one-tenth yards. Converting 186,000 miles to meters, the equivalent is 300,000,000 meters. The length of an electro-magnetic wave is equal then to 300,000,000 divided by the frequency. Suppose a station was transmitting on a wave-length of 360 meters. The frequency of the carrier-wave would be approximately 835,000 cycles.

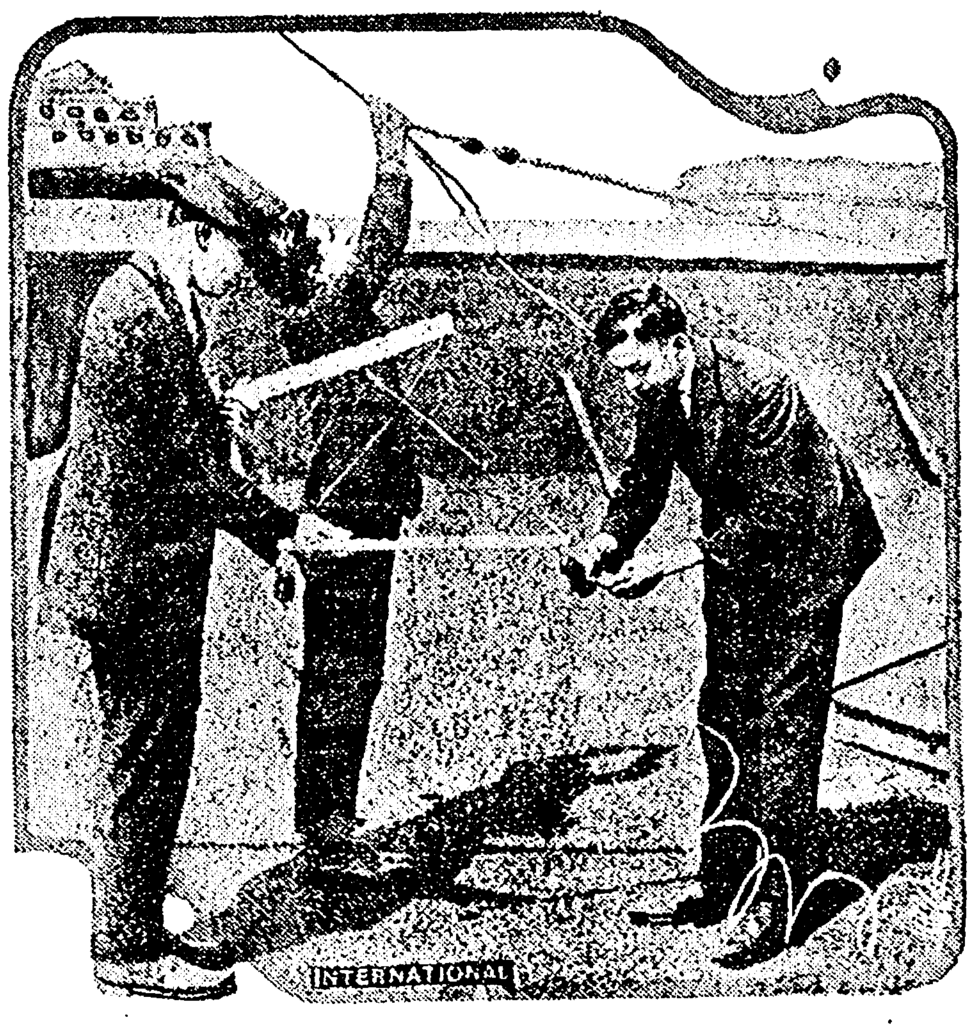
Just as a violinist tunes his instrument, that is, makes a certain string emit a note of higher or lower pitch, or, technically speaking, a sound wave of higher or lower frequency, by adjusting the tension on the string, so may the electrical constants of the antenna circuit of a radiophone transmitter be changed in order to have the station emit a carrier-wave of a different frequency.

If a tuning fork having a natural period corresponding to middle C be placed near a violinist who is playing, the fork will vibrate when the musician plays middle C, but all other times it will remain quiescent. This phenomenon of the tuning fork vibrating whenever the musician plays the corresponding note on the violin is known as mechanical resonance. If a radio receiver be adjusted so that electrically its natural period of vibration will be 835,000 cycles (360 meters wavelength) every time a station transmits on a wave-length of 360 meters, current will be set up in the receiver by electrical resonance. Stations transmitting on any wave-length other than 360 meters will not cause a current to be set up in the receiver.

The portion of a radio receiver that changes the wave-length at which it is electrically resonant is called a tuner. Suppose that "A" station transmits on a wave-length of 200 meters and "B" on a wave-length of 360 meters. By adjusting the tuner until the constants of the receiver make it electrically resonant to a 200-meter wave or a 360-meter wave, either of the two stations can be picked up, but both stations cannot be picked up simultaneously. This is the reason that more than one transmitter can be operating at one time and yet only one can be heard on a receiver without interference from the others.

The other necessary part of a radio receiver is the detector. The function of this portion of the receiver is to utilize the small currents in the tuner that are set up by a transmitting station and make them audible through the medium of a telephone receiver. If the telephone receiver were connected directly to the tuner the high-frequency current would not operate the diaphragm of the receiver and even if the diaphragm were set in motion it would be too fast a motion to be picked up by the human ear.

In a simple receiver the detector usually consists of two pieces of mineral in contact or a piece of mineral in contact with a metallic spring. Either combination is known as a crystal detector. A detector of this type is nothing more than a rectifier; that is, when an alternating current is applied at the terminals the current is allowed to flow only in one direction.



Amateur Radio Operators Erecting Aerial on the Roof.

How One Editor Uses Radio.

The editor of a paper in an isolated town in the northwest is using the radio in a most ingenious and effective way. An amateur radio friend in a big city 50 miles away buys the latest editions of the city papers as soon as they are off the press, reads the best news into his transmitter, and a typist in the country office copies the news as it comes in over the office receiver. The editor, through this ingenious plan, is always "First With the Latest" in his home town.

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Fancy Box Stationery
Manicure Sets
French Ivory Mirrors
Kodak
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Belmond Local News

Joe Graham is now on the job at Corwith, where he has been the past week or so barbering.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson came up Monday from Fort Dodge, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fred Luick.

T. H. Ziska and family, of Geneva spent Sunday in Belmond visiting at the home of his mother and brother, making the trip by auto. "Zip" is doing very nicely at Geneva.

"Do your bit" and buy a poppy Saturday. 10 cents.

American Legion Auxiliary poppy sale Saturday. 10c.

Wear a poppy Memorial Day in honor of The Boys. For sale by the Auxiliary, 10 cents, Saturday May 27.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nissen and family of Meservey were calling on friends in Belmond Sunday.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Campbell underwent a minor operation Tuesday, at the hospital here, for removal of his tonsils.

Olaf Eliason, who recently underwent an operation at the local hospitl for appendicitis, returned to his home near Olaf, yesterday.

Mrs. Bohning, from South Dakota, is visiting at the home of Mrs. A. Bohning, and with other relatives.

Miss Baumgartner, one of the local teachers, has accepted a position for this coming year in the schools at Montecello, Iowa, at a salary of $140 per month, an increase of ten dollars.

Miss Marie Leavy will be numbered among the teaching force of the Latimer schools next year, having accepted a position as grade teacher there.

Carol McIntyre demonstrated the mysteries of Radio to the Physics class of the school one morning this week, explaining to the students the "whyfors" of the wireless. Carol is experienced in the wireless and knows the ins and outs of Radio. He has had a station of his own for several years, and holds a second class government license for sending.

Miss Dodd spent Saturday of last week at Garner, visiting her fellow teacher, Miss Ramsay, who recently went to her home at Garner to recover from her illness. Miss Ramsay expects to return to her duties in the school here this week Thursday.

Buttermilk Mash For Little Chicks

Farmer's Elevator
Belmond, Iowa

Farm Bureau News

NORWAY FARM BUREAU PICNIC

Farmers of Norway township will hold a community picnic at the home of W. E. Buck on Thursday May 25th. All farmers of Norway township and surrounding territory are invited to attend this community affair.

Mr. A. J. Shinn, of Woodbine, Iowa or J. F. Coupe, Asst. Sec., of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation will be the speaker of the occasion. The following program has been arranged by Mrs. E. E. Evans, Chr. of the program committee.

America, By All.
Male Quartette.
Talk, R. M. Edwards.
Duet, Misses Baldridge and Peterson.
Things We Are Trying to Accomplish in Public Health Work, Miss Liddle.
Song, Norway Township 8th Grade Graduates.
Address, A. J. Shinn.
Duet, Misses Baldridge and Peterson.
Basket Dinner.
Sports of all kinds for young and old.
Big Ball game.

STATE CLUB LEADER VISITS WRIGHT

Miss Josephine Arnquist, State Leader of girls' club work spent two days in Wright County last week in assisting with the organization of girls' club work. Eight clubs in all were visited and judging from reports from the clubs Miss Arnquist's work was very interesting as well as instructive.

Miss Arnquist accompanied by the county agent met with the club leaders and members at the following places:

Mrs. Art Duitscher home, Lake School No. 2. Pleasant.
Mrs. C. S. Thomas home, Dayton School No. 1. Woolstock.
School No. 5. Lincoln, Mrs. N. E. Schroder, Wall Lake.
Mrs. Clarence Hill home Blaine, Mrs. Harry Woodley, Grant.

FARM BUREAU AND COUNTY FAIR

It would not be reasonable to expect the Wright County Farm Bureau as an organization to lend its influence towards continuing the Fair or towards discontinueing it according to the plan which has been proposed. It should be born in mind the the County Farm Bureau is made up of about 1200 to 1300 members whose opinions are divided on this issue and it would therefore be unfair to a certain percent of its members for the organization to take a definite stand for or against this proposition. There are very few members of this organization who do not realize the value of a county fair to the agricultural interests of the community, but since the tax payers of the county are the ones who will foot the bill in this project it would seem that the voters should decide this question at the polls and every Farm Bureau member as well as every other public spirited citizen should be willing to abide by the decision as expressed by the voters themselves next June 5th.

The sentiment as expressed by many farmers seems to be that the fair as it has been conducted in the past has not given enough attention to agricultural exhibits and that the fair has not been held at a time of the year when agricultural products could be shown. The original idea of the county fair was the exhibition of agricultural products and it is felt by many that more attention should be given to this department of the fair locally. It is true that concessions and horse racing are drawing cards at a county fair but many have felt that more attention could resonably be given to the agricultural exhibits. Many farmers would favor a fair which could be held in the fall of the year at a time when the fruits of their labor could be shown in competition with farmers from the various sections of the county. From the standpoint of purebred livestock Wright County ranks high with the other counties of the State and has been able to make a splendid showing in this department during the past few years. The Wright County Farm Bureau in its attitude towards the county fair will be guided by the decision of the voters June 5th, but should not be expected to influence any one's vote on this important issue. According to the proposed plan the taxpayers will buy the fair grounds and of course it naturally follows that improvements must be made and the buildings and all equipment maintained. The plan of having one director from each township seems feasible and if carried through on this basis should give satisfaction. The county fair should be a county wide proposition and should be controlled by the directors from the various parts of the county. Now is the time for every citizen of the county to decide in his own mind whether we should be taxed to buy the county fair grounds and let us hope that every voter will give this serious consideration before he casts his vote June 5th.

Personally, I feel that a county fair is a very good thing for any agricultural community and its advantages are known to all people and since Wright County is situated in the heart of the leading agricultural State in the union it would seem that its people would be justified in supporting a county fair which has for its main object the exhibition of its agricultural products. Altho it would be reasonable to expect that the means of its support should be decided upon by the voters of the county.

I believe people in general are in favor of a fair which is truely representative of the entire county, one which is self supporting, one which gives proper proportion of attention to agricultural products exhibits and one which is held at a time of year when agricultural products can be shown.

R. M. Edwards, County Agent.

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Griesy's Store News

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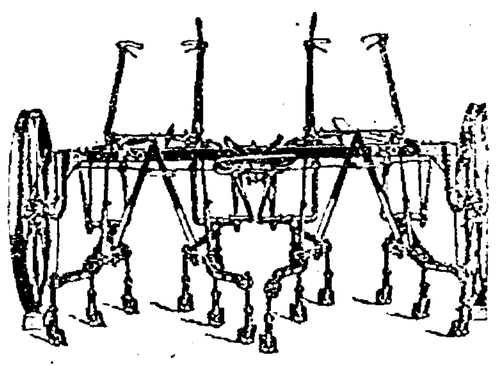

Good things come slowly. Things that rise rapidly seldom stay up long. Even a sky rocket has a stick that falls swiftly.

An enemy is generally a friend who misunderstood and didn't try to find out the facts.

Nine times out of ten when a man asks you for your opinion he doesn't want your opinion but merely an opening to give you his own.

Three new Primrose Cream Separators out on the farms of Sig. Anderson, Geo. Norris Sr. and Otto Neuhring last week.

There is very little difference in price between the best and the poorest twine this year. But don't forget it, the difference in quality is just as great as it ever was. Deering twine is just free of lumps and thin spots as it was last year. Poor twine has its usual irregularities Come over to the store the next time you are in town. If you don't find us in front you'll probably find us in the back setting up those McCormick-Deering machines you and your neighbors will need this season.

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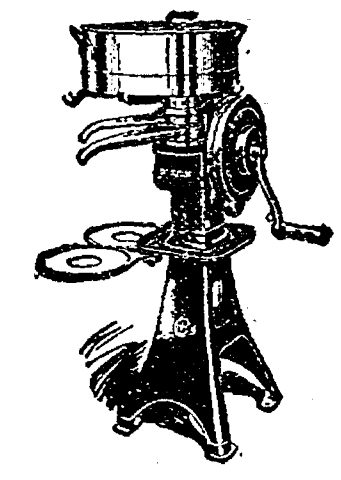

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Candidate For Congress

In the Third Iowa District, at Republican Primary, June 5th, 1922

FARMERS AND BUSINESSMEN FAVOR ROBINSON

G. E. VanWert, president of the Franklin County Farm Bureau, and the legislative committee of the Farm Bureau, have strongly endorsed Mr. Robinson, and urge the farmers of the Third district to vote for him. Mr. Robinson is a prudent business man, knows the needs of the farmer and is and always has been interested in the success of agriculture, the business man and the laboring man. Mr. Robinson served as a member of the Iowa State Senate for four years, and made a most excellent record. He was active in the support of good laws, and his vote was always in the interests of the people, and for prudent management of state affairs.

Ex-Service Men Strong for Robinson

Chaplain Tom Roberts, and other leading members of the American Legion of the Third district have endorsed Mr. Robinson, and are active in his support, as he has always been the real friend of the ex-service man.

Vote for T. J. B. Robinson, a man who stands for the best things in life, and a man who stands for the same things in one end of the district as he does in the other. His home folks and neighbors endorse him as 100 per cent in ability and character.

McFARLANE

For Congress

The people of the Third district have an opportunity to put in congress a man of ripe legislative experience and standing---one who has been elected speaker of the Iowa House of Representatives and who has the distinction of having been re-elected to that exalted position by acclamation. Arch W. McFarlane of Waterloo has been a loyal and active republican all his life, and has given freely of his time and means to the support of the party and its principles. He commands the confidence and esteem of those who know him.

Experience United With Character

United with experience of the most valuable kind, Mr. McFarlane possesses the character of a sturdy, dependable and successful business man,

Vitally concerned in all problems of interest to every person
in the Third district

and if nominated and elected he can be relied upon to vote for the best interests of his constituency. On this basis he solicits the votes and support of the people of Wright county, assuring them of his hearty sympathy with their problems and realizing that no greater honor could come to any man than to represent them in the halls of congress.

Vote for McFarlane At the Primary

A vote for Arch W. McFarlane at the primary is a vote for progressive government, economy in expenditures of public money, intelligent administration of the nation's laws and courageous solution of its problems. McFarlane has the ability and experience to make the district one of the best representatives it has ever had. Vote for him on primary day, Monday, June 5.

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, MAY 25, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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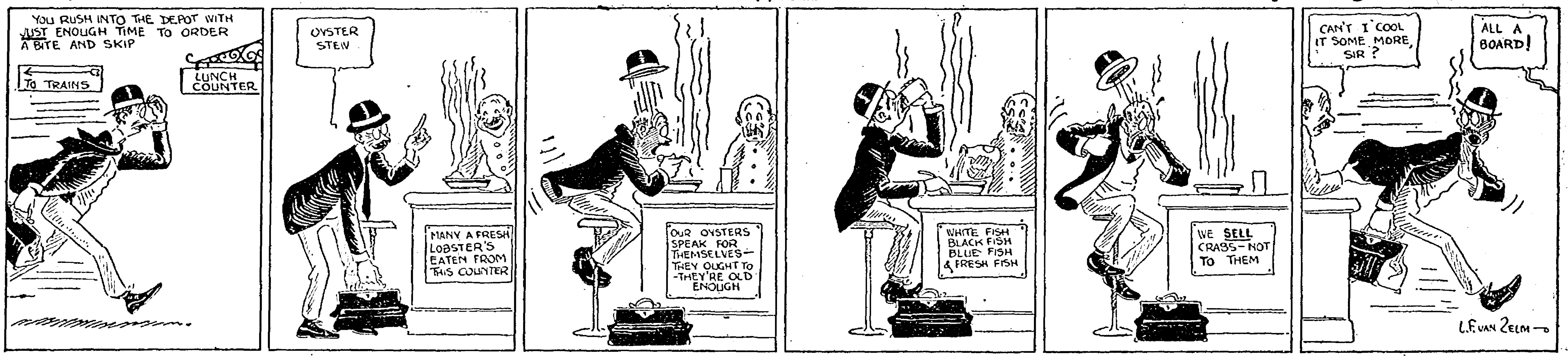
The Stew Wasn't the Only Thing That Was Hot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MANY A FRESH LOBSTER'S EATEN FROM THIS COUNTER
OUR OYSTERS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES— THEY OUGHT TO -THEY'RE OLD ENOUGH
WHITE FISH BLACK FISH BLUE FISH & FRESH FISH
WE SELL CRABS—NOT TO THEM
CAN'T I COOL IT SOME MORE, SIR?
ALL A BOARD!
L.F. VAN ZELM

AUTO KILLS SHEEP, CAR CATCHES FIRE

Jake Cuvelier, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cuvelier, and Harold Handorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hendorf, both of whom reside near Hansell, narrowly escaped death when the big Reo seven passenger touring car which they were driving turned turtle with them last Friday evening, near the Keefe farm just east of Hampton.

The boys were on their way to Hampton from Hansell about 9:00 o'clock Friday evening when the car struck a large sheep in the road in front of the W. J. Keefe farm home about one and one-half miles east of Hampton. The force of the blow caused young Handorf who was driving, to lose control of the car and about 100 feet from the spot where the sheep was struck the car went into the ditch on the south side of the road and turned completely over, pinning the boys underneath it. The car was owned by Handorf's father.

As the car pitched into the ditch the gasoline became ignited in some way and in only a moment the whole car was in flames. Had it not been for the fact that the accident took place right in front of the Keefe home where instant aid was at hand, the Cuvelier boy would probably have burned to death. As it was he was severely blistered on his left leg and also about the face. His most serious injury, however was the bruising of his right eye. The physicians in charge say that Cuvelier will recover without any bad effects from accident. Young Handorf was more fortunate than his companion. He escaped with only a few bruises, slight in comparison to those of Cuvelier.

The boys were taken from under the car by Mr. Keefe and were brot to this city and after a hurried medical examination they were taken to the Hampton hospital.

Handorf was allowed to return to his home Saturday, but Cuvelier was not able to go home for several days.—Chronicle.

WHAT A MAN OWES HIS TOWN

What does a business man owe to the town in which his business is located besides the payment of taxes? Nothing, some close-fisted and tight-lipped business men will say. But they are not the kind of business men who make the biggest success nor are they the kind of business men who get the most out of life.

The business men who make the biggest success and who get the most out of life are the kind who believe they owe something more to the town in which their business is located than the mere payment of taxes; who believe they owe it what they can contribute of active aid in solving the problems that confront their neighbor their social, political or commercial.

Fortunately for the towns of this country there are many able business men who, disregarding the advise of the kind business men who say that it may cause them to lose some trade if they take sides in city affairs, are devoting considerable of their time and their talents to do something for the general good of their town. And the number of such men is growing. The time has passed, and Buffalo Center men know it, when a merchant loses trade by getting out and boosting for an improvement the town needs, even though a few mossbacks are opposed to such an improvement. And we sincerely hope and trust that such a time may never return, or that the town may have as business men in the future those who can't see any farther than the cash drawer.—Buffalo Center Tribune

JAMISON SELLS STOCK IN DOWS BANK

G. H. Jamison has sold his stock in the Farmers State Bank at Dows, and is now completely out of the Banking business in that town. Mr. Jamison and members of his family have held control of the bank for many years. H. E. Ford, who has been acting vice president, has also sold his stock and will retire from the bank.

Several Hampton men and others from Dows, now have complete control of the bank, in fact Mr. Jamison has sold his entire holdings. E. R. Worley, who has been cashier of the bank during the past two years will remain in that capacity. W. E. Deam, a former well known Chapin boy, and a son of Ira T. Deam, of this city, is among the new stockholders, and has been elected vice president and will be one of the active officials in the bank. Mr. Deam has been engaged in the banking business in Iowa for several years, and goes to Dows very highly recommended. The people of Dows will find him a clean and reliable citizen, and a prudent business man.

Among the Hampton men who will be stockholders under the new management are Dr. C. F. Osborne, William Donaldson, Dr. J. C. Powers, and Ira T. Deam. Dr. Schnug and a number of farmers near Dows, who have been stockholders in the bank will retain their interests in the bank.

Dr. C. F. Osborne was chosen president of the bank, succeeding F. B. Sheldon of Rowan.—Hampton Chronicle.

GOODELL NEWS

Last Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Graeber autoed to Hampton Wednesday, where Mrs. Graeber underwent a serious operation on Friday.

Mr. Hio Harberts and family went to Hampton on Sunday to see Mrs. Harberts who found it necessary to return to the hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hegenger drove to Hampton on Sunday to see the sick from their community.

The Senior Class was entertained at the home of Supt. Nelson last Wednesday night. They reported a very nice time.

Last Sunday the T. R. Burgess family visited in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson who live near Olaf visited at the home of Mr. Johnson's parents on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cook attended the Baccalaureate services at Meservey on Sunday last.

Miss Clara Johnson left Saturday for a visit with her sister who lives at New Richland, Minn.

Mr. Okrueg and Harry Ruka drove to Hampton on Friday to see Mrs. Harry Ruka. Mrs. Ruka is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Miller are rejoiring over the arrival of a girl.

Misses Dows, Quin and Jinkins left for their homes Saturday. They will not teach in Goodell next year.

The School Board has employed the following teachers: Supt. O. Nelson; Primary, Miss Butts of Belmond; Misses Sandberg and Johnson will teach the same grades next year.

The graduating class this year is the largest in the history of the school. The class roll is: Louisa Ahrenkiel, Eddie Boller, Marvel Crase, Louisa Mason, Agnes Huller, Arther Lowenberg, Frances McNulty, and John Miller.

Mr. J. W. Benson of Gladbrook, Iowa visited at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. T. Miller during the commencement exercises.

PEOPLE WILL TALK

You may get through the world, but
'twill be very slow,
If you listen to all that is said as
you go;
You'll be worried and fretted, and
kept in a stew—
For meddlesome tongues must have
something to do,
And people will talk.

If quiet and modest, you'll have it
presumed
That your humble position is only
assumed;
You're a wolf in sheep's clothing, or
else you're a fool;
But don't get excited—keep perfectly
cool—
For people will talk.

And then if you show the least boldness of heart,
Or a slight indication to take your
own part,
They will call you an upstart, conceited and vain;
But keep straight ahead, don't stop to
explain—
For people will talk.

If threadbare your dress, or old-fashioned your hat,
Someone will surely take notice of
that,
And hint rather strong that you can't
pay your way,
But don't get excited whatever they
say—
For pople will talk.

If your dress is in fashion, don't
think to escape,
For they criticise them in a different
shape;
You're ahead of your means, or your
tailor's unpaid;
But mind your own business—there's
naught to be made—
For people will talk.

Now, the best way to do is to do as
you please,
For your mind, if you have one, will
then be at ease,
Of course, you will meet all sorts
of abuse;
But don't think to stop them—it
"ain't" any use—
For people will talk.

—Selected.

WISE AND OTHERWISE

Reformers have a chance to be popular when they begin on themselves.

If we can't climb the ladder of success to the top round, we can at least cheer for the fellows who are still climbing.

Brotherhood is a fine word to lift out of the dictionary and put into the heart for safe-keeping.

No man ever hated another without feeling ashamed of it way down under his hide.

Graduating time will soon be along and our problems will be speediy solved.

This is the time of the year when the average kid would rather be a good, nifty left-handed pitcher than to be President.

Son, if you think that the world owes you a living just remember that you'll have to be a mighty good collector in order to get it.

Let us love one another. Then we will be too busy to get into trouble.

No question about women being angels. Nothing less than an angel could bear patiently with men folks.

The true optimist is the man who is sure things will come right because he has made up his mind to hustle that they will come right.

When men yearn to sell you a bunch of stock guaranteed to pay eighty per cent, you wonder if human unselfishness has suddenly become perfect.

If the Bolsheviki continue to control Russia, the barbers will soon starve.

How does anyone know that Love will not cure the world? It has never been given a chance yet.

As long as a man keeps a dog, there's one thing thinks he is the best man in the world.

Washington could not tell a lie. Strange how many folks think they should improve on the Father of His Country.

When a fellow calls you names, remember that only yourself can make them true.

Good times have a peculiar hankering for the fellow who burns up his muscle on a worthy job.

If Matrimony offered a Booby Prize, every married woman would believe she had won it.

Conan Doyle says ere long the world can hear the talk from the spirit-world. This will make Death seem tolerable to Brother Bryan.

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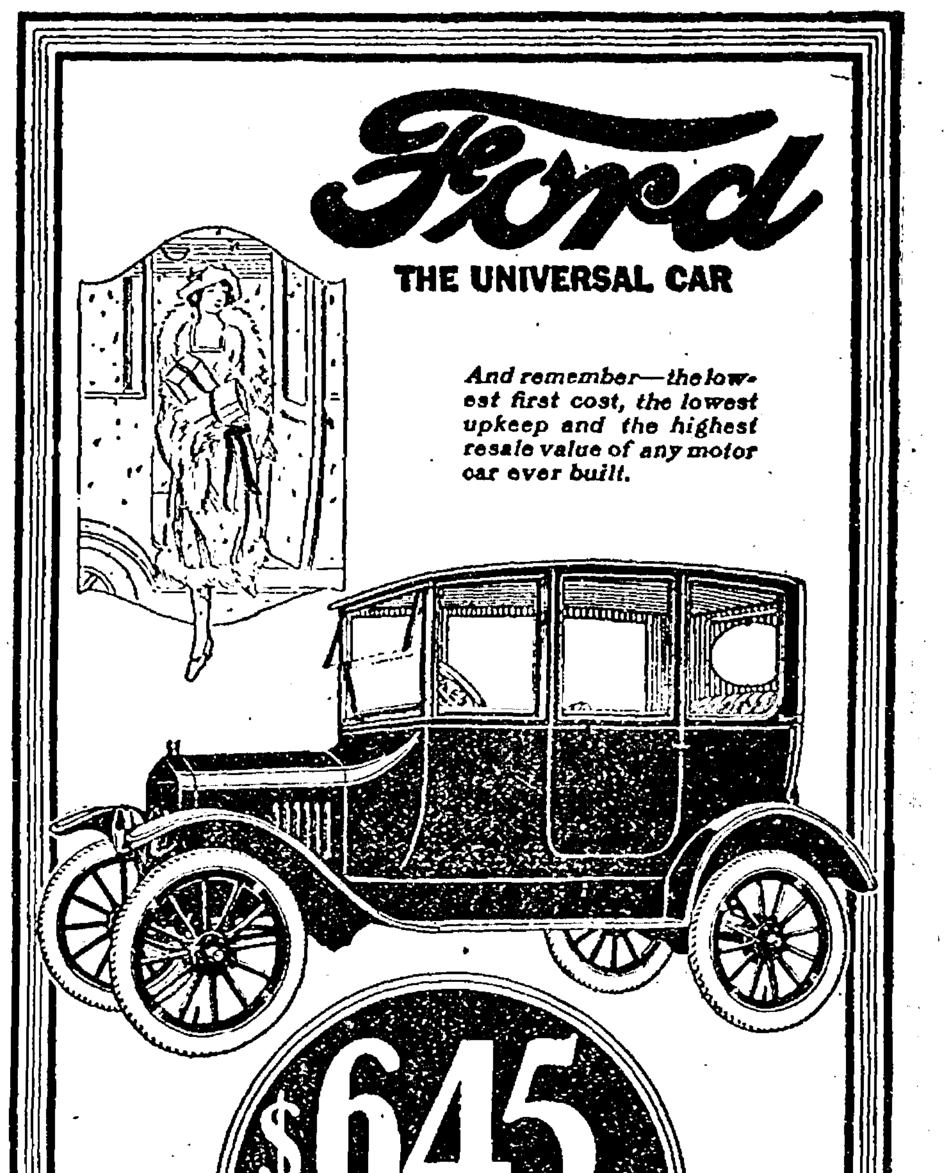

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Little Miss Mildred Wendel who has been staying with her grandma, *Mrs. Prall at Tama, Iowa, returned* to her home Wednesday. Mrs. Prall came with her for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and little Louise Witt were at Mason City and Clear Lake shoping Friday.

Mrs. H. Meinderts who has been visiting relatives at Klemme returned home Saturday evening.

G. Lauster and daughter, Viola motored to Mason City Saturday. They were accompanied by Miss Ollie Pals.

Mrs. Frank Nissen returned to her home Wednesday after visiting with her folks at Ames since Sunday.

Mr. Eilert Dirks who has graduated from New Jersey Academy came home Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and son Donald and A. J. Nissen and family attended the Senior Play "Clarence" at Belmond on Friday evening.

A number of Thornton people attended the play "The Old Fashioned Mother," which was given by the Senior Class Thursday evening.

Mrs. Henrietta Wilkins and daughters, Genevieve and Leonore returned home with Mr. and Mrs. Riley Bachman Saturday evening for a weeks visit.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson was a week end visitor with relatives at Rowan and Dows.

Wm. Butz and daughter, Irene were accompanied by the Miss es Marguerite Galbraith, Esther Reverts and Miss King and Walter Witt.

Among those who attended the Play at Belmond were Tillie and Ollie Pals, Mildred Gealow, Whilemina Loats, Gertie and Grace Pals, Jennie Ostendorf, Albert Pals, Herman Kuhlers and Peter Koenen.

Alma Ankeny spent the week end at Mason City.

Victor Zimmerman and F. A. Lemke were at Clear Lake Friday on a business and fishing trip.

Mrs. George Fischer of Mason City came down last week for a visit at the H. Fischer home and also to attend commencement exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and family were callers at the Joe White home at Belmond on Sunday.

Jack Morris and family of near Thornton were Sunday visitors at the Wm. Morris home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lemke and daughter visited relatives at Goodell Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Studer of Waseka, Minn., were here the latter part of last week visiting here at the home of their daughters, Mrs. A. Wendel and Mrs. Herman Tuttle.

L. B. Hulsebus was a business caller at Mason City Monday.

Women's Missionary Society

The officers elected: President, Mrs. Schlesselman; 1st Vice, Mrs. Wickershiem; 2nd Vice, Mrs. Muller; Sec-Mrs. C. Janssen; Sec. of Little Her-Wm. Butz; Sec. of Message Bearers, Mrs . C. Janssen; Sec. of Little Heralds, Mrs. H. F. Reif; Delegates to annual convention at Cedar Falls, Mrs. Brater; Alternate, Mrs. Muller.

Rev. Fred Reverts and family motored down here from Stout, on Monday for a short visit at the Rev. Pannkuk home and also to attend the commencement exercises and the examinations which were given Eilert Dirks here Tuesday.

Victor Zimmerman and family and F. A. Lemke and mother were callers at the Zimmerman home at Sheffield on Saturday.

Rev. G. Zindler, and Mr. Luderman, Rev. George Schmucker and son Felix of Aplington were here Tuesday for the examination of Eilert Dirks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hartfelder and daughters, Mrs. Harold Blewitt and Mrs. Hartley Blewitt and son, and Miss Alma Walters autoed to Mason City on Monday.

The Senior Class Play entitled "An Old Fashioned Mother," given at the M. E. church here last Thursday evening was a decided success from start to finish. Every one handled their parts so well and gave them with such ease and ability that the audience was at times moved to tears then compelled to join in the mirth and laughter caused by a sudden out burst of humor. Altogether it was a play well rendered and appreciated by all present, and contained a lesson of real worth. Much credit should be given Mrs. Sifert for the excellent work she did in the training and the judgement used in giving the various parts to ones best fitted, and in succeeding so well that the play was repeated again on Saturday night to a full house. Special music was furnished by the orchestra and special mention should be made of the solo rendered by Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh which was much enjoyed by every one present.

HELPING HAND SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS

The Helping Hand Society of the Evangelical church met in the basement last Thursday P. M. to elect officers for the coming year. Following is the result: President, Mrs. C. Mayers; Vice Pres. Mrs. Wm. Butz; Sec., Mrs. C. E. Brogan; Tresurer, Mrs. Aug. Guth.

After the business of the society was completed, lunch was served by Mrs. E. G. Thomas.

Rev. Waalkes and Mr. Dorenkamp of near Belmond were here Tuesday to attend the examination given here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Dirks and Eilert and Miss Kate Gruis motored to Mason City Sunday to visit Mrs. Henry Dirks at the hospital. Mrs. Dirks is at this writing as well as can be expected.

Misses Loats and Gealow spent Sunday at their homes near Belmond.

The Junior play "A Case of Suspension" which was given here Thursday evening May 11th was well rendered. Everybody taking their parts to perfection. The play was much enjoyed by all.

School Notes

Eighth Grade graduation at the M. E. church Thursday evening May 25, at 8 o'clock. A good program is being prepared. Supt. Newcomb will deliver the address and give diplomas. There are ten graduates.

The Senior Bacculuareate Services were splendid Sunday evening at the Evangelical church. The Sermon given by Rev. H. Pannkuk was inspiring and helpful. The music was good and the house crowded to the very utmost.

The Senior class have commencement services tonight (Tuesday) May 23. The following are the members of the class: Viola Lauster, Irena Butz, Orpha Smith, Esther Reverts, Vern Schulter, Herman Fischer, Marguerite Galbraith.

The Juniors gave the Seniors a banquet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendel, Monday May 22. The table was set for twenty and a menu of four courses was enjoyed by all.

The reception room was decorated in purple and gold, the Junior colors, and the dining room in blue and silver, the Senior colors. Toasts were given by Mr. Sifert, Merle Brogan, and Esther Reverts. The Senior Class history was read by Evelyn Thomas.

All present were much pleased with the events of the evening.

Following are the courses served:

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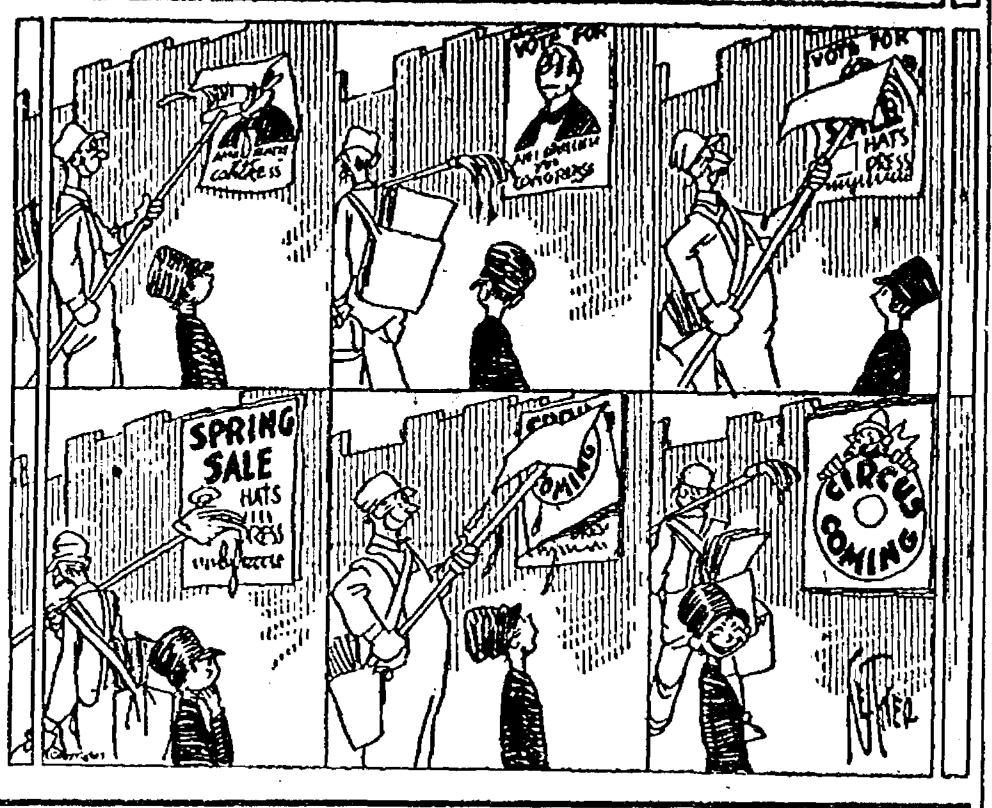

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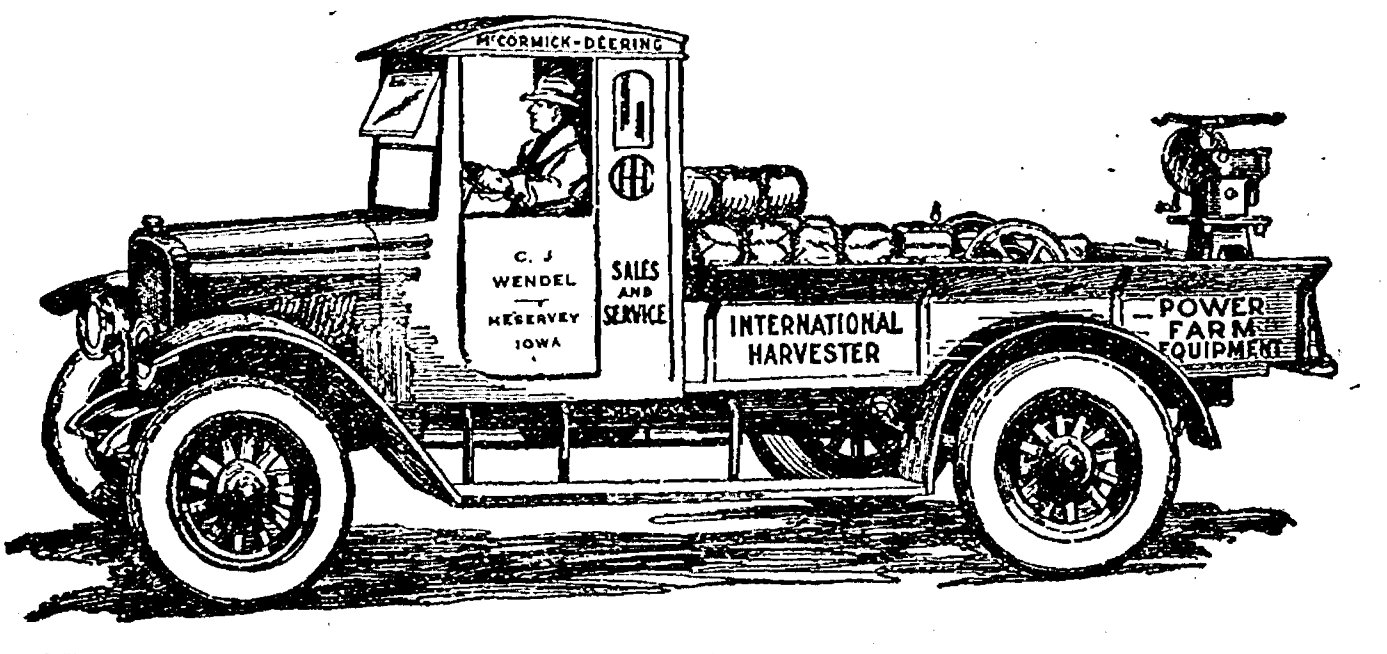

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Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A. W. Schlesselman, Pastor

THE REFORMED CHURCH

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Preaching Service 10:15 a. m.
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Alexander Local News

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tucker of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the John Bell home.

Miss Wilma Foughty is visiting with relatives at Belmond this week.

Bert Kieslick was a caller at Coulter Monday.

Theodore Beenen autoed to Eldora Sunday.

Mrs. S. W. Osborne of Hampton visited with her sister, Mrs. Otto Kieslich several days the past week.

C. I. McCallum of Rowan was a visitor at Alexander the last of the week.

James Green of Hampton was in town on business last Tuesday.

Arthur Winwood was a caller at Hampton last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Larsen, of Latimer were Sunday guests at the Chris Larsen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Aldinger and two sons were callers at Hampton last Sunday afternoon.

Harold Aigley was a visitor at Belmond on Friday evening.

Missds Viola and Pearl Kothenbeutel, and Elsie Jones of Hampton were visitors at the John Bell home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Klinefelter and children were shoppers at Hampton last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Grant Smith was an over Sunday visitor with relatives at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and childern, Blanche and Elmer, Miss Lillie Cornwell and Bert Kieslich visited the Will Waddington home at Geneva last Sunday.

Memorial Services will be held at the School Auditorium next Sunday afternoon, May 28th begining at two o'clock. All children are asked to march and bring flowers if possible. A special invitation is extended to all ex-soldiers.

Band concert just before exercises on the school grounds.

The Cemetery Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Jessie Latham next Thursday afternoon, June 1st. Hostesses are Mrs. George Dunn, Mrs. Louie Peters and Mrs. Jessie Latham.

GOOD SALE IN GERMANY

In 1918 Andrew Scott of Marcus had an opportunity to sell a house and three lots he owned in Germany for a good price which was 1380 marks. In the meantime the money was changed, first into Denmark money and then into American money with the result he received word the other day he will receive ninety cents from the sale of his German property.—News.

Lost—Truck endgate between Latimer and Alexander.—C. C. Johnson, Alexander. 271*

This would be a happier world it we would all use the same ingenuity in keeping out of trouble as we do to get out of it.

What has become of the old fashioned man who used to brag that he could jump into the air and crack his heels together three times before he struck the ground?

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF IOWA, Wright County, ss.

To Rube McFerren, Minnie McFerren, E. F. King, Webster City Savings Bank of Webster City, Iowa, J. A. Daniels, Belmond Lumber Company of Belmond, Iowa, Cato C. Griesy, and James Kenefick:

You are hereby notified that by virtue of a Special execution, to me directed and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgement rendered in said Court in favor of John Dorenkamp, and against Rube McFerren and Minnie McFerren for the sum of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Two and 18-100 dollars debt, and Two Hundred Twenty-Two and 11-100 dollars costs, I have levied upon the following describ ed Real Estate, to-wit:

The South-east Quarter (SE1-4) of Section Twenty Seven (27) and the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE1-4) and the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1-4) of Section Thirty-Four (34) all in Township Ninety-Three (93) North, Range Twenty Four (24) West of the 5th P. M. in Wright County, Iowa.

And that on the 9th day of June, 1922, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the front door of the Court House in Clarion, Wright County, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clarion, on this 10th day of May, 1922.

HENRY LANG,
Sheriff Wright County, Iowa.
J. M. JENSEN, Attorney.
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Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.
HENRY LANG

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.
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F. W. Walker.

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.
JOHN D. BAKER

Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.
H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.
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Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

Announcement for Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries June 5, 1922.
J. M. JENSEN

Announcement for Supervisor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor from the first district, subject to the primaries on June 5, 1922.
D. E. Harris

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn.
Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Co. Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney for Wright county subject to the Republican primaries of June 5, 1922.
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I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the primary on June 5, 1922, on the Republican.
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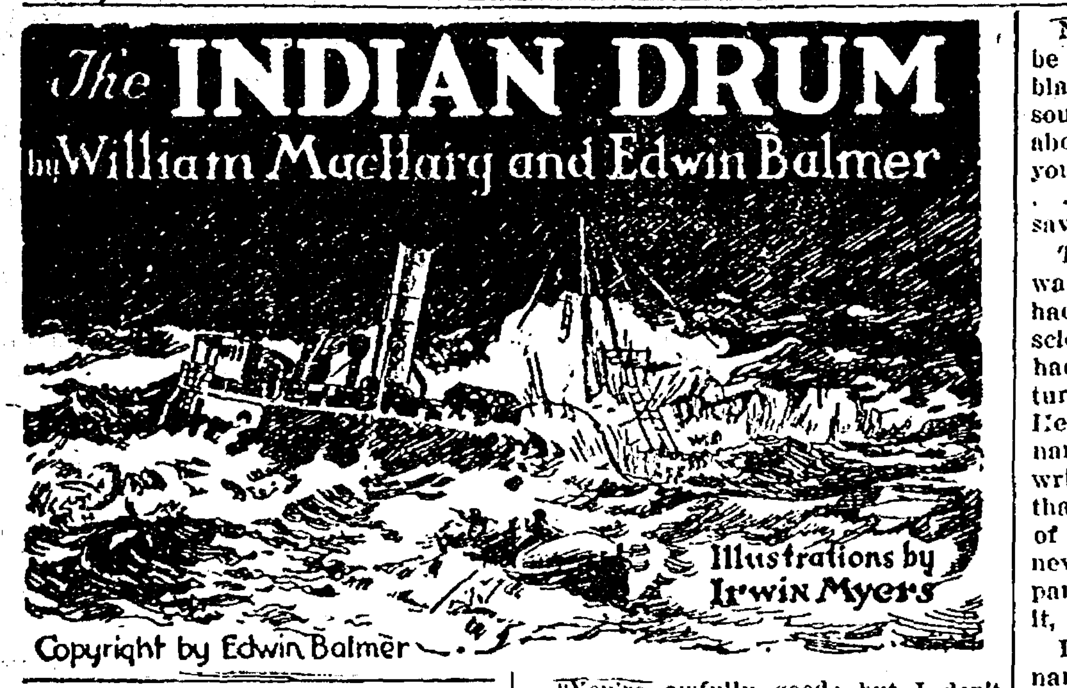
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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

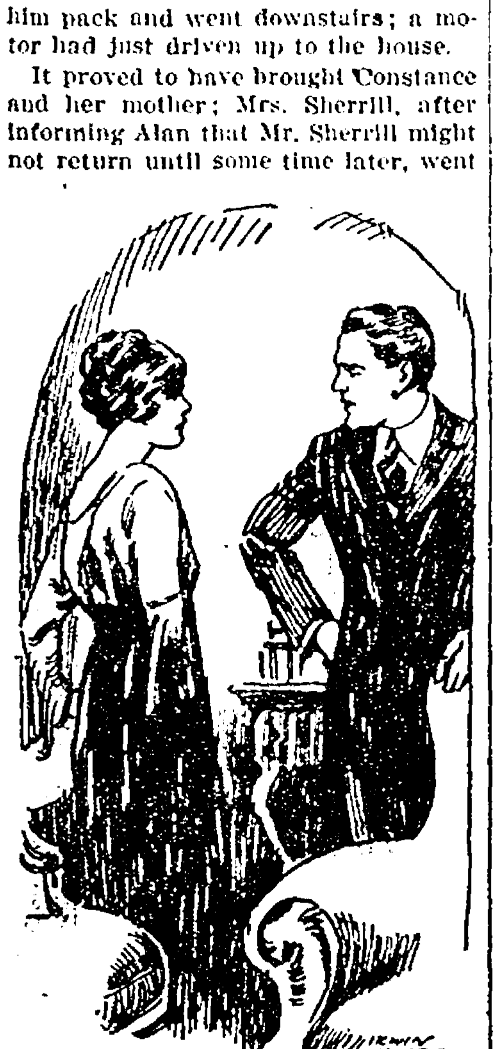
Sherrill had believed that here in this house Benjamin Corvet had left—or might have left—a memorandum, a record, or an account of some sort which would explain to Alan, his son, the blight which hung over his life. Sherrill had said that it could have been no mere intrigue, no vulgar personal sin; and the events of the night had made that very certain; for, plainly, whatever was hidden in that house involved some one else seriously, desperately. There was no other way to explain the intrusion of the sort of man whom Alan had surprised there an hour ago.

The fact that this other man searched also did not prove that Benjamin Corvet had left a record in the house, as Sherrill believed; but it certainly showed that another person believed—or feared—it. Whether or not guilt had sent Benjamin Corvet away four days ago, whether or not there had been guilt behind the ghost which had "got Ben," there was guilt in the big man's superstitious terror when he had seen Alan. A bold, powerful man like that one, when his conscience is clear, does not see a ghost. And the ghost which he had seen had a bullet hole above the brows!

Alan took up his hat and looked about the house; he was going to return and sleep here, of course; he was not going to leave the house unguarded for any long time after this, but, after what had just happened, he felt he could leave it safely for half an hour, particularly if he left a light burning within.

He did this and stepped over to the Sherrills'. The man who answered his ring recognized him at once and admitted him; in reply to Alan's question, the servant said that Mr. Sherrill had not yet returned. When Alan went to his room, the valet appeared and, finding that Alan was packing, the man offered his service. Alan let him pack and went downstairs; a motor had just driven up to the house.

It proved to have brought Constance and her mother; Mrs. Sherrill, after informing Alan that Mr. Sherrill might not return until some time later, went upstairs and did not appear again. Constance followed her mother, but, ten minutes later, came downstairs.



"You're Not Staying Here Tonight?" She Asked.

"You're not staying here tonight?" she asked.

"I wanted to say to your father," Alan explained, "that I believe I had better go over to the other house."

"Are you taking any one with you?" she inquired.

"Any one?"

"A servant, I mean."

"No."

"Then you'll let us lend you a man from here."

"You're awfully good; but I don't think I'll need anyone tonight. Mr. Corvet's—my father's man—is coming back tomorrow, I understand. I'll get along very well until then."

She was silent a moment as she looked away. Her shoulders suddenly jerked a little. "I wish you'd take some one with you," she persisted. "I don't like to think of you alone over there."

"My father must have been often alone there."

"Yes," she said. "Yes." She looked at him quickly, then away, checking a question. She wanted to ask, he knew, what he had discovered in that lonely house which had so agitated him; for of course she had noticed agitation in him. And he had intended to tell her, or, rather, her father. He had been rehearsing to himself the description of the man he had met there in order to ask Sherrill about him; but now Alan knew that he was not going to refer the matter even to Sherrill just yet.

Sherrill had believed that Benjamin Corvet's disappearance was from circumstances too personal and intimate to be made a subject of public inquiry; and what Alan had encountered in Corvet's house had confirmed that belief. Sherrill further had said that Benjamin Corvet, if he had wished Sherrill to know those circumstances, would have told them to him; but Corvet had not done that; instead, he had sent for Alan, his son. He had given his son his confidence.

Sherrill had admitted that he was withholding from Alan, for the time being, something that he knew about Benjamin Corvet; it was nothing, he had said, which would help Alan to learn about his father, or what had become of him; but perhaps Sherrill, not knowing these other things, could not speak accurately as to that. Alan determined to ask Sherrill what he had been withholding, before he told him all of what had happened in Corvet's house. There was one other circumstance which Sherrill had mentioned but not explained; it occurred to Alan now.

"Miss Sherrill—" he checked himself.

"What is it?"

"This afternoon your father said that you believed that Mr. Corvet's disappearance was in some way connected with you; he said that he did not think that was so; but do you want to tell me why you thought it?"

"Yes; I will tell you." She colored quickly. "One of the last things Mr. Corvet did—in fact, the last thing we know of his doing before he sent for you—was to come to me and warn me against one of my friends."

"Warn you, Miss Sherrill? How? I mean, warn you against what?"

"Against thinking too much of him." She turned away.

"I think I'll come to see your father in the morning," Alan said, when Constance looked back to him.

"But you'll come over here for breakfast in the morning?"

"You want me?"

"Certainly."

"I'd like to come very much."

"Then I'll expect you." She followed him to the door when he had put on his things, and he made no objection when she asked that the man be allowed to carry his bag around to the other house.

When he had dismissed Simons and re-entered the house on Astor street, he found no evidences of any disturbance while he had been gone. On the second floor, to the east of the room which had been his father's, was a bedroom which evidently had been kept as a guest chamber; Alan carried his suitcase there and made ready for bed.

The sight of Constance Sherrill standing and watching after him in concern as he started back to this house, came to him again and again and, also, her flush when she had spoken of the friend against whom Benjamin Corvet had warned her. Who was he? It had been impossible at that moment for Alan to ask her more; besides, if he had asked and she had told him, he would have learned only a name which he could not place yet in any connection with her or with Benjamin Corvet. Whoever he was, it was plain that Constance Sherrill "thought of him;" lucky man, Alan said to himself. Yet Corvet had warned her not to think of him. . . .

Alan turned back his bed. It had been for him a tremendous day. Barely twelve hours before he had come to that house, Alan Conrad from Blue Rapids, Kan., now . . . phrases from what Lawrence Sherrill had told him of his father were running through his mind as he opened the door of the room to be able to hear any noise in Benjamin Corvet's house, of which he was sole protector. The emotion roused by his first sight of the lake went through him again as he opened the window to the east.

Now—he was in bed—he seemed to be standing, a specter before a man blaspheming Benjamin Corvet and the souls of men dead. "And the hole above the eye! . . . The bullet got you! . . . So it's you that got Ben! . . . I'll get you! . . . You can't save the Miwaka!"

The Miwaka! The stir of that name was stronger now even than before; it had been running through his consciousness almost constantly since he had heard it. He jumped up and turned on the light and found a pencil. He did not know how to spell the name and it was not necessary to write it down; the name had taken on that definiteness and ineffaceableness of a thing which, once heard, can never again be forgotten. But, in panic that he might forget, he wrote it, guessing at the spelling—"Miwaka."

It was a name, of course; but the name of what? It repeated and repeated itself to him, after he got back into bed, until its very iteration made him drowsy.

Outside, the gale whistled and shrieked. The wind, passing its last resistance after its sweep across the prairies before it leaped upon the lake, battered and clamored in its assault about the house. But as Alan became sleepier, he heard it no longer as it rattled the windows and howled under the eaves and over the roof, but as out on the lake, above the roaring and ice-crunching waves, it whipped and circled with its chill the ice-shrouded sides of struggling ships. So, with the roar of surf and gale in his ears, he went to sleep with the sole conscious connection in his mind between himself and these people, among whom Benjamin Corvet's summons had brought him, the one name "Miwaka."

CHAPTER VI.

The Deed in Trust.

Memory, if Alan could call it that, had given him a feeling for ships and for the lake. But these recollections were only what those of a three-years' child might have been. Not only did they refuse to connect themselves with anything else, but by the very finality of their isolation, they warned him that they—and perhaps a few more vague memories of similar sort—were all that recollection ever would give him. He caught himself together and turned his thoughts to the approaching visit to Sherrill—and his father's offices. He had accepted Constance Sherrill's invitation to drive him downtown to his destination.

Observing the towering buildings to his right, he was able to identify some of the more prominent structures, familiar from photographs of the city. Constance drove swiftly a few blocks down this boulevard; then, with a sudden, "Here we are!" she shot the car to the curb and stopped. She led Alan into one of the tallest and best-looking buildings.

On several of the doors opening upon the wide marble hall where the elevator left them, Alan saw the names, "Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman."

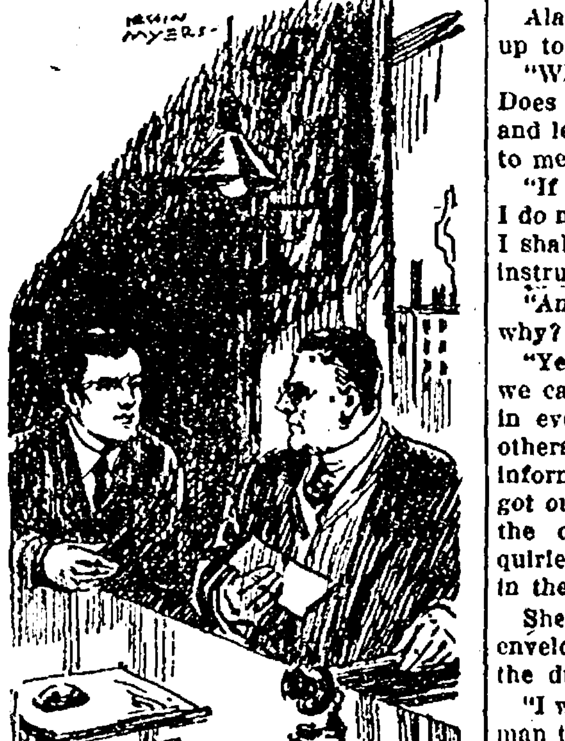
Constance led the way on past to a door farther down the corridor, which bore merely the name, "Lawrence Sherrill"; evidently Sherrill, who had interests aside from the shipping business, had offices connected with but not actually a part of the offices of Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman. A girl on guard at the door, saying that Mr. Sherrill had been awaiting Mr. Conrad, opened an inner door and led Alan into a large, many-windowed room, where Sherrill was sitting alone before a table-desk. He pulled the "visitor's chair" rather close to his desk and to his own big leather chair before asking Alan to seat himself.

"You wanted to tell me, or ask me, something last night, my daughter has told me," Sherrill said cordially. "I'm sorry I wasn't home when you came back."

"I wanted to ask you, Mr. Sherrill," Alan said, "about those facts in regard to Mr. Corvet which you mentioned to me yesterday but did not explain. You said it would not aid me to know them; but I found certain things in Mr. Corvet's house last night which made me want to know, if I could, everything you could tell me."

Sherrill opened a drawer and took out a large, plain envelope.

"On the day after your father disappeared," he said, "but before I knew he was gone—or before any one except my daughter felt any alarm about him—I received a short note from him. The note was agitated, almost incoherent. It told me he had sent for you—Alan Conrad, of Blue Rapids, Kansas—but spoke of you as though you were some one I ought to have known about, and commended you to my care. The remainder of it was merely an agitated, almost indecipherable farewell to me. When I opened the envelope, a key had fallen out. The note made no reference to the key, but, comparing it with one I had in my pocket, I saw that it appeared to be a key to a safety deposit box in the vaults of a company where we both had boxes.



Sherrill Opened a Drawer and Took Out a Large, Plain Envelope.

"The note, taken in connection with my daughter's alarm about him, made it so plain that something serious had happened to Corvet, that my first thought was merely for him. Corvet was not a man with whom one could readily connect the thought of suicide; but, Alan, that was the idea I had. I hurried at once to his house, but the bell was not answered, and I could not get in. His servant, Wassaquam, has very few friends, and the few times he has been away from home of recent years have been when he visited an acquaintance of his—the head porter in a South Side hotel. I went to the telephone in the house next door and called the hotel and found Wassaquam there. I told him over the telephone only that something was wrong, and hurried to my own home to get the key, which I had, to the Corvet house; but when I came back and let myself into the house, I found it empty and with no sign of anything having happened.

"The next morning, Alan, I went to the safe deposit vaults as soon as they were open. I presented the numbered key and was told that it belonged to a box rented by Corvet, and that Corvet had arranged about three days before for me to have access to the box if I presented the key. I had only to sign my name in their book and open the box. In it, Alan, I found the pictures of you which I showed you yesterday and the very strange communications that I am going to show you now."

Sherrill opened the long envelope, from which several thin, folded papers fell. He picked up the largest of these, which consisted of several sheets fastened together with a clip, and handed it to Alan without comment. Alan, as he looked at it and turned the pages, saw that it contained two columns of typewriting carried from page to page after the manner of an account.

The column to the left was an inventory of property and profits and income by months and years, and the one to the right was a list of losses and expenditures. Beginning at an indefinite day or month in the year 1895, there was set down in a lump sum what was indicated as the total of Benjamin Corvet's holdings at that time. To this, in sometimes undated items, the increase had been added. In the opposite column, beginning apparently from the same date in 1895, were the missing man's expenditures.

Alan having ascertained that the papers contained only this account, looked up questioningly to Sherrill; but Sherrill, without speaking, merely handed him the second of the papers. Alan unfolded it and saw that it was a letter written in the same hand which had written the summons he had received in Blue Rapids and had made the entries in the little memorandum book of the remittances that had been sent to John Welton.

It began simply:

"Lawrence—

"This will come to you in the event that I am not able to carry out the plan upon which I am now, at last, determined. You will find with this a list of my possessions. Deeds for all real estate executed and complete except for recording of the transfer at the county office; bonds, certificates, and other documents representing my ownership of properties, together with signed forms for their legal transfer to you, are in this box. These properties, in their entirety, I give to you in trust to hold for the young man now known as Alan Conrad of Blue Rapids, Kan., to deliver any part or all over to him or to continue to hold it all in trust for him as you shall consider to be to his greatest advantage.

"This for the reasons which I shall have told to you or him—I cannot know which one of you now, nor do I know how I shall tell it. But when you learn, Lawrence, think as well of me as you can and help him to be charitable to me.

"With the greatest affection,

"BENJAMIN CORVET."

Alan, as he finished reading, looked up to Sherrill, bewildered and dazed.

"What does it mean, Mr. Sherrill?—Does it mean that he has gone away and left everything he had—everything to me?"

"If Mr. Corvet does not return, and I do not receive any other instructions, I shall take over his estate, as he has instructed, for your advantage."

"And, Mr. Sherrill, he didn't tell you why? This is all you know?"

"Yes; you have everything now. All we can do, Alan, is to search for him in every way we can. There will be others searching for him too now; for information of his disappearance has got out. There have been reporters at the office this morning making inquiries, and his disappearance will be in the afternoon papers."

Sherrill put the papers back in their envelope, and the envelope back into the drawer, which he relocked.

"I went over all this with Mr. Spearman this morning," he said. "He is as much at a loss to explain it as I am."

(Continued Next Week)

READ THE ADS

ROWAN NEWS

Miss Dorothy Steffens returned from Colfax Thursday evening. She reports her mother improving very slowly from rheumatism.

Mrs. G. R. Stumph took, Mrs. L. M. Johnson and Miss Esther Fowler to Iowa Falls last Thursday to see their aunt, Mrs. Lorenzo Bingham.

Mr. Russel of the Russel Music Co., of Clarion was a Rowan business caller last Tuesday.

Mrs. Dr. Chassel, who has been visiting relatives here left for her home in Belle Fourche, S. Dak., last Friday.

Loran Hadley was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum was a passenger to Dows last Friday.

Mrs. Walters and baby came from Hudson last Friday to visit her sister, Miss Jeanette Kervink. She returned home Monday noon.

Mrs. V. F. Munson has been suffering severely with rheumatism the past week.

Mrs. H. J. C. Box, Florence, Mrs. Jessie Agnew and Miss LaVonne Ballou autoed to Dows Saturday.

Mrs. G. A. Whitten, Miss Vinnie and Ivan Williams were Belmond callers last Saturday.

The many friends of Mrs. Hattie Ballou remembered her on her birthday, May 22nd, by giving her a postal card shower. She is still in Pacfic Grove, California, but expects to start for Iowa about the first of June.

Mrs. L. R. Fitz came over from Clarion Friday, and spent the day with her daughter, Mrs. G. Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow came to Rowan Friday. They came here from Waterloo and Iowa Falls, where they had been visiting.

Little Charles Kercheval was absent from school part of last week on account of sickness.

Mrs. Georgia Rowen received word last Wednesday that her sister, Mrs. Abbie Blanchard was very low at her home in Des Moines. Later reports were that she had rallied again.

Frank Toyne received word last Wednesday of the death of his uncle, Joseph, in California. The remains were brought to Lanesboro, Iowa for burial.

Mrs. Dave Smith of Garner came down Wednesday to spend a few days at the Emmett Carr home.

Mrs. Kate Conn, who has been spending several months in Pryor, Oklahoma returned to Rowan last Friday evening. She reports prospects of an excellent wheat crop, also heavy peach crop in Oklahoma.

Frank Carr had the misfortune to sprain the ligaments in one wrist while plowing with a tractor.

E. R. Ballou has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou's S. S. class, the Blue Birds entertained Rev. Nye's class, the Jolly Workers at a picnic on the church lawn Saturday afternoon. This affair was also a farewell in honor of Lucile Nye. The boys and girls spent an enjoyable afternoon in playing games. An excellent picnic supper was served.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson and Malcolm, came down from Meservey last Wednesday to visit friends here. They went from here to Dows, Friday to spend some time with Mrs. Robinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Parkinson.

Miss Dolly Riley closed her year's term of school in the Swanson district south of town last Friday. The pupils enjoyed a picnic dinner in the woods.

Francis Virden has been suffering severly with headache the past week.

Mrs. A. O. Pelly and her Sunday School class of about fifteen girls enjoyed a big picnic supper in the woods last Tuesday afternoon and evening.

B. F. Hadley and wife, Herb Hadley and family were Hampton visitors last Saturday.

C. E. Huey of Dows was a Rowan business caller Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Kunz of Forest City visited from Friday until Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Earl Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten and Gladys, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow drove to Grundy Center Sunday to spend the day with Mrs. Whitten's and Mrs. Snow's sister, Mrs. Herman Stahl and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baines of Dows and little son, Darrel called at the Mrs. Hannah Whitten home Sunday.

Misses Deone Brannon and Alma Ramsay spent Sunday in Rowan.

Robert Holliday from Cedar Falls spent the week end with his parents, F. K. Holliday and wife.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson suffered a slight stroke of paralysis early Monday morning.

Be a Banker Bookkeeping Shorthand Telegraphy
Positions are plentiful for those well trained. Students may work for board. Tuition low. Write for Catalog C. Boyles Business College, Omaha, Neb.

Mrs. Etta Carr who has been visiting her daughter in Minnesota and at Latimer came home Saturday evening returning to Latimer Monday evening to stay several days.

The Christian Endeavor Society will hold a bake sale Saturday May 27, at D. W. Whitten's store.

Howard Tresidder and family of Clarion spent Sunday at the Wm. Tresidder home.

Anyone having flowers to contribute for Decoration Day, for decorating soldiers' graves, please notify Florence Box who is chairman of the flower committee.

Rev. Tomkinson and D. W. Whitten were Clarion visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richards and Mr. and Mrs. Chas Richards went to Thonton Sunday to visit elatives.

Mrs. H. J. Whitten and Mrs. Hannah Whitten went to Latimer Monday to visit the Harm Brinkman family.

Frank Toyne went to Lanesboro Sunday to attend the funeral services of his uncle, Joseph Toyne.

Mrs. L. M. Johnson and baby who have been visiting at the F. H. Fowler home for some time left Tuesday for her home in Sioux Falls S. Dak. Miss Esther Fowler accompanied her for a month's visit.

Mrs. McCutcheon of Goldfield came Friday, to spend the week end with her daughter, Miss McCutcheon and visit at the R. H. Keith home. She returned to her home Sunday.

School Notes

Neva Hinckley was a visitor last Monday.

Mrs. Clint Kercheval visited school last Wednesday.

Ruth Hinckley was a visitor last Thursday.

Mr. Denger and Mr. Lagua of Dows were visitors last Wednesday.

The program given by the primary, and intermediate grades last Friday night was a huge success. Both the auditorium and class room were taxed to their utmost capacity. The teachers are to be congratulated on the program which they planned and caried out so successfully.

The Baccalaureate Service at the M. E. church Sunday night was attended by a large crowd.

Rev. Nye delivered the sermon which was full of good advice.

The Juniors had decorated the church very beautifully. The Senior class wishes to express their gratitude and thanks to the Junior class.

J. F. Howell spent Sunday in Colfax with Mrs. Howell, who expects to be absent a couple of weeks longer. From Colfax, Mr. Howell went to Des Moines on business matters.

The W. C. T. U. met last Wednesday at the R. H. Keith home. The meeting was a very profitable one. After the meeting a social hour was spent in honor of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Nye. About twenty were present. Refreshments were served.

Program for Memorial Sunday

Hymn, "The Star Spangled Banner."
Prayer—Pastor.
Responsive Reading.
Scripture Selection.
Solo, Mrs. A. O. Pelley.
Offering and announcements.
Hymn.
Address—Captain H. Tomkinson.
Quartette—Messrs. Box, Ballou, Whitten, Box—"We'll never let the old flag fall."
National Anthem, "My Country 'tis of Thee."
Benediction.

The Memorial service will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church at 10:30 a. m. Captain Tomkinson will speak on "The Fundamentals of Patriotism."

Program for Memorial Day.

Gathering at Congregational church
Legion Ceremony—Escort Colors.
Proceed to the stand.
Song, "The Star Spangled Banner."
Invocation.
Solo, "Roses of Picardy"—Miss LaVonne Ballou.
Address, CaptainVan Meder, of Odeboldt.
National Anthem.
Benediction.
March to the cemetery—Legion and school children.
Decoration of graves.
Gettysburg Address—Miss Frances Farren.
Decoration of monument, School children.
Salute,—Fiding Squad.
Taps—Comrade O. F. Braden.
Proceed to the river and cast flowers on the waters to the memory of the unknown sailors.
Song, "Columbia."
Benediction.

There will be union services in the churches next Sunday. Rev. H. Tomkinson will speak in the Methodist church in the morning on, "The Fundamentals of Patriotism," and in the Congregational church in the evening on, "The Other Side of the Fence."

Rev. W. H. Nye and family left for their new charge at Dickens, Iowa last Monday morning.

Belmond Local News

M. J. Thoe spent a few days last week at Lake Mills, visiting with relatives and friends. Martin's former home was at that place.

WANTED—Place to work. Have boy 10 years of age.—Bertha Allen. 3 blocks north of school. 272*

The High School Annuals were delivered last week, and the Senior Class has reason to be proud of their efforts in this year's book. The Herald-Press gave them a very nice job in the printing.

In the Service Bulletin for March of the State Highway Commission of Iowa, there is an interesting table of figures on the number of automobiles in the state, and the increase that has taken place in the past 18 years. In 1904 there were 931 cars in Iowa, from which there was collected a total in fees of $959. In 1921 there were 881,535 automobiles, with $1,719,127.00 collected as fees. From less than a thousand to nearly half a million in a period of 18 years certainly seems to indicate that Iowa has prospered somewhat in that time. How many of the 481,535 cars are owned in and around Belmond?

Chas. Dalrymple, who has been visiting here the past few weeks, at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Ole Lein, who has been ill, has been spending a few days at Albert Lea, Minnesota, the past week, visiting his brother, Earl, whom he reports as getting along nicely.

One of Belmond's high school graduates has started early to carve a name for himself. Fred W. Bohning, of Belmond, a graduate of the Iowa State Teachers' College, has been elected Manual Training Supervisor and Coach for the Junior High School Athletics at Rock Rapids, Iowa.

Sen. Leslie Francis was in town Friday for a short time, meeting some of the voters in the interest of his candidacy for United States Senator. The Senator is a genial, kindly gentleman with a pleasing personality, well qualified to fill the job. He was due here Thursday but owing to the rains was delayed until the next day.

The fishing law was out last Monday, and quite a few local anglers went forth in the early hours to try their luck. So far as we have learned, said luck consisted mostly in acquiring a good appetite for breakfast. The usual crop of fish stories will now be due.

One of the questions to be voted on at the coming primaries is that of a county fair. The voters of the county are asked to decide whether they shall be taxed to acquire the fair grounds, owned by the county. Have you thought about it?

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Miller left last week for the west, their destination being unknown at this writing.

Phone the news to 115 and help us make your paper a bigger and better one.

Miss Jane Ramsay came home from Belmond Saturday. She has been in ill health for some time and her mother was with her. Miss Ramsay has been a primary teacher at Belmond the past three years, but has taken a position in Des Moines for next year. She has proven to be a very successful teacher, and we undrstand that the Belmond people are very sorry to lose her.—Garner Signal.

Dining room girl wanted at the Hotel Case. [illegible]

The Misses Frances and Elsie Bervick, Ella and Amy Hall and Henry Bervick, of Roland, were visitors at the F. A. Hereim home on Sunday.

Garner according to the Signal, has an interesting proposition offered it in a woolen mill. A gentleman from Des Moines, who owned such a mill, in Montana, will change his location, and is interested in Garner as a site. The old flour mill at that place, he claims, would be an ideal place for a woolen mill. No bonus is asked, but the Garner citizens are asked to take $1,500 in stock in the mill, which it is claimed will employ about 30 people. The Signal says Garner is quite interested in the proposition.

Mrs. J. N. Johnson returned last week from Colorado Springs, where she has been to visit her son, Frank, who is taking treatment there. Frank is about the same.

Eugene Kinney left Saturday for Spirit Lake, where, in company with his son-in-law, Duran Nagle, of Clarion, and another Clarion gentleman, he will spend a week or two anglig for the finy tribe.

The Kanawha and Clarion base ball teams opened the season at Lake View Park, Sunday with a hard-fought game which resulted in favor of Kanawha, 7 to 4. Clarion, after a three to nothing lead, blew up in the 7th and Kanawha scored six runs, one of them a terrific home-run drive by Gilligan. A fair crowd was out.

Arch W. McFarlane, of Waterloo was in town Friday of last week, greeting the voters here in the interests of his candidacy for Congress.

COMMENCEMENT TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK

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in the Auditorium at which time the B. H. S. Literary Pins will be presented to the Seniors. Following the presentation of the Literary Pins the Track and Base Ball letters will be presented to the teams.

During the afternoon from 1 o'cock until 4 we plan to hold an Inter-society Track meet and at 4 o'clock to play the B. H. S. Alumni Base Ball game at the local diamond. Don't miss the meet and game.

The Belmond High Track Team will meet Garner High Wednesday afternoon at Garner in a dual meet. The B. H. S. team has been doing exceptionally well this year, considering that it is only the second year of track for them.

Saturday afternoon May 27 the track meet will compete at Clarion in an invitation County Meet, and expect to bring home some of the blue ribbons.

Morse Lake is commencing to draw its quota of Belmond folks, and Sunday witnessed a goodly crowd of Belmonders, taking their picnic lunch enjoying the day, and trying their luck fishing. This summer will undoubtedly see Morse Lake more popular than ever; as a lake and beauty spot it has anything around "faded."

J. D. Baker was at Rowan and vicinity last week, campaigning in the interests of his candidacy for Supervisor from the First district.

The rain last week certainly bro't the crops along in fine shape. Quite a few fields of corn are up, and small grain is coming nicely.

An important notice from the Library will be found in this issue, regarding the renting of the library basement for gat...

Friend Bras came up last Saturday night on the midnight Great Western, to spend a day or so visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Will White was a caller at Clear Lake on Monday of this week, looking after some business arrangements.

Wm. Meyer of Chicago, is the new printer at the Independent shop, helping out in a rush of work for a couple of weeks. Mr. Meyer has been visiting relatives here for the past month or two. He is a printer by trade, and has been working in Chicago shops.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller, from Meservey, spent the day Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White. Mrs. Muller and Mrs. White were both born in the same town, Defiance, Iowa, and have been acquainted for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler spent the day Sunday at Shellrock, visiting with relatives and friends. They drove down in the morning, returning that evening.

Miss Eloise Brooks entertained the Senior class and faculty of the Belmond school to a very enjoyable lawn party last Saturday evening, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks. A very pleasant time is reported by those present.

Mr. and Mrs. Greutzmacher went to Britt last Saturday, to visit and look after business affairs. Prof. Greutzmacher and his wife will teach in the Britt schools next year.

Mrs. Chas Moore, of Lidderdale, who has been visiting her son, Howard, returned Tuesday to her home.

Miss Oralee Brooks has accepted a position in the Alexander schools for the coming year.

The Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion enertained the Relief Corp Tuesday night, at the Legion Hall.

The Misses Adeline and Esther Larsen, of Alexander, were visitors in Belmohd on Tuesday, doing some shopping.

Mrs. Oscar Walsh and Mrs. A. L. Brewster, of Alexander, were visitors in the city Tuesday.

Miss Grace Reed returned home from Cedar Falls, where she has been attending school, to spend Memorial Day with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reed drove to Webster City, Sunday to bring back Mrs. Jean Curtiss, to attend Mrs. Luick's funeral Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Trafford, accompanied by Miss Inez Boughton, drove to West Bend, Sunday to visit the famous grotto at that place.

Miss Gilda Nelson accompanied Miss Slauter back to her home at Cedar Rapids, Saturday for a brief visit at Miss Slauter's home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brooks, and Mrs. Dan Brooks went to Clear Lake, Sunda, to spend the day.

Agnes Clark left recently for Rochester, Minnesota, where she expects to undergo an operation at the hospital there.

Chris Stadtlander and family of Alexander, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of his brother, Ernest Stadtlander and family.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Good second hand one-ton Ford truck. Run only 5000 miles. A bargain!—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

FOR SALE—Two used trucks. A-1 condition, reasonable price.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Buy your tires of the Belmond Auto Co. at a big saving. See us first before you buy.

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

FOR SALE—1 team horses, wagon, beet cultivator, 1916 7-passenger Chandler car, 1 Sampson tractor with 2 and 3 bottom plows. Inquire State Bank of Belmond, Belmond, Iowa. 24tfc

"White treats you white" on your eggs and cream at all times. Open Wednesday and Saturday evenings.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

LOST—A lot of good news by not calling 115. When you find some, notify this office. 221tf

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

Talk to Wolle Land Agency about own your own home. $700 buys one.

Lawn mower and saws sharpened. We guarantee work. Leave at Mill or residence.—J. H. Nourse.

For Sale—DeLaval cream separator, No. 15. Inquire at this office. [illegible]

Lawn mowers sharpened.—T. H. Broeffle, blacksmith.

We save your money on tires. Get our prices before you buy.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Weaving rugs made to order.—Mrs. Geo. Kessler, Klemme, Iowa. 262c

Are you reading Griesy's Store News every week?

Seed corn for sale.—A. W. Martin. 271c

If you need a well, write or phone F. J. Schuldt, Garner, Iowa. 276*

Lost—Belmond's ball team. Any information regarding its whereabouts will be appreciated by the Belmond fans.

City Meat Market

"WE CUT STEER BEEF"

Special

FOR SATURDAY ONLY

500 lbs. Picnic Hams at 19c per lb.

Boiling Beef 4 lbs. for 30c

Hamburger and Sausage 15c per lb.

Chickens for Sunday Dinner

Leave Your Orders Early

HOMEMADE WEINERS AND BOLOGNA

Nissen & Harbison, Props.

Phone 207

Important Announcement

We wish to announce to the public, especially the women of Belmond and vicinty that we have something new that the whole town will soon be talking about.

Call at once for a demonstration.

Gifts of Utility Hardware

TOWNSAN HARDWARE

The Store of Service

Phone 34

Your Children

Should be taught to save. A bank book is an object lesson in economy that you can secure for them for $1. Start them on the right road while they're young and they'll follow it of their own accord when older.

The Belmond Savings Bank

North Iowa's Style Center

D. K. Lundberg & Co.

28 E. State St. Mason City, Iowa

New Summer Dresses in the Wanted Fabrics $5, up to $19.95

YOUR SUPPORT WILL BE APPRECIATED

Clifton E. Campbell

Republican Candidate for Sheriff of Wright County

Primary Election June 5th, 1922

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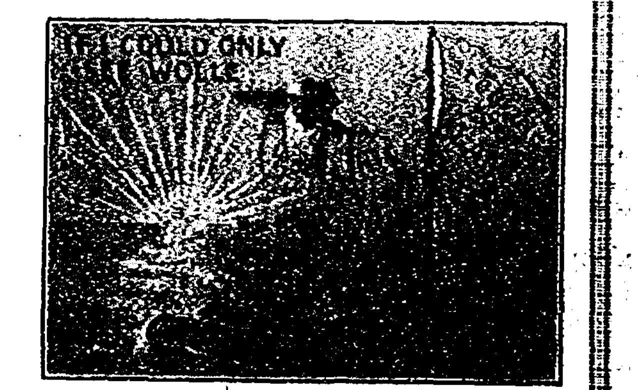
Made-To-Order

Farm



NOW READ ON!

Get A Made-To-Order Home

This is a tried and proven plan---it is just what you want. Farmers and renters from all over the country, east, west, north and south are flocking in and taking up this proposition.

We have already placed over 700 people on this easy to get a home PLAN.

We want you to have a Home. We want you to read every word of this continued story, telling how easy it is.

To be continued.

Get Acquainted with

WOLLE LAND AGENCY

Belmond, Iowa

Kinseth's Store News

You may think you have eaten "good stuff," but until you have tasted our Preserves—real fruit—which we are selling at only 28 cents, you have "something coming." If you want a taste that lingers, that goes good all the way down, and that will make you say "pass the preserves, please," try one jar of ourr preserves; after that you'll just simply repeat. And at 28 cents—have you ever bought REAL PRESERVES cheaper?

Some real bargains this week are offered you. Look over the following:

Tall can salmon 17c, oat meal, in bulk; coffee 30c and up; corn 10c a can; peas the same; large can of good baked beans a dime a can; roast beef—just the thing for picnic dinner at Morse Lake.

So come to the little store on the corner, save your money, and get what you want when you want it. We deliver any old time you need it.

STRENGTH SERVICE

The Road to Success

MANY A ROAD THAT SEEMS AT A DISTANCE TO BE FILLED WITH DIFFICULTIES AND UNINTERESTING VIEWS BECOMES, UPON CLOSER APPROACH, A SMOOTH INVITING HIGHWAY WITH FASCINATING SCENERY.

SO IT IS WITH THE ROAD TO SUCCESS, TRAVELED BY THOSE WHO SAVE. ONCE YOU HAVE STARTED YOUR JOURNEY ON THIS WOUNDERFUL ROAD, WE KNOW YOU WILL WANT TO CONTINUE. COME IN AND LET US ASSIST YOU IN GETTING STARTED.

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ALEXANDER FARMER INJURED BY GAS ENGINE

School On Last Week of Year

Eighth Grade Commencement Exercises To Be Held At Auditorium Tonight

ALUMNI GAME FRIDAY

Commencement Exercises at the High School Auditorium Wednesday evening May 31 at 8:15.

Honorable Frederick F. Faville, Judge of Supreme Court will give the address.

Everyone is invited to attend these exercises.

Thursday evening June 1st the Eighth Grade Commencement and Class Play will be held in the High School Auditorium. Plan to attend the exercises at 8:15.

Price 15c and 25c

Program

The Revolving Wedge

Cast of Characters

1. Mr. Thomas Martin, a Cambridge gentleman—David C. Tyrrel.
2. Bob Martin, a Harvard football player—Gerald M. Barry.
3. Mr. Edward Biddle, of Philadelphia, Martins second cousin—Clair J. Rierson.
4. Dr. George Brown, of Cambridge, Mrs. Martin's brother—Albert E. Martin.
5. Capt. Michael Dolan, of Cambridge police force—Edward W. Milligan.
6. Mrs. Martin, Martin's wife—Elaine L. Moe.
7. Nell Martin, his daughter—Ruth J. Hill.
8. Norah, their servant—Bernice A. House.

Belmond upset Clarion Track Dope in the Wright County Track Meet at Clarion last Saturday afternoon. Clarion won the meet, Belmond second, Eagle Grove third, Goldfield fourth. Belmond won the Mite Relay by Clarion in a 12 inch margin. Tyrrell sprung the surprise of the Meet in the Broad jump by leaping 19 ft. 11 in. followed by E. Parsons with a leap of 19 ft. 6½ inches.

Considering that this is Belmond's year in track and that the Clarion papers announced the Track Meet last week as a probable dual between Clarion and their old rival, Eagle Grove, the Belmond boys feel pretty good. An athletic field near the School house would do much to improve the work of both Track and Baseball teams.

Dows failed to appear as scheduled last Friday for the return baseball game. As they were informed by phone that the diamond was in good condition and weather was good we fail to understand why their advertised stars did not appear. Their Junior-Senior banquet was held that evening but the game was called for 3:15.

Friday the High School will hold an Inter-Society Field Meet in which both boys and girls will have a chance to show their skill. The girls are scheduled for a 3 inning baseball game.

The Meet will begin at 10 o'clock and will be completed after a picnic dinner. The Winning division will be presented with a Loving Cup.

The High School Alumni Base ball game will be played on the local diamond at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon B. H. S. has the best team this year for years past and may fool the local Alumni.

An admission of 25 cents will be charged to pay expenses. Any unused Athletic ticket will be good at this game.

Don't miss the last game of the year. Be a Booster and back your team.

Coach Greutzmacher entertained the baseball team at a feed last Saturday evening followed by a Theatre party. All present enjoyed the evening which will be one of the memories of the year. Wm. Tyrrell was elected Captain of the 1922-23 baseball team.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

You are invited to worship with us next Sunday. Our Sabbath school opens at 10 a. m. and we hope to pass the mark in number of attendants. We have classes and teachers for all and we would lik to havd about 50 more. The morning worship at 11 and the evening services at 8. Next Sunday evening we will begin our travels with Saul of Tarsus. This travel will be illustrated with about 50 pictures and we hope that you wil be with us to get the good out of this series.

Saul of Tarsus night at 8 o'clock.

Our Sunday school stands first again in the Webster City Association in Class C. This is the second year that we have held this place. We will have to work had to keep it.

Children' Day a week from next Sunday morning, and with Mrs. Trafford as chairman of the committee on program we are assured of a fine service. We hope the parents will help by seeing that their children are present at the practices.

NOTED POLAND CHINA BREEDER KILLED

When Peter Mouw was accidently killed on his farm at Orange City, Iowa, May 15th, the Poland China breed lost one of its pioneer and foremost constructive breeders. His death was the result of being trampled by a team of horses which he was leading to water. He was the pioneer breeder of the big type Poland China and did more to popularize it than any other man.

He was a native of Holland, being born there in 1852, and came to the United States in 1866. In 1868 he went to Iowa and with his father built the first house on the site of Orange City. It was not long thereafter until he acquired an 80-acre tract adjoining the village and it was there that he made his home, and where Poland China devotees from all over the United States went to attend his sales. As his hog business expanded he bought more land and at the time of his death Mr. Mour owned over 1400 acres of land, and his estate is valued at $140,000 which was all made by his "Big Black" hogs.

In 1886 Mr. Mouw laid the foundation for a herd of pure bred Herefords. This herd he maintained for many years, breeding the cattle for extreme size, as he did his hogs. Later, however, he gave more attention to his herd of Poland China hogs.

He began breeding Poland Chinas in 1889, buying three animals:—Orange King, Illinois Maid and Illinois Maid 2nd for foundation stock. He was a capable judge of swine and carefully selected animals which showed extreme size and growthiness, qualities which later made his herd celebrated.

An incident is related of his exhibiting hogs at the Illinois State Fair about 15 years ago when the judge was awarding all premiums to the medium or "hot blood" types and was paying no attention to Peter Mouw's hogs. Mr. Mouw said to the judge, "I guess you do not like my hogs," but, pulling a big roll of money out of his pocket, he said "but the farmers do."

An important purchase for the herd in 1890 was the boar, Jumbo 3rd, which Mr. Mouw later credited with doing more than any other sire to establish the great size in his herd. The names of the boars that succeeded Jumbo 3rd are now found in almost every Poland China pedigree. Included were such sires as Grand Chief, Grand Chief 3rd, Longfellow and Young Jones.

In 1901, the boar, Chief Price, bred and sold in dam by Mr. Mouw, was bought back to had the [illegible] This boar transmitted his extreme size and excellent finish and influenced the Mouw herd and big types in general to such an extent that he is commonly refered to as the "Father of the Big Types."

During the years from 1900 to 1920, Mr. Mouw used many other good boars, including Surprise Wonder 4th, Long Wonder, Chief Price 2nd, Longfellow, 119997 and Gerstdale Jones.

From the very start, Mr. Mouw clung to the idea that the practical type of hog was that which would attain large size and good finish at an early age. For many years he was almost alone in his preference for extreme size. Breeders of Polands then favored the "hot bloods" or smooth, fine-boned type. For early twenty years the Mouw hogs were ridiculed by breeders and received little consideration in the show ring. Often the only buyers at Mr. Mouw's sales were his farmer neighbors. A time or two the herd was nearly wiped out by cholera attacks.

In spite of all discouragement and opposition. Mr. Mouw clung to his ideal, and he lived to see his type revolutionize the breed, thus achieving one of the greatest triumphs ever attained by a breeder of animals. Peter Mouw's great contribution to the breed is reconized wherever Poland Chinas are bred. Breeders of Poland Chinas will forever be indebted to the man who bred Chief Price and the history-making sons and daughters of Jumbo 3rd and Longfellow.

GRADUATION EXERCISES HELD TODAY AND FRIDAY

The Commencement exercises of the Belmond school have been in full swing this week, and today and tomorrow, will witness the end of one trail and the beginning of another for the graduating classes here. The full program of Commencement was printed last week.

NEW TRUCK LINE

Dibble Starts Line From Belmond To Mason City

F. P. Dibble recently began the operation of a truck line, his outfit running from Belmond to Mason City, and taking in several of the small towns along the line. Goodell, Meservey, Thornton, Swaledale, Rockwell. Chief products of the haul are produce for Higley, at Mason City. Harold Nielson pilots the truck, leaving Belmond about 5:00 in the morning and returning about 1 or 2 in the afternoon.

The Wireless Age

MOTHER, WHAT ARE THE WILD WAVES SAYING?
RADIO CALLS

GOODELL NEWS

Miss Avis Wilson visited at her home a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Beier, Mrs. H. T. Miller and Miss Ina Burgess drove to Hampton Sunday to visit the sick people from Goodell.

Mr. Wilmer Burk visited his mother Sunday. She is at Hampton for treatment.

Monday afternoon Mr. W. Allaben drove to Clear Lake where he will enjoy some good fishing with Mr. J. W. Griggs who is spending the summer in his cottage at Elm Bend.

Mr. Robins who is in the hospital at Hampton is seriously sick.

Mr. Henning Sandberg spent Sunday with his parents.

Last Friday Mr. Walt Mason and Mr. Wick Robins drove to Hampton to see Mr. Robins' brother.

Mr. and Mrs. James Schneider were in Mason City last week. Mr. Schneider had his tonsils removed.

Mr. Matthew Smith and children visited at the T. R. Burgess home Sunday afternoon.

The U. B. Sunday School observe Children's Day June eleventh. A fine program is being prepared.

The Woman's Missionary association will hold their 1st quarterly business Friday June 2, at the home of Mrs. Allaben.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

E. O. Munson drove to Story City Monday to visit home folks. The boys went down last week to attend the commencement exercises, their sister being one of the graduates.

A number from here attended the Norway township farm bureau picnic held in the Buck grove. All report a very nice time.

Mrs. S. O. Windecker was a business caller in Belmond Friday.

Mrs. G. Halverson entertained a large company of young people from Story county, to a Sunday dinner recently.

Wm. Whitesell and Elmer Kessler of Iowa Falls, and Mrs. Guy Kessler of Armstrong spent several hours at the Windecker home last Wednesday.

Alvin Enge and family visited at the Carlton Johnson home Sunday.

Zoe Thompson returned last week from Nora Springs where she had spent a week visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Wendel.

Mrs. T. B. Wallace sewed for Mrs. Geo. Baxter last Friday.

Mrs. Eva Mark spent several days of last week with her sister, Mrs. S. O. Windecker. She was returning home from Iowa Falls from Superior.

Olaf Eliason returned home last week from the hospital at Belmond where he had undergone an operation for appendicitis.

MRS. ANDREW BOHNING DIES

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the house, and at the church east of town, for Mrs. Bohning, who died at her home in Belmond, Sunday afternoon. Deceased was 75 years of age, and death was caused by Brights disease. An obituary will be given next week.

WHAT ABOUT THAT BALL TEAM

The base ball team in Belmond, which had such a favorable start, seems to have slipped on a banana peel, or something, for it has died very suddenly in interest. If there is any possible chance of having a home team here this year, it would seem that every effort should be made to put it thru. The town needs a little something to keep it breathing. What can you suggest?

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU PICNIC

A picnic of the Pleasant Township Farm Bureau will be held June 5th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Henn, in the evening. All are invited, whether members of the Bureau or not The usual program will be given. Ladies are requested to please bring home made candy.

RAMSAY HAS PLAN FOR REDUCTION OF AUTO LICENSE

A thirty-three and a third per cent reduction in the cost of licensing motor vehicles in the state of Iowa in the year 1928 is advocated by Walter C. Ramsay Republican, who is running for re-election to the secretary of state berth.

Automobile owners, who in the past three years have paid double the amount of former times for licenses to operate their machines, paid over seven milion dollars into the state treasury this year.

Of that amount, ninety-four per cent is for the building and maintenance of highways in the state at the direction of the various counties from whence it is derived, at the approval of the state highway commission.

Secretary of State Ramsay is now working on several plans whereby fees will be reduced a third. That amount of reduction would virtually meanthat fees would be reduced to what they were in former years.

Mr. Ramsay declared in a recent statement that he would go before the legislature this winter with his plan for a reduction fees.

That the present way of levying license fees is unjust to some extent and is burdensome to the owners of lower priced vehicles has been evidenced for sometime from letters received by Secretary Ramsay from motorists from virtually every part of the state.

ADVERTISING THE POLITICIAN.

Every newspaper expects to find its mail full of candidate solicitations these days, but there was recently sprung on the newspapers of Iowa a joke that will live several years.

Some lady in the east sent a lengthy letter in the interest of a certain candidate for the United States Senate from Iowa, ordering the publication of the letter and stating that she would remit promptly on receipt of bill for publication. Some of the boys "fell" for it, and ran the matter, and others forwarded their bills and held the article pending receipt of cash for the work. This paper was among the latter.

Last week came a letter from the lady expressing her indignation that anyone should think of charging for such work, and declaring that she did not have enough money to meet the bills, so would not meet any of them.

The above from the Humboldt Republican hits us where we live. In the past two months the Independent has dumped enough paper into the waste basket, which the political candidates would "appreciate having published" to fill the Independent three times over. Every week we have received bulletins from several campaign headquarters, " to be released immediately," and they were —in the waste. If the space-grafters had their way, the newspapers would be nothing else but political potporri from one week's end to the next.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m. It looked good to see so many on hand last Sunday.

Regular Services at 11 a. m. The pastor will try and make this service profitable.

No Prayer Meeting service this week on account of the Commencement exrcises.

Epworth League 7:00 p. m. Let us keep the ball rolling for a large delegation to the Okiboji Institute.

Evening service at 8:00 p. m.

The W. F. M. S. will meet at Mrs. Ray Klemme's on Thursday at 2:30 p. m. The Alexander ladies have been invited as guests of the society. A good program.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McGregor of Des Moines spent Memorial Day with Belmond relatives and friends.

COMMUNITY CLUB NOTES

The Community club held a splendid meeting last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Gowdy acted as chairman in the absence of Mrs. Rosecrans. A letter from Mrs. Mary Armstrong, president of the state federation of women's club, was read, she complimented the club on joining the federation.

The Tyrrell Park Committee reported having met with the town council and made plans for fixing the park up. The club will cooperate with the council, and many things have been planned. The dead wood and underbrush will be cleared out, two new entrances to the park made, a road clear around it perhaps, three or four brick ovens will be built, also tables, benches and many other things. There is some discussion of having a town picnic or opening day when Captain Tyrrell comes but nothing definite has been decided.

After the meeting, Mrs. Francis Whitley, from Webster City talked on the conservation of our national parks, not many of us perhaps realize that we might loose our beautiful national parks, but such is the case if we are not careful. Mrs. Whitley stated there were promoters and other who can't see anything so beautiful as silver and gold, always trying to have congress pass some sort of bill under which they can get control of the water resources of our national parks. If they ever succeed in doing that they will turn all the national beauty spots of our country into dollars and cents. the water resources will be used for commercial purposes.

Mrs. Whitley said every state should have a state park and there should be a park in every county for those who will never see the national parks. She said there were to her knowledge only two tracks of real prairie left in the state of Iowa and she would like to preserve one of them just as it is so todays children's children can see what Iowa prairie looked like. She said it was a shame the way wild flowers are so fast disappearing.

Mrs. Whitley has been in the work of park conservation a number of years and knows what she is talking about.

After the lecture the club enjoyed refreshments and a short social hour.

BELMOND GIRL MARRIES

Miss Hilda Madsen, of Belmond daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Madsen, was married at Glendale, Arizona, on May 22nd, to John Carlton Padelford, the wedding being performed by the Methodist minister at the parsonage at 8:00 o'clock in the evening.

The young couple will make their home for this summer in California, and have not definitely decided where they will locate for the future. The bride is well known by all Belmond people, being one of this city's most popular and fairest young ladies. She has been teaching at Glendale for the past year or two, where she became acquainted with the man who won her. Mr. Padelford is a homestead rancher, and while Belmond people are unacquainted with him they know he is a real man to have won so fair a bride.

The Independent takes pleasure in joining with this couple's many friends in wishing happiness and prosperity thruout their life together.

RETURNS FROM ARIZONA

Miss Ialeen Flynn arrived home the first of the week from Glendale, Arizona, where she has been teaching the past year in the Glendale schools. Miss Ialeen remained a few days after school was closed, to attend the wedding of Miss Hilda Madsen, her fellow teacher and townswoman.

AUXILIARY SELLS 600 POPPIES

The Womens Auxiliary of the American Legion were unusually successful with their poppy sale for Memorial Day, selling all they made, their total sales amounting to $63.76, the odd cents being from change which the purchasers would not take back.

Morse Lake is drawing a full quota of visitors now that the days are warming up, and many of the local anglers have brought home strings of fish. Matt Barry and Ben Blake hold the record so far as we can learn, with 45 bull heads at one time. The fish are of good sige and make a savory meal that beats any other kind of fish, in our estimation. With some more cottages at the Lake, improved bathing facilities, a few public boats, or boats to rent, and the lake will begin to loom up. The cottages at Lake Cornelia make a small town of their own, and Morse Lake has Cornelia beaten seven ways in every respect nearly. A little community effort will do wonders; can it be developed?

Remains Caught In Gears Three Hours

While Running Engine Alone On Farm Becomes Caught—Family Away Fishing

HE IS STILL UNCONSCIOUS

Francis Klinefelter, a young man about 23 years of age, residing with his brother one-half mile west of Alexander, lies in the Steele Hospital in Belmond unconscious with doubts of his recovery, as the result of becoming caught in a gasoline engine yesterday.

Young Klinefelder remained at home on the farm, while his brother and some friends came over to Morse Lake to fish. He was running the engine, a big seven horse power stationary engine mounted on a truck, in chopping up feed for the stock. The brother and party, due to the rain, came home early, arriving at the farm about a quarter to three in the afternoon, and found Klinefelder caught in the gears of the engine. His clothing was torn almost completely from his body, his head and face were cut and torn to ribbons, the nose being split wide open. One shoulder was broken, and Dr. Steele states there is a possible fracture of the skull, and probable internal injuries. As this is written the young man had not regained consciousness, and his recovery is doubtful.

Neighbors heard the engine running between 11 and 12 in the forenoon, and then it was still. Lunch on the table in the kitchen had been undisturbed, so that the presumption is the young farmer was caught in the engine come three hours before he was discovered. His parents are both dead, and he with his brother work the farm west of Alexander.

At 8:00 o'clock Thursday morning, Mr. Klinefelter had not yet regained consciousness. His condition is very critical.

AID MAKES NEARLY $100

The Cemetery Aid Society at their food sale held last Saturday were very successful, realizing between $97 and $100 thru the sale of many good things to eat which they offered. The money will be used for beautifying the Silent City.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED

Observation of Memorial Day was carried thru in Belmond in very nice shape, and the program was among the best that has ever been given. All exercises were in the morning, and despite the weather, which turned into rain about 11 o'clock, they were carried thru as planned.

The program, under the direction of the American Legion Post here, began at 9, when the Legion men, in uniform, met at the Legion hall, and at 9:30 headed by the band, marched to the library, where, after remarks by Post Commander Skovlin, Invocation by Rev. Lienbach, and music by the quartette Rev. J. R. O'Connor, of LuVerne, delivered an excellent address. Rev. O'Connor has a powerful, compelling voice, and he thrilled his audience with the patriotism of his remarks. The program at the library was closed by the Star Spangled Banner and the Benediction.

Headed by the Colors, the Legion, G. A. R. and other patriotic bodies and citizen's marched to the cemetery, where appropriate exercises were carried thru as announced in the program.

Considerable comment was heard regarding the exercises, the general opinion being that they were excellent and well carried out.

Katherine Blake, who has been ill with tonsil trouble is much improved.

Geo. Elder and family will leave Monday for Idaho, they will go by auto and take a tent and camping outfit.

Mrs. J. M. Comb from Iowa City has been visiting friends and relatives here the past few days.

Henry Brater from Meservey was operated on for gall bladder at the hospital here Wednesday evening. He is getting along as well as can be expected.

A LITTLE LATE

Owing to an extra heavy rush of work, the Independent is half a day late this week. Time was too limited to get things done and get into the mails at the usual hour. It happens in the best regulated families."

Good Business

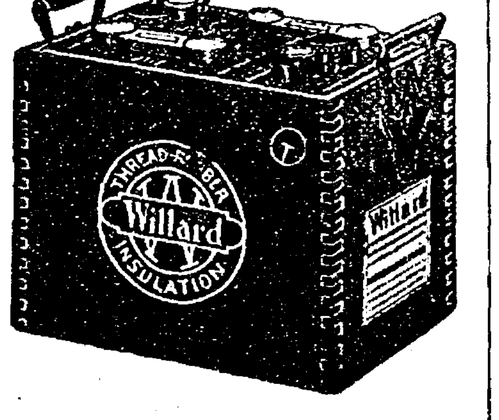
Everybody we talk to about it agrees with us that it's good business:

To diagnose battery troubles as carefully as a doctor diagnoses his cases.

To advise and make repairs only when we know repairs will pay.

To recommend the purchase of a new battery only when repairs on the old one would not be a good investment.

To speak frankly, plainly, and with a thought of the best interests of the battery owner whether his is a Willard Battery or not.



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FARMERS ENDORSE McFARLANE'S RECORD

Arch W. McFarlane, Candidate for Congress in the Primary Monday June 5th, record endorsed by J. W. Coverdale, Secy of Iowa Farm Bureau Federation. The following letter speaks for itself.

IOWA
FARM BUREAU FEDERATION
Ames, Iowa.
April 23, 1919

Hon. Arch W. McFarlane,
Waterloo, Iowa.
Dear Mr. McFarlane:

In the name of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation I wish to express to you our appreciateion of the excellent manner in which you have presided over the House of the Thirty-Eighth General Assembly during the past session, and we wish to commend you for the excellent measures that have been adopted at this session, especially along the lines of educational and agricultural development.

I want to assure you that the Federation has been back of you during the entire session, and will be glad to have such suggestions from you from time to time as may pertain to our development.

Very truly yours,
J. W. COVERDALE.
Secretary.

The fact however causes no surprise that voters realize McFarlane's interest in their problems, and their supporting him for congress.

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BELMOND'S COUNTY ATTORNEY

J. M. Jensen, Belmond's representative in the race for the County Attorneyship, is deserving of the consideration and support of every Belmond citizen, of every voter in this locality as well as the whole county. He has been in the law business eight years, has made good, and by rights ought to win out in the nomination Monday. If elected, he will give Belmond representation in the county councils, something we have not had for lo, these many moons. J. M. is competent, capable, a hustler, and knows his business; put a cross in his square Monday.

ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS

Next week Monday comes the Big Day for the whole slough of political candidates, and many a brow will be sweating thruout the day waiting the judgment. This year's candidates have been numerous for most offices, and among them that of U. S. Representative. Of the lot, the Independent favors T. J. B. Robinson, of Hampton, and we hope that Monday will return him the nomination.

T. J. B. is a man thoroly capable of holding down the job and fullfilling the duties of the office. He has mixed with the " Big Time," both in financial and political circles; he has a reputation of square dealing and trust fulfilled; his word has proven as good as his bond. And T. J. B. is a neighbor to Wright county folks. Franklin came to our help in times past, and it is only just, when Franklin has as good a man as T. J. B. up, that Wright return the compliment. Here's to him, may he come thru the race unruffled, with the prize he seeks tendered him by his own people.

Wolf hunting is the latest sport enjoyed by the people living south and east of Garner. Arthur Abel has been very successful in capturing these animals, Friday's catch making him a total of four. Art has claimed bounty on two of them, while the other two are on exhibition at his farm. Hounds assisted in the hunt Sunday, but to no avail. The neighbors are assured that there are four less to enjoy the chicken feast they are accustomed to participate in every spring and summer—Signal.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.
A SUN AND SHIELD: — The Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Psalm 84: 11.

Monday.
THE PRINCE OF PEACE:—For unto us a child is born; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called, The Prince of Peace.—Isaiah 9: 6.

Tuesday.
MERCY ASSURED. — He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.—Proverbs 28: 13.

Wednesday.
REWARD OF HUMILITY:—Whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.—Luke 14: 11.

Thursday.
SAFE STEPS:—The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way.—Psalm 37: 23.

Friday.
HOW TO GET ON:—Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find.—Matthew 7: 7.

Saturday.
WITHHOLD NOT GOOD:—Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.—Proverbs 3: 27.

We have to take our hats off to young Donald Turgeson for catching the most peculiar variety at Clear Lake this season. "Turgy" was with Grandpa Kluckhohn at the lake Saturday afternoon and was throwing out a minnow on his line when one of those little lake gulls made a swoop for the bait and got tangled up in the boy's line. It was a few exciting minutes for Donald reeling in a "flying fish." We don't know who was the most scared, "Turgy" or the bird.—Times.

Buttermilk Mash For Little Chicks

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ALWAYS DEPENDABLE

Hitch Your Wagon To A Star

Our message to grade and high school graduates of Belmond schools is contained in the above admonition.

There is no greater truth than that the boy or girl who chooses a high goal and who determines to achieve something worth while can realize the ambition.

Our congratulations to the graduating classes. May success and prosperity be yours.

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READ THE ADS

For County Treasurer

☒ F. H. PETERSON

To the Republican voters of Wright County. At the primaries to be held Monday June 5th 1922, it will be your privilege and duty to decide whether or not the present tenure of office of the County Treasurer be continued from eight years to that of a life position, as prayed for.

If opposed, your ballot marked as above will be correct. Your decision will be awaited with much interest.

Yours respectfully,

F. H. Peterson

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VOTE FOR

OSCAR ULSTED

Holmes, Iowa,
May 29, 1922.

To The Voters of Wright County:

I have been busy on the farm this spring and have not had time to canvas the county as thoroughly as I would like to have done so I am taking this method of calling the attention of the people to my candidacy for the office of representative from this county. The coming session of the legislature will be one of the most important held in many years. Among the vital questions to be passed upon will be Code revision, Taxation and many others. It seems to me that time and events have justified my position on many of the questions that have come up for consideration during my term of service as your representative if you have approved my record in the past I would appreciate your support at the primaries, Monday, June 5th, 1922.

Respectfully,
OSCAR ULSTED

Vote Yes--Keep the County Fair Going

Wright County News Is Sure Fair Is For Good

In answering an attack on the proposed Fairgrounds levy, the Wright County News denies nothing can be said in favor of a fair and points out a few of the benefits which a county realizes thru the operation of a good live county fair. The News said:

Agriculture and live stock have developed mainly thru the friendly rivalry and interest created by exhibits of better agriculture products and pure bred stock at fairs, exhibitions, and stock shows. To see a better animal, to the progressive, wide awake farmer, is to want better animals on his own farm. To know that a choicer variety of corn, or wheat, or oats, or potatoes, is being grown by a neighbor, increases the desire to grow choicer varieties by the individual farmer.

If this were not so, there would be no interest taken in fairs and stock shows and grain shows. 12,000 saw the Wright county fair last year. Several hundred people travel each year to Des Moines to see the state fair exhibits. A hundred or more travel to Minneapolis to the Minnesota state fair. A dozen or more go to Chicago to see the International Live Stock Show.

Why? To see and learn more about their business, to add to the pleasure of living.

The farmer will progress and become more prosperous as he increases production of grain and feeds it to a better class of live stock. To make four bushels of corn fatten a quality hog or steer where it takes five to fatten a scrub.

If a fair or a grain and stock show does not stimulate interest in better farming and stockraising, then it is a vain effort. But the News does not believe this.

Comparatively, the fair grounds at $14,000 is a safe investment. The farmers of Wright county alone are paying around $10,000 yearly for Farm Bureau work.

Why?

To increase production, stimulate the interest in agriculture and livestock raising, and create a closer fellowship and co-operation.

And the individual farmer each year pays MORE for Farm Bureau work than he will pay ONE YEAR for the fair.

Surely our objector does not vision a "road to progress and uplift" that only leads nowhere from his farm. Progress is advancement; better churches; better roads; better homes—grow better hogs; better oats and more of them. We progress as we add to the enjoyment of living. The fair is a progressive thing—vote yes June 5th.

Farm Bureau Directors Realize Value of Fair

The Wright County Farm Bureau Directors, at a meeting held Saturday, voted to send a letter endorsing the fair to every Farm Bureau member in the county. The Farm Bureau Directors realize that a good live county-wide fair is an institution worthy of support.

WHAT THE SPECIAL LEVY WILL REQUIRE IN THE WAY OF TAXES

The Total Taxable value of Wright County is . . .	$10,479,025.00
A 1 1-3 mill levy on this valuation will raise	14,000.00
The average residence porperty in Clarion is assessed on a valuation of $650, and a 1 1-3 mill levy on this sum will mean a tax of	.87
A $1575 taxable valuation will pay	2.10
The average Wright County farm of 160 acres is assessed at $3.000, and a 1 1-3 mill levy on the valuation will raise	4.53

It's Your Fair -- Vote Yes June 5th

Farm Bureau News

By R. M .Edwards

Shipping Association Meetings

A series of livestock shipping association meetings were held in Wright county last week under the direction of Martin E. Sar, director of the livestock department of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation. Meetsings were held at Dows, Belmond, Clarion and Eagle Grove with the result that Belmond, Clarion and Dows took out membership in the National Livestock Producers' association.

Mr. Sar's object in holding these meetings throughout the state is to urge the local shipping associations to join hands with the National Livestock Producers' association, a branch of the American Farm Bureau Federation. The National Livestock Producers' association, has established cooperative livestock marketing centers at St. Louis and Chicago and they are now open to business to local livestock shipping associations from all parts of Iowa and other states which use these centers as concentration points.

The livestock shipping association of Wright county which signed for membership in the National Livestock Producers' association did not hesitate to align themselves with this organization because they realized the great advantage to be given by joining forces with other livestock shipping associations throughout the middle-west in organizating a cooperative livestock marketing agency which will, no doubt, be a great factor in effecting better prices for livestock at the livestock marketing centers.

Norway Picnic a Success

In spite of the threatening weather on Thursday, May 25th, the farmers of Norway township turned out in full force to enjoy the annual Norway Township Farm Bureau picnic which was held at the W. E. Buvk home, east of Center school house.

People of Norway township have demonstrated their ability to entertain themselves by using the talent from within their own borders. The selections by the male quartette and the duets by Misses Baldridge and Peterson are evidences of the musical talent which they have found in Norway township. The short address by Mrs. L. E. Evans directed to the graduating class was outstanding in its expression of high ideals and hopefullness to the boys and girls in the eighth grade graduating class, each of which was presented with a rose from the Norway township farm bureau. The success of this picnic was due in a large measure to the efforts of Mrs. E. E. Evans and Harold Holm and the willing workers of their community.

A short talk was given by the county agent in which he told briefly of some of the activities of the farm bureau and urged that all farmers inform themselves on the two issues which are coming up at the June Primaries. This was followed by a short address by Miss Kate Liddle, the county health nurse, in which she gave interesting facts and figures to show what has been done during the past year through her office in carrying on the health nurse activities. The next number on the program was the principal address of the day, by Martin L. Soeth, representing the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. Soeth delivered one of the best farm bureau addresses which has ever been given in Wright county and the farmers of Norway feel that they were greatly benefited by unlimited information which Mr. Soeth brought forth. The most interesting part of the day's entertainment was the athletic program which consisted of a pillow fight, shoe race, tug-of-war and several foot races and then the base ball game between the married and single men, resulting in a score of 6 to 1 in favor of the the married men.

U. S. Grain Growers Incorporated

Those who have the impression that the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc. has gone up the spout will probably be interested in what was said in this connection by Martin Soeth, representing the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, in his speech at the Norway township farm bureau picnic on Thursday afternoon, May 25th.

According to Mr. Soeth, the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., has about 120,000,000 bushels of grain already in the organization totals 59,459 and of this number 6,947 are members of the Iowa branch. Mr. Soeth happens to be president of the Farmers' Cooperative Elevator af Wallingford and knows the facts concerning the U. S. Grain Growers. Mr. Soeth also stated that about half million dollars had been contributed by the Chicago Board of Trade and a number of the Chicago papers to be used as a slush fund in a publicity campaign for spreading propaganda against the American Farm Bureau Federation which organization has had a great deal to do with the organization of the U. S. Grain Growers since the original committee of Seventeen was appointed by J. R. Howard, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Some time ago this paper mentioned the fact that Clarion was asking the county of Wright to vote a bond with which to buy the Wright county fair grounds there. We predicted that objection would be made because the grounds would be located at Clarion, and the county asked to meet the bill. That is just what happened. Certain writers in other portions of the county have stated plainly that Clarion is asking the county to buy her fair grounds.

This thing should be settled on the basis of whether or not the county wants a fair. If the county feels that it should maintain the fair, then the grounds should be bought. It makes no difference that the grounds are located at Clarion. That is the most central location, and if the fair is to be continued, the present grounds should be used. But if the fair is not wanted, that is a different matter.—Humboldt Republican.

Mrs. C. J. Papousek of Belmond was the subject of an operation for appendicitis at a Mason City hospital last Saturday. At last reports she was getting along nicely and should make a rapid recovery.—Signal.

Mr. and Mrs. LuVerne Smith went to Belmond Monday night for a visit with relatives. Luverne returned the following morning but Mrs. LuVerne remained for a longer visit.—Times

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Lang for Sheriff

To The Voters of Wright County:

The undersigned is sérving the unexpired term of the late Bert Fisher, as sheriff of Wright County, and now seeks the office in his own behalf.

During the past few months the duties of the office have been unusaly heavy and for that reason we have been unable to call on as many of the voters as we would like, we believe the work of the office should have our first attention and our personal desires afterward.

We will appreciate your vote on Monday next June 5th,

Herny Lang.

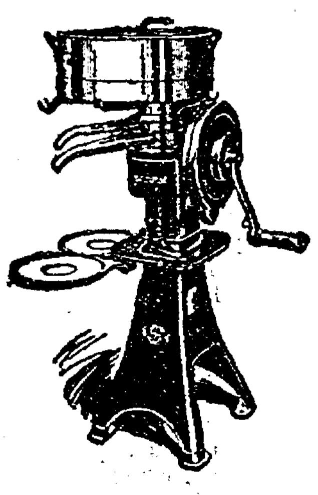
Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, JUNE 1, 1922. NO. 13.

How much does your cream test? Mr. J. S. White has just given us some interesting information regarding a new Primrose Separator owned by Mr. George Norris, Sr.

HERE IT IS—

This Separator was purchased a week ago last Saturday and on the first separation, he delivered to Mr. White 32 lbs. of cream. This tested 38 per cent and contained 12.1 lbs. butter fat which sold at 30 cents a pound, a total of $3.63.



If you are using any other type of separator we would be very glad at any time to place a Primrose on the floor beside of your machine, and let you test machine against machine.

At any time you would permit this demonstration, kindly advise and we will deliver the new separator at your place.

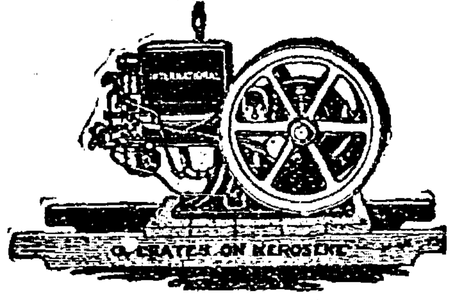
Saving Hours

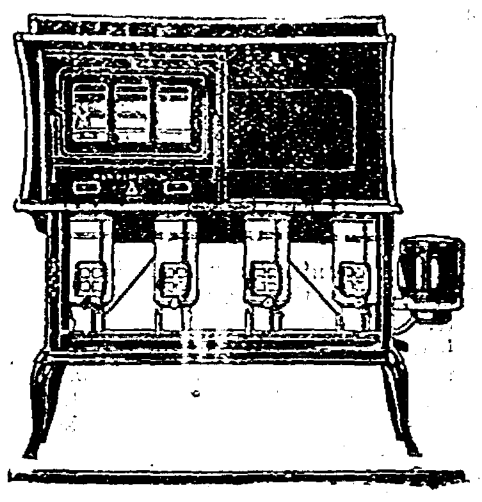
Scientists say the world is losing time in its revolution at the rate of 22 seconds every million years. This does not worry us much, but we wonder how much time is being lost every day by farmers who use old, worn-out farm machinery. Hours saved means dollars earned. This is especially true during haying and harvesting time. Good machines are the best insurance against expensive breakdowns and costly delays. Now is the time to start thinking about your haying and harvesting tools. The McCormick-Deering line is complete. Come in and look 'em over—mowers, binders, stackers, tedders, rakes, etc. Our prices are right.

Merit—that's the sign over our door. You may not see it, but it's there. It's in the goods we sell.

A Little Helper

Have you a little engine at your house? Mother, father, brother—yes, and the hired help—all are benefited when an International Engine is on the job. It lightens the burden of the family. It's a mighty handy thing to have around the farm. In fact, it's so handy that no up-to-date farm is really complete without one. Gives you much more time for important field work and other things.





The next time you are down town step in and see the New Perfection Superfex.

Cold cash is often the means of expressing warm symparty. We need lots of "coldness" by June first.

Hard times are good times to work hard.

If more prettey girls would sit on juries, it might not be so hard to induce some men to act in that capacity.

McFARLANE

For Congress

The people of the Third district have an opportunity to put in congress a man of ripe legislative experience and standing---one who has been elected speaker of the Iowa House of Representatives and who has the distinction of having been re-elected to that exalted position by acclamation. Arch W. McFarlane of Waterloo has been a loyal and active republican all his life, and has given freely of his time and means to the support of the party and its principles. He commands the confidence and esteem of those who know him.

Experience United With Character

United with experience of the most valuable kind, Mr. McFarlane possesses the character of a sturdy, dependable and successful business man,

Vitally concerned in all problems of interest to every person in the Third district

and if nominated and elected he can be relied upon to vote for the best interests of his constituency. On this basis he solicits the votes and support of the people of Wright county, assuring them of his hearty sympathy with their problems and realizing that no greater honor could come to any man than to represent them in the halls of congress.

Vote for McFarlane

At the Primary

A vote for Arch W. McFarlane at the primary is a vote for progressive government, economy in expenditures of public money, intelligent administration of the nation's laws and courageous solution of its problems. McFarlane has the ability and experience to make the district one of the best representatives it has ever had. Vote for him on primary day, Monday, June 5.

HERE IS THE MAN!

TOM ROBINSON

of Hampton

Republican Candidate for Congress from the Third District

He is essentially the Farmers' Candidate. He owns and operates several farms on a share basis. He knows the farmers' problems. He favors long term credit faculities, better marketing conditions and a seaway canal as being helpful to the farmers of Iowa. He has the endorsement of the President of the Farm Bureau and the farmers of his home count.

Mr. Robinson is a firm believer in the rights of ex-service men and in adjusted compensation for soldiers. He was active in war work and has been a friend of the soldier boys. Having two sons who served in France, he knows intimately what our boys went through and feels very keenly the obligation we as a nation owe them.

He has always had the interest of labor at heart, has the endorsement of different labor leaders as being a fair employer and fair minded in dealing with labor questions. Was a supporter of the Workmen's Compensation Act while he was in the Iowa Senate and is still interested in the welfare of workers generally.

For four years he served as Senator in the Iowa Legislature with credit to his district and with honor to thestate. He supported women suffrage, workmen compensation, and other measures which are now laws of Iowa and is withal a man of experience, ability and an intimate knowledge of our people and their needs, is four-square and true blue, a man you can depend on and who will be a credit to us as our congressman and to the government of which he would be a part.

And for Those Reasons We Ask You to

Vote for T. J. B. ROBINSON

FOR CONGRESS

at the Primary June 5th

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1922

TO THE VOTERS OF CERRO GORDO COUNTY

In presenting my candidacy for reelection to the House of Representatives of the General Assembly ot Iowa, one of my opponents has seen fit to attack my record upon three main propositions. In order that my record and position upon these matters may be fully understood by the voters, I take the liberty of presenting this article to you.

First: It is stated that I supported the Public Utilities Bill and my vote thereon has been shown and talked of while as a matter of fact I consistently opposed the bill when before the House in the 39th General Assembly. In support of this statement I offer below this article a lettr written to me by Hon. H. W. Byers, former Attorney General of the State of Iowa, and who was attorney for the City of Des Moines when the bill was under consideration, and who worked with the opposition of the bill in the House for its defeat, and who presented arguments before the Governor asking that it be voted. I want to say that I have always been and am now opposed to any public utility bill that does not properly safeguard, protect and conserve the rights and interests of the public.

Second: My position upon the adjusted compensation bill for the soldiers of the World War. and my loyality to the interests of these men has been questioned. I therefor offer a letter written by Captain Ray Yenter who was Chairman of the Committee of the Military Affairs in the House.

Third: I have been critisised for my position upon Senate File No. 124 by Shafter introduced in the 28th General Assembly which is known as the County Officials' Bill providing for increase of salaries. I take the liberty of presenting with the other letters one written by a member of the House of Representatives of the 38th General Assembly who was active in the opposition of this bill and who of his personal knowledge informs you fully as to where I stood in this matter.

Fourth: I am being opposed on account of my opposition to a bill which was drafted by the Legislative Committee of the Supervisors of the State of Iowa, and presented to the Committee on roads and highways of the House of Representatives. This bill provided for taking from the Township Trustees and turning over to the Supervisors of the various Counties jurisdiction of all township roads, and provided for grading, draining, graveling, or hard surfacing. Fifty per cent of the costs to be charged to the abutting property and fifty per cent to be spread over the township. In my judgement such a bill was highly improper and dangerous, as by it an immense burden of debt could be placed upon each farm in the township and heavy assessments lodged on the township generally without regard to the real desires of the people of the township. I therefore opposed the bill.

In closing I desire to say to the women voters of Cerro Gordo county that in the event of my election I stand now, as I have always stood heretofore, ever ready, willing and anxious to receive your suggestions and recommendations with regard to the things which are of importance to the women of this county. Particularly do I desire to have your advice and suggestions in regard to matters of child labor, the management and conduct of schools and the betterment of civic conditions.

I will greatly appreciate your support.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. McGHEE.

Des Moines, Iowa, May 23, 1922.

Hon. J. H. McGee,
Mason City, Iowa.
Dear Sir:

In response to your suggestion that some criticism is being made of your record on what was known as the Public Utilities Bill in the last session of the General Assembly, No. 623, by Springer, I have to say that it was well known among the friends of the public who were opposing this measure that you were not in favor of it and that your vote on the Bill was cast in the affirmative in order that you might move to reconsider, a parli mentary action necessarily resorted to to secure another vote on the measure. The rule being that only a member voting with the majority may move to reconsider and in this way secure further time and opportunity to gather the forces for the defeat of the Bill.

I knew myself that you were right on this proposition and if there is any question about your being in good faith against the measure, further proof of your attitude may be found on page 1585 of the bound House Journal, 1921, where on a motion made by Anderson of Winnebago County for a recall of the Bill from the Senate your name is found among the names of the seventy-nine members of the House who voted for the return of the Bill for the express purpose of defeating it.

Yours very truly,
H. W. BYERS.

Ray Yenter
Attorney at Law
Paul-Helen Bldg.
Iowa City, Iowa

May 9, 1922.

To all Ex-Service Men and whom it may concern:

The writer hereof was a member of the 39th General Assembly of the State of Iowa and the chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, of which Committee J. H. McGhee was a member.

I was well acquainted with his views on legislation affecting ex-service men and appointed him a member of the sub-committee which had the Adjusted Compensation bill in charge, knowing that the best interests of all ex-service men would be furthered by him. His stand on that committee is now a matter of record showing that he possessed a complete understanding of and sympathy with the wishes and needs of the ex-service man. On my own personal knowledge, I always found him to be advancing their cause on all questions effecting them.

It was due in no small degree to his efforts that the contemplated provision of the adjusted compensation bill barring all men with less than sixty days' service was defeated and I have no hesitancy in stating that his attitude on matters pertaining to ex-service men was all that could be desired.

Very respectfully,
RAY YENTER,
Formerly Capt. F. A. U. S. A.
Chairman Military Affairs Committee
39th G. A. Iowa.

As a member of the House of Representatives of the 38th General Assembly of Iowa, I became personally acquainted with J. H. McGhee.

There was a bill pending in the House, Senate File No. 124 by Schafter, known as the County Officers' Bill providing for an increase of salaries. I know of my own personal knowledge that Mr. McGhee opposed the bill from the beginning. The bill was finally passed by the House on April 17th, 1920, by a arge majority. Under the House Parlimentary rules in order to be in a position to file a motion for re-consideration of any bill it is necessary that the member desiring to file such motion shall have voted with the majority, which McGhee did. I was opposed to this bill myself and I worked with Mr. McGhee in its opposition and after its passage Mr. McGhee and I conferred about accomplished its defeat by o motion for reconsideration and concluded that the majority for the bill was so large that it would be impossible to obtain a negative vote.

J. M. SLOSSON.

Ackey, Iowa,
May 29, 1922.

To the voters of the Thirty-seventh Senatorial District of Iowa comprising the counties of Hamilton, Hardin and Wright:

I have already announced my candidacy for the State Senate and early in the campaign, had published over my signature, some of the things for which I stood; which, I have every reason to believe has been quite generally accepted as expressing the views of the majority of the voters of this district, specially the agricultural interests; however, quite recently I have received letters annd questionaires from various organizations of the state.

To answer all of these in detail might defeat the very praiseworthy purpose of those who sincerely ask them. For instance, certain principles are well settled Republican doctrine. With these, I am and always have been in hearty accord. To express myself on them in detail, would be to make an issue or a controversy where none exists, or should exist. I am and always have been a republican.

Many of the questions asked of me, might properly be presented to a republican convention, where platforms are made, or to legislative bodies, if not touched on in the platform. If elected, I shall fairly and impartially, with a view to the greatest good to the greatest number in this our great agricultural state, where we are all either directly or indirectly dependent on the agricultural interests, give due and careful consideration to views of various organizations seeking improvement in our laws. More especially shall I stand upon those priciples which have been or shall have been approved by the republican party and endorsed by the people.

I am not the candidate of any special interests, or corporations, but believe in a "SQUARE DEAL" for all.

On these issues and on those already made public by me, I ask your support and vote for the office of State Senator from this district at the primary Election to be held next Monday, June the fifth.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT THE USUAL PLACE OF VOTING IN YOUR PRECINCT FROM 9 o'clock a. m. to 8 o'clock p. m.

Very respectfully yours,
W. T. S. RATH,
Candidate for State Senator,
Thirty-seventh Sentatorial District,
Counties of Hamilton, Hardin and Wright.

SHERIFF ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters as expressed at the primary June 5th, 1922. Your support will be appreciated.

CLIFTON E. CAMPBELL
Clarion, Iowa.

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries of June 5, 1922.

E. A. ALLEN

Announcement For Treasurer

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Wright County, subject to the primary on June 5, 1922, on the Republican.

F. H. Peterson

Announcement For Co. Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney for Wright county subject to the Republican primaries of June 5, 1922.

J. A. ROGERS

Announcement for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Wright county, subject to the Republican primaries in June, 1922.

HENRY LANG

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of District Court in and for Wright County, subject to the Primaries of June 5, 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN

Announcement for Attorney

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Wright County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries June 5, 1922.

J. M. JENSEN

Announcement For Recorder

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Recorder of Wright County subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries, held June 5, 1922. Edith M. Vaughn

Clarion, Feb. 25, 1922.

Announcement For Sheriff

I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the democratic voters as expressed at the June primary. I will appreciate your support and if nominated, will make a campaign for the election next November. I have been a resident of the County for seventeen years.

Clarion, Ia. W. E. Dunn,

Announcement for Supervisor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Supervisor from the first district, subject to the primaries on June 5, 1922.

D. E. Harris

Here are three good reasons why W. R. Hayes should be elected for a second term in Cerro Cordo County

We the undersigned, District Judges of the 12th Judicial District of Iowa, to which Cerro Cordo County belongs, believing that the Clerk of the District Court should have legal training in order to properly conduct the duties of said office, and whereas, W. R. Hayes has had such training, together with the experience of conducting the office, for one term, by election, now fully understands the business and duties connected therewith.

Now, Therefore, we do hereby endorse and recommed W. R. Hayes for a second term.

C. H. KELLEY M. F. EDWARDS J. J. CLARK

The above is a copy of the endorsement given to the present Clerk who is now serving his first term.

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We the undersigned, attorneys of Cerro Cordo County, Believing that the Clerk of the District Court should have legal training in order to properly conduct the duties of said office. and whereas, W. R. Hayes has had such training, together with the experience of conducting the office, for one term, by election, now fully understands the business and duties connected therewith.

Now, therefore, we do hereby endorse and recommend W. R. Hayes for a second term.

A. L. RULE
J. E. E. MARKLEY
C. H. SMITH
W. M. HUGHES
F. T. BARRETT
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H. J. BRYANT
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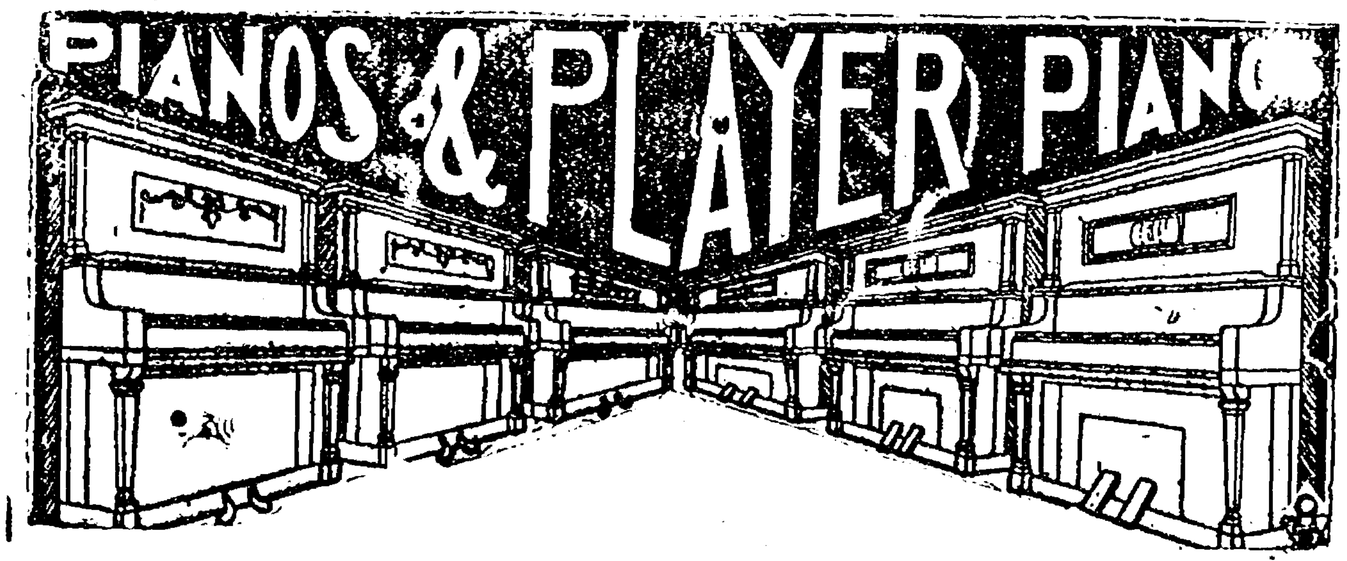

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Miss Lena Kuhlers spent Sunday at the Rob Enabnit home near Clear Lake.

John Langlitz and son, Irvin autoed to Belmond on Saturday on business matters.

J. J. Ruiter and wife spent Saturday evening at the Henry Koenen home at Latimer.

Mrs. Jake Fischer of Fort Dodge came Saturday p. m. for an over Sunday visit at the A. Guth and G. Lauster homes.

Henry Wendel was a Klemme caller Saturday evening.

The Misses Catherine Mead, Rose Nicolet and Clarence Nelson and Henry Nicolet of near Thornton spent Sunday afternoon here at the home of their friend, Jennie Meinderts.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Missel and son, and Jack and Everett Wyland of Britt, Iowa stopped here for a short visit at the Mrs. H. Meinderts home while enroute to Aplington for a visit with relatives there.

Miss Mildred Gealow left Saturday for an over Sunday visit at the home of friends at Carrol, Iowa.

Doctor Steele of Belmond was in town Monday giving medical aid.

Miss Ruth Smith went to Mason City Monday for a visit with friends.

George Langlitz, who has been taking treatments the past week at the Park Hospital returned home Monday.

Ed. Kreens and Henry Meinderts of Belmond were visiting at the R. Boelman home on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wendell left Saturday for a short visit with relatives in Waseka, Minn.

On last Sunday afternoon Mr. Lambert Pals was greatly surprised when his children and grandchildren came to his home to help him celebrate his 83rd birthday. They came bringing with them refreshments and all enjoyed a nice time.

AID SOCIETY

The Aid society of the Reformed church met Monday afternoon in the church basement. A goodly number were present and refreshments were served by Mrs. John Watermiller.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ruiter were Sunday evening callers at the Bert Hemmes home at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Blewitt and little son of Thornton were Sunday callers at the J. Hartfeder home.

Miss Loats spent Sunday at her home in Belmond.

Miss Hannah Boelman spent Sunday at the home of her friend, Dorothy Mussel, near Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Watermiller of near Kanawha spent the dav Sunday at the H. Gerdes home.

The Rev. Fred Revers and daughter Ruth returned to their home at Stout last week Wednesday. They were accompanied by Esther, who has been attending high school here, and who will make a short visit at home before leaving for Cedar Rapids to attend summer school.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herman died Sunday evening. He was about 48 hours old. On Monday the body was sent to Sigourney, Iowa for burial.

Miss Cecilia Lichty and brother of Sigourney are here visiting at the Carl Herman home.

A. E. Muller and family called at the Herman Zieman home near Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. Muller and children attended the Baccalaureate sermon at Belmond Sunday evening.

Wm. Butz and mother Mrs. Mary Butz, and the Misses Irene Butz, Orpha Smith, Ollie Pals and Viola Thomas motored to Cedar Falls on Tuesday where they will attend college this summer.

H. F. Reif and wife were Sunday guests at the Wm. Butz home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ralston and Alma, Mrs. Thomas and Viola motored to Mason City on Friday. The Misses Thomas and Ralston stayed at the Park Hospital where they will both have their tonsils removed.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred King of Bloomfield, Iowa came last Thursday, they returned home Friday accompanied by Miss Ruby King for her summer vacation.

The Eighth Grade Graduation exercises which were held in the M. E. church on Thursday evening were well attended, the house being filled to its utmost. The program was well rendered and much enjoyed by all present.

County Supt. Newcome of Mason City was present at the 8th grade excerises here Thursday evening.

CHURCHES

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Sunday school 9:45 a. m., followed by preaching services at 10:45.

Wednesday, German prayer services 2 p. m.

Thursday prayer services English 7:30 p. m. followed by rehearsal of the Sunday school orchestra.

Friday Workers Training or Bible class at 7:30 followed by rehearsal of the choir.

Saturday Catechetical Instruction beginning at 2 p. m.

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Services—German—10:15
Young Peoples' meeting 7:15
Services—English—8:00

Mr. and Mrs. James Meming of Thornton spent Sunday here at the Ed Foss home.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Larsen are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy born to them on May 21 st.

The Commencement exercises here last Tuesday evening were well attended in spite of the weather and poor roads. The address given by Rev. Robert Stewart of Spencer was much enjoyed and very instructive and special mention should be made of the Music and the songs rendered by the choir.

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Announcement for Representative

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative from Wright county, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

H. C. PINKHAM

Announcement For Clerk

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of clerk of the district court of Wright county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries to be held June 5, 1922. Chas. DeVore.

Announcement For Auditor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate to the office of Auditor of Wright County subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held in June 1922.

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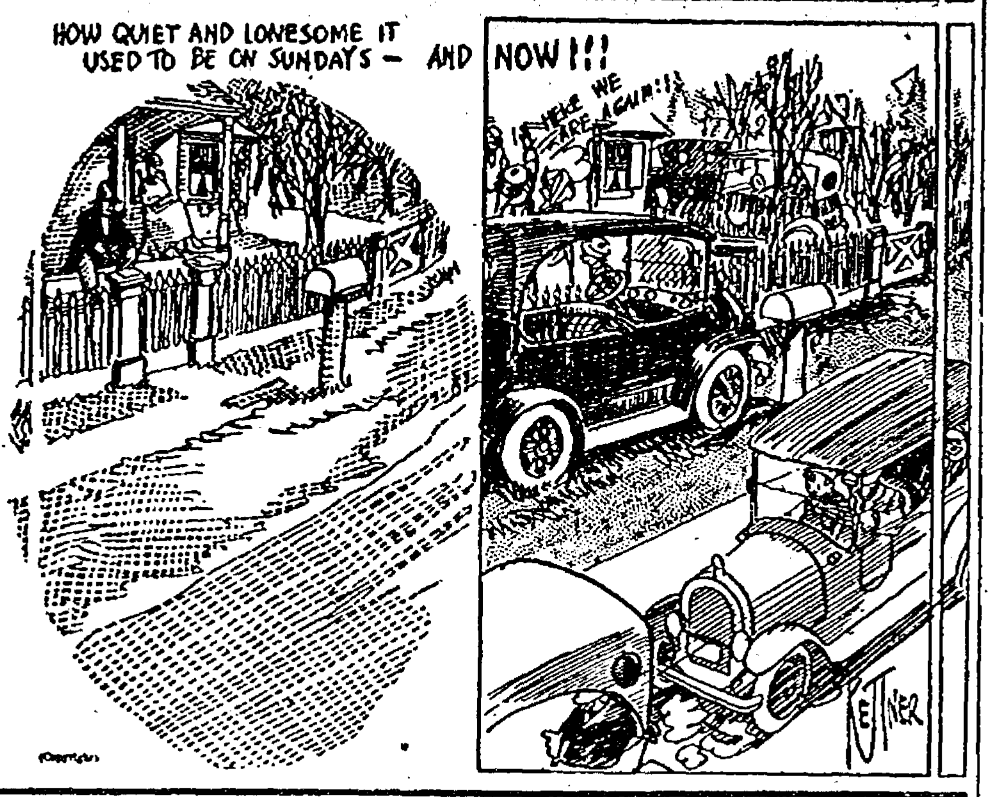
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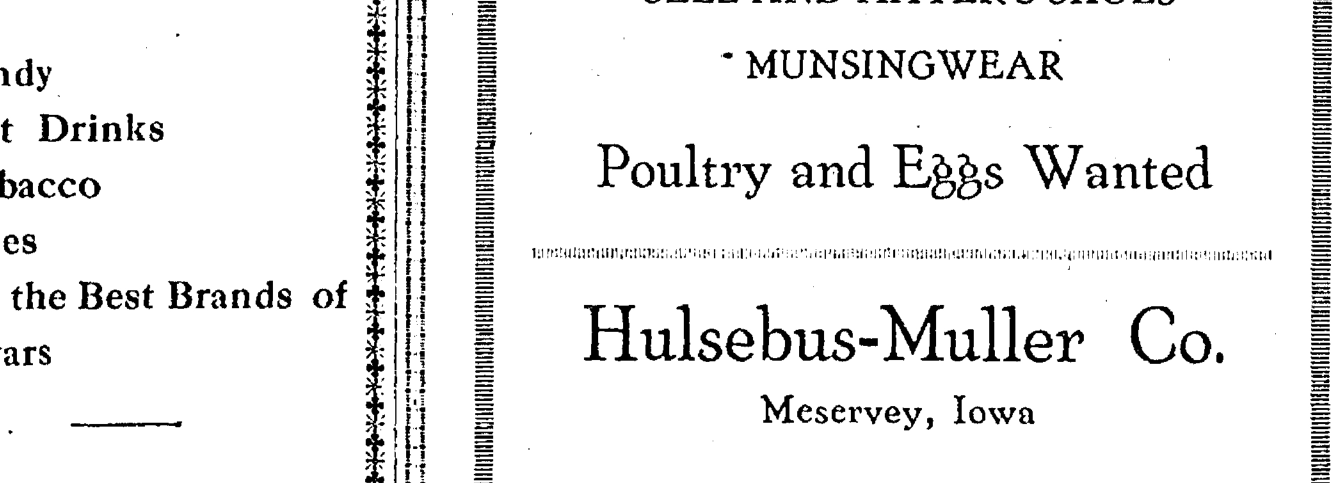

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WOMEN VOTERS SUPPORT MC-FARLANE.

The women of the Third Congressional District, of the State of Iowa are very much interested in the coming Primary, Monday, June 5th. Owing to the fact of Arch W. McFarlane being a candidate for Congress, as it is well known that McFarlane not only voted for the Sufferage Amendment but by the additional fact of his signing the bill as Speaker of the Iowa House of Representatives, making it posible for over five hundred thousand women in the state of Iowa to vote, and of course it is only natural that the women are taking great interest in McFarlane—doing all they can in the way of promoting his candidacy, and by taking this opportunity of remembering his assistance to them.

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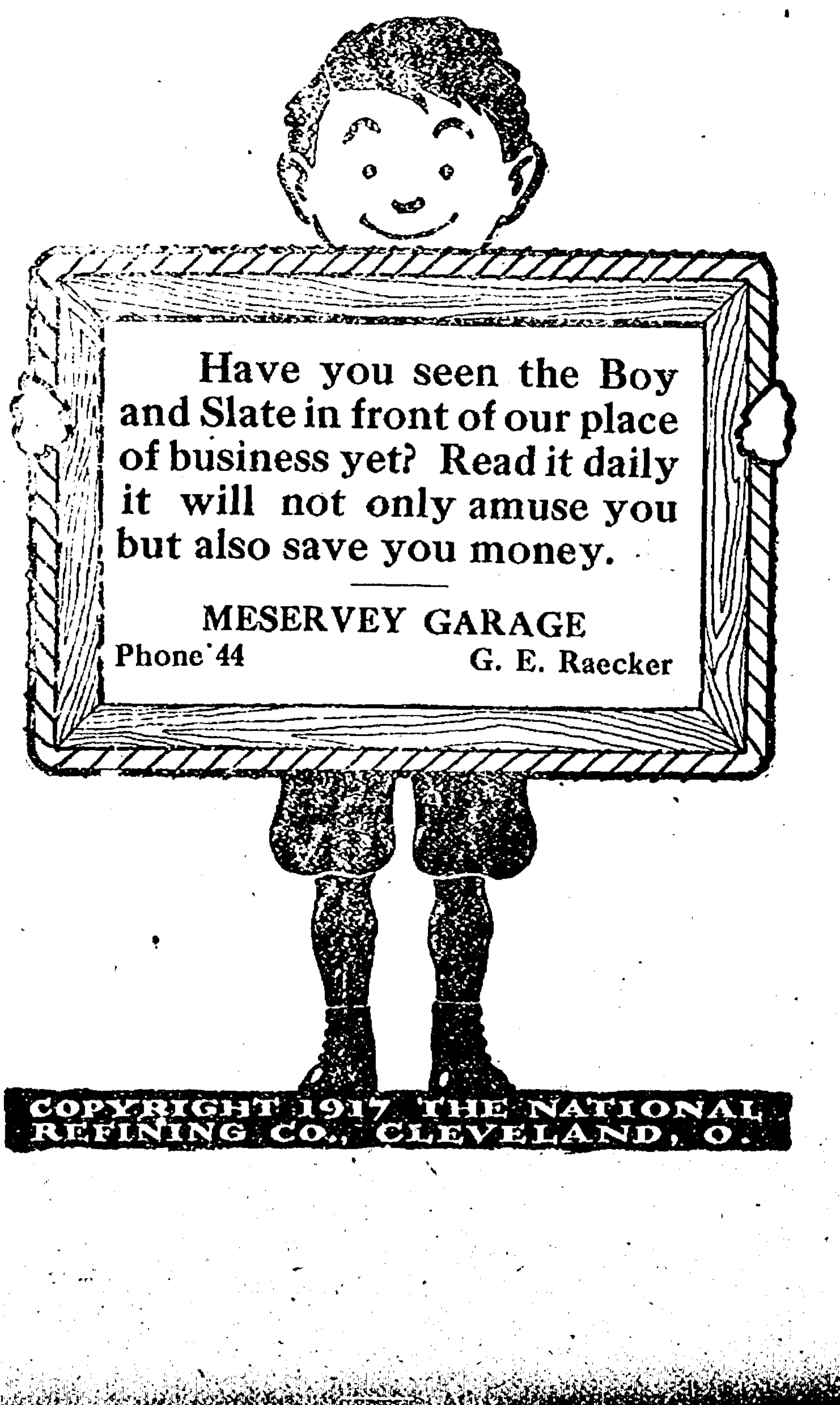
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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Arthur Peters was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Benson of Belmond were visitors at the Will Foughty home on Sunday.

Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls was a Sunday visitor at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Clay of Mason City and Miss Maude Livermore of Latimer attended the Memorial services held here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn and Miss Marjorie of Belmond spent Sunday at the L. S. Reed home.

Miss Edna Arends has been visiting at the home of her cuncle Dr. Bode at Grundy Center, and while there attended the Commencement Exercises of the Christian Reformed College.

Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas and two sons of near Dows attended the Memorial services here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Yaw of Iowa Falls were visiors at this place the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Paterson and two children of Galt were Sunday visitors at the Will Foughty home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine 10 pound baby boy, Olmal Lewis, which came to their home Wednesday, May 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Larson of Latimer were visitors at this place Sunday.

Rev. H. C. Bode and wife of Wellsburg, Mrs. C. Bode of Austinville and Dr. W. Bode of Grundy Center were visitors at the J. C. Arends home last Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Peter Pals and Mrs. John Blau are at North Wood N. Dak., where they went for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and children spent Sunday at Clear Lake.
The Misses Emma Eickmeyer and Leisian Westenberger of Sheffield visited at the Fred Greenfield home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter, Leona and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Nels Larsen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie McCallum and children of Thornton were visiting with friends and relatives at Alexander the past week.

Jack Hill and Jack Kew were callers at Hampton Saturday.

The Memorial Services which were held here Sunday were well attended the Auditorium was packed to its full capacity. The Ackley Band furnished the music.

The Dorcas Society Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Larsen next Tuesday afternoon, June the 6th. All ladies are invited.

Alexander Has Fire Tuesday

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hanson, south of town, was badly damaged by fire Tuesday. The fire started from a defective flue, and burned the kitchen and part of the upstairs.

Leaves For California

Mrs. Geo. Dunn left Tuesday for Long Beach, California, where she will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Messelheiser.

Two Births Tuesday

Two new citizens came to Alexander during Tuesday and Wednesday, both of them boys. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blau are rejoicing over the arrival of a boy at each of their homes.

EX-SERVICE MEN ENDORSE McFARLANE'S RECORD

Arch W. McFarlane, Candidate for Congress in the coming Primary, which is Monday June the 5th, record endorsed, by exservice men and among numerous letters of endorsement McFarlane prizes the following very highly. James F. Barton, Dept. Adj. and Casper Schenk Chairman of the Legislative Committe of the American Legion.

THE AMERICAN LEGION OF IOWA
March 29th, 1921.

Hon. Arch W. McFarlane,
State House,
Des Moines, Iowa.
My Dear Mr. McFarlane:

The American Legion is very grateful for what you have done for the ex-service men and women of Iowa. While the benefit of the Bonus Bill, under the provisions of our constitution, must necessarily be contingent and deferred, every veteran deeply appreciates the generous support you gave it to secure its submission to the people.

On behalf of over one hundred and ten thousand veterans who are not here to speak for themselves, we wish to thank you

Very sincerely yours,
JAMES F. BARTON.
Dept. Adjutant.

Des Moines, Iowa.
March 29th, 1921

Hon. Arch McFarlane, Speaker,
House of Representatives,
State House,
Des Moines, Iowa.
My dear Mr. Speakers:

May I not, even at this late day, expreſs my earnest gratitude for your generous co-operation in assisting the ex-service men of Iowa to put the Bonus Bill accross.

As Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the American Legion, I can assure you that the boys are very grateful, indeed to you for your effective assistance.

With kindest personal regards, I remain very sincerely.
CASPER SCHENK.
510 Crocker Building.

It is of course no surprise that the ex-service men over the District are greatly interested in McFarlane's candidacy, because of his assistance, and are now doing what they can for him in supporting him for congress.
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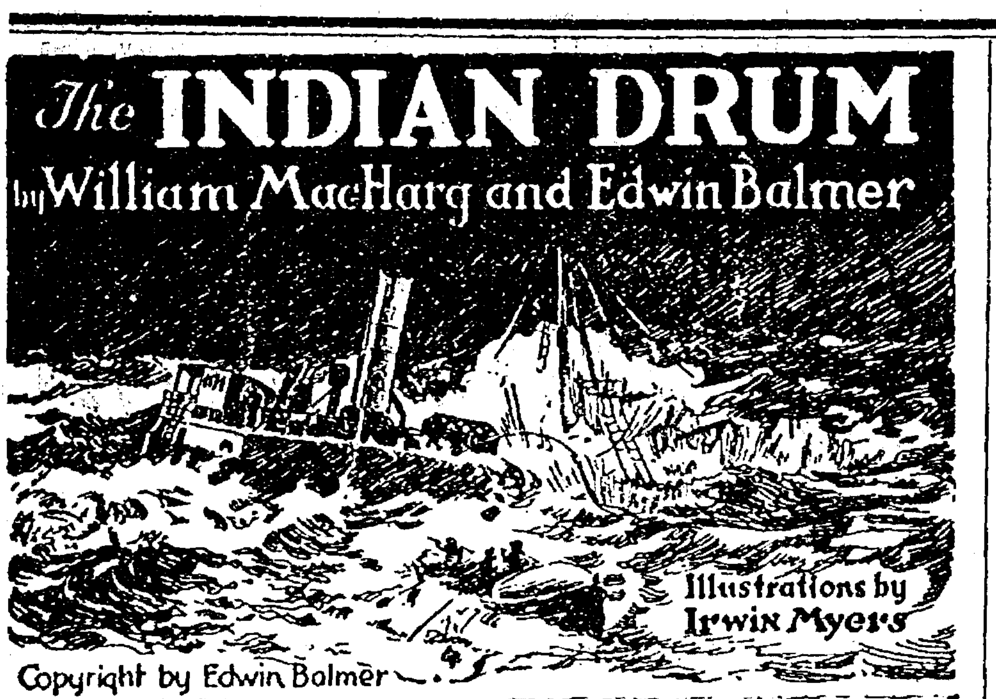

SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

He was silent for a few moments.

"The transfer of Mr. Corvet's properties to me for you," he said suddenly, "includes, as you have seen, Corvet's interest in the firm of 'Corvet, Sherrill & Spearman.' I went very carefully through the deeds and transfers in the deposit box, and it was plain that, while he had taken great care with the forms of transfer for all the properties, he had taken particular pains with whatever related to his holdings in this company and to his shipping interests. If I make over the properties to you, Alan, I shall begin with those; for it seems to me that your father was particularly anxious that you should take a personal as well as a financial place among the men who control the traffic of the lakes. I have told Spearman that this is my intention. He has not been able to see it my way as yet; but he may change his views, I think, after meeting you."

Sherrill got up. Alan arose a little unsteadily. The list of properties he had read and the letter and Sherrill's statement portended so much that its meaning could not all come to him at once. He followed Sherrill through a short private corridor, flanked with files lettered "Corvet, Sherrill, and Spearman," into the large room he had seen when he came in with Constance. They crossed this, and Sherrill, without knocking, opened the door of the office marked, "Mr. Spearman." Alan, looking on past Sherrill as the door opened, saw that there were some half dozen men in the room, smoking and talking. His gaze went swiftly on past these men to the one who, half seated on the top of the flat desk, had been talking to them; and his pulse closed upon his heart with a shock; he started, choked with astonishment, then swiftly forced himself under control. For this was the man whom he had met and whom he had fought in Benjamin Corvet's house the night before—the big man surprised in his blasphemy of Corvet and of souls "in h—l" who, at sight of an apparition with a bullet hole above its eye, had cried out in his fright, "You got Ben! But you won't get me—d—n you! D—n you!"

Alan's shoulders drew up slightly, and the muscles of his hands tightened, as Sherrill led him to this man. Sherrill put his hand on the man's shoulder; his other hand was still on Alan's arm.

"Henry," he said to the man, "this is Alan Conrad. Alan, I want you to know my partner, Mr. Spearman."

Spearman nodded an acknowledgment, but did not put out his hand; his eyes—steady, bold, watchful eyes—seemed measuring Alan attentively; and in return Alan, with his gaze, was measuring him.

CHAPTER VII.

Mr. Corvet's Partner.

The instant of meeting, when Alan recognized in Sherrill's partner, the man with whom he had fought in Corvet's house, was one of swift readjustment of all his thought—adjustment to a situation of which he could not even have dreamed, and which left him breathless. But for Spearman, obviously, it was not that. Following his noncommittal nod of acknowledgment of Sherrill's introduction and his first steady scrutiny of Alan, the big, handsome man swung himself off from the desk on which he sat and leaned against it, facing them more directly.

"Oh, yes—Conrad," he said. His tone was hearty; in it Alan could recognize only so much of reserve as might be expected from Sherrill's partner who had taken an attitude of opposition. The shipmasters, looking on, could see, no doubt, not even that; except for the excitement which Alan himself could not conceal it must appear to them only an ordinary introduction.

Alan fought sharply down the swift rush of his blood and the tightening of his muscles.

"I can say truly that I'm glad to meet you, Mr. Spearman," he managed.

There was no recognition of anything beyond the mere surface meaning of the words in Spearman's slow smile of acknowledgment, as he turned from Alan to Sherrill.

"I'm afraid you've taken rather a bad time, Lawrence. Can't we get together later—this afternoon? You'll be about here this afternoon?"

"I think I can be here this afternoon," Alan said.

"Let's say two-thirty, then." Spearman turned and noted the hour almost solicitously among the scrawled appointments on his desk pad; straightening, after this act of dismissal, he walked with them to the door, his hand on Sherrill's shoulder.

"Circumstances have put us—Mr. Sherrill and myself—in a very difficult position, Conrad," he remarked. "We want much to be fair to all concerned—"

He did not finish the sentence, but halted at the door. Sherrill went out, and Alan followed him; exasperation—half outrage yet half admiration—at Spearman's bearing, held Alan speechless. If every movement of Spearman's great, handsome body had not recalled to him their struggle of the night before—if, as Spearman's hand rested cordially on Sherrill's shoulder, Alan had not seemed to feel again that big hand at his throat—he would almost have been ready to believe that this was not the man whom he had fought. But he could not doubt that; he had recognized Spearman beyond question. And Spearman had recognized him—he was sure of that; he could not for an instant doubt it; Spearman had known it was Alan whom he had fought in Corvet's house even before Sherrill had brought them together. Was there not further proof of that in Spearman's subsequent manner toward him? For what was all this cordiality except defiance?

Power and possession—both far exceeding Alan's most extravagant dream—were promised him by those papers which Sherrill had shown him. When he had read down the list of those properties, he had had no more feeling that such things could be his than he had had at first that Corvet's house could be his—until he had heard the intruder moving in that house. And now it was the sense that another was going to make him fight for those properties that was bringing to him the realization of his new power. He "had" something on that man—on Spearman. He did not know what that thing was; no stretch of his thought, nothing that he knew about himself or others, could tell him; but, at sight of him, in the dark of Corvet's house, Spearman had cried out in horror, he had screamed at him the name of a sunken ship, and in terror had hurled his electric torch. It was true, Spearman's terror had not been at Alan Conrad; it had been because Spearman had mistaken him for some one else—for a ghost. But, after learning that Alan was not a ghost, Spearman's attitude had not very greatly changed; he had fought, he had been willing to kill rather than to be caught there.

Alan thought an instant; he would make sure he still "had" that something on Spearman and would learn how far it went. He took up the receiver and asked for Spearman.

A voice answered—"Yes."

Alan said, evenly: "I think you and I had better have a talk before we meet with Mr. Sherrill this afternoon. I am here in Mr. Corvet's office now and will be here for half an hour. then I'm going out."

Spearman made no reply, but hung up the receiver. Alan sat waiting, his watch upon the desk before him—tense, expectant, with flushes of hot and cold passing over him. Ten minutes passed; then twenty. The telephone under Corvet's desk buzzed.

"Mr. Spearman says he will give you five minutes now," the switchboard girl said.

Alan breathed deep with relief; Spearman had wanted to refuse to see him—but he had not refused; he had sent for him within the time Alan had appointed and after waiting until just before it expired.

Alan put his watch back into his pocket and, crossing to the other office, found Spearman alone. There was no pretense of courtesy now in Spearman's manner; he sat motionless at his desk, his bold eyes fixed on Alan intently. Alan closed the door behind him and advanced toward the desk.

"I thought we'd better have some explanation," he said, "about our meeting last night."

"Our meeting?" Spearman repeated; his eyes had narrowed watchfully.

"You told Mr. Sherrill that you were in Duluth and that you arrived home in Chicago only this morning. Of course you don't mean to stick to that story with me?"

"What are you talking about?" Spearman demanded.

"Of course, I know exactly where you were a part of last evening; and you know that I know. I only want to know what explanation you have to offer."

Spearman leaned forward. "Talk sense and talk it quick, if you have anything to say to me!"

"I haven't told Mr. Sherrill that I found you at Corvet's house last night; but I don't want you to doubt for a minute that I know you—and about your d—g of Benjamin Corvet and your cry about saving the Miwaka!"

A flash of blood came to Spearman's face; Alan, in his excitement, was sure of it; but there was just that flash, no more. He turned, while Spearman sat chewing his cigar and staring at him, and went out and partly closed the door. Then, suddenly, he reopened it, looked in, reclosed it sharply, and went on his way, shaking a little. For, as he looked back this second time at the dominant, determined, able man seated at his desk, what he had seen in Spearman's face was fear; fear of himself, of Alan Conrad of Blue Rapids—yet it was not fear of that sort which weakens or dismays; it was of that sort which, merely warning of danger close at hand, determines one to use every means within his power to save himself.

Alan, still trembling excitedly, crossed to Corvet's office to await Sherrill. It was not, he felt sure now, Alan Conrad that Spearman was opposing; it was not even the apparent successor to the controlling stock of Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman. That Alan resembled some one—some one whose ghost had seemed to come to Spearman and might, perhaps, have come to Corvet—was only incidental to what was going on now; for in Alan's presence Spearman found a threat—an active, present threat against himself. Alan could not imagine what the nature of that threat could be. Was it because there was something still concealed in Corvet's house which Spearman feared Alan would find? Or was it connected only with that some one whom Alan resembled?

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Constance Sherrill's most active thought that day was about Henry Spearman, for she had a luncheon engagement with him at one o'clock.

The tea room of a department store offers to young people opportunities for dining together without furnishing reason for even innocently connecting their names too intimately, if a girl is not seen there with the same man too often. There is something essentially casual and unpremeditated about it—as though the man and the girl, both shopping and both hungry, had just happened to meet and go to lunch together. As Constance recently had drawn closer to Henry Spearman in her thought, and particularly since she had been seriously considering marrying him, she had clung deliberately to this unplanned appearance about their meetings.

She glanced across at him, when she had settled herself, and the first little trivialities of their being together were over.

"I took a visitor down to your office this morning," she said.

"Yes," he answered.

Constance was aware that it was only formally that she had taken Alan Conrad down to confer with her father; since Henry was there, she knew her father would not act without his agreement, and that whatever disposition had been made regarding Alan had been made by him.

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"Did you like him, Henry? I hoped you would."

He did not answer at once. The waitress brought their order, and he served her; then, as the waitress moved away, he looked across at Constance with a long scrutiny.

(Continued Next Week)

ROWAN NEWS

Mrs. Odland of Goldfield came the first of last week to care for Mrs. S. A. Ferguson. Mrs. Ferguson is *improving slowly*.

Mrs. A. C. Rietz and two children, Marian and Paul spent a part of last week with her sister, Mrs. Lorenzo Bingham, at Iowa Falls.

Nellie Hackley has been spending the past week with her sister, Mrs. Elmer Gaulke, at Dows.

Mrs. G. R. Stumph was called to Meservey last Wednesday on account of the illness of Mrs. R. L. Robinson. She returned home Thursday evening, bringing Mrs. Robinson with her.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchett autoed to Dows last Friday.

Mrs. Hal Steffens received word Friday of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Maude Keheler at La Port City. Mrs. Steffens left Saturday noon for that place.

Lee Sellers and family of Dows were Rowan visitors on Friday.

Mildred Duffy returned home from Cedar Falls last Friday, where she has been attending college.

Miss Viola Charter, teacher of violin and piano will begin the summer term in Rowan June 8th. She will give lessons at the R. H. Keith home.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Nelson came up from Iowa Falls last Saturday to visit at the Peter Hansen home. Mrs. Nelson is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hansen.

Catherine Harson has been staying at Clarence Lindsay's the past week.

Mrs. Claude Allie came over from Clarion last Thursday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manley Francomb.

Mr. O. E. Ballou's hours at the Rock Island Depot have been changed. He is now on duty from 7:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. from 1:30 p. m. to 3:30 p. m. then from 6:30 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum spent last Wednesday in Clarion.

Mrs. J. Coulter went to Iowa Falls on last Tuesday to visit her brother, Thomas Parland. She expects to remain until after Decoration Day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Howell and two children came from Napoleon, Ohio last Saturday to visit her mother Mrs. S. A. Ferguson.

Wm. Steffens received word last Friday evening from Spring Valley, Minnesota of the death of his brother's wife, Mrs. John Steffens. Funeral services were held Monday.

Miss Susan Duffy, who has taught the past year in Hansell came home Saturday to spend the summer vacation.

Mrs. A. A. Williams went to Hayfield Friday to visit at the William Shreck home, also to attend the graduation exercises there at which time Miss Lillian Shreck graduates from the high school.

Mrs. Bine Wilder is suffering quite badly with erysipelas.

Lillian, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McAlpine has been on the sick list the past week.

Laura McCallum went to Clarion Saturday to spend the day with her sister, Mrs. Glenn Jennings.

Mrs. Kate Conn and Mrs. Hannah Whitten spent last Saturday at the Milton Ramsay home near Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Langdon were Dows callers last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Eson and son, Martin went to Humboldt last Saturday to visit at the Schultz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gaulke and children from near Dows spent Sunday at the B. F. Hackley home.

Mrs. Etta Carr returned home from Latimer Saturday evening. Her little granddaughter came with her for a short visit.

Misses Laura McCallum and Letha Gunderson went to Cedar Falls last Monday. They will both take the summer training school course.

Word was received last Friday from Eagle Grove of the serious illness of little Bernice Drury, daughter of Mr. Ezra Drury. She with her grandmother, Mrs. Ed Drury were visiting relatives there when she was taken ill with pneumonia. Later reports are that she is improving.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson has improved so that she is able to sit up now. Mrs. Odland, the nurse who was caring for her was called from here to near Galt to care for Mrs. Licklider.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bingham returned the first of the week from California. They drove through in their car. W. G. Bingham's are also on their way home, having stopped to visit relatives at Webster City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Keheler went to La Port City Sunday, returning home Monday. They were called there on account of the illness of Mrs. Maud Keheler. They report improving.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pritchett received word word Sunday of the birth of a new granddaughter at the Floyd Pollard home in Idaho.

Mrs. Floyd Frizzel and three children, of Marble Rock came Saturday to visit at the Dan Fletcher, H. W. Ketchum and Chas. Nelson homes. Mr. Frizzel drove through later.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sullivan came over from Ft. Dodge Saturday to to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Hansen, Bernice and Raymond, spent Sunday with relatives at Coulter.

G. W. Fletcher, wife and baby spent Saturday night and Sunday in Clarion at the L. R. Fitz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris of Thornton spent Sunday here at the L. W. Stevenson home.

Mr and Mrs. Julian Nelson came up from Iowa Falls Saturday to visit at Peter Hansen's.

The Chicago Great Western Depot has been reshingled the past week.

Mr. William Steffens left Sunday evening for Spring Valley, Minn., to attend the funeral of his brother's wife.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French returned home from Battle Creek, Mich. last Monday. Mrs. French has been taking treatment at that place. She is considerably improved in health.

Mrs. Eva Lindsay, Nora Shaffer Dorothy Steffens and Lloyd and Loran Hackley were at Belmond Monday of this week.

Word received from Mrs. William Steffens at Colfax that she is improving. She expects to stay one week longer.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum, and Miss Lenore Osterhus were Clarion shoppers on Monday.

Mrs. J. F. Howell is expected home from Colfax the latter part of this week.

Last week was the closing week of the Rowan school year. It was a very full week.

On Tuesday evening the graduating exercises were held. At this time Dr. Mossman, president of Morning Side College delivered one of the best address ever given in Rowan.

On Thursday evening a class of eleven girls and five boys from the eighth grade held their graduating exercises. They gave an excellent program of readings, class songs etc. Also a short play entitled, "Our Aunt from California."

Elinor Martin was valedictorian of the class.

The final event was the school picnic on Friday, the closing day. They had all planned to go to the woods but on account of the rainy weather it was decided to hold the picnic in the school building, all except the high school pupils who drove to Abraham Heights.

Each teacher treated her pupils with ice cream.

The past year's school work has been very successful. Supt. Holliday and his corp of teachers are to be commended for their excellent work.

Prof. and Mrs. Holliday, Miss Cowley, Miss Drahein and Mrs. Agnew are re-elected for next year. There are still several vacancies to be filled yet.

Prof. and Mrs. Holliday, Grace and Everett left for Cedar Falls Saturday.

Miss McCutcheon went to her home at Goldfield, Miss Draheim to Clarion and Miss Osterhus is spending a week at the W. R. McCallum home before going to her home in Ruthven.

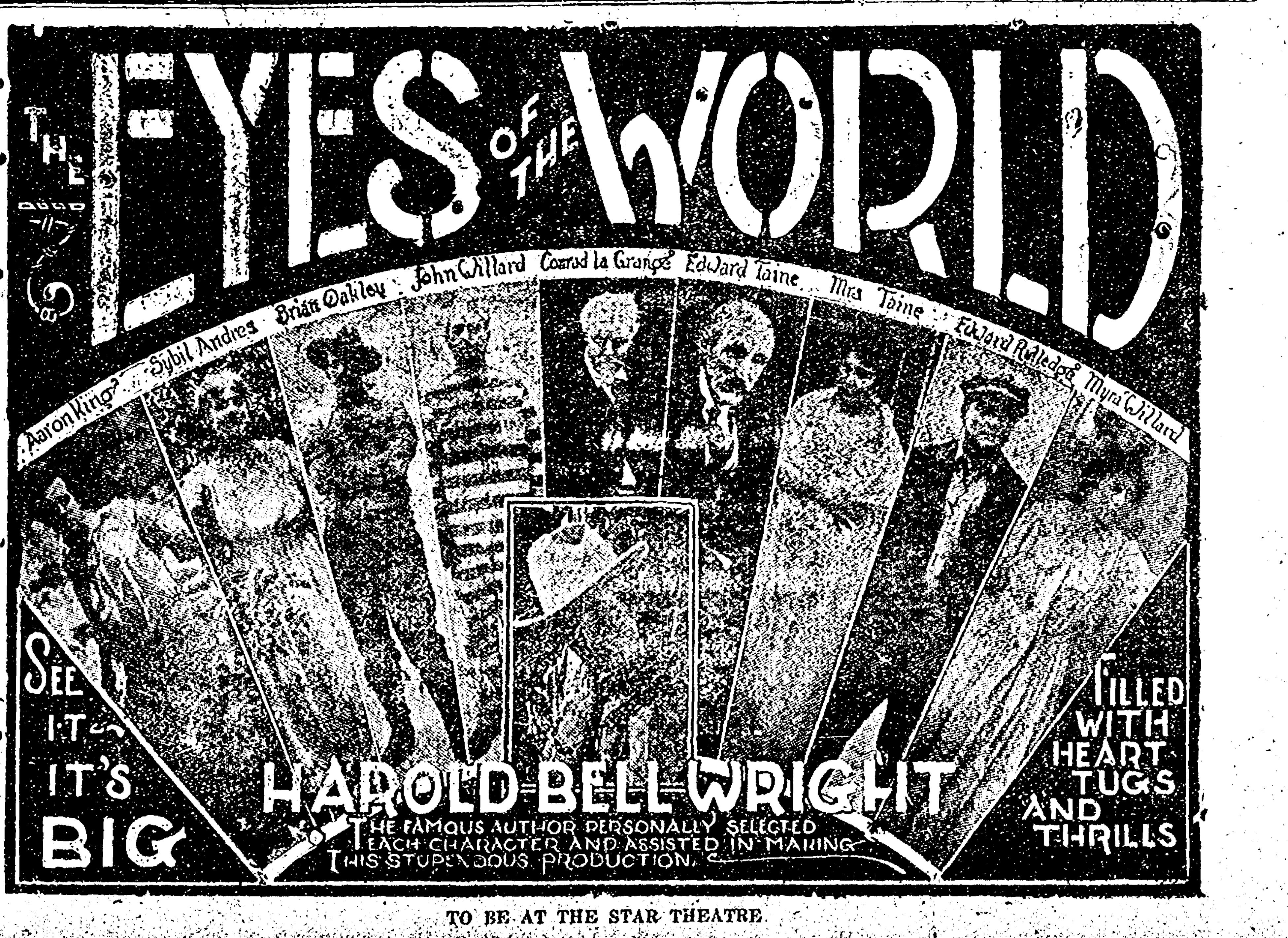
There will be regular services in each of the churches next Sunday.

What might have proved to be a very serious accident occured last Monday evening, when G. R. Stumph was driving along a high grade south of Hampton. In attempting to pass a car ahead, his car slid, slipping over the embarkment and plunged into a creek 35 feet below. In falling Guy became unconscious and was found in this condition face downward in four feet of water underneath the roadster. He was rescued by the imates of the car ahead, and taken to Hampton to be fixed up. He was pretty badly shaken up and bruised, but his condition is not thought to be serious. He was brought home later.

Ransom Aldrich's team hitched to his wagon ran away Monday afternoon near the mill bridge. In some way Mr. Aldrich fell, between the wagon and the whiffle trees, and he was dragged considerable distance. A box of matches in the wagon, ignite and set fire to the wagon, and almost totally destroyed it.

The neighbors near by came to his rescue and brought him into town. Dr. Maker was called to examiine him and decided to take him to Belmond for X-ray examination. The bone in the arm was found to be fractured and several bad bruises about his face. He is being cared for at the Friend Aldrich home.

Memorial Day services were fairly well attended despite the rain. The services were held in the Congregational church instead of out doors. The Legion members marched to the church where Captain Van Metre gave a splendid address. Then they marched to the cemetery, and decorated the soldiers graves, from there to the river to cast flowers on the water to the memory of the unknown sailors.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Belmond Local News

Miss Esther Hardwick returned home last week, to spend her vacation with relatives here. She has been attending college at Ames.

Miss Shirley Thompson, who has been attending school at Cedar Rapids, returned last week to spend the summer vacation with home folks.

W. C. White, of Fort Dodge, was in town one day last week looking after business affairs and visiting relatives.

Matt Holtzbauer was a business visitor at Mason City on Monday of this week.

Geo. Lutz was a caller at Lincoln Nebraska last week looking after business interests.

Gerald Hedges who is working at Geneva, came home to spend the week end with his parents.

L. Tokman was a business caller at Des Moines the first of the week.

I. G. Londergan secretary and general manager of the Medical Life Insurance Co., of Waterloo was in town last Thursday, conferring with local stockholders on business connected with the company.

LOST—Rim and lens from auto headlight. Finder please return to this office. 281*

N. M. Wolcott came up from Des Moines on Saturday to spend Memorial Day in Belmond, as has been his custom ever since he moved away. Mr. Wolcott states that from Eagle Grove to Fort Dodge there was hardly a farmer in the fields, the fields being mostly under water from heavy rains.

The W. F. M. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. R. H. Klemme on Thursday of this week.

Mrs. Otto Hanson has been in the hospital at Mason City the past week or so, taking treatment for stomach trouble. She is coming along nicely, we are informed.

Wm. Voiles was a caller at Des Moines last week a couple of days, learning some more of the ins and outs of the nursery business.

Bert Smith, of Pennsylvania, a former resident of this locality, has been visiting his uncle, Mr. Trumbell.

Mrs. Gene Curtiss and two little daughters came last week from Colorado, for an indefinite visit with relatives in this vicinty.

Miss Jean Wolcott of Des Moines came Tuesday to spend Memorial Day in Belmond.

Edmund Groh came home Monday to spend Memorial Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh, and to spend a day or two visiting friends. He goes from here to Lyle, Minnesota, where he will take charge of his brother's store, while Louie takes a week or two vacation.

Announcement For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of the First District, Wright County, subject to the Republican Primaries in June, 1922.

JOHN D. BAKER

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Walsh and Mr. and Mrs. Clark Walsh, of Alexander were visitors in Belmond Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Flynn of Hampton were Tuesday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy. They were accompanied by Mrs. W. W. Pratt, also of Hampton.

Kill the bugs on your cucumbers, melons and cabbage. Use Bug Finish, 20c per package—Schultz Drug Co.

Mrs. A. W. Martin was a recent visitor in Illinois, looking after business affairs relative to her father's recent demise.

Rev. Wilkinson was a visitor last week with his brother, Rev. Wilkinson, of Mason City. His brother has accepted a pastorate in Nebraska, and moves soon to that state to assume his new duties.

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Mrs. Laura Ketchum and two sons, John and Sidney, spent Memorial Day here with S. D. Martin, her father. They return to Elkhart Wednesday.

Miss Ida Anderson will arrive today from Tuscon, Arizona, to spend the summer with Ward Martins' and Tom Brooks.

Miss Agnes Dillon left Tuesday for Cedar Falls, where she will attend summer school.

Hail and storm insurance is now on top. Get Some— W. H. Wolle. 28tfc

Mrs. Pat Dillon was called to Iowa Falls the first of the week by the death of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Clough, formerly of Eagle Grove, have moved into the Home Building Company house on River Avenue, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Miller.

Mrs. A. L. Bergman, of Huron, S. Dakota, came last week to spend a week or so visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. E. Snyder, and with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and family from Latimer are here this week attending the graduation exercises of the Belmond school.

The Womens Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet today at the home of Mrs. R. H. Klemme. Guests at the meeting will be the ladies of the society of the Alexander Methodish church.

Mrs. O. Young will be hostess next week Wednesday to the members of the Priscilla club, when the meeting is held at her home.

The Chain of Ten met Monday at the home of Mrs. Ed Webb.

The children of Lambert Pals gave a surprise party Sunday afternoon at their home in Meservey they celebrated their father's 83 birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Barkema and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pals and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Pals and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Harm Pals and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blau and son. Refreshments were served and all had an enjoyable time.

Miss Grace Reed was among the local teachers who left this week for Cedar Falls, where she will attend summer school at the Iowa State Teachers College.

Matt Barry and Ben Blake must have a charm of some sort to bring in the fish, because on three different occasions the past week the two have hauled in over forty each time.

Noel Pond came from Davenport to spend Memorial Day in Belmond with his brother, Wayne, and friends.

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Red Star	2.55
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FOR SALE—Two used trucks. A-1 condition, reasonable price.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

Phone the news to 115 and help us make your paper a bigger and better one.

Buy your tires of the Belmond Auto Co. at a big saving. See us first before you buy.

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

FOR SALE—1 team horses, wagon, beet cultivator, 1916 7-passenger Chandler car, 1 Sampson tractor with 2 and 3 bottom plows. Inquire State Bank of Belmond, Belmond, Iowa. 24tfc

NOTICE—Have you noticed our new "head"? It looks a little better than the old one, but we do not guarantee that there's any more in it. However, we hope to improve with age.

Wanted—Cobs.—Mary Gealow.

FOR SALE—Good second hand one-ton Ford truck. Run only 5000 miles. A bargain—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

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LOST—A lot of good news by not calling 115. When you find some, notify this office. 221tf

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If you need a well, write or phone F. J. Schuldt, Garner, Iowa. 276*

Political candidates this year are hitting the advertising game hard in their efforts to secure nomination to their respective offices. If advertising doesn't pay, then our governing officials are certainly a set of spendthrifts and fools. Whatever a man may do with government money, when it comes to his own he is pretty apt to be careful that he gets value received. Evidently they expect to obtain results from their advertising money.

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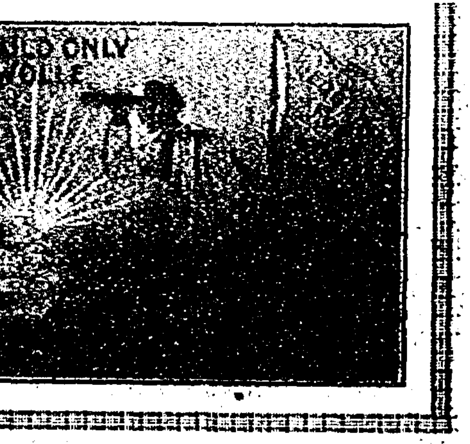

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How To Get A Home

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A renter, whether in the country or city, or a day laborer. Oh, yes, you can own your own. Our company gives the new settler from 40 to 160 acres of land and an attractive house, barn, cows, pigs, chickens and fools. You can buy the land, or the land and buildings, that

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Some real bargains this week are offered you. Look over the following:

Tall can salmon 17c, oat meal in bulk; coffee 30c and up; corn 10c a can; peas the same; large can of good baked beans a dime a can; roast beef—just the thing for picnic dinner at Morse Lake.

So come to the little store on the corner, save your money, and get what you want when you want it. We deliver any old time you need it.

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BELMOND'S TWO CANDIDATES WIN BY 2 TO 1 MAJORITY

Do You Know the Iowa Fish Laws?

Deputy Game Warden Visits Lake And Gets One Fisher man For License

ONE HOOK ON ONE LINE!

R. P. Monplasure of Clear Lake, deputy fish and game warden, was in Belmond Tuesday and while here took a little visit to Morse Lake, where he picked up one Roy Johnson of North Dakota, for fishing without a license. The state laws of Iowa require that anyone residing outside the state must take out a license to fish, and Mr. Johnson was required to hand over two dollars.

There are several little kinks in the law which most people do not know. The following taken from the law will interest many:

Sec. 5. Two lines. No person shall use more htan two lines with one hook upon each line, in still fishing or otherwise, except that a trot line as above provided, or in trolling, or in trolling a spoon hook cmposed of three hooks fastened together may be used, and no fish may be taken by trolling from any gasoline oil or electric launch or steamboat propelled by such power, from any of the lakes of the State.

Sec. 1 License for non-resident. It shall be unlawful for any male over 16 years of age, who is a non-resident of this state, to fih in any manner in the water of this state without first securing from the county auditor a fishing license.

CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAM AT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Opening song—Unita Packard and Pauline Peterson.
Welcome Recitation—Billy Gfeller.
Invocation—Rev. Leinbach.
Scripture Lesson—Miss Tyrrell's clas
Song—Santon and Muriel Christie.
Recitation—Irene Greenlander.
Recitation—Donald Goelz.
Song—Lois Trafford.
Recitation, "Summer," by six little folks.
Song—Little Tots.
Recitation—Edward Obrecht.
Recitation—Paul Dipple.
Drill by twelve boys.
Recitation—Robert Hinman.
Exercise, "What We'd Like to Be."
Reciation—Will Eckersley.
"A True Story" by Mrs. Hinman's class.
Instructional solo—Pauline Peterson.
Recitation—Iola Jenison.
"Best Things," by four girls.
Drill by twelve girls.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Many farmers of this vicinity are taking a day's vacation to go fishing.

The Farm Bureau Social held at the J. F. Henn home last Tuesday evening was well attended and an enjoyable evening was spent, although the threatening weather broke up the crowd shortly after the program.

Mrs. Ben Dorenkamp and two daughters are spending the week at the H. B. Dorenkamp home.

Mr. W. Dziewanowski and Miss Kate Finn accompanied Mrs. W. Dziewanowski to Rochester last Tuesday, where the latter will receive medical aid.

Frank McGuire of Clear Lake spent last Sunday at the Frank Barry home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen and little Elizabeth were Sunday visitors at the Geo. Thompson home.

James and Gerald Barry and the Misses Beatrice and Loretta Barry were Mason City callers Saturday.

Mr. Fol Mennenga and children attended the birthday party at the Jno. Greenlander home last Sunday afternoon.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Next Sunday is children's Day and the children would like to see a large turn out at Sunday school at 10:00. At the 11:00 o'clock service the children will give their children's day program and you will be interested to hear them. The offering goes to the board of Sabbath school extension and we hope to have at least $25.00 offering. This will start a sabbath school in some needy place in our country.

The young peoples meeting begins at 7:30 in the evening and the second of the series on Saul of Tarsus will be given at the 8:00 o'clock service.

There was a good attendance at the service last Sabbath evening and all enjoyed the pictures and were helped by the service. Come and bring your friends with you.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold their monthly business meeting on Thursday afternoon and serve a picic supper in the basement of the church. The supper will cost 25c.

MRS. ANDREW BOHNING

Mrs. A. Bohning, nee Berg, was born at Pilsum, Eastfriesland, Germany on the 8th of March, 1846. When only 11 years old she came to this country, and lived for a time in the vicinity of Freeport, Ill.

In 1862 she was united in marriage to Andrew Bohning, Sr. who preceeded her in death 26 years ago. The Bohning family lived for a time in the vicinity of Ackley, Iowa. In 1882 the family moved to our vicinity and had since that time made their home. Since the death of her husband the deceased had made her home in Belmond. For many years she had been a silent and patient sufferer from diabetes. About a year and a half ago, she was suddenly taken into a strong grip by this dreadful disease, and her condition appeared very serious. But she rallied sufficiently to arise from her bed of sickness and assume the duties of her little home. But it seemed that her strength failed gradually until a few weeks ago she became so weak that she could not walk without assitance It then became apparent that she was nearing the end of her days. Kind and loving hands attended to her wants, and without great suffering, she passed to her eternal reward Sunday afternoon, May 28. She thus attained the age of 76 years, 2 months and 20 days. There remain to mourn her departure her 6 children, Simon, Mrs. Sarah Zook, Mrs. Ida Steenblock, George Paul Wilhelm, and John. Besides these children are the grandchildren etc. and two sisters, Mrs. Sophia Bohning of So. Dak., and Mrs. John Lieuwen of Belmond.

In the passing away of Mrs. Bohning the Immanuel Reformed church looses one of its charter members. The Immanuel church was organized in the year 1884, and since that time she proved a faithful member in the work of this church. She sought and found her Saviour in her youth and she confessed in her declining days that she was happy that she had done so. It must be satifaction indeed to be able to look back upon a life of years in the service of the Master. But that moment when the Master of all good workman shall say to his servant; "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of the Lord" must fill the cup of blessedness to overflowing. The earthly remains of the deceased were laid to rest in the Immanul cemetery Wendesday afternoon, May 31. Rev. A. H. Waalkes her pastor had charge of the services.

COUNTY FEDERATION MEETING

The Wright County Federation of Women's Clubs will meet Tuesday June 13th at 10 a. m. at the Baptist church, Eagle Grove.

Each Club is entitled to 2 voting delegates and all members are urged to be present. We want this to be an exceptionally good meeting. Each lady is asked to bring cake and sandwiches for two.

Town Clubs are asked to prepare a brief report of their years work.

A splendid program is being prepared with Mrs. Max Mayer of Iowa City, as the main speaker of the day.

All Club Ladies welcome.

Secretary.

LEAVE FOR IDAHO

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Elder and children left this week Monday on their trip to Idaho. They are making the trip by auto, and are stopping at Fort Dodge for a short visit at the H. C. Thompson home. They expect to spend the summer in Idaho, where Mrs. Elder has relatives, and may decide to locate permanently in that state.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. L. G. Avery and family drove to Forrest City on Decoration Day.

Miss Dortha Okrueg, who has been attending school at Coe College the past year came home last Thursday.

Miss Clara Johnson returned Wednesday from her visit with her sister who lives at New Richland Minn.

Mrs. Sandberg and daughter, Selma were in Mason City last Friday.

Miss Maude Griggs returned to Clear Lake last Wednesday

Mrs. Monroe Graeber who has been in the hospital at Hampton returned home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Mellem were at Garner Saturday.

Mr. O. Sandberg and family visited their son Henning at Iowa Falls on Sunday.

John Hughes and family of Garner were calling on relatives in Goodell on Sunday.

Mr. James Trumbell of Mason City was in town last week.

Miss Gail McNutt of Fort Dodge visited at her home on Sunday.

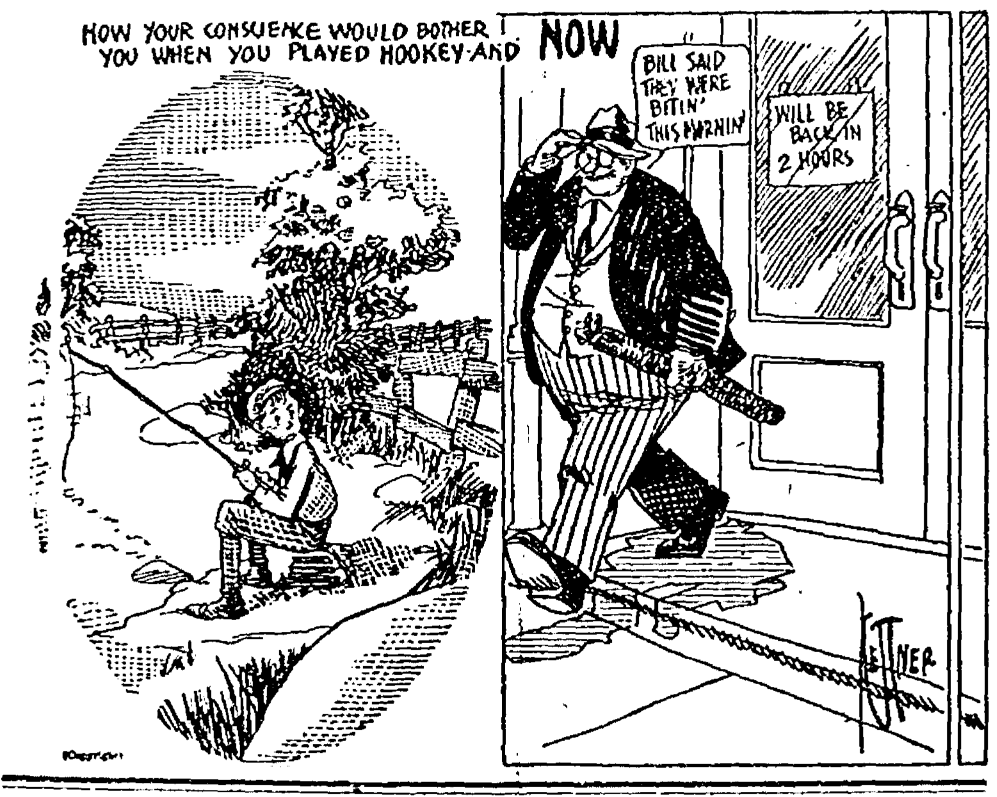
U. B. Church Notes

The U. B. Sunday school will observe Children's Day June eleventh

The boys and girls will render a fine program to which all are invited.

There will be no preaching service in the morning. The Sunday School program will be given at 11:00 a. m. June 11.

R'member


HOW YOUR CONSIENCE WOULD BOTHER YOU WHEN YOU PLAYED HOOKEY-AND
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WILL BE BACK IN 2 HOURS

Alexander Farmer Dies From Injuries

Alexander Youth Never Regains Consciousness After Accident With Engine

FUNERAL HELD SUNDAY

Francis Klinefelter, the young Alexander farmer who was injured Memorial Day, died in the local hospital Friday afternoon from his injuries. He never regained consciousness after the accident. While his brother and family were away fishing Memorial day, Klinefelter, in using a seven horse power gasoline engine for cutting feed, became caught in the gears and was found there three hours later when the brother returned. Everything possible was done to save him, but intenal injuries caused his death. The remains were taken to Alexander Saturday, funeral services being held Sunday at that place. The obituary may be found on page six of this issue. Relatives have the sympathy of the community in this shocking death of this young man.

FYLER GOES TO SHEFFIELD

Prof. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler will go to Sheffield for this next year, where he has been offered and has accepted the Superintendency of the Sheffield schools at a salary of $2,500 per year. Mr. Fyler was elected at three different places, but chose Sheffield as his next year's residence. He and his wife left yesterday for Iowa City where he will spend several weeks attending summer school before going to the new home. Belmond friends of Mr. and Mrs. Fyler regret to lose them, but wish them the very best of success in their new location. Sheffield is getting a good man for the head of their school.

HOW MANY'VE YOU GOT?

Morse Lake drew its usual quoto of fisherman—and fisherwomen—Sunday, the lake being lined with cars and anglers. Many from other towns were there, a number of cars from Franklin and Hancock counties being noticed. But if there were very many fish caught we failed to see them. For two hours we tried desperately to get a bite, but only succeeded in putting in our time. Too windy, or something—mostly the latter probably. Lots of 'em there, because they are being caught.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey left yesterday for Minnesota where they will spend a couple of weeks. They made the trip by auto Mr. Bailey having his vacation from the Route.

Harry Webb is home from Morningside college for the summer vacation.

High School Walks On Alumni's Neck

High School Lads Just Everlastingly Wallop Well Known Once-Wuzzers

THE SAD TALE WAS 8 TO 0

The annual battle between them as is and who was, occured last Friday afternoon when the high school base ball team took the Alumni outfit into camp with the whitewashing score of 8 to 0.

Madsen, pitching for the school lads, stood the Alumni once-wasers on their heads, and had them swinging at the atmosphere like a barn door in a gale. Three hits were secured off his delivery, while the boys garnered a total of —. Only once did the Alumni have a chance to score, when in one inning they had three men on base with two out. But Madsen caught Wenzel napping off third, and with a snappy throw made the third out. This was the only time the old men got to third.

It was a beautiful trimming for the former stars but they were up against the strongest high school team in northern Iowa so their chances from the start were slim. The Belmond school team claims the championship of northern Iowa, and it looks like they are entitled to it.

THEY VOTE THE BAND TAX

According to the article appearing in Musical America 100 Iowa towns with population ranging from 200 to 36,000 took advantage of the new band law at the spring elections and voted in favor of a tax levy for the support of a municipal band. Such towns as Clarion, Havelock, Forest City, Leland, Nashua, Brisco, Council Bluffs, Keokuk, Corydon, Iowa Falls, Gowrie, Dyersville, Laurens, Allison, Northwood, voted to support the new measure by a decided majority. Leland, which boasts a population of 180, was the smallest town voting in favor of the tax. Here the vote was 20 to 4 for the support of the band. The largest city favoring the law was Council Bluffs, with a population of between 35,000 and 40,000.

PINKHAM BRINGS BAND

Pinkham, of Goldfield, candidate in the Primary for Representative, came to town Friday with a brass band and gave Belmond folks a concert and talk. There were some two dozen cars in his parade. The Goldfield band is certainly a crack organization and gave some excellent selections.

CLARION, IA., 6-7-22.

Dear Editor:

I have been requested to present to you for publication in the forthcoming isue of your paper the accompanying communication from a friend of the Red Cross. I trust you can give it a place.

Sincerely,

J. F. JAMIESON, Pastor United Prsbyterian Church.

Dear Editor:

Believing that there are 299 other families who feel as we do about the Public Health Nurse question, we have deposited with the treasurer of our chapter of the Wright County Red Cross the sum of ten dollars subject to like action by 299 other families of Wright County, in order that such activities may continue. Surely it is as laudable and necessary to give the children a chance to become normal boys and girls as to save one more pig per litter.

GRANDFATHER AND GRANDMOTHER.

BELMOND GIRL HELD UP

Glendale, Ariz., May 26—A thrilling story of an attempted hold-up, a dash past an armed desperado, shots fired, an a 16-mile chase across the desert was brought to Glendale yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Padelford, who have a homestead 20 miles north of Peoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Padelford who were married last Monday evening, in the home of Rev. Roberts left immediately after the ceremony for their homestead. Reaching New River, the young couple were surprised by an armed man who stepped before their car, brandishing two guns and calling upon the occupants of the car to halt. Without heeding the challenge Mr. Padelford stepped on the gas, a number of shots were fired, and five cars which were hiding in the brush gave chase, the newly weds keeping the lead until the homestead was reached, after which the "desperado" and his companions forced their victims to "set up a feed" of coffee and sandwiches.

Mrs. Padelford was formerly Miss Hilda Madsen, and has taught in the local grammer school for the past two years, coming from Belmond, Iowa. Mr. Padelford hails from Glendale, Calif., coming here immediately after his discharge from the army to develope a homestead. After visiting the Grand Canyon and other points in northern Arizona they will make their home at Glendale, Calif., where Mr. Padelford will enter the real estate and insurance business.

LAKE VIEW PARK HOLDS OPENING SUNDAY

Lake View Park, three miles west of Kanawha, was formally opened Sunday of this week with an immense crowd and a variety of attractions. The Clarion band had been secured to deliver music for the occasion, and gave excellent entertainment thruout the afternoon. A ball game between Eagle Grove and Kanawha was one feature, the latter team winning 8 to 3, Kanawha getting three home runs. A variety of concessions were on the grounds, boating was to be had on the lake, and local people attending report a fine time enjoyed. A large number of Belmond people attended the opening, a large crowd being present from the surrounding territory.

IOWA LEADS IN HOGS

Iowa farmers enumerated 7,864,304 head of swine in 1920, according to the fourteenth U. S. Census report, which is 3,225,122 head more than were enumerated in Illinois, the next state in point of numbers.

Iowa also is first as regards pure bred swine. In 1920, Iowa reported 289,042 head, all breeds included, and Illinois reported 215,965.

The number of pure bred animals of each breed in Iowa, according to figures of the Department of Agriculture are: Berkshire, 950; Chester White, 35,761; Duroc Jersey, 107,133; Hampshire 18,740; Poland China, 113,869; Spotted Poland China, 4,370; Tamworth, 1,074; Yorkshire, 173; and all others, 6,982.

The liberal prizes offered at the State Fair and the cooperation of the breeders individually and collectively through their organization has done more than anything else to push Iowa to the prominent position she holds in the swine world. The State Fair purses have been large because the breed organizations have supplemented the state money.

According to A. R. Corey of Des Moines, State Fair secretary, the following purses will be offered for the respective breeds: Berkshire $400, Chester White $1,050, Hampshire, $1,610. Spotted Poland China $1,600, Yorkshire $400, Tamworth $400, Duroc Jersey $850, and Poland China $850. The two latter breeds although most prevalent in Iowa have relatvely small purses. Each offered to put up fifty per cent of a $1,000 futurity purse, as has been the custom in the past, but the state fair board decided that such classifications draw too many swine to the fair and the offer was rejected. These two breeds however are spending similar sums for Iowa breeders by cooperating with the Mississippi Valley Fair at Davenport.

According to Mr. Corey, these two breeds, Duroc Jersey and Poland China, have guaranteed fifty per cent each, of a $325 purse for a pig club show at the Iowa fair. The purse for each breed will be awarded as follows: $125 on spring boar pigs, the same on spring gilts, and $75 on spring litters. The first two purses will be divided into 15 prizes each, and the litter purse into five prizes.

IMPROVEMENTS AT CEMETERY

The Cemetery Aid Society will meet owner of a new power mower, for mowing gress. Wm. Dempsey, the very capable sexton, is keeping the Silent City in excellent shape, and with the aid of the new mower is able to cover a great deal more ground than before. The mower, run by gasoline engine, needs only to be steered, and makes a large difference in the work.

Win Home Towns Of Their Opponents

Voting Is Not As Heavy As Expected—Light Vote Is Cast In Belmond

FAIR AND NURSE LOSE

Belmond's two candidates, J. M. Jensen for county attorney, and J. D. Baker for Supervisor, came thru battle Moday with colors flying J. M. carried every township in the county but three and Baker winning in all three towships of the First District.

Brookhart carried the county for Senator, Ulstad won heavily over Pinkham, Robinson carried the county for Representative, and the fair and county nurse both lost by heavy majorities.

Voting was light. It had been expected that the feminine vote would swell the total, but this proved to be mistaken. Things were exceedingly quiet. Jensen and Baker surprised with their heavy votes, both men carring the home towns of their opponents.

As the Independent goes to press the vote of Wright county, practically completed in count, was as follows:

Brookhart	2513
Francis	265
Pickett	330
Sweet	957
Thorne	472
Kendall	3988
Hammill	3154
Leffert	791
Ramsay	3203
Haynes	3426
Ainsworth	1475
Burbank	2256
Gibson	2325
Bender	1311
Francis	1505
McClenahan	768
Lewis	2222
Webster	2441
Robinson	1986
Ryan	1240
Chase	2401
Rath	1339
Pinkham	1810
Ulstad	2623
Walker	3787
Allen	2883
Peterson	1559
DeVore	1151
Goslin	3190
Campbell	1642
Lang	2566
McClalland	370
Vaughn	4015
Jensen	2699
Rogers	1725
Baker	530
Harris	195

OLAF NEWS

We neglected to mention in last weeks items the dinner given by Mrs. Clarence Scott, in honor of her mother's 60th birthday, on May 27. About 20 guests were present. They presented Mrs. Snyder with a lovely umbrella.

Mrs. Herman Johnson entertained the Ladies Aid Society last Wednesday. She served to nearly sixty, the next society meets with Mrs. Ole Hanson.

Margaret Hinkle is helping Mrs. Anton Olson, with housecleaning.

Mr. and Mrs. Orphia Anderson spent Sunday at the W. Morse home in Belmod, helping celebrate Mrs. Morse's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott entertained the 500 club at their home Thursday evening.

Mr. Tresdahl is staying with his daughter, Mrs. Henry Lien.

The men at the elevator have been kept busy, lately, taking in shelled corn as well as many oats.

Golda Hall is staying with her aunt, Mr. S. O. Windecker.

Agnes Rikenshrud visited at the Herman Johnson home last Wednesday.

The choir from the Eagle Grove Luthern church sang at the St. Olaf church last Sunday evening. Rev. Severson spoke. Rev. Severson is a brother of Mrs. Torrence Scott and Mrs. Andrew Scott. Both singing and speaking were enjoyed by all.

S. O. Windecker and wife visited in Iowa Falls Sunday, at the Simon Swarts home.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baxter attended a class reunion at the Mrs. Mildred Hardcastle Jacobson home, in Dows last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Jacobson served supper to all the guests after which they attended the Class Play given by the Dows High school. This same play, "The Hoodoo" was given in Iowa Falls by the 1917 class which held the reunion. This class had 36 members but not quite half were able to attend the reunion. All who did attend had a very pleasant time and surely appreciated the hospitality extended to them by Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlander of Meservey visited Sunday at the home of his brother Ernest and family.

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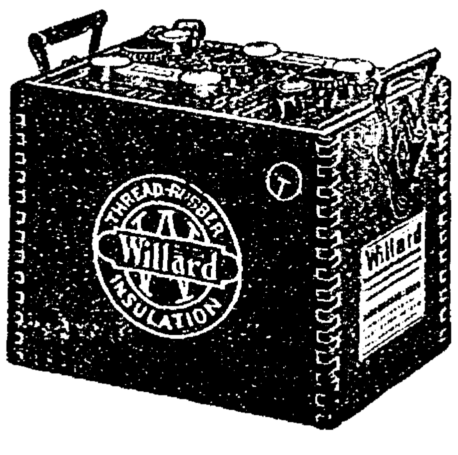

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That Goldfield band certainly gave us some nice music, and brought back to Belmonders a vision of "the glory that was Rome's"

We just heard the other day that some friendly souls had been establishing a club house under the walk in front of the hole where the Sheffield building stood. Wonder how many members belong?

A lot of candidates Tuesday morning were trying to figure how it all happened, and declaring that there is certainly a lot of liars in this country.

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BELMOND'S SUMMER RESORT

We are going to propose something gentlemen of Belmond, which we have no idea will be carried thru, because you won't work together. It can be done; it should be done; with a little cooperation, time, work and coin, it is easy. It would mean much to Belmond people and to the entire community; it would mean much to people for twenty miles around.

We refer to Morse Lake.

In Morse Lake, without disrespect to other neighboring towns, Belmond has the finest little summer resort and outing spot this side of Clear Lake, a lake that in our estimation, has any other neighboring lake beaten seven ways. It's scenic beauty is greater, it's bathing facilities finer than that of any other. And with co-operation and push it can be vastly improved. Clarion, adopting Cornelia Lake, is making a little city out of the place, with cottages boating, bathing, fishing. Kanawha, with the West Twin Lake, has in Lake View Park developed a fine little recreation spot.

Belmond can do the same with Morse Lake, and make it better than the rest. But it needs several things The road from town to the lake needs graveling in some places; can this be arranged, by co-operating with the Belmond township trustees? Why not? The road around the lake should be fixed, elimating that dip on the south side, and cutting to a level on the hill on the west. If possible, a road should be made entirely around the lake. Some trees should be planted alongside this road; they will grow in a few years to make such a drive one of unusual beauty and pleasure. There should be boats to rent, as at Cornelia. A better bathing house, with walk to a diving platform, would help. In fact, there are a score of little things that should be done—with cooperation time and a little money.

Why not do it? Why not utilize the natural gift that is ours? The Independent will donate anything that it can to the "cause," if somebody will start the wheels turning. Certainly, gentlemen, Belmond can do as well as Kanawha or Clarion. But nothng will be done no one has enough enthusiasm, initiative or push to start it. And meanwhile we will continue to let the others reap the harvest. Are there enough real live wires in Belmond to do something?

THIS GAME OF GOLF

Sunday, in our wanderings around the country trying to catch a fish, we paid the thriving little city of Cornelia a visit, and while there watched—again—the ancient and honorable game of golf.

This game of golluf is one funny proposition, and we can hardly make it out. Those who have been biten by the golf bug seem to become rabid on the subject; they contract golfaphobia like a dog does hydrophobia whenever warm weather comes. There is something about it that seems incurable; and yet, to the onlooker, all in the world the player is doing is chasing a little round white pill across the country.

We watched 'em Sunday. (We don't know who they were, so this won't hurt their feelings.) They scoop up a small round handful of sand, make a nice little patty cake out of it, like you and we used to do when we were kids, and place carefully upon the peak of this little cake a small, round white pill. Then they select a certain stick from a sack, said stick having a craak on the end like our old shinny clubs, you remember, which we cut from a willow tree alog the river bank; why they select this one individual club from a dozen is known only by those who have the golf disease; the whole raft of them have crooks on the end. (We mean the clubs are crooked at one end, if you get us.)

Then they square themselves beside this innocent little pill and begin going thru a set of calesthenics. They dig around with each foot until they are securely planted; they raise the club, firmly grasped in each hand and take what the call "practice swings" half a dozen times. One eyebrow, the left we think, is raised, and the other depressed; the top of the right ear is wiggled gently; the left elbow is bent to an angle of exactly 45 degrees (it is very important that they get the exact degree here), the right elbow is kept straight, while at the same time the left knee is slight crooked and the right foot toed in. Then the patient draws a full breath, and raising his club brings it down against the little pill with all his might, sending it out over the course, that is, the field, as far as he can towards a hole in the ground. Then he gathers up his clubs and goes chasing over the hill to hunt for the little pill, and, when he finds it, goes through the same ceremony again. And repeats at every little hole in the ground he finds.

When he gets to the end he's at the beginning again, and starts bragging how he "made it in 73." and begins all over again to see if he can make it in 72. The numbers indicate the number of times he soaked the little pill in getting back to where he commenced.

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Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

BEGIN THE DAY RIGHT:—Cause me to hear thy loving kindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust; cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.—Psalm 143: 8.

Monday.

ETERNAL PROTECTION:—The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.—Psalm 121: 8.

Tuesday.

KINGDOM IS WITHIN:—Neither shall they say, Lo here; or, lo there! for, behold the kingdom of God is within you.—Luke 17: 21.

Wednesday.

GOD IS GRACIOUS—Thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness.—Nehemiah 9: 17.

Thursday.

HOW TO GAIN ALL:—Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.—Matthew 6: 33.

Friday.

SAFE FROM ALL EVIL:—The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.—Psalm 121: 7.

Saturday.

SELF-PRAISE: — Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.—Proverbs 27: 2.

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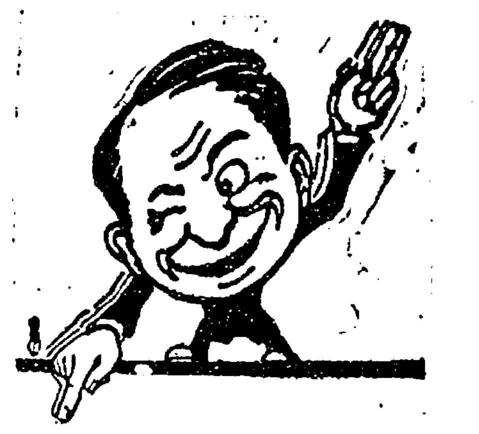

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RADIO

HOW AMATEUR CAN BUILD A RECEIVER

Instructions for Setting Up the Antenna and for Assembling the Tuner.

In order to pick up sufficient energy with the simple radio receiving set it is necessary to connect one terminal to an antenna consisting of one or more wires suspended in the air and insulated from all grounded material and the other terminal to a ground, usually the water supply pipe. The height of an antenna used with a small receiver should not be less than 80 feet. As the received energy varies directly as the height of an antenna, the higher the antenna the louder will be the signals or voice produced. The length of an antenna for short wave reception should not be less than 60 feet nor should it be longer than 200 feet. The minimum wave length to which a simple receiver can be adjusted for electrical resonance will be above that used by amateurs if the receiver be connected to an antenna 200 feet or more in length.

A simple radiophone receiver capable of picking up radiophone stations similar to KDKA at East Pittsburgh, can be assembled by a novice for from $4 to $15, depending upon the builder's ability to use his hands. If the builder will construct most of his apparatus he will appreciate it much more and probably will understand more about its operation than if he buys a set already made. However, for those who have not the ability or the time to spend constructing their own apparatus the following description will not only give the details as to the construction of each component part of a receiver but also what standard ready-made parts can be purchased and used in its stead.

The material can be purchased at any electrical supply store.

In erecting a simple antenna for use with the receiver shown in the diagram, the antenna proper and the lead-in are of stranded hard-drawn copper wire, strand No. 22, costing about 1 cent per foot. The two insulators are of molded material and can be purchased for about 25 cents each. The antenna shown is supported between a house and a pole. It may be found more convenient to support it between a tree and a house, two houses or even between two chimneys on the same house. In bringing down the lead-in care should be taken that it is kept as far away from grounded material as possible and when bringing through the wall or under the window into the house it should be brought through some sort of an insulating tube, such as rubber or bakelite.

In making the ground connection the same kind of wire can be used as was purchased for the antenna. You can clean a section of the waterpipe thoroughly and solder the ground wire to it.

MAKING THE TUNER

To make a tuner for this receiver, the following raw material will be required:

Piece of cardboard tubing three inches outside diameter and five inches long, costing about 10 cents.

100 feet No. 22 double cotton-covered magnet wire costing 25 cents.

Standard slider (see sketch) for ¼ by ¼ brass rod, 40 cents.

1 six-inch length of ¼ by ¼ brass rod (square) 20 cents.

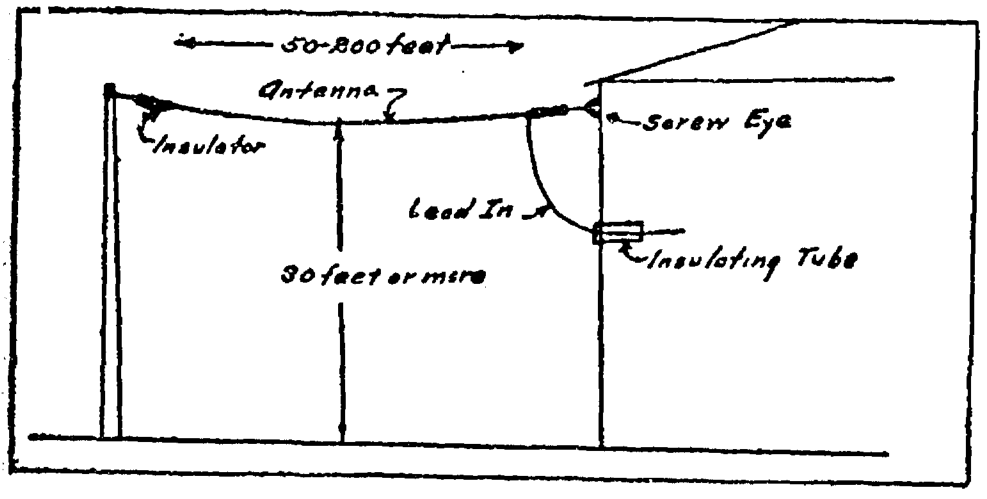
2 binding posts (see sketch) 20 cents.

2 circular blocks of wood whose diameter is just equal to the inside diameter of the piece of cardboard tubing and between 3-8 and 1-2 inch thick.

Some shellac or varnish is also required.

Starting one-half inch from one end of the cardboard tube wind on the No. 22 D. C. C. wire within one-half inch of the other end of the tube. Fasten one end of the winding to the tube but allow some surplus wire on the other end for making a connection. After the winding is in place give it a coat of shellac or varnish to hold the turns in place. Assemble the circular-cut pieces of wood in the geometrical center of the square blocks and then shellac or varnish them for the appearance's sake.

When thoroughly dry slip the two end blocks into the wound tube and by means of a few finishing brads driven through the cardboard tube, fasten the end blocks to the wound tube. The slider is to be mounted on top of the coil and should be capable of making contact with any turn of the wire on the tube. In order to remove the insulation from the wire just under the rod where the slider moves back and forth, wrap a piece of sandpaper around a thin piece of wood and using another piece of wood as a guide, sandpaper the insulation from the winding. Drill a hole one-eighth inch in diameter through the slider rod about one-fourth inch in from each end so that the rod can be fastened by screws to the end blocks. After the slider rod is fastened in place see that the contact finger on the bottom of the slider can at all times make good contact with the winding. Mount a binding post on either end of the coil, attaching one by means of a wire to the slider rod and the other to the end of the wire wound on the tube and the tuner is complete. A tuner can be purchased already assembled for about $3.50 to $4.00.



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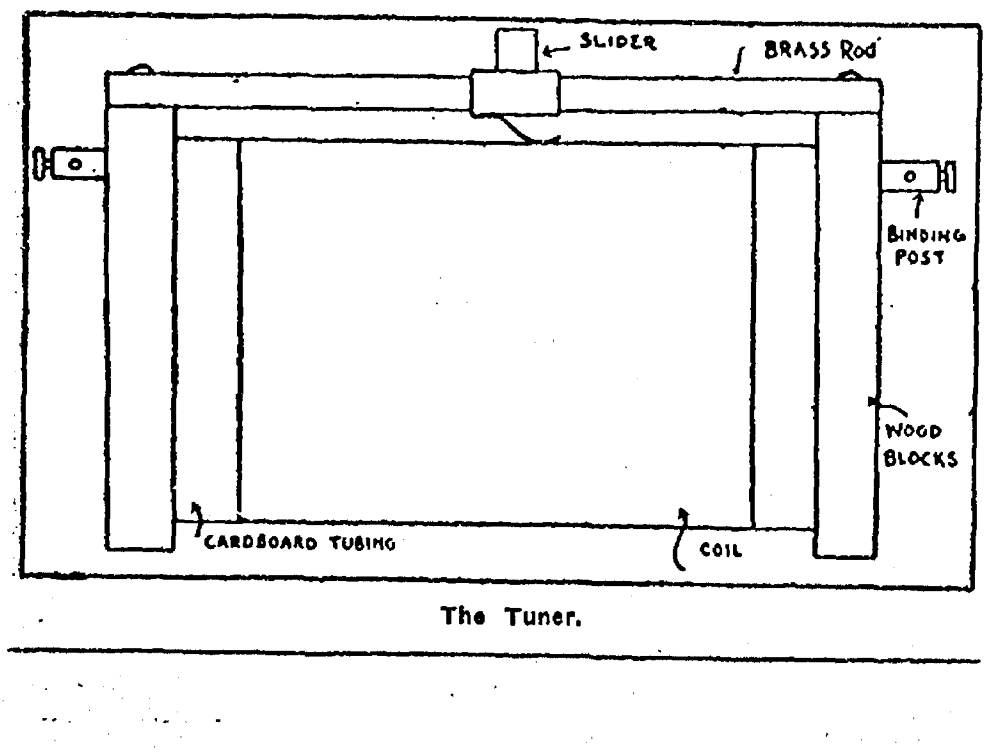

The Tuner.

LINKING MOVIE AND RADIO

British Scientists Have Some Success in Wireless Transmission of Motion Pictures.

British scientists are reported to have met with more or less success in developing a method of transferring motion pictures by radio. Some months ago a photograph was transferred by wireless from the Copenhagen newspaper, the Politiken, to England, and later from England to a ship in mid Atlantic, so that the possibility of linking the movies with the new art is not remote.

If perfected the new development of the already versatile art will make it possible for one to see on his own receiving instrument things that are happening at a great distance. For instance, a ship is sinking at sea. The transmitting station of the vessel, instead of sending a message of the disaster, sends a picture that anyone with a receiving set will be able to see just as the present broadcasting programs are heard.

That all sounds remote now, but the telephone was considered even more so, and the wireless, even after Marconi's immortal message had bridged the Atlantic, was generally believed to be akin to the idea of perpetual motion.

TIPS TO THE RADIOIST

A crystal detector cannot be satisfactorily amplified.

Insulate ends of aerial wires with several small insulators.

Wherever possible run aerial wires at right angles to electric light wires.

The lead wire should be the size of the combined number of wires in the aerial.

Gas piping makes a poor ground, but the cold water pipe ground is excellent.

A crystal detector is never as efficient as a vacuum tube detector no matter what instruments are connected to it.

Within three to five miles from a broadcasting station indoor one wire aerials about 40 feet long stretched from room to room, are generally satisfactory with crystal detectors.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Specialist Checks Corn Plots

M. A. Hauser, farm crops and soils specialist, from Ames, spent Friday and Saturday checking up on the corn yield experiement plots. Mr. Hauser states that the corn yield plots in Wright county are above average when compared with plots in other parts of the state.

The county agent and Mr. Hauser spent a few hours at each experiment field checking up on the stand of corn and the general condition of same. The general condition of the corn was found to be very thrifty although the stand was not perfect in all cases. It will be remembered that the four corn yield experiment plots are located on the farms of A. E. Martin, Belmond; H. A. Flett, Vernon; Harry Inners, Liberty, and Al Watkins, Dayton.

"Hubam" Growing Nicely

The twenty acre patch which was sown on the Al Watkins' farm three miles east af Eagle Grove, is coming nicely and looks as though it were going to develop into a good thick stand.

M. A. Hauser the farm crop specialist, visited this particular patch of hubam last Friday and said that the crop looked very fine, in fact, much better than other patches he had seen over the state. Mr. Hauser says that the hubam usually makes its most rapid growth after the small grain has been harvested and the clover plants have a better chance to grow. Farmers in the vicinity of Eagle Grove are watching this crop with great interest and are wondering whether or not this newly discovered plant will live up to expections as a green manure crop.

Hauser Addresses Lincoln Farmers

Farmers of Lincoln township farm bureau gathered at the Lincoln church Friday evening for their regular monthly meeting.

Frank Mechem, chairman of the township farm bureau, presided at the meeting and presented two important issues for discussion: first, the county wide picnic and second, the purchase of the "movie" machine.

Farmers of Lincoln township have authorized their township chairman to vote at the next regular meeting for the purchase of the moving picture machine. The sentiment as expressed by these people was the "movie" will be a valueable addition to the farm bureau equipment especially from the standpoint of the information which it will bring to the people. They also endorsed the county wide picnic proposition and voted $25.00 toward the financial support of this affair.

This part of the program was followed by several numbers by the Meekers' orchestra and a few numbers by local talent. The next number on the program was a splendid address by Mr. Hauser, who held his listeners spellbound for an hour or more. He complimented the Lincoln people very highly on the social organization they have developed and spoke especially of the splendid orchestra which they have in their own community.

Lake Holds Live Meeting

A lively farm bureau meeting was held at Lake township Center school Wednesday evening, May 31st.

The meeting was opened by a short talk from Clarence McBride, chairman. This was followed by a dialogue and short talks from various members of the farm bureau. This was followed by a discussion of the county wide picnic, purchase of moving picture machine and the county fair. Lake township farmers decided in favor of the purchase of the "movie" and have instructed their chairman to cast his vote for the purchase of the machine. They also voted $25.00 toward the county wide picnic which is to be held July 4th.

The last umber on the program was a short address by Miss Kate Liddle, county health nurse, who gave interesting facts and figures showing what has been done during the past year in the health nurse activities. She also gave a short survey of the plans for the future work of the county nurse during the coming year.

Congressman Dickinson Will Address Farm Bureau Picnic

Arrangements have been made with Congressman L. J. Dickinson of Algona to address the farm bureau picnic July 4th. Mr. Dickinson has been secured to give the partriotic address of the day. It will be remembered that Representative Dickinson acted as chairman of the farm bloc in the house of representatives in our national congress and we are all proud of this man because he is an Iowa product. He will, no doubt, have lots of valuable information concerning the agricultural bloc and other blocs at Washington

Mrs. Ellsworth Richardson of Pella will also appear on the program and will deliver the farm bureau addree of the day. Mrs Richardson, who is employed by the Farm Bureau Federation as a speaker, is considered one of the best farm bureau speakers in the state and those who are interested in hearing a real honest to goodness farm bureau address should not miss the opportunity of hearing this lady, who comes to us a farmer's wife, who actually keeps up a farm home and who goes out on speaking dates between times.

President Harry Sumners has appointed an executive committee of five to plan and organize the picnic and this committee will be authorized to appoint such sub-committees as they deem necessary to carry out the plans of the county wide affair. The members on the executive committee; J. E. Lamb, chairman, Mrs. E. E. Evans, Mrs. Harry Woodley. M. L. Clark and Will Tillman. Other committees will be announced later.

At a meeting of the board of directors Saturday, May 27th, representatives from the various towns of the county met with the directors of the farm bureau and it was decided that the farm bureau should raise about $400.00 and the towns of the county have agreed to contribute enough to match this amount. With this amount raised the committee should be able to put on a regular get-together picnic on July 4th.

Griesy's Store News

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Isn't It Hot?

Remember that new ice box you promised the wife last year? The next time down town come in, and see our line. If we haven't what you want in stock we will order for you.

And speaking of heat, a New Perfection oil stove is mighty convenient.

Don't forget—Minnesota Paints and oils with Red Seal White lead for that job of painting.

In order to make good, you must be good for something.

Pitchfork Farmers

Why is it that some farmers own automobiles and not manure spreaders? Why does a farmer buy one or more automobiles and yet hesitate to invest an insignificant sum in a spreader especially when he needs one? Strange, isn't it? And yet the spreader will help make the extra money necessary to pay for the gas used in the auto. Did you ever stop to think of this? If you did; and really considered it from every point, you are not a pitchfork farmer. You use a manure spreader—probably a good International.

Smile often, laugh a little, and give a word of cheer to someone each day.

Women are getting so now that they can sharpen a pencil if you give them plenty of time—and plenty of pencils.

Get an international engine to do your odd jobs during the coming hot weather.

Repairs Service

We are ready to serve you in obtaining repair parts for any machines you may wish to put into use. We urge you to place your orders early While we keep the most common parts on hand yet there is a chance that you may be disappointed or inconvenienced if you neglect ordering. Help us make our service just a little better than ever before. Order your repairs now.

Our "Red Truck" has two speeds—one standing still long enough to load and unload, the other getting there quick. Do you appreciate our "Red Truck?" Those who have been served by it do. What do you need? If it is in the McCormick-Deering Line, we have it.

Mowers of Merit

Haying time will be here before you know it. Why not drag out that old mower the first spare moment you have and go over it thoroughly? Order your repairs NOW and be ready for the busy season just ahead. If your mower is so old that you can't rely on it, you would do well to come in and see the new McCormick and Deering mowers. Many improvements have been made and McCormick and Deering mowers are better than ever—they are mowers of real merit.

Full Length Twine

That's Deering twine for you. It's guaranteed to be full 500 feet long for each pound in weight. Besides it's uniformly strong throughout its entire length. Suppose you buy twine—any old brand—and it runs short of the advertised length per pound. Then what? Twines are not full length even though they sell for a cent a pound less than Deering twine, often cost more because you have to buy more pounds to bind your crops. There are many twines on the market that do not average the advertised or standard lengths. Play safe—buy Deering twine. We sell it.

Did you ever notice some of these fellows who have no bad habits? Many of them have no good ones either.

Opportunity should be spelled "Hop-portunity."

Folks and fish are much alike—neither would get into trouble if they kept their mouths shut.

For first class cleaning and pressing, repairing and cutting over. The New Belmond Tailor Shop. Phone 28. J. F. Tuffree, Belmond, Iowa.

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BELMOND INDEPENDENT

Kinseth's Store News

Well, election is over and everybody's happy—nearly. You'll be happy too if you elect to come to the Store on the Corner and try the bargains we offer. For instance, P & G soap, 5c a bar, or 100 bars for $4.79.

SPECIAL BARGAINS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, when we will offer you remnants of dry goods, ginghams, percales, about 500 pieces. First come first served—and you better come first.

Listen: For 90c you can get a 15 dozen egg case filled with 6½ pounds of square soda crackers. Bring in your eggs—we pay cash—and take home a case of crackers.

And don't forget the shoes, folks; men's, ladies' and children's, every pair guaranteed. And above all, DON'T FORGET the Store on the Corner where your dollar buy's a dollar's worth.

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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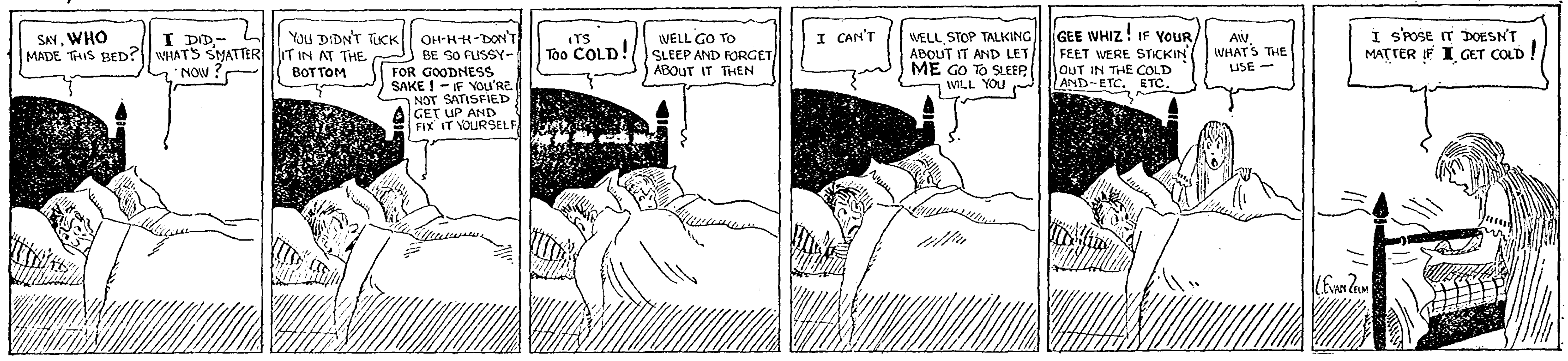
Does Your Husband Do This, Too?


SAY, WHO MADE THIS BED?
I DID,— WHAT'S THE MATTER NOW?
YOU DIDN'T TUCK IT IN AT THE BOTTOM
OH-H-H-DON'T BE SO FUSSY— FOR GOODNESS SAKE! — IF YOU'RE NOT SATISFIED GET UP AND FIX IT YOURSELF
IT'S TOO COLD!
WELL GO TO SLEEP AND FORGET ABOUT IT THEN
I CAN'T
WELL STOP TALKING ABOUT IT AND LET ME GO TO SLEEP, WILL YOU
GEE WHIZ! IF YOUR FEET WERE STICKIN' OUT IN THE COLD AND—ETC. ETC.
AW, WHAT'S THE USE —
I S'POSE IT DOESN'T MATTER IF I GET COLD!
L. EVAN ZELM

Farm Bureau Exchange News

DICKINSON TO SPEAK AT FARM BUREAU PICNIC JULY 4TH

At a meeting of the Farm Bureau directors and representatives from the various towns of the county, plans were discussed for holding a county wide Farm Bureau picnic July 4th, at Pike's timber which is located about 5½ miles northeast of Clarion. The plan as finally decided upon is to have each township Farm Bureau contribute $25.00 towards the general picnic fund and the towns of the county have agreed to match whatever amount is raised by the county Farm Bureau. According to the proposed plan a fund of $800.00 will be raised for financing the county wide Fourth of July celebration picnic.

Two speakers of unusual ability have been secured for this picnic. Hon. L. J. Dickinson of Algona, Iowa, has been secured to give the patriotic address of the day. It will be remembered that Rep. Dickinson has been and is at present Chairman of the Farm Bloc in the House of Representatives at Washington and we are all proud of the fact that Mr. Dickinson is an Iowa product. He has made a thorough study of Agricultural conditions and has shown himself to be a champion of the farmers' interests and he will, no doubt, have a lot of information concerning the Agricultural Bloc and other blocs in Washington D. C.

Mrs. Ellsworth Richardson of Pella, Iowa, will also appear on the program and will deliver the Farm Bureau address of the day. Mrs. Richardson who is employed by the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation as a speaker is considered one of the best Farm Bureau speakers in the state and those who are interested in hearing a real honest to goodness Farm Bureau address should not miss the opportunity of hearing this lady speaker who comes to us as a farmer's wife who actually keeps up a farm home and who goes out on speaking dates between times.

The appointment of the various committees and complete plans for the Farm Bureau picnic have boen left in the hands of Harry Sumners, President of the county Farm Bureau and announcement of the different committees and detailed plans will be announced later through the various county papers. It is hoped that each individual who is appointed on a committee or who is asked to assist in any way will do his bit by cooperating to the utmost in making this a successful county Farm Bureau picnic. Remember that it is a Farm Bureau picnic and that means it is our picnic, your picnic and it is up to each and everyone of us to see that it goes over big. An executive committee was appointed to have full charge of all plans and arrangements for the picnic. J. E. Lamb, Chr., Mrs. E. E. Evans, M. L. Cark, Mrs. Harry Woodley, and Will Tillman.

CLOTHING SPECIALIST COMING

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist from the Ext. Dept. at Ames will spend three days in Wright County July 5, 6, and 7 in giving lectures and demonstrations on "Use and Alteration of Commercial Patterns."

The ladies of the Farm Bureau are urged to be thinking about this work and making their plans so as to get the most out of the work while Miss Foster is in the county.

RAT KILLING CONTEST CLOSED

The county wide rat killing contest which closed Saturday May 20th, showed a total of 1,096 rats which had been killed during the campaign, and it is a noticeable fact that all killings were made by boys living in Wall Lake township. There is no doubt but that the extermination of this number of rats in Wright County will be a great benefit not only in eliminating the danger of spread of disease but also the actual loss of grain and other farm products which are distroyed annually by rats.

The boys entering the rat killing crusade and the number of killings in each case are as follows:

Joseph Keller, 520; Lee Keller, 312; Stanley Howieson, 256; Harold Hillpipre, 8.

FARM BUREAU MAY PURCHASE "MOVIE" LATER

At a meeting of the Board of Directors Saturday, May 27th, the matter of purchasing a motion picture machine to be used by the county agent in conducting the regular township Farm Bureau meetings, was discussed. It was the sentiment of the Board that the "Movie" machine would be a valuable addition to the Farm Bureau equipment, and that it would be a great help to the county agent in getting members to the meetings. However it was voted that the proposition should be presented to each township Farm Bureau and the sentiment of the membership as a whole should be determined before the Board authorize the purchase of the machine.

The aim in buying the moving picture machine is not to supplant the Farm Bureau work at the regular meetings with moving pictures but simply to mix a little fun and entertainment with the business part of each meeting. The plan is to conduct the Farm Bureau meetings in the usual manner by having short programs prepared by local talent then close the meeting by showing two or three reels of moving pictures.

Mr. Chas. Roach of the Visual Instruction Department, at Ames was present at this meeting and gave a very interesting talk on the use and advantages of the motion picture machine. Mr. Roach told the Board of the wonderful results which are being obtained by other county agents who have used the "movie" for the past two years.

In the case Board decides to purchase the machine the moving pictures will be shown at the regular township Farm Bureau meetings and every farm bureau member is urged to attend the township meetings so as to have a voice in deciding upon the purchase of the machine.

Lake township has endorsed the purchase of the Movie and the township chairman has been instructed to vote in favor of the proposition at the next regular Board meeting. They have decided that the moving picture machine will be worth what it costs in the information which it will bring to the members.

1922 WOOL CONSIGNMENT

Wool growers who are planning to consign their 1922 crop of wool to the National Wool Warehouse & Storage Co., at Chicago, should get in touch with M. L. Clark, Pres., or Ralph P. Smith, Sec., of the Wright County Wool Growers' Association, who will have charge of the shipment of wool from the county this year.

Wool sacks can be bought at 35c each, and wool twine at 32c per pound at the County Agent's office. Those who are in need of wool sacks or twine should place their orders as soon as possible and not wait until the day you need the sacks and twine.

POULTRY CULLING WORK

It will be remembered that announcement was made in the Farm Bureau Exchange some time ago that the culling would be done this year on a commercial basis. The time is drawing near when the poultry culling can be done to the best advantage.

Arrangements have been made with a poultry expert who will do culling work on a commercial basis and will charge at the rate of two cents per bird for those having 100 or more birds in the flock or three cents per bird for those having less than 100 birds in the flock and five cents per bird for non-members of the Farm Bureau.

It has been planned to hold two poultry culling demonstrations in each township and these two demonstrations will be held at the farms of the first two who ask for this service. Individual flocks will be culled in each township after the two demonstration meetings are held. Those who are interested in having the culling work done on this basis should send their application to the county agent at once.

TO HAVE DEMONSTRATION AGENT

Arrangements have been made with Miss Neale S. Knowles, State Leader of Home Demonstration agents to have a Home Demonstration Agent for one month's work during next fall.

Miss Knowles writes that she has arranged for Miss Bertha Huber to spend the month of November in Wright County to carry on the Home Demonstration Agent work. Miss Huber has had considerable experience in Home Demonstration agent work and will come to Wright County as an authority in this line of work. It is hoped that the Farm Bureau ladies of the county will give their most hearty cooperation at all times in order to make the month's work by Miss Huber most beneficial to the home-makers of the county.

YOU BE THE JUDGE

A farmer recently remarked that he had heard other farmers kick on the money spent at Ames for agricultural education, but that he had never heard one object to the money spent at the State University. Apparently they were willing to be taxed to educate doctors, lawyers and business men, but not to educate farmers.

Possibly these fellows do not know that the State University receives a larger appropriation than the college at Ames, nor do they realize that scarcely one-fourth of the funds expended on the state schools goes to instruction along agricultural lines.

Most of the kicking and complaining that we hear is based on lack of information or misunderstanding. Things never look so bad when we know the facts.—Cherokee County Farm Bureau Exchange.

CLUB WORK PROGRESSING

Judging from the interest which has been taken in the past few weeks by boys and girls in the club work it would seem that club work in Wright County is becoming more popular than ever before.

Over fifty boys and girls of the county have enrolled in the county wide poultry club and great interest is shown in this particular project. Most of the boys and girls who entered this club have already hatched their chicks and are now giving their closest attention to the proper feeding, care and management of their birds. According to instructions which are sent to them through the extension department, a county wide poultry show will be held some time during the latter part of August and the winning birds at this show will be taken to the State Fair at Des Moines and shown in competition with exhibits from other counties in the state.

Miss Josephine Arnquist, State leader of girls' club work, spent two days in the county last month in organizing work with the garment clubs of the county. Miss Arnquist assisted the club leaders in making plans for this year's work and made valuable suggestions regarding the subject matter which should be given by the club leaders during the year. She spoke very highly of work which is being done by the garment clubs and complimented the leaders for their efforts in carrying forth this splendid work.

It should be remembered that the success of the garment clubs in the county rests with the leaders and due credit should be given the unselfish leaders who have so willingly volunteered their time and energy in this great work of directing the club girls in their sewing work. Following is a list of the Garment Clubs of Wright County and the leaders of the various clubs.

Lincoln Learning Lassies, Miss Edith Waddell.

Tri-G. (Grant), Mrs. L. F. Dorr.

Live Wires, (Dayton) Mrs. Elmer Maxheimer.

Wall Lake Willing Workers, Mrs. N. E. Schroeder.

Tri-R. (Lake) Mrs. Art Duitscher.

West Pleasant Township Club, Miss Vida Jenison.

Woolstock Township Club, Mrs. J. E. Kirstein.

Eagle Grove Township Club, Miss Thora Larsen.

East Pleasant Township Club, Miss Virgie Jenison.

Pans are being made for a county wide Club Rally to be held some time this summer probably during the latter part of June or the middle of July. This Rally will be a club picnic for all club members both of the poultry clubs and Garment clubs and will probably be held at some central point in the county so as to accomodate all members.

LEST WE FORGET

What has the Bureau Done for Me?

Repealed the Daylight Saving Law.

Defeated the Nolan Bill.

Defeated the Sales Tax bill.

Organized the Farm Bloc and furnished it with a constructive program consisting of what agriculture needs.

Supported successfully Packer Control bill.

Helped revive War Finance corporation.

Supported Emergency Tariff to head off importation of cheap agricultural products.

Reduced railroad valuation for purposes of computing guaranteed earnings, $1,700,000 making an annual saving of $30 for every farmer.

Assisted in putting a representative of agriculture on the Federal Reserve board.

Supported a bill to tax grain futures.

Plugged at all times for long time credit for agriculture with cheaper money.

Reduced freight rates on agricultural products which saved forty million dollars a year.

Appointed and financed committees to work out plans for marketing grain, livestock and wool.

Appeared before Interstate Commerce Commission with cost accounting records to show that agriculture cannot stand excessive freight rates.

Investigated Merchant Marine to get United States to export more food products.

Investigated Muscle Shoals prospect in regard to fertilizer.

Supported rural credits bill.

Wrote and supported a bill legalizing cooperative marketing.

Supported the establishing of Farm Credit Department in Federal Farm Loan system. Long time farm loans fostered by the government.

Working for legislation to regulate grain exchanges.

Assisted in congressional committee with hearings from farmers themselves on the subject, "What is the matter with farming?"

Fighting "Pittsburg Plus" freight rate on steel.

Represented agriculture at Disarmament conference.

Established research department to study world's supply and demands of agricultural products.

Working to increase Federal Farm loan limit from $10,000 to $25,000.

Plead for agriculture in legislative halls, asking for some farm minded men to be appointed to high places in councils of the nation.

Established a Washington office where the farmers assisted by experts, draft bills for agriculture, and watch all legislation.

Gained confidence of the public and in legislative halls showing that the farmer has ability through his organization to handle his business in a manner that best serves the farmer and to the best interests of the nation.

Fostering farm finance corporation to finance marketing organizations on a large scale with cheap money.

Backed the plan of marketing livestock which has put the commission firm in St. Louis in top place.

Backed inland waterways for cheap transportation.

Is making a nation-wide survey of cooperative marketing organizations to determine the most successful methods used.

Appointed a tax committee to make a study and work out a plan for a proper adjustment of taxes among all industries concerned.

The State Federation by appealing to the Federal Reserve to not call loans, saved thousands of farmers and hundreds of farmer's banks from bankruptcy.

Wrote twenty-two bills and secured the passage of eighteen in the last session of Iowa legislature.

These bills legalized cooperative organizations in Iowa, helped cooperative elevators, finance organizations, bonded warehouses, gave tracks to elevator sites, in fact paved the way for forming commodity marketing organizations.

The Farm Bureau has done much towards getting the sympathy of the public. It is now up to the farmer working through his organization to secure better conditions for himself.

LIVESTOCK INSURANCE

It should be thoroughly understood that neither the county agent nor any officer of the Wright County Farm Bureau is recommending any livestock insurance company nor are they advising that any man should insure his livestock. Indirect information has come to the county agent to the effect that certain representatives of livestock insurance companies have given the impression that the county agent or the Farm Bureau is endorsing livestock insurance and certain companies. Livestock insurance companies selling this stock in any community should stand on their own merits and farmers should judge for themseives as to the financial standing of the company and the quality of insurance.

U. S. GRAIN GROWERS INCORPORATED

Those who have the impression that the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., has gone up the spout will probably be interested in what was said in this connection by Martin Soeth, representing the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, in his speech at the Norway towship Farm Bureau picnic on Thursday afternoon, May 25th.

According to Mr. Soeth, the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., has about 120,000,000 bushels of grain already contracted for and the membership in the organization totals 59,459 and of this number 6,947 are members of the Iowa Branch. Mr. Soeth happens to be president of the Farmers' Cooperative Elevator at Wallingford and knows the facts concerning the U. S. Grain Growers. Mr. Soeth also stated that about half a million dollars had been contributed by the Chicago Board of Trade and a number of the Chicago packers to be used as a slush fund in a publicity campaign for spreading propaganda against the American Farm Bureau Federation which organization has had a great deal to do with the organization of the U. S. Grain Growers since the original committee of Seventeen was appointed by J. R. Howard, Pres., of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

COMMON CAUSES OF DEATHS AMONG LITTLE CHICKS

MOLDY FEED. Very often heavy losses among little chicks are due to feeding chicks feed or mash which is moldy. If there is the least doubt as to the freshness and wholesomeness of the feed on hand, do not use it. It is easier to detect the moldy odor if a sample of the feed is heated.

MOLDY OR EXCESSIVELY DUSTY LITTER. It is abvisable to use extreme care in choice of litter. Unwholesome litter has even been known to kill laying hens. Finely cut alfalfa or clover is probably the most practical litter for chicks.

LACK OF SANITATION. Frenquent cleaning insures greater health. Do not wait until disease gets in the flock before using sanitation.

UNSANITARY DRINKING FOUNTAINS. Very frequently chick losses can be traced directly to infected drinking vessels. It is advisable to wash and disinfect drinking vessels very frequently, once a day when milk is being used.

CONTAMINATED GROUND. Chicks will do better if raised on ground which have not run on for a year or more. This is particularly true if there has been disease in the flock recently.

LICE AND MITES. It is easier to control lice and mites when all the chicks are hatched and reared in incubators and brooders, and kept in a brooder house away from the old fowls. Where this cannot be done extra precaution must be taken to keep them under control.

Hens can be freed of lice by the use of sodium fluoride. This powder can be applied to the hens before setting them and once during the time they are setting.

Head lice on little chicks can be controlled by applying a little lard, vaseline or mixture of one-third blue ointment and two-thirds vaseline to the top of the chicks' heads. Apply very sparingly as there is danger of the chicks becoming chilled, particul-

HOW TO LET CHICKS DIE

By feeding them before they are forty-eight hours old.

By feeding them too much at a time for the first ten days.

By keeping them too hot or too cold.

By keeping them too many in a bunch.

By keeping them in foul smelling quarters.

By letting them breathe stale air.

By neglecting to keep their litter clean.

By keeping them in foul smelling yards.

By neglecting to give them pure, clean water.

By letting cats or rats eat them.

By not washing the slime out of their drinking dishes.

By keeping their coops in a wet place.

By feeding them.

By letting them eat their food from dirty dishes.

By letting their dirty dishes set in the sun.

By feeding them sloppy or sour feed.

By keeping them on filthy runs.

By not letting pure air into their brooders and coops.

By not giving them lots of green foods daily.

By neglecting to shelter them from the sun and rain.

arly if they run in the wet grass afterwards.

Where different aged chicks are brooded together the young ones usually weakened; some will die and the remainer will be stunted.

OVERHEATING OR CHILLING INCUBATORS OR BROODERS often causes heavy losses. When this happens there is little that can be done to save the chicks. They usually continue to die in large numbers for several days afterwards.

BACILLARY WHITE DIARRHOEA. This disease is transmitted by the hens through the eggs. The disease is usually spread by the infected chicks during the first two or three days of their lives. By the time the chicks begin to die, the danger is done, that is, most of the chicks which are going to die already have been infected. To overcome this disease buy eggs from healthy flocks.

Albert Pals is the owner of a brand new Tin Lizzie.

Wm. Trafford of Belmond was a business caller here Monday.

Miss Alma Ralston returned home Tuesday from Iowa Falls where she has been visiting friends.

Wm. Butz and mother returned home Thursday from Cedar Falls where they had been visiting relatives.

L. B. Hulsebus was a Mason City business caller on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ostendorf and daughter, Jennie were shoppers at Mason City Tuesday. They were accompanied by Rev. H. Pannkuk who will take the train from there to Pella where he will attend the Conference of the General Snsynod of the church of American.

T. D. Rankins of Belmond was a business caller here Tuesday.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Irwin Bier and little son were shoppers at Mason City Friday.

Those who attended the Mission Feast at Chapin from here last week Thursday were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Kuhler; Rev. H. Pannkuk and family **Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pals, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Pals and daughters, Ben Koenen and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hilko** Pals, Mr. and F. Ostendorf and Jennie, Peter Pals, Herman Gruis, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boelman and Mrs. R. Boelman, Ben Gruis and wife and Mrs. H. H. Meinderts and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlander.

Mrs. Leo Wilkins and children returned home Wednesday after a weeks visit with relatives and friends near Klemme and Goodel.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kuhlers and sons motored to Mason City on Thursday of last week.

Miss Whilemina Loats left on Thursday of last week for a short visit with friends at Pella. She was accompanied by Miss Lena Steenblock of Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Lieuwen and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frey and Wilbur motored to Mason City on Thursday. From there Mr. Lieuwen left for a visit at the home of his mother, in Dumont, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley and son of Thornton were callers at the J. Hartfelder home on Friday evening.

Mrs. Harm Dirks and Henry Dirks and little daughter motored to Mason City Friday to visit Mrs. Henry Dirks who is still at the hospital. Mrs. Dirks is slowly improving.

Mrs. Tony Knipp and children of Goodell were visitors at Mrs. L. Wilkins on Wednesday of last week.

FOR RENT—2 farms of 160 acres each see Emma Stadtlander, Meservey, Iowa. 28tfc

Mrs. Jake Fischer of Fort Dodge who has been here for a short visit returned home last Tuesday.

Geo. Sindlinger and children, Arlean and Arnold of Fort Dodge spent Decoration Day here at the Wm. Unverferth home.

FOR SALE—Pure Bred Poland China fall gilts due to farrow in September. Will sell cheap if taken at once. Satisfaction guaranteed.—C. H. Quandt, Meservey, Ia. Phone 609 282c

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith of Paynesville, Minnesota who have been here for a Honeymoon viiting relatives returned home last week.

Mr. Henry Proost was a shopper at Mason City Friday.

Ruth Smith was at Thornton on Thursday between trains having dental work done.

Mrs. Simon Fischer and daughter spent a few days last week at the Geo. Fischer home at Mason City.

For Sale or Rent—My 8 room house and all lots, see Emma Stadtlander, Meservey, Iowa.

Notice

Having purchased a Thoroughbred Guernsey Sire. All those who desire his service a fee of $3.00 will be charged—Peter H. Pals, Meservey, Iowa.

Rev. H. Pannkuk and family were shoppers at Hampton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlader were callers at Belmond on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boelman left Saturday P. M. for an over Sunday visit with relatives at Bradford and Stout.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Meintz spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ralph Smith near Alexander.

Bert Stadtlander and family, Henry Meinderts and Peter Freseman of near Latimer spent Sunday here at the Harm J. Pals home.

Miss Alice Kuhler left Moday for the Park Hospital where she will have her tonsils removed.

Mr. and Mr. Hiko Kuhlers and Eddie and Dena left Saturday for an over Sunday visit at the home of Mrs. Kuhlers' sister, Mrs, Schroeder at Britt. They were accompanied by Mrs. H. Meinderts.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals and children autoed to Grundy Center on Sunday for a visit with friends and relatives. On their way home they stopped for a short visit at the John Abkis home in Austinville.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday at her home in Belmond.

Mrs. Charlie Bier returned to her home at Swea City after enjoying a visit here at the home of relatives and friends.

Henry Lubke of Fort Dodge was pertaining to business matters.

Mrs. Henry Bartor was an over Sunday visitor at Belmond with her husband who is in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Enabnit of Clear Lake were Sunday evening callers at the home of relatives.

Miss Gay Bohning of Belmond is assisting Mrs. H. J. Pals with her work at the present writing.

The Helping Hand society will meet at the home of Mrs. A. E. Muller on Thursday p. m., June 16 A special progarm is being arranged.

Bert Gaetzke returned home last week Thursday from Carrol where he has undegone an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson and daughter, Fay, of Klemme were Sunday evening callers at the H. Meinderts home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Goeman of near Belmond spent Sunday at the Herman Gruis Sr. home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schulter and children spent Sunday with friends and relatives at Ackley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morris and sons, Mervin and Marvin spent the week end at the John Morris home at McCallsbury. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koenen of Latimer spent Sunday here at the J. J. Ruiter home.

Henry Brator left the latter part of last week for the Belmond Hospital where he has undergone a very serious operation. But is at this writing as well as can be expected.

A number of the people of thi vicinity attended the funeral services of Mr. Klinefelter at Alexander on Sunday.

Mrs. Lambert Pals and daughter, Tillie autoed to Alexander Sunday for a visit at the Clyde Blau home and also to get acquainted with their new granddaughter and neice.

Cemetery Society

The Cemetery Society will meet Tuesday June 13th at the home of Mrs. Theodore Wendell. Let us have a full attendance.

Aid Society

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Monday P. M. at the usual hour of 2 o'clock in the church basement. The good number of 19 were present and refreshments were served by Miss Reka Gerdes.

Wm. Eimbrink and family of near Belmond spent the day Sunday here at the H. F. Rief home.

Miss Mabel Eggers of Thornton is assisting Mrs. E. A. Strasburg with the general house work at present.

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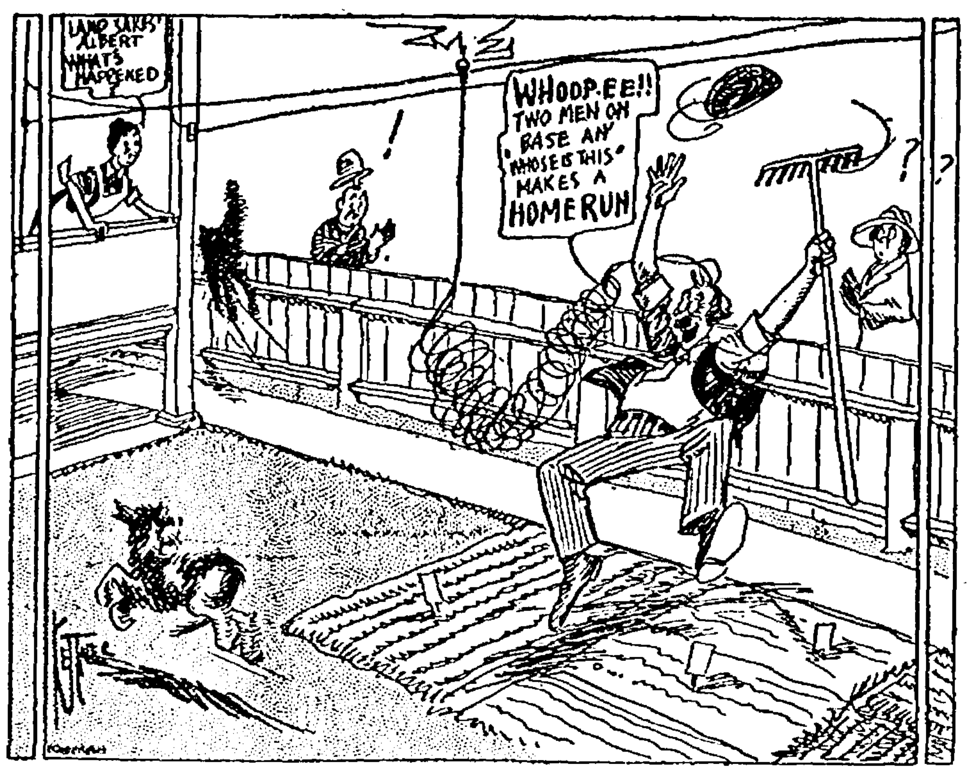
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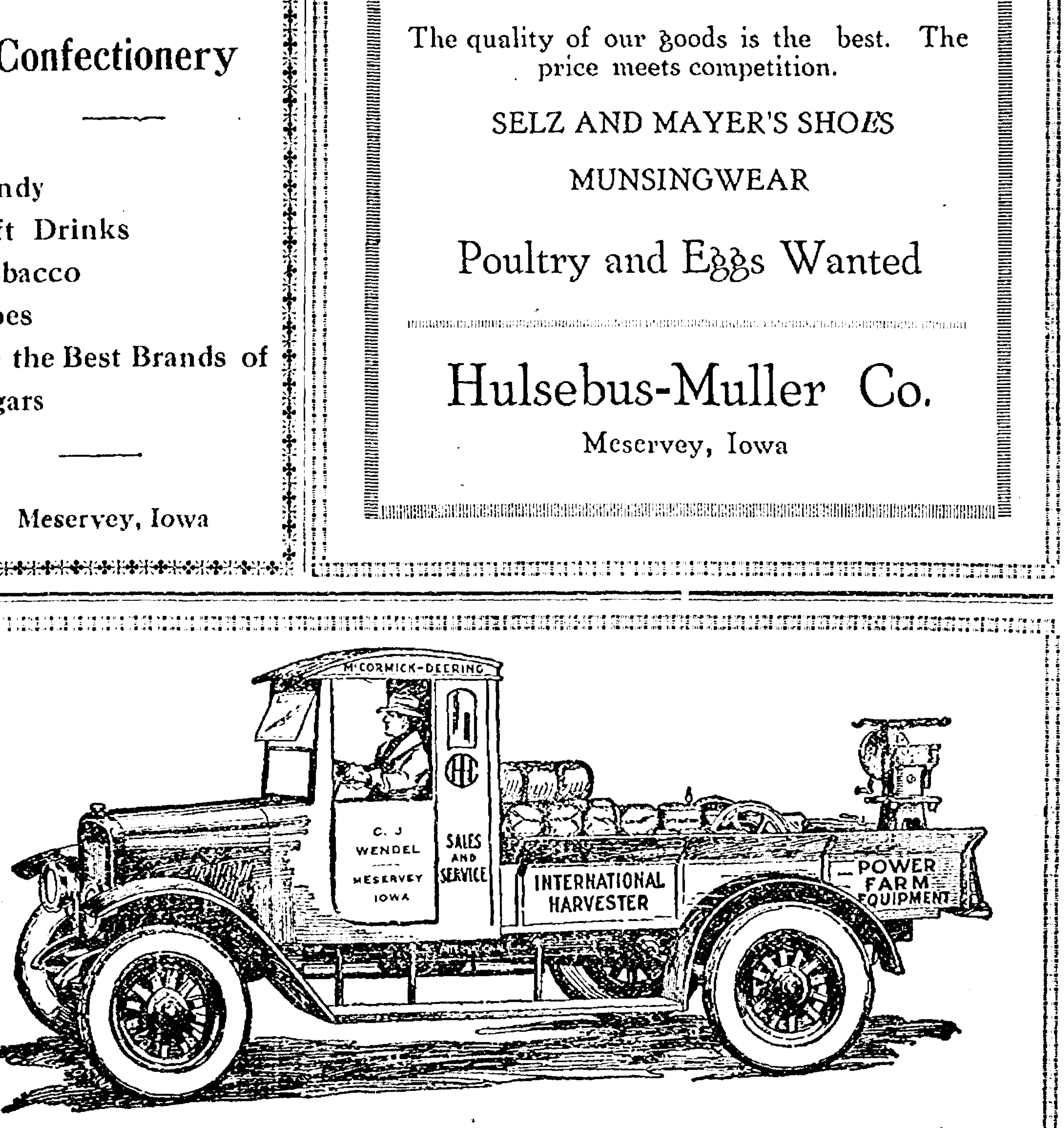

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C. J. Wendel

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thayer are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl born at their home Monday June 5th. Mrs. Jenison a mother of Mrs. Thayer is assisting in taking care of the little granddaughter.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at the usual hours.

Saturday June 11th evening Rev. H. J. Faust will be with us for the quarterly business conference. Communion services Sunday morning.

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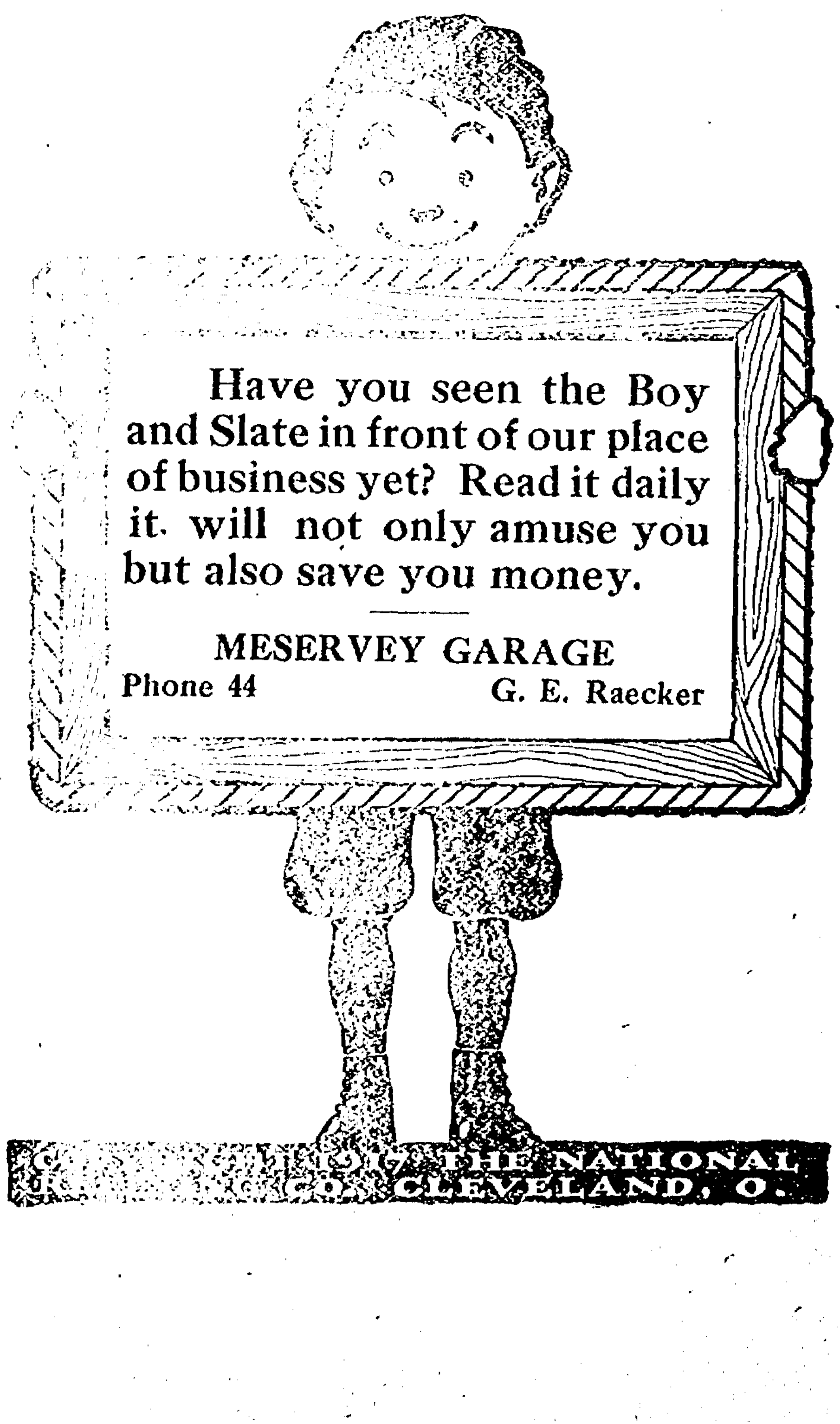
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Alexander Local News

FRANCIS KLINEFELTER DIES FROM INJURIES AFTER THREE DAYS

Edward Francis Klinefelter, son of Mary and Edward Klinefelter was born in Franklin County, Iowa, May 4th 1899 ad died on June 2nd 1922 at the age of 23 years and 29 days. On May 30th at the home place one half mile west of Alexander occured the accident which caused the death of Francis. His brother, Clay and family had gone away to spend the day. No one will ever know just how the accident occurred. But it seems that he had started a large seven horse power engine, probably to do some grinding. Neighbors heard the engine running and saw Francis walking about the yard some time after, this was near eleven o'clock. In the afternoon it began to rain a cold drizzle and the folks came home earlier than they had planned; after coming into the yard they found their brother's body hanging limp beside the engine where his clothing had caught and was nearly torn from his body. How long he had hung in this condition no one will ever know; with serious cuts and bruises about the head, arm broken in several places and unconscious. Help was summoned and he was taken to the hospital at Belmond where he lingered for three days never gaining consciousness.

Thus ends the life of one of Alexander's young men. Francis was a boy whom all loved. He has always lived here, a quiet, good-natured home boy always finding something to do about the place, never getting into trouble with anyone; and always doing good to all, wherever an opportunity presented itself.

His mother passed away on March 5th 1919 and his father on October 29th 1920.

He leaves to mourn his death two brothers, Glenn of Garner, and Clay of Alexander, and three sisters, Miss Lelia Klinefelter and Mrs. Luchia Meyers of Dows, and Mrs. Inez Whitten of Thornton. One sister, Ruth, died in infancy.

Besides his relatives, a host of friends mourn over the death of the departed and extend their hearty sympathy to them.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. A. D. Mohr, pastor of the Conregational church and burial was made in the Alexander cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wih to thank our friends for their sympathy and kind assistance during the sad accident and death of our dear brother.

Clay Klinefelter
Glen Klinefelter
Lelia Klinefelter
Luchia Meyers
Inez Whitten.

Misses Emma Eickmeyer and Leischen Westenberger of Sheffield were visitors at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Larsen were Belmond callers last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Latch of Luverne were visitors at Alexander last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and family visited with relatives at Kesley last Sunday.

Miss Irene Moerke of Mason City has been working at Alexander the past two weeks canvassing for Books on Education.

Mrs. L. S. Reed and children, Mildred and John visited with her parents, Mr. an Mrs. J. J. Flynn at Belmond last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn of Belmond visited at the L. S. Reed home Sunday.

John F. Bell and daughter, Miss Nellie were business callers at Belmond lat Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder of Hampton visited at the Nels Larsen home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Farhmann of Hampton attended the funeral services held here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and sons, Carrol and Donald visited with relatives at Webster City the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Larsen were Hampton callers Saturday.

George Christenson, Miss Marjorie Miller and Ralph Holder of Manly were visitors at Alexander last Sunday.

Miss Addie Larsen was a caller at Belmond last Friday.

C. R. Clark was a Hampton caller last Sunday.

George S. Yaw of Iowa Falls was a caller in town the first of the week.

Rev. A. D. Mohr left Monday for a visit with relatives at Polk City on his return his wife and son will accompany him home.

John Murphy and Fred Greenfield autoed to Cedar Falls on business last Thursday.

NOTICE!

Wm. Foughty barber shop will carefully handle all plain and fancy Dry Cleaning and Pressing. Agency for New Belmond Tailor Shop.

The Cemetery Society will meet at the home of Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen next Thursday afternoon, June 15th. A large attendance is desired. Hostesses for this meeting are Miss Jessie Bell, Mr. Otto Kieslich and Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen.

Mr. and Mrs. John Humkey and two children of Ackley were visitors at the J. C. Arends home a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich are enjoying a visit from the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Douglas of Hampton.

Miss Edna Arends was a caller at Belmond between trains last Saturday.

Theodore Beenen was a Sunday visitor at Eldora.

Miss Velma Larsen visited with relatives at Hampton a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Larsen of Latimer were visitors in town Sunday.

Harold Aigley was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday afternoon.

Miss Joyce Seegar visited friends at Hampton last week.

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GRAETTINGER GOLD MACHINE OPERATES SATISFACTORY

Humboldt Republican: Mr. Harke, of near Graettinger, who has the machine purchased to separate the gold from the gravel on his farm, ran it ten hours one day recently and cleaned up $10 in gold from eight tons of gravel. At that his machine was not properly adjusted, and considerable of the gold got away. He considers the showing very satisfactory, and believes that his gravel will prove valueable.

The amalgamating machine ordered by the other firm at Graettinger, is not yet in operation.

J. J. Kelly also owns land in the gold belt. He sent samples of his gravel to Denver, and it run more than $2 to the ton.

It seems to be an assured fact that the gravel deposit at Graettinger will make the people who own it a lot of money.

MERCHANT-PAPER FIGHT

Humboldt Republican: In a town in southeast Iowa the newspapers and the merchants are having a financial fight. The merchants decided that advertising did not pay, and agreed among themselves not to advertise. The newspaper had space to sell, and being unable to sell it at home, sold it to nearby towns that wanted to get bargains before the people of the town where the newspapers were published. Trade slumped off to the extent that the merchants that had been boycotting the newspapers found that they had to advertise, so they hired an outside printer to locate in their town and publish a purely advertising sheet so that they could get their bargains before the people. The idea of the merchants was to punish the newspapers for selling the space they had refused to buy. In the mean time the newspapers are going right along taking the outside advertising, and the people of their town and community are sticking for the newspapers, and are against the merchants. The imported printer is barely making expenses, and when the merchants stop their patronage, which they will in a few months, he will also go to the wall. All the papers have to do is to keep their heads and do business. If the local merchants want the space, sell it to them; if they don't, sell it to others who do. A paper conducted on such principles will have the sympathy of the people, and will succeed.

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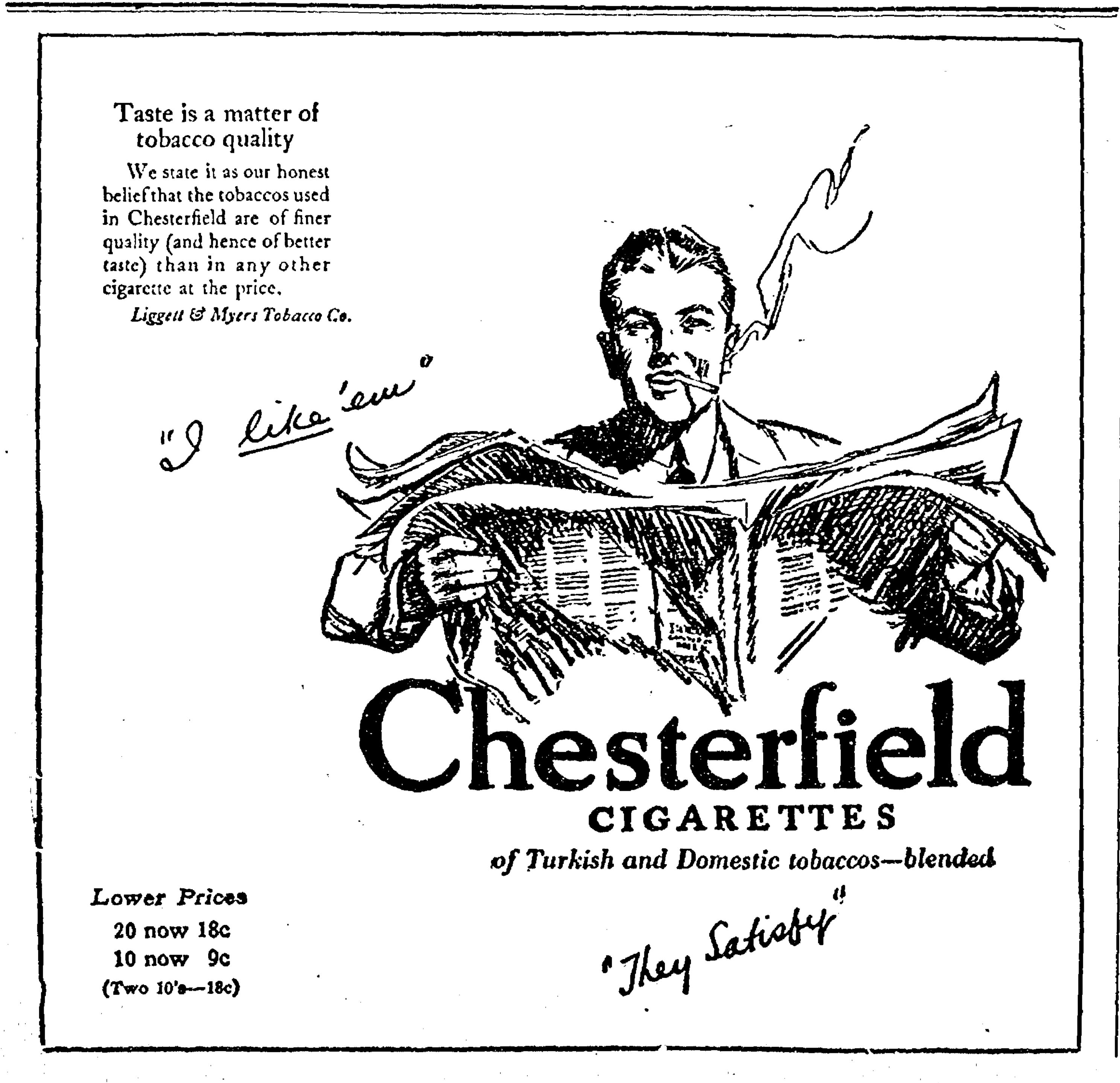

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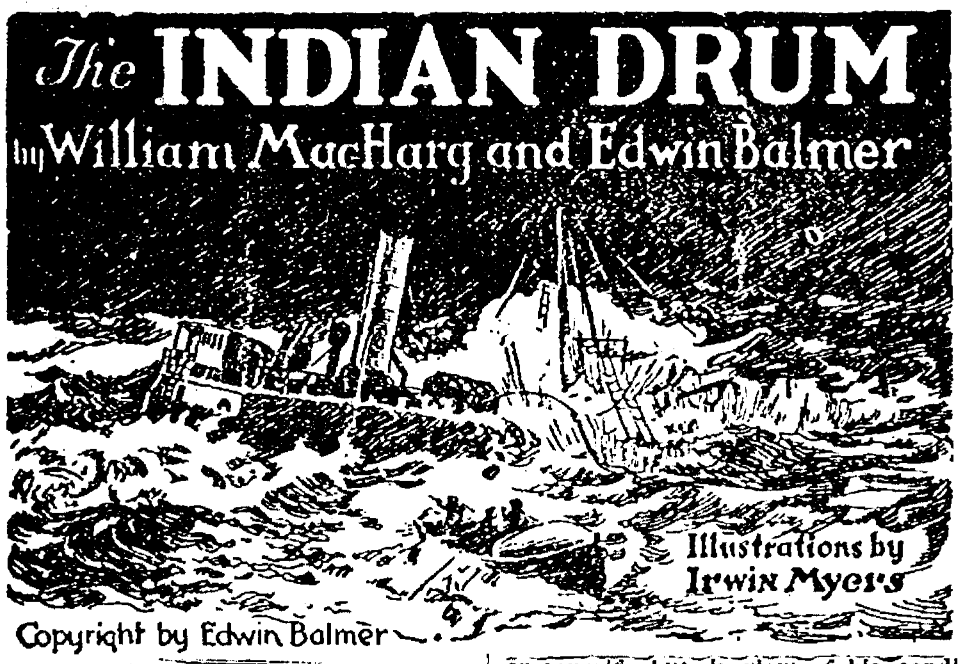


SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

"You've seen a good deal of him, yesterday and today, your father tells me," he observed.

"Yes."

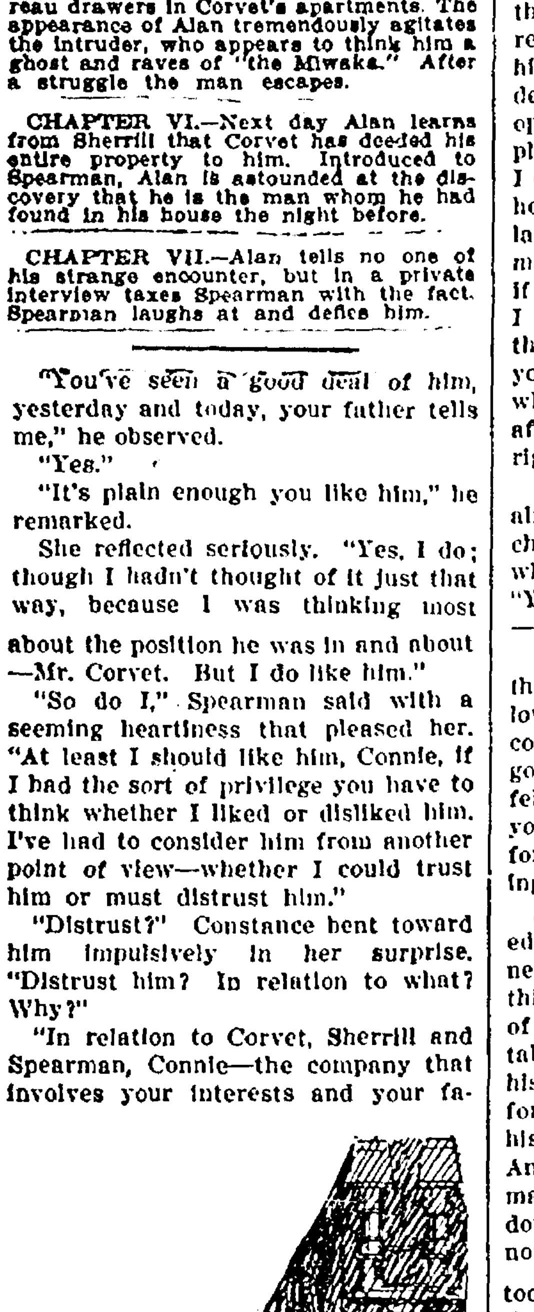
"It's plain enough you like him," he remarked.

She reflected seriously. "Yes, I do; though I hadn't thought of it just that way, because I was thinking most about the position he was in and about—Mr. Corvet. But I do like him."

"So do I," Spearman said with a seeming heartiness that pleased her. "At least I should like him, Connie, if I had the sort of privilege you have to think whether I liked or disliked him. I've had to consider him from another point of view—whether I could trust him or must distrust him."

"Distrust?" Constance bent toward him impulsively in her surprise. "Distrust him? In relation to what? Why?"

"In relation to Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman, Connie—the company that involves your interests and your father's and mine and the interests of many other people—small stockholders who have no influence in its management, and whose interests I have to look after for them."



"You've Seen a Good Deal of Him, Yesterday and Today, Your Father Tells Me," He Observed.

"I don't understand, Henry."

"I've had to think of Conrad this morning in the same way as I've had to think of Ben Corvet of recent years—as a threat against the interests of those people."

Her color rose, and her pulse quickened. Henry never had talked to her, except in the merest commonplaces, about his relations with Uncle Benny; it was a matter in which, she had recognized, they had been opposed; and since the quarrels between the old *friend whom she had loved from childhood* and he, who wished to become now more than a mere friend to her, had grown more violent, she had purposely avoided mentioning Uncle Benny to Henry, and he, quite as consciously, had avoided *mentioning* Mr. Corvet to her.

"I've known for a good many years," Spearman went *on, reluctantly, "that* Ben Corvet's brain was seriously affected. He recognized that himself even earlier, and admitted it to himself when he took me off my ship to take charge of the company. I might have gone with other people then, or it wouldn't have been very long before I could have started in as a ship owner myself; but, in view of his condition, Ben made me promises that offered me most. Afterward his malady progressed so that he couldn't know himself to be untrustworthy; his judgment was impaired, and he planned and would have tried to carry out many things that would have been disastrous for the company. I had to fight him—for the company's sake and for my own sake and that of the others, whose interests were at stake. Your father came to see that what I was doing was for the company's good and has learned to trust me. But you—you couldn't see that quite so directly, of course, and you thought I didn't—like Ben, and there was some lack in me which made me fail to appreciate him."

"No; not that," Constance denied quickly. "Not that, Henry."

"What was it then, Connie? You thought me ungrateful to him? I realize that I owed a great debt to him; but the only way I could pay that debt was to do exactly what I did—oppose him and seem to push into his place and be an ingrate; for, because I did that, Ben's been a respected and honored man in this town all these last years, which he couldn't have remained if I'd let him have his way, or if I told others why I had to do what I did. I didn't care what others thought *about me*; but I did care what you thought; yet if you couldn't see what I was up against because of your affection for him, why—that was all right too."

"No, it wasn't all right," she denied almost fiercely, the flush flooding her cheeks; a throbbing was in her throat which, for an instant, stopped her. "You should have told me, Henry; or—I should have been able to see."

"I couldn't tell you—dear," he said the last word very distinctly, but so low that she could scarcely hear. "I couldn't tell you now—if Ben hadn't gone away as he has and this other fellow come. I couldn't tell you when you wanted to keep caring so much for your Uncle Benny, and he was trying to hurt me with you."

She bent toward him, her lips parted; but now she did not speak. She never had really known Henry until this moment, she felt; she had thought of him always as strong, almost brutal, fighting down fiercely, mercilessly, his *opponents and welcoming contest* for the joy of overwhelming others by his own decisive strength and power. And she had been almost ready to marry that man for his strength and dominance from those qualities; and now she knew that he was merciful too—indeed, more than merciful. In the very contest where she had thought of him as most selfish and regardless of another, she had most completely misapprehended.

"I ought to have seen!" she rebuked herself to him. "Surely, I should have seen that was it!"

"How could you see?" he defended her. "He never showed to you the side he showed to me and—in these last years, anyway—never to me the side he showed to you. But after what has happened this week, can you understand now; and you can see why I have to distrust the young fellow who's come to claim Ben Covert's place."

"Claim!" Constance repeated. "Why, Henry, I did not know he claimed anything; *he didn't even know when he* came here—"

"He seems, like Ben Corvet," Henry said slowly, "to have the characteristic of showing one side to you, another to me, Connie. With you, of course, he claimed nothing; but at the office—Your father showed him this morning the instruments of transfer that Ben, *seems to have left conveying to him* all Ben had—his other properties and his interest in Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman. I very naturally objected to the execution of those transfers, without considerable examination, in view of Corvet's mental condition and of the *fact that they put the* controlling stock of Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman in the hands of a youth no one ever had heard *of*—and one who, by his own story, never had seen a ship until yesterday. And when I didn't dismiss my business with a dozen men this morning to take him into the company, he claimed occasion to see me alone to threaten me."

"Threaten you, Henry? How? With what?"

"I couldn't quite make out myself, but that was his tone; he demanded an 'explanation,' of exactly what, he didn't make clear. He has been given by Ben, apparently, the technical control of Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman. His idea, if I oppose him, evidently is to turn me out and take the management himself."

Constance leaned back, confused. "He—Alan Conrad?" she questioned. "He can't have done that, Henry! Oh, he can't have meant that!"

"Maybe he didn't; I said I couldn't make out what he did mean," Spearman said. "Things have come upon him with rather a rush, of course; and you couldn't expect a country boy to get so many things straight. He's acting, I suppose, only in the way one might expect a boy to act who had been brought up in poverty on a Kansas prairie and was suddenly handed the possible possession of a good many millions of dollars. It's better to believe that he's only lost his head. I haven't had opportunity to tell your father these things yet; but I wanted you to understand why Conrad will hardly consider me a friend."

"I'll understand you now, Henry," she promised.

CHAPTER VIII.

Violence.

At half-past three, Alan left the office. Sherrill had told him an hour earlier that Spearman had telephoned be would not be able to get back for a conference that afternoon; and Alan was certain now that in Spearman's absence Sherrill would do nothing further with respect to his affairs.

Was there no one whom Alan could tell of his encounter with Spearman in Corvet's house, with probability of receiving belief? Alan had not been *thinking* directly of Constance Sherrill, as he walked swiftly north to the Drive; but she was, in a way, present in all his thoughts. As he approached the Sherrill house, he saw standing at the curb an open roadster with a liveried chauffeur; he had seen that roadster, he recognized with a little start, in front of the office building that morning when Constance had taken him downtown. He turned into the walk and rang the bell.

The servant who opened the door knew him and seemed to accept his right of entry to the house, for he drew back for Alan to enter. Alan *went into the hall and waited for the* servant to follow. "Is Miss Sherrill in?" he asked.

"I'll see, sir." The man disappeared. Alan, waiting, did not hear Constance's voice in reply to the announcement of the servant, but Spearman's vigorous tones. The servant returned. "Miss Sherrill will see you in a minute, sir."

Through the wide doorway to the drawing room, Alan could see the smaller, portiered entrance to the room beyond—Sherrill's study. The curtains parted, and Constance and Spearman came into this inner doorway; *they stood an instant there in* talk. As Constance started away, Spearman suddenly drew her back to him and kissed her. Alan's shoulders spontaneously jerked back and his hands clenched; he did not look away and, as she approached, she became aware that he had seen.

She came to him, very quiet and very flushed; then she was quite pale as she asked him, "You wanted me?"

He was white as she, and could not speak at once. "You told me last night, Miss Sherrill," he said, "that the last thing that Mr. Corvet did—the last that you know of—was to warn you against one of your friends. Who was that?"

She flushed uneasily. "You mustn't attach any importance to that; I didn't *mean you to. There was no reason for* what Mr. Corvet said, except in Mr. Corvet's own mind. He had a quite unreasonable animosity—"

"Against Mr. Spearman, you mean."

She did not answer.

"His animosity was against Mr. Spearman, Miss Sherrill, wasn't it? That is the only animosity of Mr. Corvet's that anyone has told me about."

"Yes."

"It was against Mr. Spearman that he warned you, then?"

"Yes."

"Thank you." He turned and, not waiting for the man, let himself out. He should have known it when he had seen that Spearman, after announcing himself as unable to get back to the office, was with Constance.

He went swiftly around the block to his own house and let himself in at the front door with his key. The house was warm; a shaded lamp on the table in the larger library was lighted, a fire was burning in the open grate, and the rooms had been swept and dusted. The Indian came into the hall to take his coat and hat.

"Dinner is at seven," Wassaquam announced. "You want some change about that?"

"No; seven is all right."

Alan went upstairs to the room next to Corvet's which he had appropriated for his own use the night before, and found it now prepared for his occupancy. When he came down again to the first floor, Wassaquam was nowhere about, but he heard sounds in the service rooms on the basement floor. He went part way down the service stairs and saw the Indian in the kitchen, preparing dinner. Wassaquam had not heard his approach, and Alan stood an instant watching the Indian's tall, thin figure and the quick movements of his disproportionately small, well-shaped hands, almost like a woman's; then he scuffed his foot upon the stair, and Wassaquam turned swiftly about.

"Anybody been here today, Judah?" Alan asked.

"No, Alan. I called tradesmen; they came. There were young men from the newspapers."

"What did you tell them?"

"Nothing."

"Why not?"

"Henry telephoned I was to tell them nothing."

"You mean Henry Spearman?"

"Yes."

"Do you take orders from him, Judah?"

"I took that order, Alan."

Alan hesitated. "You've been here in the house all day?"

"Yes, Alan."

(Continued Next Week)

ROWAN NEWS

Miss Vinnie Whitten was a Fort Dodge caller Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Howell and family who have been visiting relatives in this vicinity the past week returned to their home in Napoleon, Ohio, Friday.

NOTICE!

L. W. McCallum, Barber shop, will carefully handle all plam and fancy Dry Cleaning ad Pressing. Agency for New Belmond Tailor Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barker, of Reinbeck, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten. Mr. Barker is an uncle to Mrs. Whitten.

Mrs. Mary Braden spent a few days visiting in Dows the past week returning home Saturday.

Miss Lenore Osterhus left Saturday for her home in Ruthven.

Mrs. George Liming went to University Park Saturday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Liming and to attend camp meeting at that place. She was accompanied by Mrs. Hannah Whitten.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Lamb and family, of Iowa Falls visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lindsey Tuesday.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mr. A. E. Drury, of Des Moines, visited relatives here Wednesday.

Mrs. J. S. Farren and children left Thursday for Long Beach Calif., to visit at the home of her son, Duncan for a short time.

Miss Erma Barker returned to her home Thursday from Fayette where she has been teaching the past year.

Mrs. William Steffens and Mrs. J. F. Howell returned from Colfax Saturday, where they had been taking treatments at the sanitorium,

Mrs. Etta Carr and Mrs. Carl Steffens went to Latimer Thursday to visit at the homes of relatives and friends.

Rowan is without a resident Dr. again. Dr. Maker who has been here the past few months left Monday morning. He expects to go to Des Moines to school for a short time.

Miss Flrence Box was on the sick list the past week with pleurisy. She is much better at the present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Stout spent Sunday in Thompson at the home of his brother, Roy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Klemenson and baby of Latimer, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten.

M. L. Howell, of Napoleon, Ohio, J. F. Howell and daughter, Clara Jane visited in Humboldt Wednesday at the home of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Howell.

Mrs. Ed Drury, and grand daughter, of Highmore So. Dak. came Tuesday to visit at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drury.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Pelley were Clarion callers Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Boyington visited in Dows Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Green.

Miss Edna McCutcheon, of Goldfield visited relatives and friends in town Tuesday.

Mrs. F. H. Fowler went to Iowa Falls Wednesday to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. D. Bingham, returning to her home Friday.

Joyce and Marian Stevens, of Deloit, Iowa arrived last Monday to visit at the H. Reitz home, and with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keith and family attended the graduating exercises of Goldfield Wednesday evening. Miss Gladys Whitten accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Hinkley of Lanesboro, arrived Thursday for a visit at the Frank Toyne home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten and family attended the funeral services of Mr. Frances Klinefelter, of Alexander, who's death resulted from injuries received by being caught in a gasoline engine while grinding feed.

The American Auxiliary held their first regular meeting Thursday night at the Legion hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Truesdale of Popejoy spent Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley.

The Missionary Society of the Cong'l church met at the home of Mrs. A. A. Williams last Thursday. The mite boxes were opened at this meeting and the offering was sent to home missions.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten attended the Klinefelter funeral at Alexander Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drury and families attended a family reunion of the Drury family Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Truesdale, at Popejoy.

The Young Ladies Mission Study Club met at the home of Miss La Vonne Ballon last Thursday night. A fine meeting is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bernhold, who have been in Long Beach, Calif., the past year, visited the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olsen.

Mrs. N. F. Easton and son, James, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fetrow and son, Rex, of Belmond, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval.

Mr. Hubbard McCallum, of Manson City spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden.

Mrs. G. E. Bobst and daughter, Betty, of Geneva, spent several days at the Bine Wilder home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden and daughter, Frances, and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett were Clarion callers Thursday.

Mrs. Klienschrodt and daughter were Belmond callers Monday.

The people of the Cong'l church had the privelege of listening to two fine addresses Sunday when the Rev. Wilkins, of Baxter, was preaching as a candidate. There will be regular services next Sunday.

Mrs. R. H. Kieth and son, Kenneth and daughter, Margaret, went to Renwick Tuesday for a short visit with relatives.

J. F. Howell, and the Misses Ruth and Esther Emerson, Mildred Duffy, and Alta Allen attended a Christian Endeavor Convention at Webster City Tuesday.

Two of our families in town have purchased new cars. Mr. August Rietz has a new Buick six, and Mr. Florence Fowler a Studebaker six. We wish them all the comfort and pleasure that these cars can give to them.

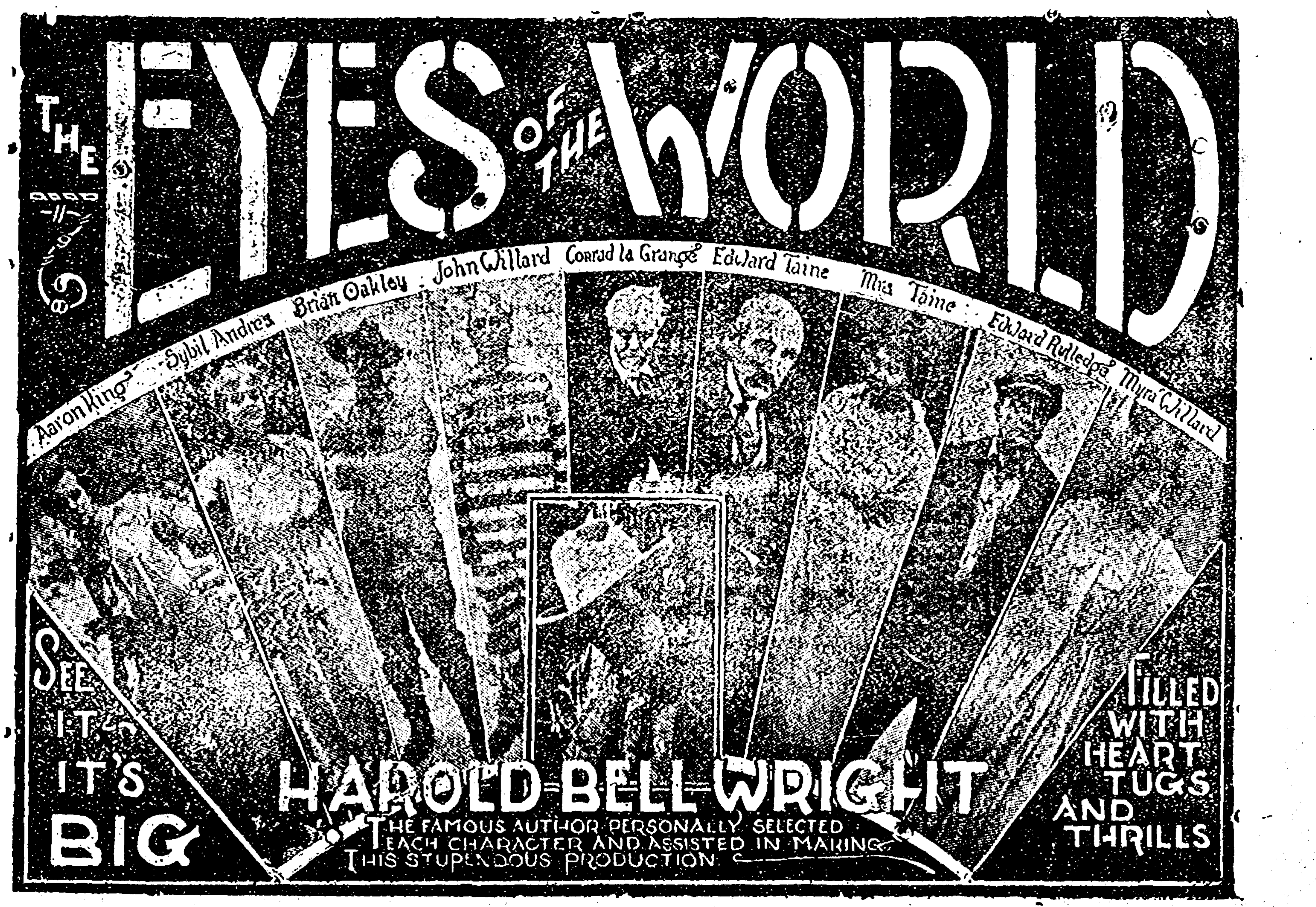
Donald Farran has returned from Iowa University, having completed his freshman year. He will resume his position for the summer as telegrapher at the Great Western.

Large congregations were present at the Methodist church last Sunday. At the morning service the auditorium was full and part of the Sunday school hall. The pastor delivered two messages that were deeply instructional and inspirational for all.

The Women's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church will hold their monthly meeting next Wednesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Etta Carr. This will be an important meeting as the annual election of officers will be held.

Services will be held as usual in the Methodist church next Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will speak at the evening service on "Idols and Ideals.

The Breeder's association of Rowan and vicinity held a public meeting last Friday evening in the Brooks Hall, when Mr. E. W. Emery, of Spencer, was the chief speaker. The *topic of discussion* was the County Fair proposition. Mr. Emery is the secretary for Clay County Fair and has a wide knowledge of the work. He made a strong plea for the continuance of the fair. A round table discussion followed in which the following took part, Mesrrs. Fred Brooks, W. Richards, L. Aldrich, F. B. Sheldon, O. Myers, of Solberg, L. Streveler and others.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Belmond Local News

NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In the Estate of Gelke Bohning, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that on the 31st day of May, 1922, there was filed with and opened by the undersigned Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Wright County, a written instrument purporting to be the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Gelke Bohning, late of said County, deceased.

And you are further notified that the 26th day of June, 1922 at 1:30 p. m. of said day has been set as the day for the final hearing and proof of said Will, before me at the Clerk's office in the Court House at Clarion, Iowa, at which time any person interested can appear and show cause why the same should not be admitted to probate

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,, I have hereunto set my hand and afixed the seal of said Court at my office in Clarion in said County this 31st day of May, A. D., 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN,
Clerk District Court
(Seal)

FOR SALE—One stack of Timothy hay.—Sheriff Bros.

Rev. Wilkinson and daughter, Wilma motored to Thornton on Sunday of this week.

County Agent Edwards was in town Friday of last week, on business connected with his duties with the Farm Bureau.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler made a trip to Storm Lake last week Friday, going by auto.

Mrs. Busick, from Canton, South Dakota, is visiting in Belmond and attending to business matters. She came last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Strieby attended a prenuptial shower held on one of their friends at Sheffield, last Friday evening.

Miss Bernetas Wolle left last week for Sioux City, where she attended the Commencemnt exercises of Morningside college, and is visiting her brothers Will and Howard for a few days.

Fred Hartshorn, of Clarion, was a business caller in the city last week Thurday.

Rev. Burref of Goldfield was a caller in Belmond on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Bergsma, of Huron, S. Dak., who is visiting relatives here, went to Popejoy last Friday where she spent the week end with relatives and friends.

Mrs. S. W. Rathbun was a guest of Goodell friends a few days last week.

N. M. Wolcott returned to his home in Des Moines Sunday afternoon, after spending the week with Belmond friends.

Miss Marjorie Flynn returned home last week from Humboldt, where she has been teaching the past year.

Miss Ennis Allen was a guest of relatives at Lakota, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Braga from Iowa Falls came up last week for short visit with their daughter, Mrs. J. P. Courtney.

Mrs. Otto Hanson, who has been in a hospital at Mason City for several weeks taking treatment, returned home last Sunday, much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Robinson were visitors with relatives at Des Moines a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler were visitors at Aurelia last Sunday.

Mrs. Eugene Kinney went to Rochester, Minnesota, on Monday of last week, returning the latter part of the week.

Mesdames Purcell, Thayne Bailey, E. F. Bailey, Snyder and Miss Doris Bailey motored to Hampton to visit an aunt Tuesday, Mrs. Lucretia George, who is 84 years old. While there they had pictures taken of the five generations of the family, little Mary Jean Bailey being the fifth generation.

Mrs. O. Young will be hostess next week Wednesday to the Priscilla Club.

The next meeting of the Chain of Ten will be at the home of Mrs. Bert Anfinson.

Mrs. W. H. Wolle's division of the M. E. Aid society meets today at the home of Mrs. Bayliss in west Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ramsay of Des Moines are visiting a day or two with his brother Wallace, Walt coming up to cast his vote in his home town.

After work these hot days, drop in and try our shower bath. You'll come out cooled and refreshed, feeling like a new man.—Brady's Barber Shop.

For Sale—Shetland pony, brown, 6 years old. Also harness and buggy. —Mrs. Bertha Faulhauber, Phone 1907. 291*

Wm. Chase has been spending a few days in town the past week visiting relatives. He left Tuesday for North Dakota, where he will join a chautauqua, with which he will work this summer.

James Kenefick went to Humboldt the first of the week looking after business affairs.

Joe Scott and a party of friends attended the opening of Lake View Park near Kanawha, Suday.

Most of the local students who have been attending college have returned home for the summer vacation, or to visit a few day before starting work.

In another column will be found a list of the various counties with the numbers which designate them in auto licenses. Cut it out, and when you see a strange car you will be able to tell from which county it hails. Can you tell when a car is from Hancock or Frankln counties?

FOR SALE—Nearly new buggy. Or will trade for young stock.—John Halfpop, Belmond. 291c

M. C. Barry was at the county seat Tuesday morning, on business matters and getting election returns.

Mrs. Eric Osman, of New Richland Minnesota is visiting at the Lud Johnson home and with other relatives in this vicinity.

The Cemeter Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Cameron on Friday June 9th.

Kill the bugs on your cucumbers, melons and cabbage. Use Bug Finish, 20c pkg.—Schultz Drug Co.

Ray and Myrtle Hawley, Wilma Trumbell, Wilma Wilkinson, Clara Johnson and Morjorie Purcell, local students at Morningside college, returned last week for the summer vacation.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey to spend the week end with Belmond relatives.

An ice cold drink of pop or near beer these hot days will refresh you wonderfully. Drop in and have one at Brady's Barber Shop.

R. E. Lee Aldrich of near Rowan was a business visitor here Tuesday. Lee says the election generally went to suit him, and as Lee keeps pretty close tab on politics the best men must have won out.

H. J. Lester of Rowan was in town on Tuesday, looking after some business affairs.

Miss Marie Leavy was a caller at Fort Dodge the latter part of the week, doing some shopping.

Miss Nellie Bell of Alexnder was in town last week Saturday, driving over with relatives.

The Misses Willamine Loats and Lena Steenblock left Friday for Des Moines and Pella, where they will visit a few days, and at the latter place attend the Commencement exercises of the central college, where they have some friends attending school.

Eugene Kinney returned last week from Spirit Lake, where with his son-in-law, Duran Nagle, of Clarion, and another county seat resident, he spent a couple of weeks fishing. He reports fine luck.

Clair White was up from Fort Dodge Saturday, looking after some business interests here and visiting relatives.

Everett Pierce left last week for Storm Lake, where he will stay with his sister, Vivian this summer.

Mesdames F. O. Fitts, E. F. Bailey, Snyder, Bergsma, and Miss Helen Harberts were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris of Rowan last Friday.

D. E. Harris of Rowan was a visitor here on Monday of this week.

F. D. Gillett of Alexander was in the city last Saturday, looking after some business matters and incidently adding his name to the Independent's list of subscribers.

FOR SALE—A quantity of Steel Fence Posts and Steel Clothes Line Posts at the United Manufacturing Company. See H. F. Luick Receiver. 292c

Jasper Johnson returned home last week Saturday from Iowa City, where he has been attending college the past year. He will work on the farm with his brother, Galen, this summer.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Two used trucks. A-1 condition, reasonable price.—Belmond Auto Co. Phone 108.

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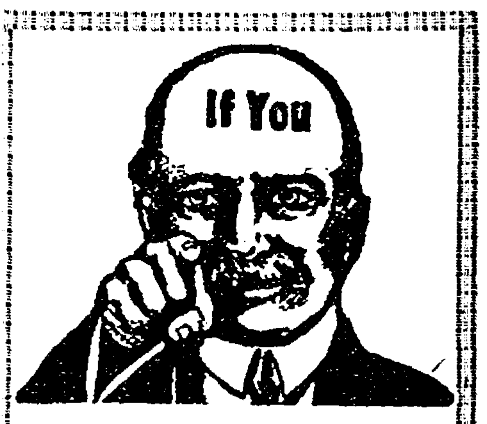

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BELMOND PEOPLE ARE IN SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Many Succumb To Cupid Past Week

Three Happy Young Couples Joined In Wedlock During Past Few Days

RUMOR OF OTHERS TOO

SORENSON—HEDGES

On Saturday evening, June 10th at 8:00 o'clock occured the marriage of Mrs. Alice Sorenson to Mr. Charles Hedges, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Davenport. Rev. Wilkinson, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated. About 24 relatives and friends were present.

The rooms were very prettily decorated in white and green and pink. To the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss May Rosenow of Clear Lake, the happy pair, with Mrs. Wm. Dempsey as bridesmaid and Ernest Davenport as best man, took their places while Rev. Wilkinson in a brief and impressive ceremony tied the knot that made them one.

Following the congratulations, a three-course wedding supper was served.

The bride is one of Belmond's best loved and respected young ladies. Mr. Hedges is an industrious, capable citizen, with many friends. The happy couple will go to housekeeping on the Davenport farm south of town. The many friends of the newly weds, with whom the Independent takes pleasure in joining, extend their congratulations and best wishes for a prosperous and happy life together.

QUIGLEY— NELSON

Miss Nellie Quigley, daughter of Mrs. Pat Quigley, was united in marriage yesterday morning at the St. Francis church, by Rev. Father Eardley, pastor, to Mr. John A. Nelson, of Fort Dodge.

Only the immediate relatives were present. Miss Mahoney, of Fort Dodge, rendered the solo, "Ave Maria."

Following the ceremony the happy couple left for Denver on a snort wedding trip, and will be at home in Fort Dodge after July 1.

The bride is among the communities most charming young ladies and has a host of friends who unite in wishing them happiness and prosperity. Mr. Nelson is an accountant with the International Harvestor Co., a young man of ability and capable of making the bride a happy home.

The Independent joins with their many friends in extending congratulations.

McGUIRE—FOSTER

Cyril C. McGuire, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGuire, was married last Tuesday to Miss Mary Foster of Britt, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Eardley at the St. Francis Rectory. A few of the close relatives were present. After the cememony the happy couple left for a short trip to the Twin Cities and Dubuque, coming home by auto the first of the week.

They will reside in a cottage on Third street which they have rented.

The bride is well known in Belmond where she acted as stenographer in the State Bank. Mr. McGuire is connected with his father in the clothing business. The happy pair have many friends with whom the Independent joins in extending best wishes.

BELMOND TOWNSHIP

Miss Gladys Gunderson who had been staying at the A. W. Martin home since the first of March, left the fourth of this month to spend the summer at the S. Samson home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Martin were in Clarion last Thursday on business. They were accompanied by their daughter, Harriet.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Malven Thompson and their daughter of Kanawha were visiting friends in Belmond last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Royal and family of Des Moines passed through Belmond Monday morning on their way to Des Moines after having spent a few days at Clear Lake, opening their cottage for the summer. They called at the A. W. Martin home.

Mr. Will Brooks of Waverrly was calling on Belmond friends Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Brooks and family were Clarion visitors Monday afternoon.

Mrs. A. E. Martinand Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans left Saturday for Garner where they were joined by Mrs. Clarence Barnes and daughter and Miss Mary Kair of Algona. The ladies left Garner Sunday morning driving to Prairie Du Cien. They expect to return the latter part of the week.

IOWA STATE COLLEGE TAKING LEAD IN RADIO

The Belmond Battery Station and Independent Radio receiving set has been working with exceptional strength and clarity since the addition of a new high power storage battery and we have been following the tests made by the Iowa State College at Ames with particular interest, as of late they seem to be outstripping all other middle west Broadcasting Stations in the strength and modulation of their sending.

In tests conducted Sunday afternoon, to which we listened with interest, it was plainly apparent that the engineers at Ames have succeeded in making adjustments that would be of great benefit to the outfits of any of the broadcasting stations which we have heard to date. They are using both direct and alternating current in their work. To us it seems that the direct current is giving the best results in strength and clarity as it seems to do away with voice vibrations which tend to make speech unintelligable in other stations.

A number of stations were heard Sunday, among them the Kansas City Star, Davenport, St. Paul and some closer to home,, of the latter Fort Dodge sending some very fine musical selections. While it was not possible to receive these stations as clearly as Ames their programs were enjoyable. Judging from the activities of our people at Ames, Iowa is destined to lead in Radio development and those having the work in charge are entitled to the commendation of all for their untiring and through efforts to improve the latest great instrument of scientific progress.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

(From the Monitor)

Miss Mae Odland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Odland of Liberty township, is the new deputy in the county superintendent's office. Miss Odland is a former teacher and is fully qualified for the position.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to John Westin and Gertie Delger of Fort Dodge, Cyril Charles McGuire of Belmond and Mary Agnes Foster of Britt, Geo. Milton Boyington of Dows and Maude Erickson of Rowan.

The $2000 appeal bond of Oscar W. Brown was withdrawn last week and on Thursday Deputy Denger took the defendant to Anamosa to serve a five year sentence for larceny of clothing from the residence of Robert Starner at Dows last fall.

Eugene Allen of Clarion has filed suit against William and Willard Parks to recover *$3150. Plaintiff* alleges he sold defendant 3000 oil tube attachments at $1.20 each and received the sum of $450 on contract hence suit to collect balance.

James Mehl of Norway township has begun a $5000 damage suit against Byron Oberton of Clarion. The petition alleges that defendant maliciously spoke of and concerning plaintiff in the presence and hearing of G. H. Lee and other persons unknown false and defamatory words to-wit "That —— Mehl look what kind of a man he is for supervisor. His children had some trouble in school and he went to the school house and started to give the teacher a licking and we had to stand him off with a six shooter."

New School Head

Geo. D. Eaton of Cedar Falls was last week elected superintendent of the Clarion schools. The new school head comes highly recommended and has excellent qualifications for the position. He is a graduate of the State Teacher's College and holds both a B. A. and Master's degree from that institution. Between the years 1909 and 1918 he was connected with the State School for the blind at Vinton. In 1918 he did Y. M. C. A. work in England. Later he was superintendent of the Lorenz schools. During 1921 he traveled in the interests of the Russell Sage Foundation fund. At present he is teaching in the department of government and economics at the State Teachers' college. He is a married man with one daughter six years of age. He expects to move to Clarion as soon as the summer term at the college closes, which will be about July 15, but plans on spending several week ends here previous to that time. There were around sixty-five applicants for the position, which speaks well for the standing of the Clarion schools.

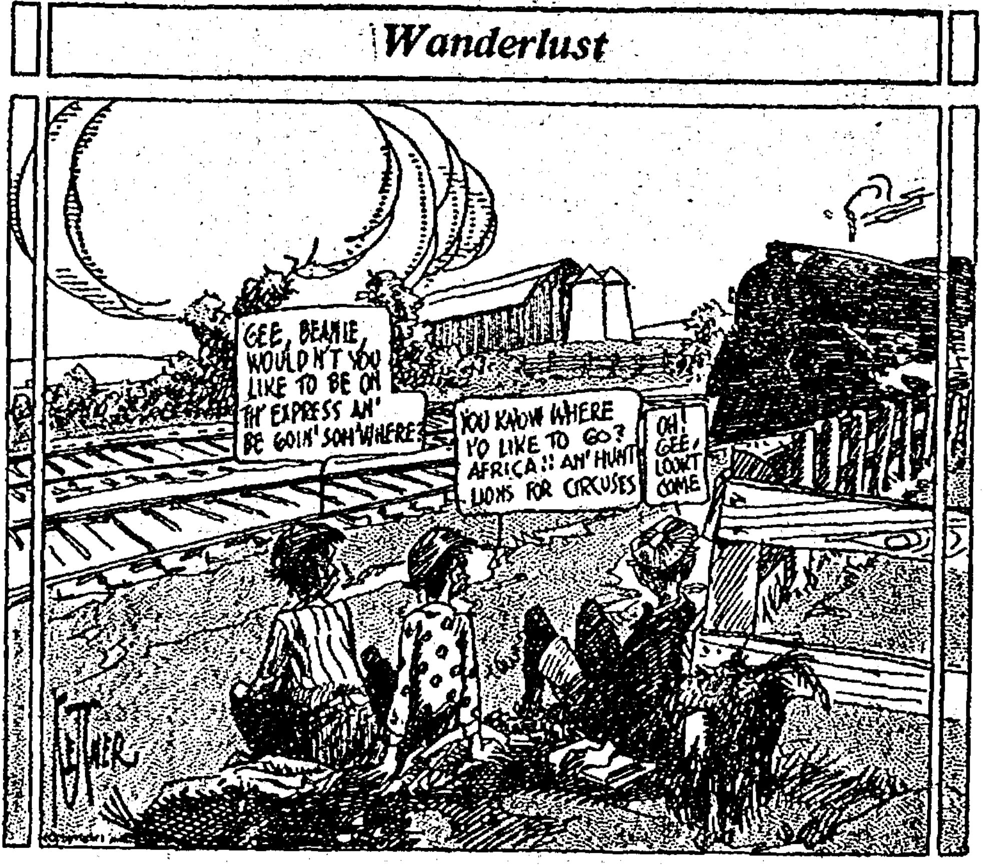
Fined for Check Kiting.

A young fellow by the name of M. L. Stockdale of Goldfield was fined $25 and costs in Justice Triggs' court last week on the charge of kiting checks. He wrote checks on several banks where he had no funds. A. H. Worra of Holmes, his last victim, caused his undoing.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PICNIC

Mrs. Ellery Purcell gave her husband an enjoyable surprise last Saturday evening by serving a delicious picnic dinner in honor of his birthday. Some 20 relatives were present, and with music and games a very enjoyable evening was spent. The out of town guest was Mrs. Bergsma, of Huron, S. D.

Wanderlust


GEE, BEANIE, WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO BE ON TH' EXPRESS AN' BE GOIN' SOM'WHERE?
YOU KNOW WHERE I'D LIKE TO GO? AFRICA!! AN' HUNT LIONS FOR CIRCUSES
OH! GEE, I CAN'T COME

To Organize Fish And Game Clnb

Club To Be Organized And Morse Lake Stocked With More Game Fish

DUES DOLLAR A YEAR

Plans are underway to form a Fish and Game Club in Belmond, and the necessary steps leading to such are now being taken. It is proposed to form a club with 15 to 20 members at the start, with the stocking protection of Morse Lake as the object. With such a club, the lake can be stocked with a variety of fish, which will be furnished free by the state. All that will fall upon the members of the club will be to see to the transportation of the fish from the car to the lake, and with the aid of a few trucks and a little time and labor this will be done.

D. E. Packard and H. J. Bohning are leaders in the movement towards forming the club, and upon the return of Game Warden Monplasure, of Clear Lake, who will be in Belmond again in the near future, it will be expected to complete the organization of the club. Dues will be one dollar per year.

Such a club will be a fine thing for the lake and for those who enjoy fishing. The Independent will give details of the organization at a later date.

FORM GOLF ASSOCIATION

Eagle: Representatives of several golf clubs in this part of Iowa met in this city Saturday afternoon and decided to form an association. The suggested name for the association was Boone Valley Golf Association. The clubs to be represented are Webster City, Clarion, Belmond, Eagle Grove and Rolfe.

M. E. Hall of this City will serve as temporary president. Each club in the organization will play a match with a neighborig club and the latter part of September a tournament will be held here in which all the clubs will participate. A loving cup has already been purchased which will become the property of the club which wins it three times in succession.

W. C. Tyrrell represented Clarion and Belmond at the meeting and M. E. Hall represented Eagle Grove and Rolfe, Geo. Crossley was here from Webster City.

ROBINSON WINS

Hampton Man Wins Victory In Congressional Race

T. J. B. Robinson, candidate for congressman in the Third district, won in the republican primary by a big plurality. Mr. Robinson carried every county in the district except two, the home counties of the other two candidates, A. W. McFarlane, of Blackhawk county, and C. O. Ryan, of Hardin county, carrying their home counties respectively. Mr. Robinson carried each of the other seven counties in the district, most of them by a very substantial vote and wins by a plurality of over 3300. The *vote by counties is as follows:*

Counties	Rob.	Ryan	Mac
Blackhawk	2217	1914	4238
Bremer	944	507	515
Buchanan	1300	641	724
Butler	1878	1358	821
Delaware	1811	1207	982
Dubuque	815	407	450
Franklin	2069	908	489
Hardin	1061	2167	898
Wright	1986	1240	925
	13,576	10,344	10,042

First Base Ball Game To Be Sunday

Newly Organized Team To Play First Game Sunday On The Home Ground

TO MEET EAGLE GROVE

Belmond has organized a team and will play the first game of the season *next* Sunday, June 18. The game will be against Eagle Grove and will be played on the Belmond diamond. The team will be composed of all home men, and will be strengthened by two new pitchers—whose heaving ability the fans will await with interest.

The game is to start at about 3 o'clock. Eagle Grove recently trimmed Clarion 6 to 1, and have a real team. The initial battle with the Belmond battlers ought to prove a good one.

Belmond, Iowa,
June 13, 1922

The Belmond Independent,
Belmond, Iowa.

Dear Editor:

In your last weeks paper on your front page you had an article calling attention to a gentleman from No. Dakota who was fishing in Morse Lake with out a license. Just to *enlighten some of your* reader's minds in regard to this I wish to make plain just how it came about.

For about a week, Roy Johnson and family, relatives of mine, had been visiting with us, and as entertainment on the farm was lacking, we thought a fishing trip to the lake would be a half day well spent, so we all climbed into our cars with our families to go fishing. When passing thru town, my uncle thought of some articles he needed, besides he wanted to get some fruit for our lunches. He stopped in one of the leading stores, and while being waited upon, the conversation turned as to his home town state, and he also made a remark he was going to try his luck at fishing in Morse Lake.

After getting his various articles, we went to the lake, and after enjoying a few hours of holding the poles, a car drove up, and in the car were two of Belmond's leading citizens and a stranger. The stranger told us who he was and what he wanted, which was in reality two dollars for a Non-Resident Fisherman's license. This he got with very little argument but in the car sat the two men keenly enjoying the situation, but entirely ignorant of the humitation I was in. As is was the price of the license was nothing to us, but the idea of just taking a half a day for a fishing trip and having it ended in this manner, was enough to take the "Joy out of life" and the feeling which my uncle and family may hold in regard to the situation, deeply imprinted on them but never saying a word about it, will make one feel uneasy. I wonder if I can ever expect my uncle and family to come to see us again while we live in this "Welcome to Our City" of Belmond.

Now Mr. Editor, if any of your readers would have been in my predicament I wonder how they would have felt. And how easier the two gentlemen would possibly feel, if when they had the opportunity to warn my uncle in the store in regard to the license than to bring the game warden out after us, after the deed was done. I am writing this to let your readers know that it was not a joke to me, nor a case of square dealing.

Very truly yours
Geo. Hunst.

POPULAR GOODELL COUPLE MARRIED AT BELMOND

The marriage of Mr. Adrian Bielifild and Miss Leona Hood was solemnized at the Catholic church of Belmond at seven o'clock Saturday morning. Attending the happy parties to the union were a number of friends and relatives from Fort Dodge, Clare, Klemme, Goodell and Belmond. Mr. Tony Hood, a brother of the bride, acted as best man, and Helen Kirkwood, a sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was enjoyed at the Case Hotel of Belmond.

Mr. Walter L. Strait, a brother-in-law of the groom, added zest to the festivities by abducting the groom shortly after the breakfast and whisking him to parts unknown, leaving the bride and the rest of the party to wonder just what was taking place. At the time of writing the groom and his captors are still among the missing, and the bride is wondering if she is to play the role of "A Bride for an Hour." We trust that the groom will after due time succeed in making his escape and return to his wondering bride in time to start upon the honeymoon trip which they anticipate making. It is the intention of the newly weds to make an *auto trip to Des Moines* and parts unknown to others than themselves. They expect to return and be at home to their friends about July first. They will live upon the farm of the groom, about four miles northeast of Goodell.

The groom is one of the substantial farmers of the Goodell community while the bride comes from a family well known and esteemed in and around Goodell. The wedding is we understand, the result of a short and happy courtship. The numerous friends of the happy couple wish them happiness and lots of it.

WOULD AN OUTSIDE BAND GO?

The Independent was recently informed that the Britt band would come to Belmond for Saturday night concerts for $40 a week, making 12 concerts cost $480, if Belmond wanted it. Does Belmond want it? Will the town put up $480 for an outside band? *The editor has "sounded out"* a few business men, and those few are wiling; how about the rest? So far as the writer is concerned, we are plumb disgusted with the band proposition all around, but if there is evidenced a willingness on the part of the town to support a band, whether local or otherwise, the Independent will gladly act as agent or "go between" in getting concerts started and will come across with its proportionate share of the necessary coin. If anyone is interested enough to inquire, we shall be glad to furnish further details.

CHANGE LOCATION OF FARM BUREAU PICNIC

The annual Farm Bureau picnic this year on July 4th, has had a change made in location of the event. It had been planned to hold the affair at Pike timber, but this has been changed so that the picnic will be held on the Warner estate 6 miles east and one and one-half miles north of Clarion. This will give more room for parking the cars, and it is stated will accomodate the program better.

TO HOLD PICNIC

The Priscilla Club will hold a picnic next Wednesday, at the city park. The ladies will invite their husbands to the affair and show them what real entertainment is like. The club will hold no meetings during the month of July and August.

THAT $100,000 RAIN

Monday night this locality was visited by a good rain, the first in some time, which was worth thousands to the farmers of this vicinity Crops needed it badly, small grain and beets particularly. Corn is coming nicely, but small grain is not in very good shape according to reports.

ANNUAL MISSION FESTIVAL

The annual Mission Festival of the Immanuel Reformed church will be held on Wed. June 21. There will be three services on that day as is the custom. The forenoon service commences at 9:30 and will be especially adapted to Sunday school teachers and pupils. All scholars are earnestly requested to be present and bring their mission offering. At 10 a. m. the regular service will commence. This service is conducted in the German. The hour of the afternoon service will be announced in the morning. The evening service will commence at 7:30 and will consist in part of a sacred cantata rendered by the chorus of the church, and an address in the American language. At all of these services the customary mission offering will be received. We extend a hearty welcome to all.

A. H. Waalkes, Pastor.

Injured When Car Turns Over Twice

Car Turns Turtle From Pavement, Striking Tree—Trying To Turn Corner

INJURED ALL RECOVERING

Mildren Schultz of Belmond, and Len Huntley, of near Clarion, were both very badly injuried in an auto accident Sunday evening, in which four other Belmond young people were participants.

The six young people: Fred Finn and Max Finn, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Finn of Belmond, May and Genevieve Starnes and Mildren Schultz also of this place, and Len Huntley, residing near Clarion, were returning from Clear Lake, where they had spent the day. Traveling at a high rate of speed—estimated at 50 miles an hour—they failed to make the curve on the pavement four and one half miles northeast of Garner. Max. Finn, who was driving, says that he did not see the turn until upon it. The car went off the pavement, down a five-foot ditch, turned completely over twice and struck a tree, landing about 40 feet from the spot it left the paving.

Max Finn, driving, was uninjuried but suffered severely afterwards from shock. *Mildren Schultz suffered* numerous bruises, scratches and sprains and is injured internally, just how badly is not known at this writing. Len Huntley was injured the worst, suffering internal injuries and an injury to his back. His condition is very critical, Genevieve and May Starnes escaped without injury except a few minor scratches. Fred Finn was injured about the head, a gash being cut in the back of his head requiring 11 stitches to close.

The road was lined with cars, and the young people were at once picked up and rushed to Garner, where they were taken to the doctor's office and given treatment. Later in the evening Huntley was taken to the hotel and Miss Schultz to a private home. The rest of the party returned to Belmond. The accident occured at *10 o'clock Sunday night.*

The car was badly dented and caved in, the top and windshield being demolished and one rear wheel smashed. Monday morning Ray Morris and the Finn boys went up after it, and found that the engine was uninjured. The car was driven home.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their many kind acts during our recent loss.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Hill and family.
F. C. Stanley.

CAR RUNS OFF RIVER BRIDGE

A tourist car ran off the bridge and into the river yesterday at the Barry bridge south of town. We were unable to find where the car was from or who was driving, the parties maintining a very discreet silence. According to reports, they were going at a pretty good gait and failed to make the curve at the approach, crashing thru the fence to the river below.

BELMOND STUDENTS AT COE WIN HONORS

The Coe College "Cosmos" for June 7 carried the announcement of the award to Miss Beatrice Leinbach the Delta Delta Delta sorority award of $25 as the most representative senior woman, judged by the faculty on scholarship, personality and participation in extra-academic activities Miss Leinback also received a diploma with "Magna Cum Laude", which meant that she earned 100 or more credit "A's" during the college course.

In the senior drama "Comedie" Philip McBurney took the part of "Hiram Hen de Peck," while Miss Leinbach was "Mrs. Crustacea Hen de Peck."

MRS. DZIEWANOWSKI DIES

Mrs. Win Dziewanowski died at the hospital in Rochester, Tuesday, the remains being brought home to the farm east of town Tuesday. She had been at the hospital taking treatment. An obituary will be published next week.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU SOCIAL

There will be a social held at the John Kessler home in Pleasant township on Friday evening of this week, June 16. The social will be a lawn affair, strawberries and ice cream served. The funds derived will go toward the short course. The evening will be spent in games and a social time, and everybody is invited. Come out and have a good time.

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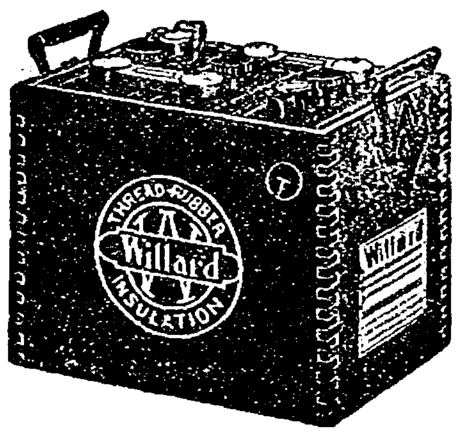

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N. M. Wolcott of Des Moines, great grandfather of the baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Yepsen, came Friday to call on the little gentleman, returning home by way of Belmond, Saturday. Mr. Wolcott also found time to call on a number of old acquaintances and friends.—Reporter.

Mrs. W. S. Pritchard, Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans and Miss Catherine Pritchard, all returned Thursday afternoon last from their visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pritchard at Tulsa, Oklahoma.—Leader.

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FORD FOR PRESIDENT?

Much discussion has been caused by recent reports that Henry Ford, of automobile fame, might be drafted as Presidential candidate in the National election next year. We can think of many reasons why Ford would make good Presidential timber, and some other reasons why he might be a misfit. While administering the affairs of the government and the affairs of a huge industrial enterprize are similar from a business angle, they are two distinctly different matters when it comes to the question of diplomatic business relations between a man of Ford's strength and power on one hand and average business people upon the other.

Were it possible to place in the Presidential chair a man who takes office entirely free of party affiliations or obligations, a man who owes nothing to anyone and who need cotton to no individual or interest, it would without doubt be of wonderful benefit to the country at large. Henry Ford in the past gave positive evidence that he is not and never will be amendable to control of any kind. His freedom from entanglement is a point in his favor as he would be able, if elected, to concern himself only with determination of what course would produce the best results and would not be forced to dodge and side step in the filling of campaign pledges made in trading for political support. This could not but be of great value to the interests of the country at large.

Ford is a humanitarian and believes in a fair and just treatment of labor. In that respect his record is more notable than that of any other American Captain of industry. He would approach the gigantic problem of labor regulations with a fairness and understanding sympathy which could be expected from no other man in the advantage of a large percentage of our people.

Ford is a visionary and a dreamer, as evidenced by his effort to bring about peace during the early part of the world war. His visionary ideas would doubtless work to his detriment in the minds of many people, and might be his undoing as a President; yet on the other hand vision is what acuates big men to big things. Without vision there can be no great achievement; so in the case of Ford it would be a question of the amount of poise and balance used to temper his vision. He must have poise and balance with which to have built the mammoth, well corordinated organization which has been required to handle his business successfully.

It would be indeed a novel occurence in American politics if the people were for once to pick a man of their own choice and draft him for the Presidency. There would be chaos indeed in the camps of the political chieftains who wax fat throug making or unmaking the politicial heads of our government. Who can say but what such an occurence would be the means of ushering in a new era in American politics during which the people would do the hitherto unheard of thing and think for themselves instead of heeding the dictates of the powers that be? In these days of general unrest and dissatisfaction there are many worse things which the American public can turn to for relief than a Ford-for-President movement. A movement of this kind would have much to do in the combating of the various isms and colored movements with which we have been so thoroly pestered.—Contributed.

The Independent agrees with many of the ideas given in the foregoing, but not with all of them. Ford while practical minded in a business way, is impractical when he gets away from the one line. If seriously considered for the presidency, his "Peace Ship" and his bitter attacks on the Jews are most surely going to bob up as illustrating his impractical ideas along other than "Lizzie" lines. Ford is a big man—there is no question of that—but has he the necessary mental balance to handle the biggest job in the world?

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

PURE RELIGION:—Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.—James 1: 27.

Monday.

LET US GIVE THANKS:—Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever.—Revelation 7: 12.

Tuesday.

GOD'S WONDERFUL LOVE:—For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John 3: 16.

Wednesday.

PRIDE A PITFALL: — Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.—Proverbs 16: 18.

Thursday.

A NATION'S GREATNESS:—Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.—Proverbs 14: 34.

Friday.

THE GOLDEN RULE:—As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them.—Luke 6: 31.

Saturday.

HEAR THE WORD:—O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord.—Jeremiah 22: 29.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Last Sunday was a banner day starting out with the largest attendance that we have had during the past three years at Sunday School. The Children's Day exercises were of a high order and the service was greatly appreciated and helpful. The offering for the board of Sabbath School work amounted to a little over $30.00. There was a good attendance at the evening service.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold an all days quilting on Wednesday, in the parlors of the church. The ladies are asked to come and bring their lunches.

We hope to have six more next Sunday at Sunday school than we had last Sunday and we believe that they are going to be there. Will you be one of the six to come? Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m. and the morning worship at 11:00. The evening services begin at 7:30 with the young people's meeting. We have for next Sunday night the third in our series in he life of Paul. Those who come are being helped by this series which are very interesting and instructive. We have room for you so come.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Children's Day exercises of the Sunday school at 11 a. m. Bring the whole family. An opportunity will be given at this service for baptism.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p. m.

Epworth League 7 p. m.

Evening service 8 p. m.

The Algona District Epworth League convention meets at Algona Wednesday afternoon and evening. Dorothy Purcell, Doris Bailey, Coetta Foster, Rev and Mrs. Wilkinson will attend as delegates.

Ladies Aid meets on Thursday with Mrs. Peter Stacy. Hostesses, Mrs. Stacy, Mrs. Mack Thompson, and Mrs. Wolle..

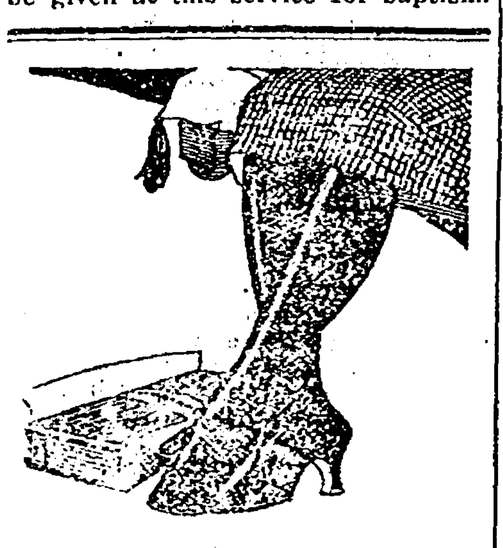
Rev. W. A, Wilkinson, Pastor.

The 1922 session of the Redpath-Vawter Chautauqua of Eagle Grove opened Monday afternoon with the best attendance at a first session in years. All indications were unusually good for a successful, enjoyable and profitable session.—Eagle.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Saatoff drove to Belmond today where they will visit a few days and Mr. Saatoff will be treated for lumbago from which he is suffering at present.—Reporter.

Mrs. J. B. Spitler, of Belmond, was visiting Klemme friends Tuesday between trains.—Times.

Dr. and Mrs. Missman and son, Bernes, were visiting Belmond relatives Sunday.—Times.



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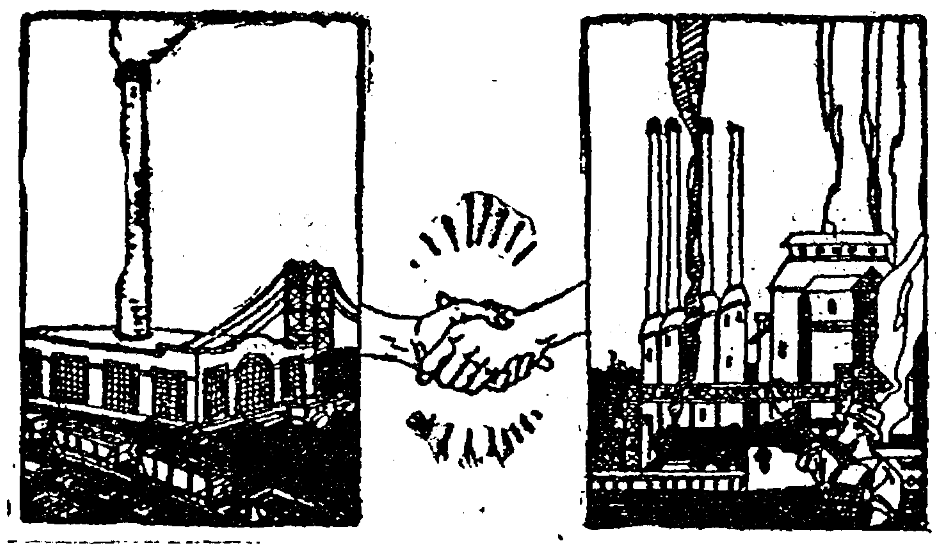

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H. F. KELLOGG, Manager

RADIO

CRYSTAL DETECTOR EASY TO CONSTRUCT

Telephone Condenser and Receivers Can Better Be Purchased—Mounting the Set.

The material needed to construct a simple crystal detector is as follows:

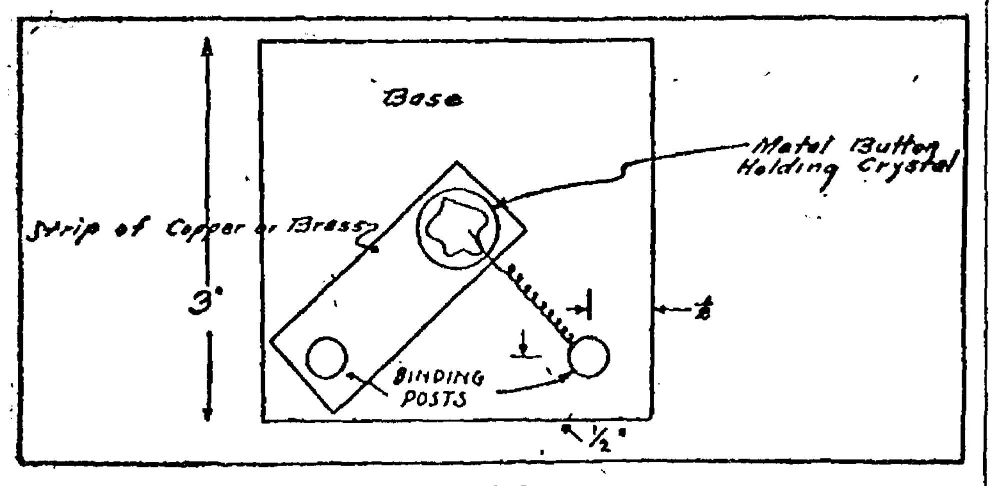
Piece of silicon or galena molded in a metal button, 25 cents.

Two binding posts, 20 cents.

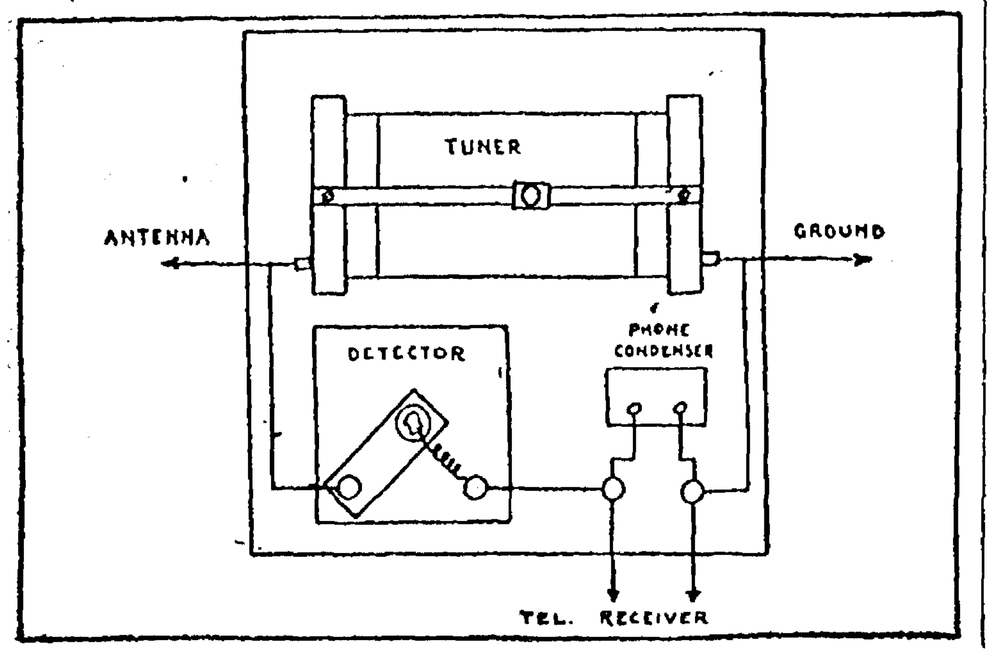
A block of shellacked or stained wood 3 by 8½ inches.

A thin strip of sheet copper or brass ¾ inches wide by two inches long.

Mount the two binding posts on the block of wood as shown, fastening under one binding post a strip of copper or brass—see sketch—and under the other binding post a coiled up spring of fine springy copper or brass wire. By placing the button of metal containing the crystal of silicon or galena on the strip of metal and allowing the spring to make contact with the surface of the crystal the detector is complete and ready for operation.



The Crystal Detector.



Set Mounted on Base, With Connections Shown.

A complete crystal detector can be purchased from 75 cents to $2, depending upon the type.

Two other pieces of apparatus are necessary that cannot be readily constructed—they are the telephone condenser and the receivers. A telephone condenser to be used in shunting across the phones can be purchased for about 50 cents.

For use with a radio receiver of this type it is recommended that a pair of 3,000-ohm, Murdoch type, No. 56 receivers, costing $6, be purchased.

These are all the necessary parts needed for the complete receiver.

If it is desired, the three instruments, the tuner, the crystal detector and the telephone condenser, can be mounted on a stained base of wood, say, eight inches square and one-half inch thick. This will keep the component parts of the set together, making a compact unit of the whole and also be advantageous in that it will hold the instruments while adjustments are being made.

The sketch shows how the instruments are connected with each other and to the ground. The condenser is connected to one side of the tuner and to the crystal detector. The ground is connected to the other side of the phones and the condenser and the tuner.

Lamp cord is excellent for connecting up small radio sets of this kind—it being a good conductor, well insulated and easy to handle.

HOW TO LISTEN IN

There are two variables in our radio receiver that require adjustment when it is desired to listen-in; first, the detector, and second, the slide position on the tuner. Once the slider position has been determined for any given transmitting station, it is only necessary to adjust the detector to pick up that same station again.

To operate the receiver for the first time it is best to wait until some station like KDKA is transmitting between 8:30 and 9:30 p. m. Then adjust the detector by changing the point at which the spring and crystal of the detector make contact until, when a nearby electric light is snapped on and off, a click is heard in the head phones. The detector is now adjusted on a sensitive spot on the crystal. By changing the slider position, the transmitting station should be picked up.

After a station is once picked up it is an easy matter to adjust the detector and slider position until maximum response is obtained in the telephone receiver. With a simple set of the kind described in this and preceding articles and a little practice one soon becomes adept at picking up a given station. The entertainment derived from listening-in is usually well worth the time spent and the money invested.

VAGARIES OF VACUUM TUBES

Peculiar Actions That Always Astonish and Sometimes Frighten the Amateur Radioist.

Everybody who has had anything to do with vacuum tubes has from time to time had them do unexpected things and give results that at the moment seem beyond explanation.

The explanation of several characteristics of these miniature giants which are met with in daily operation is sure to prove of great interest to the amateur. In cases where the actions of the tube are not understood these peculiarities have sometimes frightened people.

One instance of a newborn fan's fright was brought to attention in a letter of inquiry. The instrument had just been set up and was being operated for the first time. The tubes had been firmly adjusted and were just at the spilling point and—over they went, giving vent to the most unearthly sounds. The embryo enthusiast who looked upon the audion tube as an electric light, thought it was going to explode. He jumped away from the instrument and out of the room, and did not venture near it for several hours, and then only after reaching round the corner of the door with a long stick and pulling the battery switch off.

Similar instances have come to attention when bulbs generate vari-colored vapors in the vacuum chamber.

Moonshiners Using Radio.

Revenue officers seeking distillers of the far-famed and hardhitting "white lightnin'," in the mountains of Kentucky say that many raids made in the last few months have proven unsuccessful, due to the adoption of radiophone as a means of communication among the moonshiners.

TIPS TO THE RADIOIST

Fired .22 caliber rifle shells make good switch points for tuning coils and receiving transformers.

A single wire aerial 100 to 150 feet long is sufficient for local and long distance reception of broadcasting stations.

Do not string aerials across the street or across electric wires. Keep antenna wires off electric light and telephone poles.

Stranded copper or solid copper wire should be used. Phosphor bronze wire if obtainable is stronger but not superior to copper.

Good contact with a piece of mineral like galena can be had by wrapping it in tinfoil. Of course, the top of the crystal is left exposed.

The brass ends of large cartridge shells make splendid crystal detector cups. They should be cleaned out thoroughly before they are used.

The winding of cardboard tubes from oatmeal boxes may be improved greatly if the tube is first heated in an oven for about 15 minutes to take out the moisture and then wound; or better still shellac it while it is still warm and leave it to soak in.

In winding tuning coils with bare wire a thread should be wound on with the wire. This will separate each turn. When the coil is finished the thread can be taken off. Shellac should be applied immediately. When the shellac is dry the copper wire will hold its place.

ROWAN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. French visited in Burt last week at the home of her son, R. D. Temple and wife. Mr. French returned home Saturday, Mrs. French remaining for a few more days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Kepford and sons motored from Waterloo and spent the week end at the home of her mother Mrs. J. D. Brooks.

Mrs. John Kehler was called to Spokane, Washington, last week by the serious illness of her father. Mrs. Ed Miller of Clarion is keeping house for her during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, were Clear Lake callers Thursday.

More new cars in Rowan; O. E. Ballou's have purchased a Buick.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mrs. Ashley Andrews of Latimer visited her sister, Mrs. Theo Hansen last week.

James Rowan was a Clarion caller Wednesday.

Mrs. Nathan Aldrich is visiting relatives around Rowan and Galt.

Ralph Whitten, who has been attending college at Grinnell arrived home last week for his summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brooks and family spent Sunday with relatives in Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler.

Miss Florence Wilder went to Iowa Falls Friday to visit a friend, Miss Cline. She returned home Saturday, Miss Cline returning with her for a short visit.

Miss May Virden, who has been attending college at Cornell the past year, returned to her home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Albertee, of Thornton, spent Sunday at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Will Bingham and family.

Harry Steffens and son, Roland, of Oelwein, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Steffens Monday.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten and Mrs. George Liming returned from Oskaloosa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas, of Ventura, visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas the latter part of the week.

Miss Mable Azeltine, who has been nursing in Alabama, returned to her home last week. She went to Iowa Falls Sunday to care for her aunt, Mrs. L. D. Bingham who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harris, of Des Moines visited Rowan relatives Sunday.

Mesdames Leonard and Willard McCallum were Belmond callers Monday.

Rev. Harold Tomkinson and wife and daughter, Constance went to Des Moines Monday where Constance will have her tonsils and adnoids removed. The operation will be performed at the Methodist hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bine Wilder and family went to Geneva Sunday to visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. D. Benson and family.

Mr. Parker, of Deleware Co. spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Heath.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bingham and family, of Washington, D. C. who are visiting in Iowa Falls at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham, were Rowan callers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham were Dows callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs, of Goodell entertained the following guests at dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Hansen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph and family all of Rowan and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller and daughter, Blanche, of Clarion, and Dr. and Mrs. George of Dows.

George Lineweaver was called to Illinois Friday by the death of his mother. Mr. Lineweaver has the sympathy of his many friends in his sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitten, of Thornton, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten.

Mr. and Mrs. James Green, of Dows, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Boyington one day last week.

James Rowen had the misfortune to sprain his wrist last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chipman returned to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Weber, last Thursday. He has been at Iowa City taking treatments for several week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McCallum, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley spent Thursday evening at Lake Cornelia. They had a picnic supper and report a fine time.

Mrs. Kate Conn left Friday morning for a fishing trip.

William Baines of Montgomery is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hannah Whitten.

George Boyington, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boyington, was united in marriage to Miss Maude Erickson, of Dows. We extend congratulations and best wishes to this happy couple.

Miss Charlotte Clowes of Renwick has been spending the week with her cousin, Margaret Kieth.

Miss Fannie Reed left Tuesday for Polo, Ill., where she will visit the home of her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bailey left the middle of last week for Grand Rapids Minn., to visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Clarence Jennings and family.

Jay Knuths, who has been attending college at Fayette returned to his home the latter part of the week. He finished his course of study this June graduating with high honors. His mother, Mrs. Irvin Knuths, and Miss Nina Burt attended the graduating exercises.

STAR THEATRE
"PAYING THE PIPER"

An absorbing story of how a frivolous, money-loving girl, blind to the finer things of life is regenerated through a baby she finds in a park, and who awakens her maternal instinct, which comes to the Star theatre next Saturday.

"THE SHEIK"
JUNE 23 and 24

In the cast are several players of reputation. Supporting Agnes Ayres and Rudolph Valentino, the featured players are Adolph Menjou, who played a heavy role in "The Faith Healer." who is seen as the French novelist in this production. Lucien Littlefield, famous character and make-up artist, is Gaston, valet to the Sheik. George Waggner does a work of art as Youssef, the Sheik's first lieutenant and faithful aide. Ruth Miller, famous dancer and actress, is a slave girl; Walter Long, the heaviest of them all, is the grizzly old Arabian bandit and F. R. Butler is the English girl's brother.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held their monthly business meeting and social hour at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Duffy last Thursday night. About thirty young people were present at this meeting. The evening was spent in games on the lawn after which refreshments were served. Plans were made for a strawberry festival which will be held on the church lawn Saturday evening. Everyone is invited to attend.

Cards received from Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ziegler, of Sioux City announcing te arrival of a ten pound girl at their home.

Rev. Dettmere, of Westside, filled the Congregational pulpit Sunday morning and evening and gave two fine addresses which were much enjoyed by the people.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson at Meservey.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brooks and family called on Rowan relatives Sunday.

The Epworth League held a business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McCallum, Monday night when the following officers were elected for the coming six months:

Pres. A. O. Pelly; 1st Vice Pres. Angie Baines; 2nd Vice Pres. Mrs. W. P. McCallum; 3rd vice pres., Amy Azeltine; 4th Vice Pres. Esther Fowler; Secty. W. R. McCallum; Treas. Mrs. A. O. Pelly; Organist, Bernice Hansen.

Plans were made for sending the following delegates to Algona next Wednesday and Thursday to the Epworth League Convention: Mrs. W. R. McCallum, May Virden, Mrs. A. O. Pelly, Mrs. George Liming.

With summer upon us again and automobile traffic on the increase the spotlight of pitiless puuncity should be turned with full force upon the speed maniac—the most dangerous of all irresponsible animals. Fortunately, they are not so numerous as they were. Heavy fines and jail sentences have checked a portion of this ruthless terror. But even one is too many to be left at large. Not since the early days Indian butcheries has there been such a menace to public safety. Time and superior force have eliminated the Indian as a menace. The speeder's turn comes next, and action should be swift and with no greater mercy than he shows to his helpless victims.—Hampton Chronicle.

The Eagle Grove baseball team defeated a similar aggregation from Clarion at Greenwood Park Sunday afternoon, 6 to 1.—Eagle.

Mrs. C. J. Papousek came to the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jacobs, Friday. She had been at the Mason City hospital for over two weeks. She is recovering nicely from her operation for appendicitis, and after a few days here will go to her home at Belmond. Chas. was also here to spend Sunday.—Signal.

Guy Baker and family of Belmond, visited at the Ralph Elder home last Sunday.—Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baldridge were Belmond visitors last Thursday. While there they visited with Mrs. Anderson, whom they knew several years ago before the Anderson's moved to near Redfield, S. Dak. After completing her visit in Iowa Mrs. Anderson will spend several months visiting with relatives and friends in the western states and they will then locate in the state of Washington.—Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gruetzmacher who taught in the Belmond schools last year were week end visitors at the H. H. Harriman home and with other relatives and friends. When they left on Monday they had the misfortune to lose Mrs. Gruetzmacher's traveling bag off their car. They discovered their loss when they arrived at the Lakes and drove right back but were unable to find it.—Reporter.

After work these hot days, drop in and try our shower bath. You'll come out cooled and refreshed, feeling like a new man.—Brady's Barber Shop.

S. F. Stout of near Rowan was in town on Friday of last week, looking after some business matters. Mr. Stout is one of the progressive farmers of the Rowan community.

Griesy's Store News

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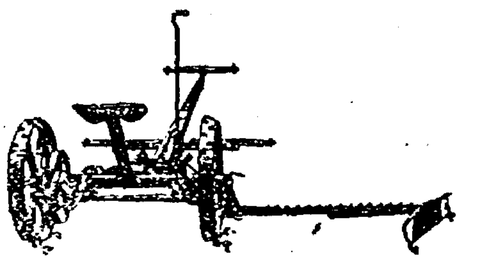
Keep cool! This isn't the time to get all "het up." It's hot enough the way it is.

A Big Hay Crop

Haying machines are ready now. Clip-clippity-clip, the call of the mower sounds in the distance, and it won't be long before a big hay crop will be ready for harvest. Are you ready with a trusty mower, a *sturdy rake, and a reliable loader.* Wouldn't you like o slip in some day and look at the McCormick or Deering mower, the International Side-Delivery rake and the International loader? You should have these three machines. McCormick and Deering mowers are famous for service over the whole round world—so are the rest of the International haying machines. Their long suit is light draft. Come in and look 'em over.



A real he-man is a little bit of everything that's good and still remains what he should be.

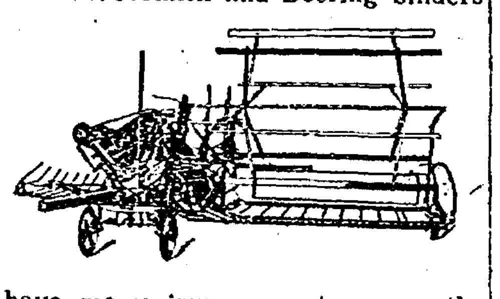
The mouth is a source of much trouble, and it's not altogether toothache of stomach trouble either.

It's hard to see what some women see in the men they marry, but it's harder still to see what some men see in the "hootch" they drink.

No flies mean a clean home. Cleanliness means efficiency, better health, better homes, and better humanity.

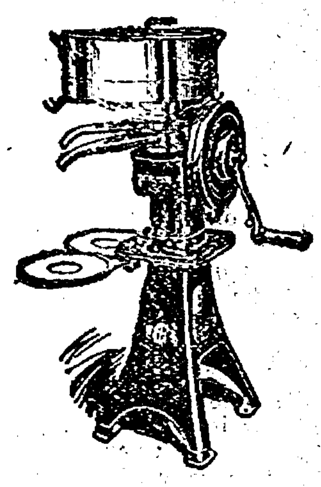
Improved Binders

Will your old binder stand the "gaff" for anoher season? Now's the time to find out. Not when you are ready to enter the field. The 1922 McCormick and Deering binders have many improvements over the binder of ten years ago. At your first chance come in and see some of these improvements—outside reel support, grain-saving floating elevator, quickly removed durable pitman, long wearing fabric canvas straps, modern bundle carrier, tongue truck and better bearings. With a new McCormick or Deering binder you'll be ready for all harvesting difficulties—including rough fields, and long ache or stomach trouble either.



Did You Know

That the Primrose is the only cream separator made with two wide-open cream outlets, giving it more than double the space any other separator has for cream to escape? It's a fact. Fat globules cannot be crushed or broken in passing through these openings. The density of the cream is regulated in the Primrose with a screw in the skimmilk outlet. It is easy to adjust because it works on the large volume of skimmilk instead of the small volume of cream.



There is no screw or other obstruction in the cream outlets to interfere with the free flow of all the cream out of the bowl. The two wide-open cream outlets and the milk screw are two big cream saving features not found in any other separator.

LARKIN PRODUCTS

White Laundry soap per bar	$ .06	Coffee, 2 lbs.	$ .55
" " " per 100 bars	5.00	Black tea 1-2 lb.	.20
Brown " " per bar	.04	Green tea 1-2 lb.	.20
" " " per 100 bars	3.75	Mixed tea 1-2 lb.	.20
Gloss starch, 3 lbs.	.20	Macaroni 8 oz. pkg.	.08
Borax 14 oz. pkg.	.12	Spaghetti 8 oz. pkg.	.08
Boraxine 1 lb. pkg.	.06	Noodles 8 oz. pkg.	.10
Water Softener 1 lb. pkg.	.15	Ice Cream powders	.10
Cleanser 1 lb. pkg.	.06	Salt, 5 lbs.	.12

Week end box	$ .50
Manicure box	.50
Egg Shampoo	.20
Cold Cream	.20
Witch Hazel face cream	.25
Foot powder	.10
Rosewater and Glycerin	.15

Try Larkin Products and you will never use any other. The above are only a few of the bargains you can get in Larkin goods. Come in and see them or phone 316 and we will deliver.

MARY GEALOW

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1922

ORDINANCE NO. 33.

An ordinance granting permission and authority to Standard Oil Company, a corporation organized and doing business under and by virtue of the State of Indiana, to erect and maintain on the property described below, warehouse, tanks and other buildings necessary for the conduct of its business and to store therein illuminating oils, naphtha, gasoline or any other mineral oils or fluids, the products of petroleum, in quantities sufficient to meet the requirements of its business.

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Incorporated Town of Meservey, in the County of Cerro Gordo and State of Iowa:

Section 1. That permission and authority is hereby given and granted to Standard Oil Company, a corporation organized and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Indiana to construct and maintain for a term of fifty years on the following described propeerty within the limits of the Incorporated Town of Meservey, in the County of Cerro Gordo and State of Iowa, to-wit:

"Beginning 50' northerly of center line of main track and in East line of Second Street; thence 100' parallel to said main line; thence westerly parellel to said Main line to East line of Second Street; thence southerly to point of beginning, containing 3150 sq. ft."

Warehouse, tanks and other buildings necessary for its business and to store therein illuminating oils, coal oils, naphtha, gasoline, or any other mineral oils or fluids, the products of said company's business.

Section 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

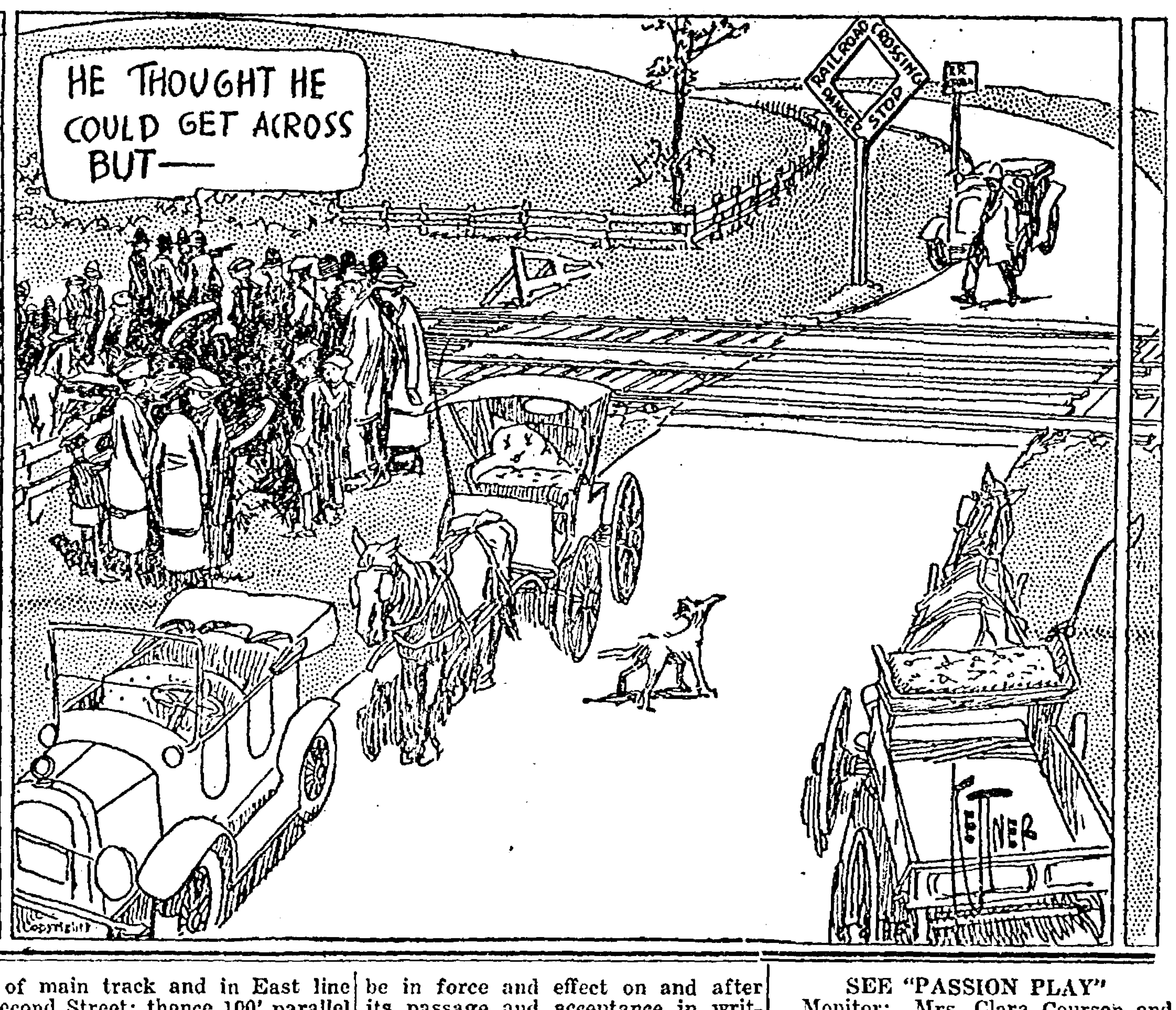
Section 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect on and after its passage and acceptance in writing by said Standard Oil Company.

Passed and approved this 1st day of June, A. D. 1922,

ATTEST: Frank Haferman,
Town Clerk.

By Harm J. Groen,
Town Mayor.

The Old, Old Story


HE THOUGHT HE COULD GET ACROSS BUT—
RAILROAD CROSSING DANGER STOP
Copyright
ETINER

NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In the Estate of Gelke Bohning, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that on the 31st day of May, 1922, there was filed with and opened by the undersigned Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Wright County, a written instrument purporting to be the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Gelke Bohning, late of said County, deceased.

And you are further notified that the 26th day of June, 1922 at 1:30 p. m. of said day has been set as the day for the final hearing and proof of said Will, beiore me at the Clerk's office in the Court House at Clarion, Iowa, at which time any person interested can appear and show cause why the same should not be admitted to probate

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,, I have hereunto set my hand and afixed the seal of said Court at my office *in Clarion in said County* this 31st day of May, A. D., 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN,
Clerk District Court

(Seal)

SEE "PASSION PLAY"

Monitor: Mrs. Clara Courson and **daughters Nina and Louise,** had the privilege of witnessing the famous Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany. The play, which portrays the life of Christ and his teachings was inaugurated by the villagers in 1634 as a festival of thanksgiving for immunity from famine and disease. The "Christus Drama", the name the people of Oberammergau gave the play, is produced eveny ten years. The last performance however was held in 1910, the play not being repeated in 1920 because of the ravages of the war.

Determination to retain the centuries-old custom causd the Bavarian villagers to resume the performance after 12 years' time. This was not an easy thing to do because the theatre and scenery had greatly depreciated during the war and a vast expenditure was necessary to repair the damage.

The festival extends from May 14 to Sept. 24 and it is believed thousands from all parts of the world will attend. The role of the "Christus" is played by Anton Lang, who has acted the part on several previous occasions. The role is not an easy one by any means. A cross weighing one hundred and fifty pounds must be carried for fifteen minutes on the way to Gethsemane. In the crucifixion scene the Christ must remain fastened to the cross for 20 minutes. There is danger of heart failure every time an actor plays in scene and it is said that one false move during the Descent from the Cross, causing the blood to rush to the head, would cost him his life. All of the women's roles are taken by virgins.

Anton Lang is quoted as expressing the hope that "not only our friends but some of our enemies as well will come to Oberammergau to witness the most stirring tragedy the world has ever known—the fundemental thought of which is brotherly love and Christian forgiveness."

Mrs. Courson writes the following concering the witnessing of the famous pagant:

We came to Oberammergau the 15 of May and are spending a week here. We thought it would be interesting to see the village and people before the crowds got nere. While in Berlin we got reservations on the "Saxonia" sailing from Cherebourg the 15th of June.

Yesterday was beautiful and every one got up early. By 4 o'clock the people began to gather round the ticket office. By six there must have been two or three hundred in front of it. People from the surrounding country came in carriages or on bicycles or on foot, and many of those people had to stand. Every one that has a bed engaged in the village has a seat. Each householder is given a ticket for a seat, for each person that is staying inh is home.

The building seats 4500, with standing room for 500, and I think every foot of space was occupied. The doors opened about seven, and the play began at eight, there an intermission from 12 to 2 and it ended at six. The performance was continuous, and it was perfect, and it would be easy to picka grand opera company from the chorus.

The players are in the open unless it rains when a canvass is stretched over them. Our hostess has a granddaughter in the play. All the men and little boys in the families that take part have long hair and it is very becoming to most of them. One day we met Anton Lang. He certainly has a very fine personality and he speaks very good English.

To Mrs. Henry Brater,
To Carl Herrmann.

The following is a list of those that cultivated corn in your fields Friday forenoon, June 9, 1922.

F. C. Sprau
L. Foss
U. J. Cooper
Clark Chove
Hy Wendel
C. J. Janssen
Gerald Janssen
H. Fischer Jrr. (for Frank Guth)
Fred Ruiter (for W. J. Hartfelder)
Frank Guth
Gerald Braga (for Jim Faaborg)
Wm. Morris
Roy Halfpop
J. D. Meinderts
Edw. Halfpop
Doland Butz
C. F. Ralston
Elmer Nissen
Carl Olson
Alfred Alson
Ernest Eckhoff
Ben Boelman
Herbert Koehler
Abbe Meints
Frank Nissen
Carl Eckhoff (with Carl Hermann horses)

Many more offered to come but we advised them that they might be needed more some other time.

Fischer & Muller donated sugar and lemons for lemonade, Mr. C. E. Brogan furnished buttermilk, every body appeared more than willing to help, and very good work was done in the field.

We doubt very much if you can realize how many friends you have.

Respectfully,
A. J. Nissen

SATURDAY ENDS IT!

Big June Shoe Sale

Comes to a close Saturday Night June 17th

Big Shoe Savings

Be Here Before Then

Drive Here Tomorrow

Woodruff's
Good Shoes
115 N. Federal
Mason City, Iowa

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

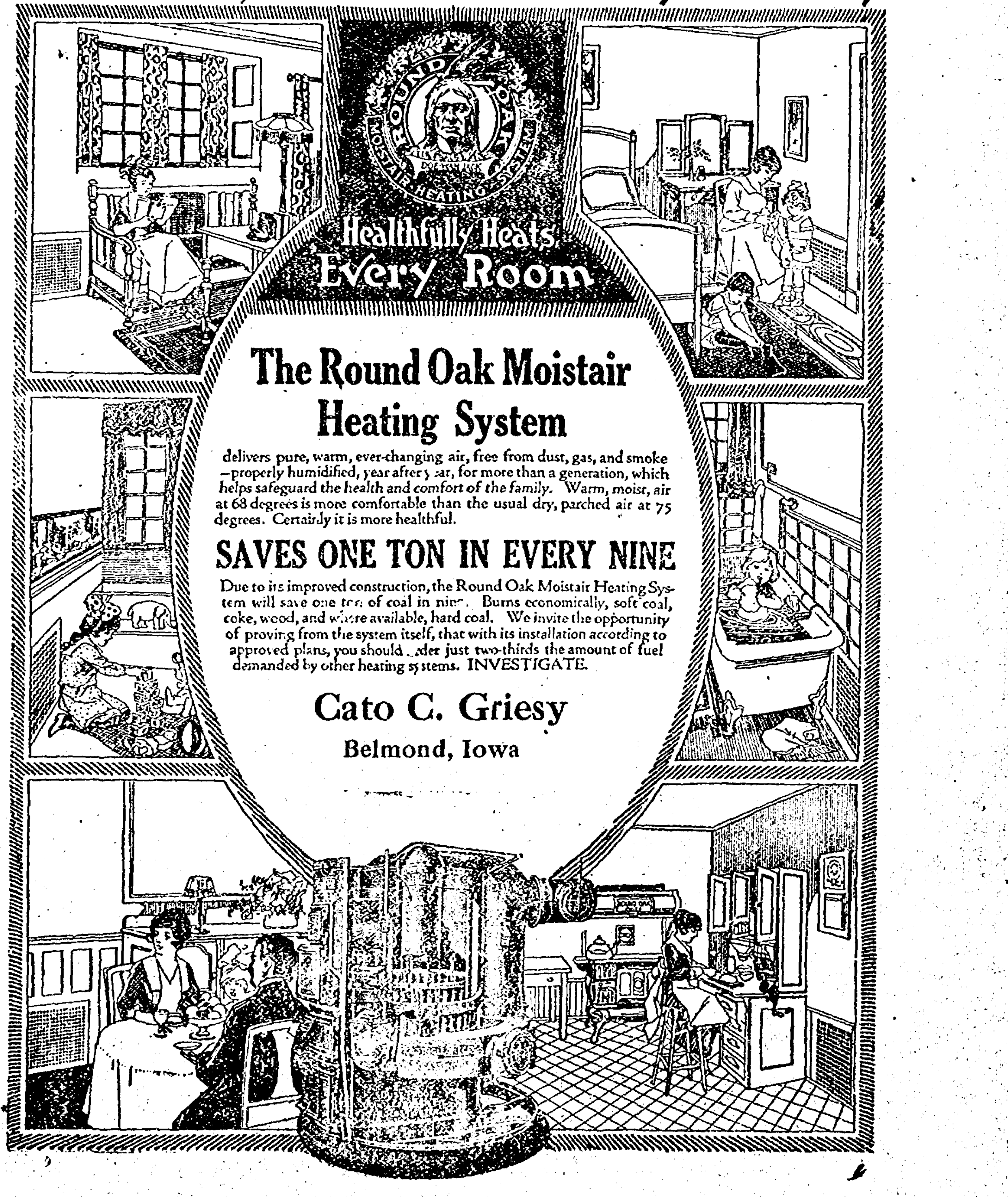
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

QUALITY STYLE SERVICE
Manley's
FACTS ONLY TRUTH ALWAYS

East State Street - Mason City, Iowa

Wise Spending is Knowing When and How to Buy

Dotted Swiss Dresses....$5.75
Imported Scotch Gingham Dresses, neatly trimmed with rick rack and loops....$5.00 and $5.75
Printed Georgette Dresses, dark. Ideal summer dresses, saves laundry and cleaners' bills....$10.75
Printed Crepe de Chine Dresses, very new....$13.75
Imported French Etamine Dresses....$15.00
Sport Suits of Tweed and Wool Jersey....$10.00 to $15.00
A new shipment of Wrappy Coats, silk lined....$18.75
Fibre Silk Scarfs, fringed ends....$2.00 to $3.00
Stone Martin Oppossum Chokers....$2.50
An odd lot navy aud black serge skirts....$2.50
Radium Silk Petticoats, all shades....$5.00
White Canvas Slippers and Oxfords. Some are plain, others patent leather trimmed. Prices $6.00, $5.50 and $4.50



Now is the time for you to SAFEGUARD the comfort and health of your family

The Round Oak Moistair Heating System

delivers pure, warm, ever-changing air, free from dust, gas, and smoke —properly humidified, year after year, for more than a generation, which *helps safeguard the health and comfort of the family.* Warm, moist, air at 68 degrees is more comfortable than the usual dry, parched air at 75 degrees. Certainly it is more healthful.

SAVES ONE TON IN EVERY NINE

Due to its improved construction, the Round Oak Moistair Heating System will save one ton of coal in nine. Burns economically, soft coal, coke, wood, and where available, hard coal. We invite the opportunity of proving from the system itself, that with its installation according to approved plans, you should order just two-thirds the amount of fuel demanded by other heating systems. INVESTIGATE.

Cato C. Griesy
Belmond, Iowa

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Postmaster Smith left Wednesday for Laydsmith, Wisconsin for a short visit at the home of his son, Hugh and family.

Herman Ostendorf and Herman Dirks who have been attending College at Pella returned home Friday for their summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendell motored to Mason City on business and shopping matters.

Simon Fischer and family moved into the rooms above the Fischer and Wickershiem store last week.

Miss Willamina Loats returned home Friday after spending a week with friends at Pella and attending the graduating exercises.

The Misses Irena Guth and Marie Fischer returned home Friday from Naperville Illinois where they have attended college.

Rev. and Mrs. Beckman of Renwick were here on Thursday to attend the funeral services of Henry Brator.

Jennie Meinderts returned home with her sister, Mrs. Andrew Nelson for a few days visit at Klemme and vicinity.

Among those present at the R. Boelman home Sunday were H. Mennenga's, Wessel Braener and family of Belmond.

Mrs. John Ruiter spent Sunday and Monday with her folks at Latimer returning home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Barkema and family spent Saturday evening at the parental home here

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson of Klemme were callers here Saturday evening.

This country was visited by a nice shower of rain Monday evening.

Andrew Faaburg who was on the sick list is reported better at this writing.

Miss Tillie Pals was a Sunday guest at the H. K. Pals home.

Mrs. H. K. Pals and children were at Thornton having dental work done on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Pals returned on Saturday from Pella, Iowa. They were accompanied home by their son, H. Pals for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. H, Dirks were at Mason City Sunday visiting Mrs. Henry Dirks who is still in the hospital there.

For Sale or Rent—My 8 room house and all lots, see Emma Stadtlander, Meservey, Iowa.

Notice

Having purchased a Thoroughbred Guernsey Sire. All those who desire his service a fee of $3.00 will be charged—Peter H. Pals, Meservey, Iowa.

FOR RENT—2 farms of 160 acres each see Emma Stadtlander, Meservey, Iowa. 28tfc

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stadtlander were Sunday callers at Alexander where they spent the day at his brother's home, Chris Stadtlander. They were accompained by the former's mother.

Mrs. Wilkins and daughters, Genevieve and Leonore spent Sunday at the Bert Lauen home.

Rev. and Mrs. Beckmann of Renwick, Iowa were calling on Meservey friends one day las week.

A large number of the American Legion boys of Meservey attended the funeral of C. Porter at Thurnton Tuesday.

PLAN FOUR BIG PICNICS

TheCerro Gordo Farm Bureau are planning for 4 picnics to be held on June 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd. The picnic on June 19th will be held at the R. H. Holt farm north of Clear Lake. This picnic will take in Grant, Clear Lake, and Lincoln townships. A full line of sports is being planned and a ball game is being arranged for. The speaker, as on all other picnics, will be Mr. E. F. Graff, Assistant County Agent Leader from Ames. Mr. Graff's subject will be "The Accomplishments and Program of the Farm Bureau.

On Tuesday the picnic in the south east district will be held, including the townships of Dougherty, Owen, Genesee and Bath, at Joe Kelly's place just south of Rockwell. A full program is being planned for this picnic including a ball game and sports of all kinds.

The picnic Wednesday will be held at Thornton and will take in the townships of Grimes, Pleasant Valley, Mt. Vernon and Union.

The 4th picnic taking in the townships of Falls, Portland, Lime Creek and Mason will be held at the D. A. Gildner farm at Rock Falls on Thu., June 22. Mr. Graff will talk at each of these picnics and will outline in detail the things that have already been completed.. It is hoped that every member and in fact everyone interested in farm organization will attempt to get to one of these picnics.

OBITUARY

John Henry Brater was born Nov. 16th 1868, Lancester Township, Keokuk County Iowa. Was united in marriage with Anna Hermann March 11, 1903; to this union were born two sons. He moved to a farm near Belmond 10 years ago. Four years later he moved to Meservey. He joined the church of the Evangelical Association February 1917 and by his presence and means supported to the best of his ability. He passed away in the hospital at Belmond (where he had undergone an operation for infection of the gall bladder) without knowing that his sister-in-law, Mrs. Carl Hermann had preceded him by about 18 hours on the same day, June 6th. He reached the age of 53 years, 6 months and 20 days. He leaves a widow, 2 sons 4 sisters and many other relatives and a large circle of friends.

OBITUARY

Gertrude Arlington Hermann daughter of Chris and Emma Siechti, was born Feburary 13 1892 at Sigourney, Iowa. Was married to Carl Hermann June 10th, 1918 moving to Meservey in the same year. Mrs. Hermann has been active in church work, having been Y. P. A. president, president of Y. W. M. C. and S. S. teacher and was loved by all. Her untimely end came on June 6th, aged 30 years 3 months and 23 days.

She passed away without fear death for her trust had been placed in Him who had been victorious over death and the grave and thus robbed death of its sting and the grave of its power.

Besides a great circle of friends and relatives who mourn her early departure she leaves her husband one brother, one sister and a father.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank those who were so kind to us during our recent bereavements. Also for the flural offerings and for the field work done by kind friends.

Carl Herrmann
Mrs. Henry Brater
and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bachman were in Meservey Monday visiting relatives.

Mr. Ed Jenison of Belmond came Saturday for a short visit at Floyd Thayer home and to get acquainted with his new granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Eden returned from Rochester, Minn., Monday, where Mr. Eden it taking medical treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pals and son, Elmer motored to Pella last week to attend the graduating exercises of their son, Hiko. They returned home Saturday and were accompanied by their son who will spend his vacation here at home.

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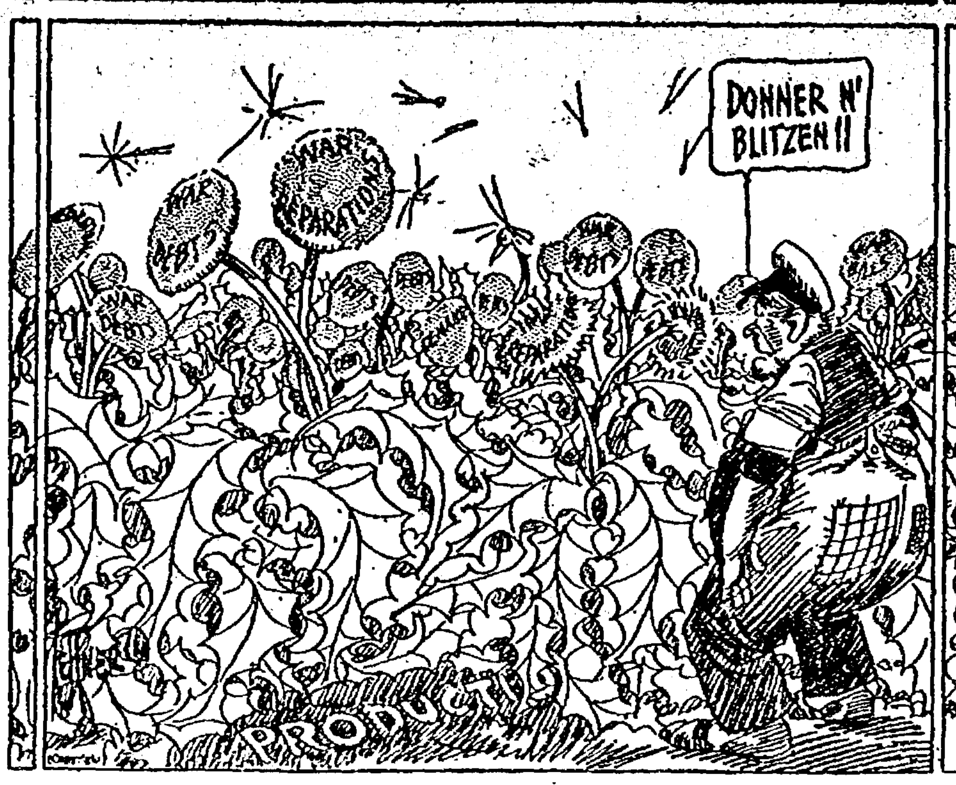

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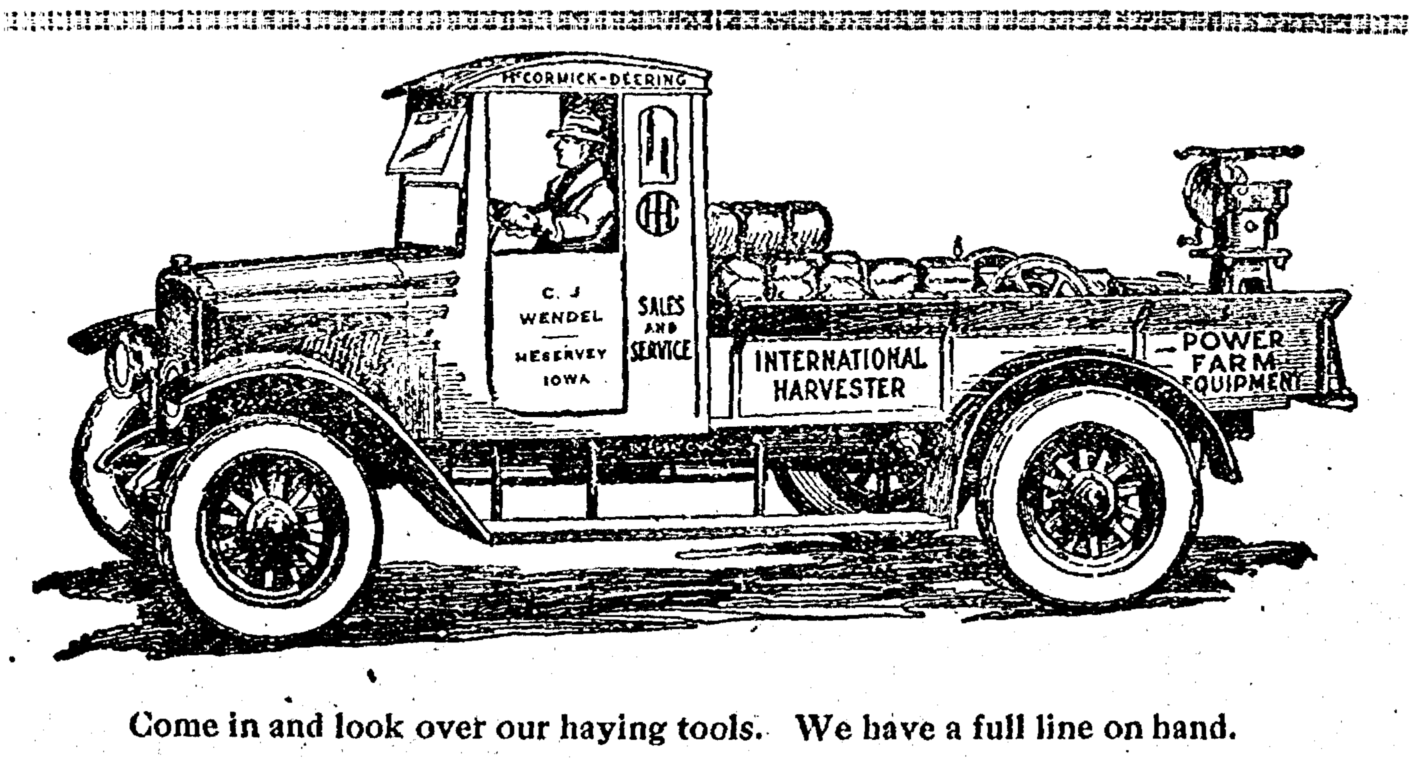

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C. J. Wendel

Christine Brown Harras and two children, Robert and Rose Mary of Chicago and her two sisters, Rose and Anna of Fort Dodge are visiting at the Unverferth home and with other relatives.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at the usual hours.

Saturday June 11th evening Rev. H. J. Faust will be with us for the quarterly business conference. Communion services Sunday morning.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15
Services (German) 1015
Young peoples' meeting 7:15
Services (German) 8:00

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, usiness Agent

Alexander Local News

John F. Bell was transacting business at Belmond Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed and children were visitors at Belmond last Sunday.

Ben Hensel of Webster City is visiting at the Oscar Hensel home this week.

Mrs. Fred Frohling and children of Belmond visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte last Saturday.

Leonard Arends, who has been attending college at Dubuque has returned home to spend his summer vacation.

NOTICE!

Wm. Foughty baroer shop will carefully handle all plain and fancy Dry Cleaning and Pressing. Agency for New Belmond Tailor Shop.

The friends and neighbors of Clay Klinefelter turned out Thursday and assisted in plowing his sixty acres of corn. About 25 teams were in the field.

George D. Pals and daughter, Miss Jennie of near Belmond were callers in town last Friday.

William Vestweber of Belmond was a business caller here last week.

John Arends and sons, Bennie and Jesse autoed to Ackley Sunday and were in attendance at the conference held at that place.

Rev. and Mrs. Edd Arends and daughter, Anette of Le Sueur, Minn., have spent the past week with relatives at Alexander.

Carl Greenfield transacted business at Belmond last Tuesday.

Miss Gale Tompson of Palsville spent the past week at the A. C. Lieuwen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals and children, Henrietta and Peter were Sunday visitors at the Simon Bohning home at Belmond.

Mrs. Claas Symens was a caller at Belmond last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were Dows callers Monday.

John Arends was a business caller at Belmond Friday.

Mrs. Fred Frohling of Belmond visited with relatives at Alexander the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter, Leona of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Nels Larsen home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Clark and sons, Donald and Lyle left Sunday for Minneapolis where they will visit for some time.

Miss Vivian Meierbachtol of Tripoli has been visiting with friends at Alexander the past week.

GREATEST BOYS' AND GIRLS' FAIR PLANNED FOR 1922

With cash prizes totaling over $8,952 offered in the various departments of the Junior Iowa State Fair, greater interest than ever before is being manifested by the boys and girls of the state in this branch of the 1922 exposition at Des Moines.

The boys' and girls' club classifications at the fair this year are the largest ever arranged. Premium offerings have been made so liberal and the advantages from the standpoint of education and experience to be obtained so numerous that indications are every progressive farmer in the state will endeavor to have at least one of his boys or girls enter some of the competitions.

As in former years, free dormitory privileges will be provided for all boys and girls entering competitions in the club departments. A separate dormitory for the boys ad one for the girls have been provided, completely equipped with conveniences, and will be turned over to these juniors during the entire period of the exposition. Boys and girls will be required to bring their own blankets, etc., but cots and housing will be given free of charge. Proper chaperonage will be provided by the State Fair management.

Another great feature of the boys and girls' department will be the big Club Pageant which will be held on Wednesday, August 30. It will pass before the grand stand in the following divisions: 1. Demonstration teams; 2. Judging teams; 3. Boys' Camp groups; 4. Girls' Camp groups; 5. County delegations; 6. Club delegations; 7. Special co-operative delegations.

Others in Pageant

Health Crusaders, Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls will have a part in the pageant and assist in the organization of the parade.

Entries will close August 1 in the Calf Feeding Contest, Pure Bred Heifer Club, Iowa Boys and Girls' Pig Club, and Boys and Girls Sheep Department. Entries clos Aug. 16 for poultry and Aug. 21 for all other divisions.

Copies of Boys and Girls' Premium book and entry blanks for all departments may be obtained free of charge by writing to Secretary A. R. Corey, Iowa State Fair, Des Moines.

COMMUNITY PAGEANT, ALDEN

Wednesday, June 21, is to be a great day in Alden, and will be of interest to all surrounding towns. About 200 citizens are to be put on the community Pageant, "American Yesterday and Today." The beautiful Alden Park is to be the scene of the event, and it is proposed to build a temporary bridge across the Iowa river by the park to add to the effective setting of the various Episodes. An experienced director has been engaged from away to drill and put on the Pageant, and the whole town is getting behind the affair to make it one of the most elaborate efforts ever attempted by its citizens. Alden will probably be the Mecca of pilgrams from every part of the county and beyond on that day. If the day should be rainy, the next fair day will be used.

THE KIND THAT COUNT

If you take a walk about town you will find men out of work because they are looking for something that does not exist—a soft job.

During the past few months we have read and heard a great deal about the unemployed. But it strikes us the unemployed off the pay roll is no menace compared with the unemployed on the pay roll. It is hard for some men to realize the war is over and the battle for success is on.

This is the "come-back year," and the fellow who will come back in 1922 is the fellow who will work for all he is worth. Looking for an easy berth, or a better job somewhere else is like looking for a whangdoodle. There is no such animal.

There are some men who are right making the biggest strides toward success that they have ever made. They are the men who are paying no attention to the complaining grouches and chronic seekers for soft snaps. They are pitching in and earning the confidence of the management, by the right kind of co-operation and the best kind of service.

The man who has the real desire to get ahead has greater opportunities today than when we were crazy with cash and insane with the idea of spending it.—Exchange.

THE $1,000,000,000 LOAN.

Chicago Tribune: Whatever we may think of the economic wisdom or error of the international bankers' prospective $1,000,000,000 loan to Germany, there is something to be said for it as indicating a tendency to solve the business problems of Europe by business methods rather than by political and diplomatic intrigue.

The idea of canceling European debts to America or of making new government loans to European countries with money obtained by force, which is to say by taxation, from American citizens has been thoroughly repudiated in this country. The idea of an American banking house such as J. P. Morgan & Co., selling bonds for a bankers' loan to Germany or any other European country is distinctly better than the idea of a government loan to be paid off when, and if, the borrower desiros. At least with the bankers' loan we can provide the money by purchase of bonds or not as we desire. That is a matter for the individual American investor to decide for himself.

The government loan would mean additional financial entanglements with Europe in spite of ourselves. The bankers' loan should mean no such entanglements and no governmental responsibility in this country for collection. The nature of the security on which such a loan should be made should be a matter for the bankekrs to determine. The value of such securities should be a matter for potential investors in this country to determine. If potential investors are satisfied and prefer to invest their money abroad through J. P. Morgan & Co., rather than to invest it in America, perhaps at lower interest, that is their affair.

Perhaps Mr. Morgan believes that by returning Germany to prosperity he will speed up all international trade and prosperity.

Whatever may be his reasons or motives he is on the way to making a loan based upon definite securities which he will insist upon being good before the money changes hands. Perhaps politics and diplomacy will enter into the task of defining these securities, but no Genoa or Hauge meeting will alter their value when once defined. European politics and diplomacy are now attempting to fix distribution of the loan, but that is about as far as they will go. Altogether the bankers' conference appears to have been much more an economic conference than that recently held at Genoa. It is probable that it will limit the use of money loaned to constructive purposes, that it will limit the European habit of printing new currency whenever it needs marks or francs or rubles. The prospect is undoubtedly improved. It may mean the beginning of a new epoch and prove the most significant development since the armistice.

FARM HOME ROBBED

Chronicle: Culprits entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heuberger, who reside one mile west ot Chapin, last Monday, while they were at the polls casting their votes, and made away with a ring, two gold watches, a revolver and a small amount of money.

Mr. and Mrs. Heuberger met two young men on the road on their way home from Chapin, whom they believe were the men responsible for the robbery. They also report that the men answered to the description of two men who were arrested here a few days ago for jumping a board bill.

ACCIDENT CAUSES DEATH

A fatal auto accident occured one and one-half miles northwest of Forest City, Sunday afternoon last, when a rebuilt Ford car driven by Mae Lein turned turtle, catching Ione Cassell, who was riding with her under it, inflicting injuries from which she died two hours later. The driver Miss Lein, sustained a broken arm and several bad body injuries. The dead girl was a member of the Junior class of the Forest City High school and played a star game as guard on the girls basket ball team, the season past. MissLein was an inexperienced driver, and the supposition is that when she struck a high approach to a bridge, which swerved the car toward a ditch, in her confusion she cramped the wheels too far with the result that the auto was overturned.—Reporter.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

The prairies of southwestern Hancock and northwestern Wright are dotted all over with herds of cattle. Thousands of head from other parts of the state are being herded there. Herding cattle seems to be quite profitable business. One young man who had previously worked by the month and saved up about $100 a year, last year run a herd on his own hook and cleared $1000 with which he bought a quarter section. This year the same party has 1,800 head to care for. He receives $1,00 a head.—Garner Signal, May 31, 1882

ADVERTISING

Advertisements are funny things sometimes, as, for example, these, which were actually printed:

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"I will make coats, caps and boas for ladies out of their own skins."

"I want an overseer who can take care of 5,000 sheep who can speak French fluently."

"Wanted: A girl who can cook; one who will make a good stew."

"I want a husband with a strong Roman nose with strong religious tendencies."

"I will sell a fiddle of old wood that I made out of my own head and have wood left enough for another."

"For sale:- A small stock of the same whiskey drunk by His Majesty on his recent visit to Dublin."

Lost—Black pocketbook containing $20 and a cow with red spot on shoulder. Finder call at No. 22—— St. and receive reward. Also a bruise on fore leg.

Found—A purse by woman containing two keys and a ten dollar bill.

Wanted—Man to wash windows and office boy.

Notice to blind people who read this ad: I can restore your sight without operation. B. I. G. Phool, Oculist.

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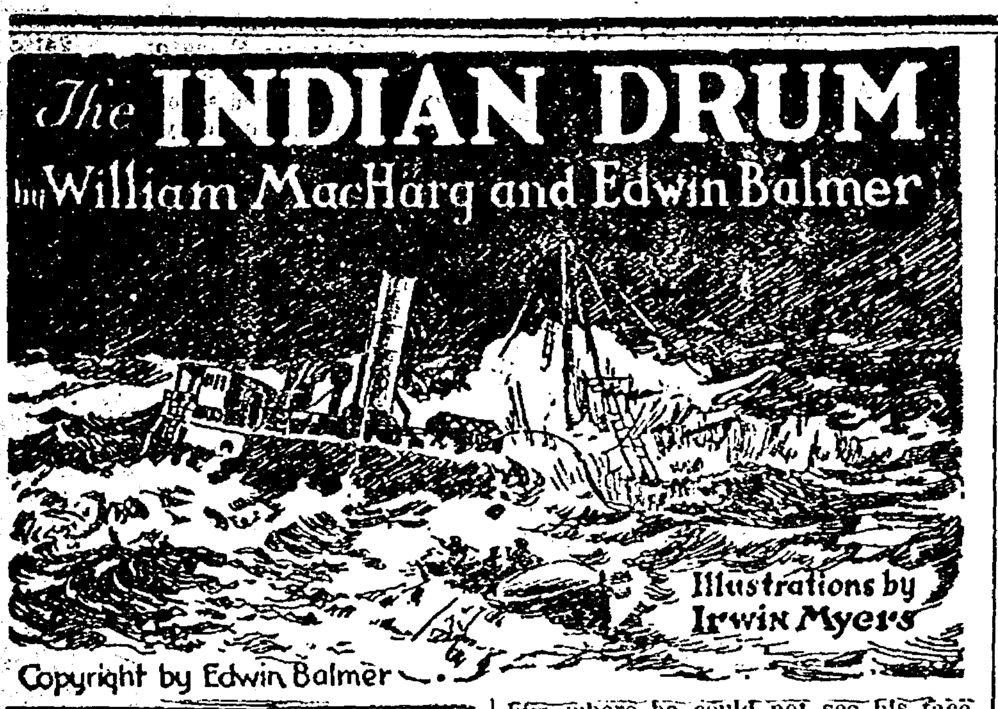

The INDIAN DRUM

by William MacHarg and Edwin Balmer

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

Alan went back to the first floor and into the smaller library. The room was dark with the early winter dusk, and he switched on the light; then he knelt and pulled out one of the drawers he had seen Spearman searching through the night before, and carefully examined the papers in it one by one, but found them only ordinary papers. He pulled the drawer completely out and sounded the wall behind it and the partitions on both sides but they appeared solid. He put the drawer back in and went on to examine the next one, and, after that, the others. The clocks in the house had been wound, for presently the clock in the library struck six, and another in the hall chimed slowly. An hour later, when the clocks chimed again, Alan looked up and saw Wassaquam's small black eyes, deep set in their large eye sockets, fixed on him intently through the door. How long the Indian had been there, Alan could not guess; he had not heard his step.

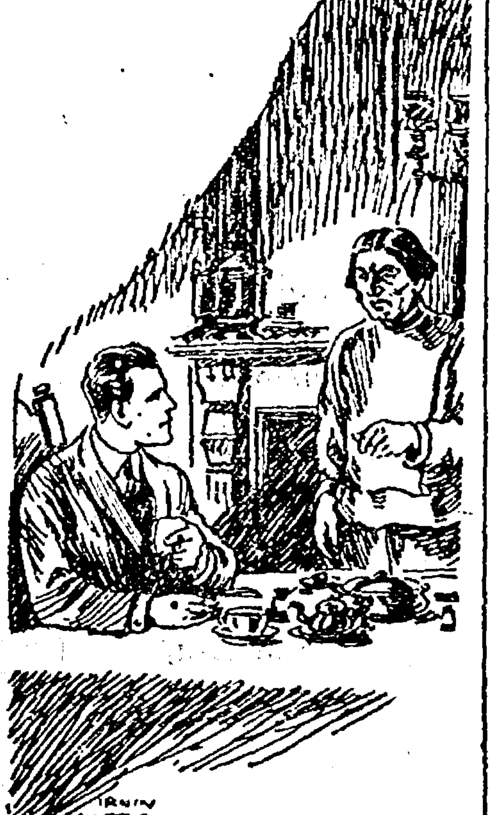
"What are you looking for, Alan?" the Indian asked.

Alan reflected a moment. "Mr. Sherrill thought that Mr. Corvet might have left a record of some sort here for me, Judah. Do you know of anything like that?"

"No. That is what you are looking for?"

"Yes. Do you know of any place where Mr. Corvet would have been likely to put away anything like that?"

"Ben put papers in all these drawers; he put them upstairs, too—where you have seen."



"You're a Chippewa, Aren't You, Judah?" Alan Asked.

"Nowhere else, Judah?"

"If he put things anywhere else, Alan, I have not seen. Dinner is served, Alan."

Alan went to the lavatory on the first floor and washed the dust from his hands and face; then he went into the dining room. Wassaquam, having served the dinner, took his place behind Alan's chair, ready to pass him what he needed; but the Indian's silent, watchful presence there behind him where he could not see his face, disturbed Alan, and he twisted himself about to look at him.

"Would you mind, Judah," he inquired, "if I asked you to stand over there instead of where you are?"

The Indian, without answering, moved around to the other side of the table, where he stood facing Alan.

"You're a Chippewa, aren't you, Judah?" Alan asked.

"Yes."

"Your people live at the other end of the lake, don't they?"

"Yes, Alan."

"Have you ever heard of the Indian Drum they talk about up there, that they say sounds when a ship goes down on the lake?"

The Indian's eyes sparkled excitedly. "Yes," he said.

"Do you believe in it?"

"Not just believe; I know. Everybody knows that it sounds for those who die on the lake. I have heard it. It sounded for my father."

"How was that?"

"Like this. My father sold some bullocks to a man on Beaver Island. The man kept store on Beaver Island, Alan. No Indian liked him. He would not hand anything to an Indian or wrap anything in paper for an Indian. Say it was like this: An Indian comes in to buy salt pork. First the man would get the money. Then, Alan, he would take his hook and pull the pork up out of the barrel and throw it on the dirty floor for the Indian to pick up. He said Indians must take their food off of the floor—like dogs.

"My father had to take the bullocks to the man, across to Beaver Island. At first the Indians did not know who the bullocks were for, so they helped him. When they found out the bullocks were for the man on Beaver Island, the Indians would not help him any longer. He had to take them across alone. Besides, it was bad weather, the beginning of a storm.

"He went away, and my mother went to pick berries—I was small then. Pretty soon I saw my mother coming back. She had no berries, and her hair was hanging down, and she was wailing. She took me in her arms and said my father was dead. Other Indians came around and asked her how she knew, and she said she heard the Drum. The Indians found my father's body."

"Did you ever hear of a ship called the Miwaka, Judah?"

"That was long ago," the Indian answered.

"They say that the Drum beat wrong when the Miwaka went down—that it was one beat short of the right number."

"That was long ago," Wassaquam merely repeated.

"Did Mr. Corvet ever speak to you about the Miwaka?"

"No; he asked me once if I had ever heard the Drum. I told him."

Wassaquam removed the dinner and brought Alan a dessert. He returned to stand in the place across the table that Alan had assigned to him, and stood looking down at Alan, steadily and thoughtfully.

"Do I look like any one you ever saw before, Judah?" Alan inquired of him.

"No."

"Is that what you are thinking?"

"That is what I was thinking. Will coffee be served in the library, Alan?"

Alan crossed to the library and seated himself in the chair where his father had been accustomed to sit. Wassaquam brought him the single small cup of coffee, lit the spirit lamp on the smoking stand and moved that over; then he went away. When he had finished his coffee, Alan went into the smaller connecting room and recommenced his examination of the drawers under the bookshelves. At ten o'clock, Alan stopped his search and went back to the chair in the library. He dozed; for he awoke with a start and a feeling that some one had been bending over him, and gazed up into Wassaquam's face. The Indian had been scrutinizing him with intent, anxious inquiry. He moved away, but Alan called him back.

"When Mr. Corvet disappeared, Judah, you went to look for him up at Manistique, where he was born—at least Mr. Sherrill said that was where you went. Why did you think you might find him there?" Alan asked.

"In the end, I think, a man maybe goes back to the place where he began. That's all, Alan."

"In the end! What do you mean by that? What do you think has become of Mr. Corvet?"

"I think now—Ben's dead."

"What makes you think that?"

"Nothing makes me think; I think it myself."

"I see. You mean you have no reason more than others for thinking it; but that is what you believe."

"Yes." Wassaquam went away, and Alan heard him on the back stairs, ascending to his room.

When Alan went up to his own room, after making the rounds to see that the house was locked, a droning chant came to him from the third floor. He paused in the hall and listened, then went up to the floor above. A flickering light came to him through the half-open door of a room at the front of the house; he went a little way toward it and looked in. Two thick candles were burning before a crucifix, below which the Indian knelt, prayer book in hand and rocking to and fro as he droned his supplications.

A word or two came to Alan, but without them Wassaquam's occupation was plain; he was praying for the repose of the dead—the Catholic chant taught to him, as it had been taught undoubtedly to his fathers, by the French Jesuits of the lakes. The intoned chant for Corvet's soul, by the man who had heard the Drum, followed and still came to Alan, as he returned to the second floor.

He had not been able to determine, during the evening, Wassaquam's attitude toward him. Having no one else to trust, Alan had been obliged to put a certain amount of trust in the Indian; so as he had explained to Wassaquam that morning that the desk and the drawers in the little room off Corvet's had been forced, and had warned him to see that no one, who had not proper business there, entered the house. Wassaquam had appeared to accept this order; but now Wassaquam had implied that it was not because of Alan's order that he had refused reporters admission to the house.

Alan started and went quickly to the open door of his room, as he heard voices now somewhere within the house. One of the voices he recognized as Wassaquam's; the other indistinct, thick, accusing—was unknown to him; it certainly was not Spearman's. He descended swiftly to the first floor, and found Wassaquam standing in the front hall, alone.

"Who was here, Judah?" Alan demanded.

"A man," the Indian answered stolidly. "He was drunk; I put him out."

"What did he come for?"

"He came to see Ben. I put him out; he is gone, Alan."

Alan flung open the front door and looked out, but he saw no one.

"What did he want of Mr. Corvet, Judah?"

"I do not know. I told him Ben was not here; he was angry, but he went away."

"Has he ever come here before?"

"Yes; he comes twice."

"He has been here twice?"

"More than that; every year he comes twice, Alan. Once he came oftener."

"How long has he been doing that?"

"Since I can remember."

"Is he a friend of Mr. Corvet?"

"No friend—no!"

"But Mr. Corvet saw him when he came here?"

"Always, Alan."

"And you don't know at all what he came about?"

"How should I know? No; I do not."

Alan got his coat and hat. The sudden disappearance of the man might mean only that he had hurried away, but it might mean, too, that he was still lurking near the house. Alan had decided to make the circuit of the house and determine that. But as he came out on to the porch, a figure more than a block away to the south strode with uncertain step out into the light of a street lamp, halted and faced about, and shook his fist back at the house. Alan dragged the Indian out on to the porch.

"Is that the man, Judah?" he demanded.

"Yes, Alan."

Alan ran down the steps and at full speed after the man. But when he reached the corner, he was nowhere in sight. Alan retraced his steps for several blocks, still looking; then he gave it up and returned east toward the Drive.

The side street leading to the Drive was not well lighted; dark entry ways and alleys opened on it; but the night was clear. Alan could see at the end of the street, beyond the yellow glow of the distant boulevard lights, the smooth, chill surface of the lake. A white light rode above it; now, below the white light, he saw a red speck—the masthead and port lanterns of a steamer northward bound. Farther out, a second white glow appeared from behind the obscuration of the buildings and below it a green speck—a starboard light. Information he had gained enabled him to recognize in these lights two steamers passing one another at the harbor mouth.

His thoughts turned to Constance Sherrill. Events since he had talked with her that morning had put them far apart once more; but, in another way, they were being drawn closer together. For he knew now that she was caught as well as he in the mesh of consequences of acts not their own.

He staggered, slipped, fell suddenly forward upon his knees, under a stunning, crushing blow upon his head from behind. Thought, consciousness almost lost, he struggled, twisting himself about to grasp at his assailant. He caught the man's clothing, trying to drag himself up; fighting blindly, dazedly, unable to see or think, he shouted aloud and then again, aloud. He seemed in the distance to hear answering cries; but the weight and strength of the other was bearing him down again to his knees; he tried to slip aside from it, to rise. Then another blow, crushing and sickening, descended on his head; even hearing left him and, unconscious, he fell forward on to the snow and lay still.

CHAPTER IX.

A Walk Beside the Lake.

"The name seems like Sherrill," the interne agreed. "He said it before when we had him on the table upstairs; and he has said it now twice distinctly—Sherrill."

"His name, do you think?"

"I shouldn't say so; he seems trying to speak to some one named Sherrill. There are only four Sherrills in the telephone book, two of them in Evanston and one way out in Minoota."

"The other?"

"They're only about six blocks from where he was picked up; but they're on the Drive—the Lawrence Sherrills."

The interne whistled softly and looked more interestedly at his patient's features. "He'll be conscious some time during the day, there's only a slight fracture, and—perhaps you'd better call the Sherrill house, anyway. If he's not known there, no harm done; and if he's one of their friends and he should . . ."

The nurse nodded and moved off.

Thus it was that at a quarter to five Constance Sherrill was awakened by the knocking of one of the servants at her father's door. Her father went down stairs to the telephone instrument where he might reply without disturbing Mrs. Sherrill. Constance, kimona over her shoulders, stood at the top of the stairs and waited. It became plain to her at once that whatever had happened had been to Alan Conrad.

"Yes. . . . Yes. . . . You are giving him every possible care? . . . At once."

She ran part way down the stairs and met her father as he came up. He told her of the situation briefly.

"He was attacked on the street late last night; he was unconscious when they found him and took him to the hospital, and has been unconscious ever since. No one can say yet how seriously he is injured."

She waited in the hall while her father dressed, after calling the garage on the house telephone for him and ordering the motor. When he had gone, she returned anxiously to her rooms; he had promised to call her after reaching the hospital and as soon as he had learned the particulars of Alan's condition. It was ridiculous, of course, to attach any responsibility to her father or herself for what had happened to Alan—a street attack such as might have happened to any one—yet she felt that they were in part responsible. They had let him go to live alone in the house in Astor street with no better adviser than Wassaquam. Now, and perhaps because they had not warned him, he had met injury and, it might be, more than mere injury; he might be dying.

Something which had disturbed and excited Alan had happened to him on the first night he had passed in that house; and now, it appeared, he had been prevented from passing a second night there. What had prevented him had been an attempted robbery upon the street, her father had said. But suppose it had been something else than robbery.

She could not formulate more definitely this thought, but it persisted; she could not deny it entirely and shake it off.

To Alan Conrad, in the late afternoon of that day, this same thought was coming far more definitely and far more persistently. He had been awake and sane since shortly after noonday. The pain of a head which ached throbbingly and of a body bruised and sore was beginning to give place to a feeling merely of lassitude—a languor which revisited incoherence upon him when he tried to think. The man who had assailed him had meant to kill; he had not been any ordinary robber. That purpose, blindly recognized and fought against by Alan in their struggle, had been unmistakable. Only the chance presence of passersby, who had heard Alan's shouts and responded to them, had prevented the execution of his purpose, and had driven the man to swift flight for his own safety.

A little before six Constance Sherrill and Spearman called to inquire after him and were admitted for a few moments to his room. She came to him, bent over him, while she spoke the few words of sympathy the nurse allowed to her; she stood back then while Spearman spoke to him. In the succeeding days he saw her nearly every day, accompanied always by her father or Spearman; it was the full two weeks the doctors had insisted on his remaining in the hospital before he saw her alone.

They had brought him home, the day before—she and her father, in the motor—to the house on Astor street. He had insisted on returning there, refusing the room in their house which they had offered; but the doctor had enjoined outdoors and moderate exercise for him, and she had made him promise to come and walk with her. He went to the Sherrill house about ten o'clock, and they walked northward toward the park.

"There is something I have been wanting to ask you," she said.

"Yes."

"That night when you were hurt—it was for robbery, they said. What do you think about it?" She watched him as he looked at her and then away; but his face was completely expressionless.

"The proceedings were a little too rapid for me to judge, Miss Sherrill."

"But there was no demand upon you to give over your money before you were attacked?"

"No."

She breathed a little more quickly. "It must be a strange sensation," she observed, "to know that some one has tried to kill you."

"It must, indeed."

"You mean you didn't think that he tried to kill you?"

"I was hardly in a condition, Miss Sherrill, to appreciate anything about the man at all. Why do you ask?"

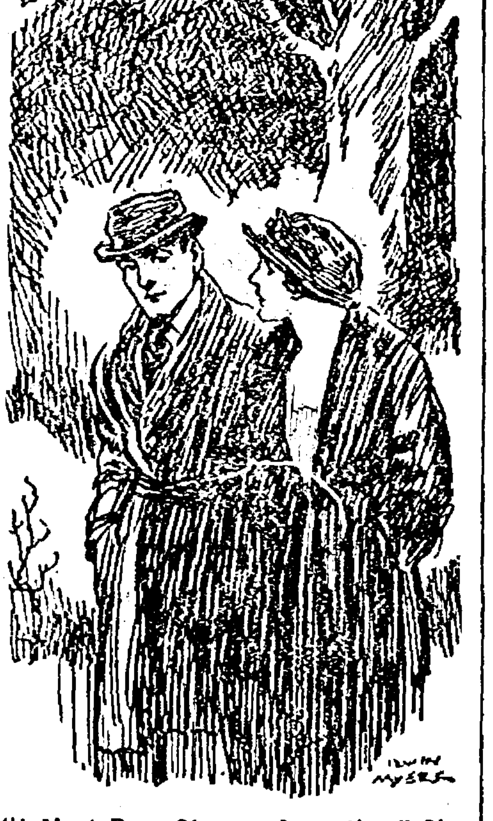
"Because—" She hesitated an instant. "If you were attacked to be killed, it meant that you must have been attacked as the son of—Mr. Corvet. Then that meant—at least it implied—that Mr. Corvet was killed, that he did not go away. You see that, of course."

"Were you the only one who thought that? Or did some one speak to you about it?"

"No one did; I spoke to father. He thought—"

"Yes."

"Well, if Mr. Corvet was murdered—I'm following what father thought, you understand—it involved something a good deal worse perhaps than anything that could have been involved if he had only gone away. The facts we had made it certain that—if what had happened to him was death at the hands of another—he must have foreseen that death and, seeking no protection for himself . . . it implied, that he preferred to die rather than to ask protection—that there was something whose concealment he thought mattered even more to him than life. It—it might have meant that he considered his life was . . . due to whomever took it." Her voice, which had become very low, now ceased. She was speaking to Alan of his father—a father whom he had never known, and whom he could not have recognized by sight until she showed him the picture a few weeks before; but she was speaking of his father.



"It Must Be a Strange Sensation," She Observed, "to Know That Someone Has Tried to Kill You."

"Mr. Sherrill didn't feel that it was necessary for him to do anything, even though he thought that?"

"If Mr. Corvet was dead, we could do him no good, surely, by telling this to the police; if the police succeeded in finding out all the facts, we would be doing only what Uncle Benny did not wish—what he preferred death to. We could not tell the police about it without telling them all about Mr. Corvet, too. So father would not let himself believe that you had been attacked to be killed. He had to believe the police theory was sufficient."

Alan made no comment at once. "Wassaquam believes Mr. Corvet is dead," he said finally. "He told me so. Does your father believe that?"

"I think he is beginning to believe it."

"I've not told any one," he said, now watching her, "how I happened to be out of the house that night. I followed a man who came there to the house. Wassaquam did not know his name. He did not know Mr. Corvet was gone; for he came there to see Mr. Corvet. He was not an ordinary friend of Mr. Corvet's; but he had come there often. Wassaquam did not know why. Wassaquam had sent the man away, and I ran out after him; but I could not find him."

He stopped an instant, studying her. "That was not the first man who came to the house," he went on quickly, as she was about to speak. "I found a man in Mr. Corvet's house the first night that I spent there. Wassaquam was away, you remember, and I was alone in the house."

"A man there in the house?" she repeated.

"He was going through Mr. Corvet's things—not the silver and all that, but through his desks and files and cases. He was looking for something—something which he seemed to want very much; when I interfered, it greatly excited him. I frightened him. He thought I was a ghost."

"A ghost. Whose ghost?"

He shrugged. "I don't know; some one whom he seemed to have known pretty well—and whom Mr. Corvet knew, he thought."

"Why didn't you tell us this before?"

"At least—I am telling you now, Miss Sherrill. I frightened him, and he got away. But I had seen him plainly. I can describe him. . . . You've talked with your father of the possibility that something might 'happen' to me such as, perhaps, happened to Mr. Corvet. If anything does happen to me, a description of the man may . . . prove useful."

Then clearly and definitely as he could, he described Spearman to her. She did not recognize the description; he had known she would not. Had not Spearman been in Duluth? Beyond that, was not connection of Spearman with the prowler in Corvet's house the one connection of all most difficult for her to make? But he saw her fixing and recording the description in her mind.

They were silent as they went on toward her home. He had said all he could, or dared to say; to tell her that the man had been Spearman would not merely have awakened her incredulity; it would have destroyed credence utterly. A definite change in their relation to one another had taken place during their walk. The fullness of the sympathy there had been between them almost from their first meeting, had gone; she was quite aware, he saw, that he had not frankly answered her questions; she was aware that in some way he had drawn back from her and shut her out from his thoughts about his own position here. But he had known that this must be so; it had been his first definite realization after his return to consciousness in the hospital when, knowing now her relation to Spearman, he had found all questions which concerned his relations with the people here made immeasurably more acute by the attack upon him.

She asked him to come in and stay for luncheon, as they reached her home, but she asked it without urging; at his refusal she moved slowly up the steps. Looking after him from the window after she had entered the house, she saw him turn the corner in the direction of Astor street.

CHAPTER X.

A Caller.

As the first of the month was approaching, Wassaquam had brought his household bills and budget to Alan that morning directly after breakfast. To furnish Alan with whatever sums he needed, Sherrill had made a considerable deposit in Alan's name in the bank where he carried his own account; and Alan had accompanied Sherrill to the bank to be introduced and had signed the necessary cards in order to check against the deposit.

Alan had required barely half of the hundred dollars which Benjamin Corvet had sent to Blue Rapids, for his expenses in Chicago; and he had brought with him from "home" a hundred dollars of his own.

The amount which Wassaquam now desired to pay the bills was much more than Alan had on hand; but that amount was also much less than the eleven hundred dollars which the servant listed as cash on hand. This, Wassaquam stated, was in currency and kept by him. Benjamin always had had him keep that much in the house; Wassaquam would not touch that sum now for the payment of current expenses.

On the first of the month, therefore, Alan drew upon his new bank account to Wassaquam's order, and in the early afternoon Wassaquam went to the bank to cash his check—one of the very few occasions when Alan had been left in the house alone; Wassaquam's habit, it appeared, was to go about on the first of the month and pay the tradesmen in person.

Some two hours later, and before Wassaquam could have been expected back, Alan, in the room which had become his, was startled by a sound of heavy pounding, which came suddenly to him from a floor below. Shouts—heavy, thick, and unintelligible—mingled with the pounding. He ran swiftly down the stairs, then on and down the service stairs into the basement. The door to the house from the areaway was shaking to irregular, heavy blows, which stopped as Alan reached the lower hallway; the shouts continued still a moment more. Now that the noise of pounding did not interfere, Alan could make out what the man was saying. "Ben Corvet!"—the name was almost unintelligible—"Ben Corvet! Ben!" Then the shouts stopped, too.

Alan sped to the door and turned back the latch. The door bore back upon him, not from a push, but from a weight without which had fallen against it. A big, heavy man, with a rough cap and mackinaw coat, would have fallen upon the floor if Alan had not caught him. His weight in Alan's arms was so dull, so inert, that, if violence had been his intention, there was nothing to be feared from him now. Alan looked up, therefore, to see if any one had come with him. The alley and the street were clear. The snow in the areaway showed that the man had come to the door alone and with great difficulty; he had fallen once upon the walk. Alan dragged the man into the house and went back and closed the door.

He returned and looked at him. The man was like, very like the one whom Alan had followed from the house on the night when he was attacked; certainty that this was the same man came quickly to him. He seized the fellow again and dragged him up the stairs and to the lounge in the library. He was, or had been, a very powerful man, broad and thick through with overdeveloped — almost distorting—muscles in his shoulders; but his body had become fat and soft, his face was puffed and his eyes watery and bright; his brown hair, which was shot all through with gray, was dirty and matted; he had three or four days' growth of beard. When he sat up and looked about it was plain that whisky was only one of the forces working upon him—the other was fever which burned up and sustained him intermittently.

"'Lo!" he greeted Alan. "Where's shat d—n Injin, hey? I knew Ben Corvet was shere—knew he was shere all time. 'Course he's shere; he got to be shere. That's shright. You go get 'im!"

"Who are you?" Alan asked.

"Say, who'r you? What t'hells syou doin' here? Never see you before . . . go—go get Ben Corvet. Jus' say Ben Corvet, Lu—luke's shere. Ben Corvet'll know Lu—luke all right; alwaysh, alwaysh knows me. . . ."

"What's the matter with you?"

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Belmond Local News

MINISTERS ASSOCIATION

At the call of the ministers association of Clarion the ministers of Wright County met at Clarion on last Friday and spent the day in a discussion of some of the vital questions in the ministers life and work.

There were eleven ministers of the county present from all parts of the county. Rev. A. H. Waalkes discussed the question of the "Cultivation of the Ministers Devotional Life." Rev. Tomkinson of Rowan. the question of "The Preaching that Meets the Needs of the Times." Rev. Walker of Clarion, "The Practical Value of the Mid Week Church Night." There were other discussions and a good time was enjoyed by all present. We feel that we know our fellow workers better and that we will be the better able to accomplish the work we have to do.

A permanant organization was formed with Rev. Jamison as President and Rev. Viche as secretary. The next meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of September and it is hoped to have all the ministers of the county present at that time.

Mrs. Tom Cullinan returned the first of the week from Ames, where she went to attend the Commencement exercises at the Iowa State College, where her son, Chester, graduated. Chester will teach at Cedar Falls, having agriculture classes. Mrs. Cullinan reports the exercises as very injoyable, and as we heard them via Radio from the Engineering Department of the college, we can agree with her. Ames has an excellent broadcasting station and the addresses were very plain.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Tracy came last week from Sisseton, South Dakota, for a visit at the home of his father and sister, O. G. Tracy and Miss Maye, and with other relatives and friends. "Pete" who is in the milling and produce business at Sisseton, has been making a fine success and reports business as rushing in his line.

John Campbell has started the erection of a fine new modern home on his farm south of town, upon the site where the Campbell home was burned to the ground last winter.

Frank Walters has been making some improvements on his farm home, building an addition to the house and remodeling the old part.

Mrs. Eugene Kinney is still at the hospital in Rochester, and had not returned as reported last week in the Independent.

Kanawha will hold a big Creamery picnic at that town on June 29th. A big time is reported being prepared.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steinlicht and children drove down from Kanawha last Saturday to spend the week end with Belmond relatives and friends They were formerly residents here, and are now farm six miles west of Knawaha. We can forgive Henry moving to Kanawha, but if he ruts for their ball team ———.

Found—Pocket book containing money. Owner can have same by calling at this office and proving property.

Mrs. Frank Christie was operated on at the hospital for acute appendicites last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wenzel spent the week end in Cedar Rapids.

Attorney Bullard is the owner of a new Studebaker car.

For Sale—Fall Poland China boars wt. about 200. Papers furnished.—Ralph Jenison, Belmond. 30tfc

Mr. Chris Friesleben went to Manson Sunday where he will visit at the home of his daughter.

What might have been a very serious auto accident occured Saturday evening, upon east main street, when a Ford struck a rut and capsized. The upset took place about half way between the Rock Island tracks and north and south turn in the road. While the car was reported to have carried four or five persons we understand that no one was injured. We were unable to learn the name of the driver.

J. W. Scott and friends motored to Clear Lake Sunday in an effort to find respite from the torrid weather of the last few days. We surmise that they intend to try their hands at the sport made famous by Issac Walton and expect to receive reports of a record catch.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGuire and family motored to Waterloo on Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Obrecht of Thornton were guests of friends here on Monday evening.

Alex McGregor of Des Moines came up Monday of this week to look after some business interests in this locality.

Henry Christ returned the first of the week from his trip to points in the east.

Randall Klemme, who has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Stanley Stanberry at Mason City, returned Tuesday, Mrs. Stanberry returning with him for a short visit at the R. H. Klemme home.

REWARD will be given for the return of "Toodles," a Boston Bull dog, black with white ring around her neck.—T. L. Finn, Belmond.

Lost—Between Ventura and Meservey, auto camping tent and bed. Finder notify D. C. Petheran, Kanawha, for reward.

Rev. Wilkinson autoed to Algona, Wednesday, to the Epworth League convention being held there. He took a load of young people with him.

Miss Cloe Jenison, who has been attending Iowa State College came home Saturday for her summer vacation. She was accompanied by Prof. W. M. Dunlap, who came for a few days visit.

Harley-Davidson motorcycle for sale. Twin cyclinder. Inquire of Porter Faulhaber, phone 1907. 301*

Mrs. J. H. Fetrow left last week for Rochester, where she will receive treatment at the hospital there. She was accompanied by Mrs. C. C. Landon, who will also take treatment. Mrs. Landon is effected with a peculiar ailment, in that she sneezes incessantly.

Mrs. Frank Baldridge was a caller at Mason City on Tuesday doing some shopping.

Mrs. Frank Snyder was at Thornton on Tuesday, looking after some business matters.

Anna Massman, who has been visiting relatives here for several weeks, started Monday on her return trip to her home in California.

Mrs. W. A. Parsons and daughter, Mildred, went to Algona Tuesday where they attended a Rebekah convention held at that place on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh were Clear Lake visitors Sunday, driving up in their car.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Johnson and family of Latimer were recent visitors at the home of relatives here.

Harry Webb, who came home from Morningside College last week for a few days' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Webb, left last Thursday for Ottosen, Iowa, where he will have charge of a church during the summer. Harry, in his studies for the ministery, is making splendid progress.

Mrs. Otto Tegland and son from Clarion, both underwent minor operations at the local hospital yesterday, both having their tonsils removed.

Herman Frohling is improving one of his farms by the erection of a big, new modern corn crib.

The regular monthly meeting of the M. E. Aid society will be held today at the home of Mrs. Peter Stacy, the hostesses being Mesdames Stacy, Wolle and Mac Thompson.

Beatrice Strieby underwent a minor operation at the local hospital Tuesday, for removal of her tonsils.

Lud Johnson has been on the list of ailing the past week or so, suffering from rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Guest are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl, Doris June, last Tuesday.

Last Friday afternoon about 25 friends and relatives of Mrs. Alice Sorenson gathered at her home, where they held a shower in her honor. Mrs. Sorenson received many pretty and useful gifts.

Mrs. E. J. Schneider of Goodell had an operation for acute appendicitis at the Steel hospital last Saturday, she is recovering nicely.

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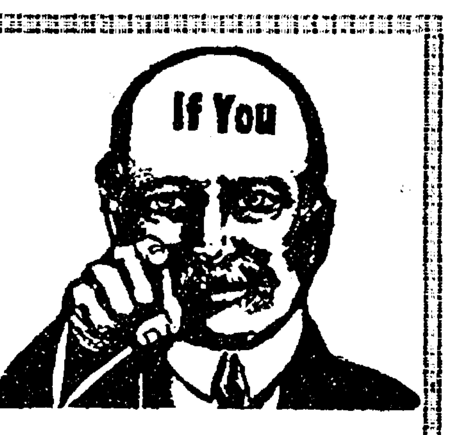

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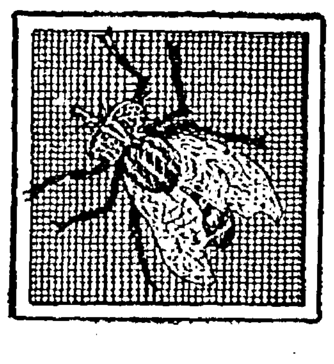

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OVERHAULING OF SUGAR FACTORY GOING ON

Endeavoring To Save Co. Nurse Activities

Recent Unfavorable Vote On Nurse Believed Due To Other Circumstances

RED CROSS TO SUPPORT

At a meeting of the County Federation of Women's Clubs at Eagle Grove last week the County Nurse question was discussed very earnestly and thoroly. It was felt that a great many the county over especially among the women, had not fully understood the importance of this matter as it was presented at the June primaries, and definite action was taken, authorizing a house to house canvass.

Following the meeting of the Eagle Grove, Belmond and Clarion Red Cross Chapters on Wednesday, the women of the county organized, with a chairman in each town and township, purposing to circulate a petition asking the Board of Supervisors to re-submit the county nurse proposition at the fall election. The friends of the measure are urged to give every possible aid in individual action and in getting the truth before the people.

The followng facts have been compiled from the public records in the office of the County Nurse, the County Treasurer's office and from other sources and are absolutely authentic:

The salary of Miss Liddle is $2,000 per year.

The salary of her assistant was $1,500 a year.

The county paid Miss Liddle's salary and $1,000 toward the salary of the assistant. The Red Cross Chapters paid all other expenses.

The levy covering this appropriation of $3,000 by the county is .000232 on the dollar, or about 15c on the average town lot. 75c on a quarter section of land, $1.50 on a half section.

There are 127 schools in the county with about 4,882 pupils. During the past two years four inspections have been given in most of these schools. As a result of these inspections, 465 corrections of defects found have been made as follows: Tonsils and adenoids removed 143; deafness treated, 7; eyes treated 85; teeth repaired 230.

1,171 homes have been visited.

The percentage of children 7 per cent or more underweight has been reduced from 37 to 32 per cent.

Under the Perkins law, children who are unable to pay, by filling out certain papers are sent to the big new children's hospital for free treatment. In 21 cases, the Perkins law papers have been prepared and six of the children taken to Iowa City personally.

The work of the County Nurse is to help stamp out epedemics, to discover the sick and the afflicted and to help them to a cure thru the family physician. But more than this, her great aim is Prevention. Thru her efforts parents and children are helped to so build the bodies that they will be brought to the highest possible degree of perfection which means a maximum of ability and happiness, and a minimum of public expense, suffering and mental and physical inefficiency. It is only good citizenship to see that such a specialist is provided for Young America.

Someone asks: "What does the county nurse do?" We give below just a part of her program. Can you beat it!

She visits the schools in the county, trying to make the rounds twice a year.

She follows up special cases discovered thru the school inspections, giving help thru the homes.

She visits homes in response to calls—maternity, tuberculosis, mental hygiene, etc. giving actual bedside care whenever possible.

She encourages hot lunches in the school and all other measures for the benefit of the children.

Conducts home hygiene classes and talks before mothers' clubs whenever asked.

Holds Baby Conferences with mothers at the school houses and helps with the children of pre-school age.

Helps stamp out epedemics.

Follows up all cases discharged from Oakdale, also all Perkins cases who come home from hospital but must return for further treatment..

Each day brings a new and varied call.

The district chairmen are as follows:

Troy—Mrs. Fred Allen.
Eagle Grove—Mrs. Tobias Paulson.
Boone—Mrs. Edith Eastman.
Norway—Mrs. E. E. Evans.
Belmond—Mrs. A. E. Martin.
Pleasant—Mrs. Wallace Ramsay.
Iowa—Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell.
Blaine—Mrs. O. P. Hackbarth.
Vernon—Mrs. Elwood Bauge.
Wall Lake—Mrs. Anton Anderson.
Woolstock—Mrs. J. [illegible] Kirstein.
Dayton—Mrs. Frances Newburn.
Lake—Mrs. Clarence McBride.
Grant—Miss Violet Lukens.
Lincoln—Miss Lydia Richards.
Clarion—Mrs. Jas. Buchan.
Belmond—Mrs. Henry Schultz.
Eagle Grove—Mrs. Frank Zeh.
Goldfield—Mrs. M. M. Loobey.
Dows—Mrs. Henry Graepler.
Rowan—Mrs. F. B. Sheldon.
Galt—Mrs. J. C. Norris.
Woolstock—Mrs. Maude Hirt.

"NURSE"

News: The Wright County Red Cross is going to continue Miss Liddle as county nurse, at least until January first, and that meeting held Wednesday afternoon, at the courthouse also voted to again present the matter to the people at the November elections, petitions for the special election to be circulated in the meantime and the supervisors asked to call the special election.

Friends of the Health Nurse believe that a new election will see a reversal of the popular vote of the June 5th primary, and feel assured that the people will return a majority for county funds for the work.

Miss Eddy, who has been assisting Miss Liddle in the work, will be released. She is now enjoying a month's vacation, and will be given pay for this month, after which her services will not be required under the new plan.

Around a hundred and twenty-five were present at the Wednesday meeting. Most of these were women. Mrs. A. E. Weber of Clarion, was chairman. There was a disposition at the beginning to continue the work with both nurses, but it was soon found that the funds available would not permit this. Then it was decided that any drive for funds to meet the expense would not result favorably. Miss Liddle can be retained by support from the County Red Cross.

Eagle Grove, represented at the board there was going to discontinue the school nurse, and would expect to share in Miss Liddle's time. Some of the Red Cross workers feel that in view of this fact, one nurse cannot do half the work that is required and wanted both nurses retained, but very graciously acquiesced when it was found finances were too low to permit both nurses to be retained.

R. W. Birdsall, of Dows, criticised the work in that the Dows schools had only two visits from Miss Liddle during the year. He also stated that some of the doctors there doubted the value of the work as it was being carried on, and were more or less opposed to it. Mr. Birdsall thought it strange that the physicians of Wright couny, who naturally would be in a position to know best whether or not the work was worth its cost, had never publically espoused the cause of the health nurse.

Later Dr. E. D. Tomkins explained this by saying that while it was true some doctors did not apparently favor the nurse, he believed the majority did, and the only reason they had not endorsed her work was for fear that people might get the idea that the nurse was plugging for the doctors and the doctors, therefore, were anxious to have her retained.

The criticism that some of the operative cases sent to Iowa City could have been handled at home, was partly true and partly wrong, according to Dr. Tomkins. In one instance, he said, no one in the county could give the same service that was secured at the state hospital at Iowa City. In other instances he said the operations could have been had here, but explained: "There was no money in it, so why should any other doctor kick about not getting the work?"

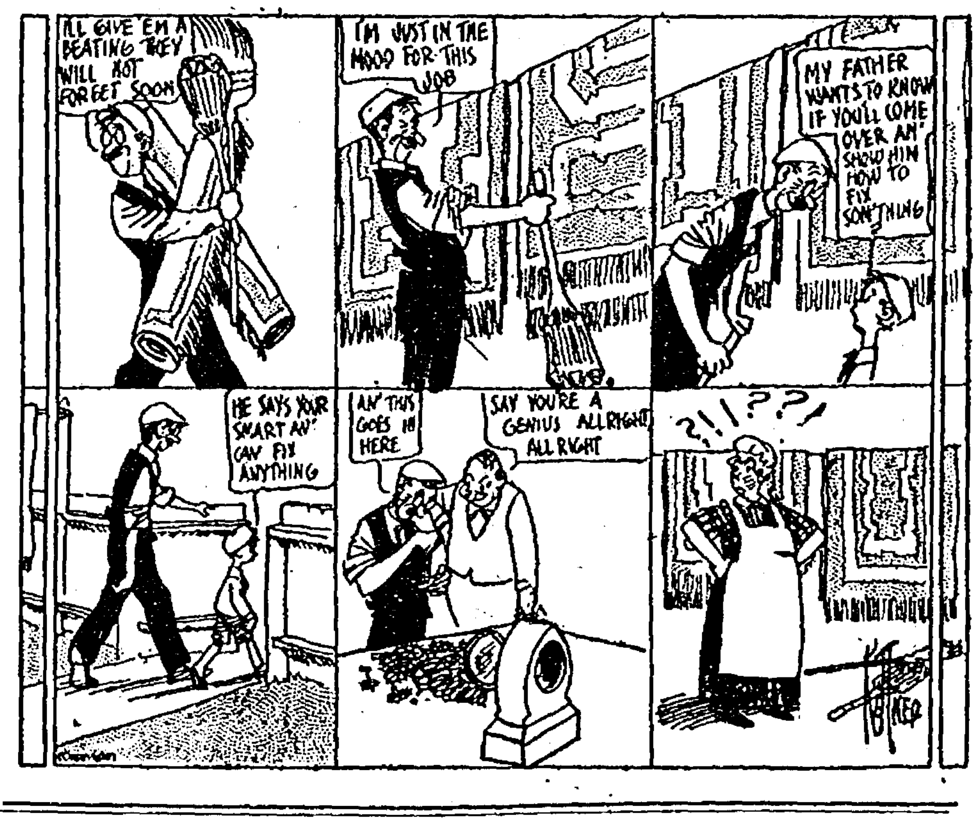
Mrs. Weber explained that the reports frequently heard of wrong diagnosis were untrue, for Miss Liddle never diagonosed a case. She would advise that she believed certain conditions existed, but always made it a point to suggest that the child be taken to the family physician for diagnosis. She did not believe that the county nurse was advising any particular physician or physicians, as had been suggested.

Rev. Mr. Jamison, of the Presbyterian church in Clarion, made a splendid short plea for the continuance of the work. He believed in time the people would realize its value, and favor it, but until that time did come he pledged his individual support to the work as a benevolence the friends of the work should gladly support.

Several of the ladies present gave little talks on the practical side of the work and the benefits it had been to their families.

The Red Cross will finance the work after July first, when it is expected county funds will be withdrawn. In the meantime the petitions asking for a special election on the matter will be circulated, and this election will be held at the regular November election, and then if the voters authorize the Supervisors to continue county support two nurses will be used. Should the vote be unfavorable as no one anticipates, the work will probably be dropped next year.

On the Road of Good Intentions


I'LL GIVE 'EM A BEATING THEY WILL NOT FORGET SOON
I'M JUST IN THE MOOD FOR THIS JOB
MY FATHER WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU'LL COME OVER AN' SHOW HIM HOW TO FIX SOMTHING
HE SAYS YOUR SMART AN' CAN FIX ANYTHING
AN' THIS GOES IN HERE
SAY YOU'RE A GENIUS ALLRIGHT ALL RIGHT
?!!???

FIRST BALL GAME GOES TO EAGLE GROVE, 13-6

Timely Swats Combined With Many Errors Give Visitors Ragged Game

Eagle Grove's ball team came over Sunday and after two hours of mauling the ball, went home with the long end of a 13 to 6 score. It was a case of the best team winning, and they won. The Eagles garnered around 13 hits, to the locals half a dozen, and their hits were timely, coming with men on bases. The hits, combined with poor fielding on the part of Belmond, and some bonehead errors, caused the lopsided result.

Eagle Grove scored in the first, and in their half Belmond shoved across two. The second saw two more runs go over for the visitors, and after that they just gradually stepped along, making five runs on two hits and four errors in one inning. Belmond couldn't swat the pill when swats were needed. Errors were many, Eagle making some boneheads along with the locals. Three base hits by Dillon ond Foss were the hitting features, Foss stretching his to home on a bum throw to catch him at third. Some sensational fielding was displayed, by the Belmond team, at times, but they showed a lack of training and practice. The team, with practice, will be a corking good one, but performing the way they did Sunday will never get anywhere.

A large crowd saw the event, and dispite the ragged playing enjoyed the cleanly fought contest. With a few more games and some limbering up in practice, the boys ought to give a mighty good account of themselves. They have the material for a fine team and before the summer is over, if they keep going, will give any team in this neck of the woods a real scrap.

OBITUARY

Martha R. Dean was born in Jackson County, State of Missouri, June 12th, 1847, and was united in marriage with Joseph R. Stanley, June 24th, 1864, in the same county of her birth.

Mrs. Stanley had been confined to her home for many months, all owing to a fall which she suffered some time preceding, which was the immediate cause of her demise, which occured upon the 5th day of June, 1922.

It can be truthfully said of Mrs. Stanley, that during all of her illness, that she bore the same unflinchingly, without complaint, all of which was fortified through her strong religious convictions she has been for more than a quarter of a century a member Methodist Episcopal church. That during her residence in this city, she made many and fast friends, who now join with the immediate members of her family in their great loss.

To this union four children were born, two sons and two daughters, two of whom, Wm. E. Stanley and Lulu Stanley, have passed to their reward; the remaining son and daughter, Fred Stanley, resides at Holton, Kansas, while Mrs. H. N. Hill resides at Belmond, Iowa.

The funeral exercises were held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. N. Hill, Rev. Wilkinson, officiating; following which the remains were placed at rest, in our beautiful Evergreen Cemetery.

LAKE ROAD TO BE GRAVELED THIS FALL

We are told that the township trustees of Belmond township expect to gravel the road leading to Morse Lake this fall. The road we understand, is to be placed in shape this summer—grading and leveling—and this fall the road will be graveled from the Martin corner west and south to the lake. This will make a fine improvement, and the Belmond township trustees are to be congratulated upon their progressiveness.

FARM BUREAU PICNIC TO BE BIG AFFAIR

Many Fine Attractions Are Planned For Annual Affair Held July 4th

The county wide picnic which is being planned by the county farm bureau in cooperation with the various towns of the county will be held in the grove on the Warner estate, which is located six miles east and one and one-half north of Clarion instead of Pike's timber as announced originally. The picnic ground is less than one-half mile off the Clarion-Belmond gravel road.

The committees having charge of the various departments have plans quite well organized for a "riprousing" good time. Most towns of the county are giving their loyal support to this county wide proposition and many of the townships have already sent in their contributions. Arrangements have been made for Congressman L. R. Dickinson, of Algona and Mrs. Ellsworth Richardson of Pella to speak at the picnic. Members of the executive committee having of all plans for the picnic are as follows: J. E. Lamb, chairman, Harry Woodley, grounds; O. P. Morton, entertainment; Mrs. E. E. Evans, program; Harry Poundstone, band; J. E. Lamb, sports; H. Sumners, concessions, Will Tillman, finance; Mrs. Harry Woodley, decorations; M. L. Clark, marshal of the day.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Bring the family.

Preaching at 11 a. m. Would be pleased to have a full house. Let us beat the hot weather feeling by attending. It's worth while.

Epworth League at 7 p. m.

Evening service at 8 p. m.

12 children were baptized at the Children's Day Services last Sunday.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

THROWS ROCK AT CAR; HITS WOMAN IN EYE

Thursday evening while Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Amundsen and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Shoemaker were out driving, the five-year-old son of Ralph Chapman playfully threw a rock at the car as it was passing and the missile struck Mrs. Amundsen in the eye, making a very painful injury which caused her to temporarily lose the sight of the eye.

The little tot did not realize the danger of his act, but parents should caution children even of such tender ages that it is dangerous to throw at cars.—news.

CAR RUNS IN DITCH

Bob Coulson met with an unfortunate accident Monday, when the car he was driving went in the ditch on the road near the Barry farm. Bob suffered a collar bone broken in two places, besides numerous bruises and scratches. The car was pretty well battered up.

CLARION MAN SAYS CALIFORNIA IN BOOM

News: W. A. Stark, pioneer business man of Clarion who is home from several month's sojourn in California, declares he has never before seen the like of the California boom. Nowhere in Iowa's palmiest days of our 1918-20 land boom did we approach the California showing of wild speculation. Land and lots change hands; buildings go up and come down to make room for new and larger structures; speculators go broke, perhaps, but cross over to another side of the street and make another stake. Even the merchantile business is picking up and tho a slump did set in early in the year, now the business man say business is better than last year, which to a Californian means that it is better than ever.

OBITUARY

Mary Teresa Finn, daughter of Thomas and Julia Finn, was born on a farm one mile east of Belmond, January 19, 1873 and died in a hospital at Rochester, Minnesota, June 12, 1922, 49 years, 4 months and 23 days of age. In 1899 she moved with her parents to Belmond where they spent the remainder of their lives.

On April 16, 1901 she was united in marriage to Win Dziewanowski, to which union were born three children, one of whom preceded her in death, William having died in infancy thirteen years ago. She leaves to mourn her death her husband, two children, Thomas and Gladys, five brothers, Dave of Goodell, William of Mason City, Tom, Jack and Jim of Belmond, and three sisters, Nora and Kate of Belmond, and Mrs. Walter Courtney of Thornton, besides many other relatives and a host of friends.

On June 6, accompanied by her husband and her sister, Miss Kate Finn, Mrs. Dziewanowski went to Rochester to enter the hospital and receive treatment for goiter. Upon arrival her weakened condition would not permit the anticipated operation, but until Friday it was thought she was gaining strength, at which time she began to show signs of greater weakness and gradually failed until the end came about 6 o'clock Monday afternoon. Relatives here were notified of her serious condition and answered the summons to her bedside immediately. The remains were brot to Belmond Tuesday afternoon, accompanied by relatives. Thus has departed the life of a true friend, a devoted mother and an affectionate and thoughtful wife.

The funeral was held Thursday, June 15 at 9:30 a. m. from St. Francis Catholic Church, Rev. Father Eardley celebrating Requien High Mass and officiating at the grave. At the completion of Mass, Father Eardley delivered the funeral sermon and paid beautiful tribute to the life of Mrs. Dziewanowski. The church was filled with sorrowing relatives and friends who gathered to pay their last respects to the mortal remains. The spiritual and floral offerings were numerous and beautiful, an evidence of the esteem in which the deceased was held.

The funeral was conducted by Mr. Fred D. Fulton. The palbearers were W. J. McLaughlin, Peter Kaufman, M. A. Holtzbauer, J. F. Barry, J. J. Barry and Geo. G. Brady. Out of town people who attended the funeral were Mr. McKola Dziewanowski of Rutland, Iowa, Mrs. John Harriet of Hampton, Mrs. Mary Dorsey of Rockwell and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Courtney of Thornton.

Though she's gone she's not forgotten
In our memories she'll remain;
Though this parting be so painful,
We may some day meet again.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the many acts of helpfulness and words of sympathy tendered us during the illness and death of our wife, mother and sister, and for all the spiritual boquets and floral offerings. Also the Choir of St. Francis' church and those who took charge of the flowers.

Win Dziewanowski and children.
The brothers and sisters.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Last Sunday we reached our mark for attendance so we had to set a new one which we hope to reach next Sunday. Remember to be sure and be present for it only takes two more Sundays like last to get that picnic. Every one in his place next Sunday with someone who is not now in Sunday school.

There will be no preaching services Sunday morning as the pastor and Mrs. Leinbach will be at Kansas City Mo., attending the 10th International Sunday School convention. The young people's meeting at 7:30 and at 8:15. Miss Beatrice Leinbach will give the fourth stereoptican lecture on the life of St. Paul. Be sure and be present for the evening services.

The Ladies Missionary society will hold their annual dollar meeting at the home of Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell, Jr., on Thursday afternoon. Anyone wishing to go who has no way of going is asked to come to the church at 2:15 and a way will be provided for you. This is one of the great meetings of the year and it is hoped that a large number will be there who are not accustomed to go.

GIVES CHEESE DEMONSTRATION

Mrs. J. F. Henn gave a demonstration of cheese making one evening last week, to a number of neighbor ladies, at her home east of town. About 50 ladies were present, several from considerable distance, to witness the demonstration. Mrs. Henn has made a number of the "home made" cheeses, and that they are a toothsome morsel we can testify, thanks to the maker. This is a part of the Farm Bureau work inasmuch as it was thru this organization that Mrs. Henn learned the art for which she is gaining a widespread reputation.

Additional Crew To Be Added July 1st

Fine Progress Being Made Toward Getting Plant Ready For Operation

BEET PROSPECTS GOOD

Work in repairing and overhauling the factory of the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. at Belmond is going forward, and excellent progress is being made towards getting the plant in shape for the coming operating season. A crew of ten men are now at work, and the first of July more will be added. Mr. Tyrrell, President of the company, states that it is the policy of the company to employ so far as possible all home men, so that next year and in the years to come these men will be familiar with the work of overhauling.

H. K. Dyer, a brother of the head of the Dyer Company, is on the job overseeing the work of overhauling, and will remain until the campaign of sugar making is closed. The officials of the Iowa Valley Company are much pleased that Mr. Dyer is with them, as he is an experienced sugar man, having been in the game for 24 years, and under his supervision the Iowa Valley Company is assured of a complete and thoro job. One of the officials of the Mason City sugar company recently inspected the Belmond plant and stated that he had never seen a plant in better shape.

Prospects for the beet yield are good, with the exception of the late planting, which needs rain. All the indications for the operating campaign are highly favorable, and Belmond and vicinity may look forward to their greatest industry going full blast this fall with a successful run.

TO GRAVEL GROVE ROAD

Joe Sampson has been circulating a petition the past week to gravel the road leading thru the grove, from the Catholic cemetery east, and thence south to the township line. As we understand it, the township gives the gravel and gets the road in shape, and the hauling is donated by farmers and citizens in Belmond. The road is now graveled to the Catholic cemetery. Joe's petition was liberally signed. Let the good work go on; who will start it on another road?

REVISITS OLD TIME HOME

Mr. and Mrsr. James Johnson, who now reside at Coulee North Dakota, are here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Johnson, and with other relatives and friends in this locality. Mr. Johnson was one of the early settlers in this community, coming here from Wisconsin by ox team. He built his first home with lumber he brought from Clear Lake, building on a farm a mile west of the St. Olaf church. He was postmaster at Olaf before the railroad came thru.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our neighbors, friends and the Ladies Aid societies for the flowers and kindness shown during the sickness and death of our mother, Mrs. Andrew Bohning.

The Children.

ACCIDENT VICTIMS ALL RECOVERING

The young people who were injured in the automobile accident a week ago Sunday evening, are all recovering nicely and have returned to their homes. Linn Huntley, who was injured the worst, has returned to his home near Clarion and is reported doing nicely, with probably no ill affects from his injuries. Miss Schultz is home and rapidly recovering. We understand that the authorities at Garner are arranging to post signs at the curve where the accident occured, warning drivers of the sharp turn.

PLEASE HELP US OUT

We want to ask a favor of our readers, and that is, to get any copy you have for publication in to the office as early as you can. We often have copy come in on Tuesday and Wednesday, which might just as well have been sent in Friday or Saturday of the week before. On Tuesday and Wednesday our linotype operator has her hands full to get up the type, whereas during the last of the week, after the paper is printed for the week, she has time in which much could be put into type. We are always glad to have our readers send in "copy," and urge them to do so, for we want the Independent to be your paper to the fullest extent, but, when possible, please send it in early. Thanks.

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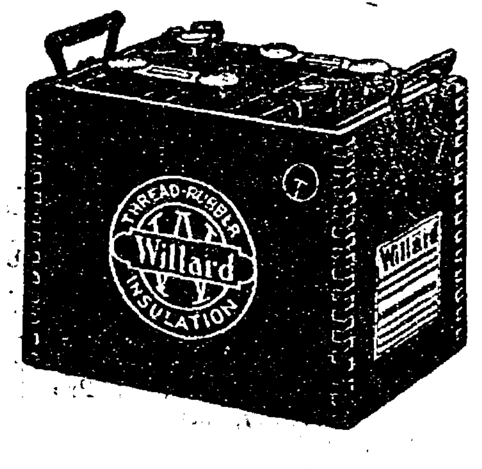

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At a recent public meeting Tom Kenefick stated that his business required the longest hours for the least profit of any in existence. "Did you ever run a garage?" asked one of our prominent auto garage owners. "No, but I have paid a number of garage bills," was Tom's quick retort, and he was allowed to continue his remarks without further interruption.—Eagle.

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GIVE BROOKHART A CHANCE

Brookhart's winning in the primary seems to have been a bitter dose to a lot of folks, who have utilized every opportunity since to swing the hammer, to knock and kick the gentleman, his ideas, platform, and abilities. What's the use? Brookhart was choosen by a majority of the people; regardless of who elected him, or what factions supported him, he received the majority; then why not give him a chance to put his theories into practice? If they are so utterly impractical as some claim, the public will mighty soon find it out—and find Brookhart out. If his ideas are of practical nature, then the state needs them badly.

American government is based on majority rule; when the Constitution was drafted, the makers didn't say anything about the majority having to consult the minority after the governors were chosen. We believe in giving any man a chance, and in Brookhart's case, while this paper did not support him, nevertheless it is our opinion that, having been elected—or practically so—he should receive the support of the people until he proves himself unworthy of it. In law, every man is presumed innocent until proven guilty. Actually, however, we presume him guilty until proven innocent, and a lot of the newspapers over the state, together with a bunch of disappointed politicians, are presuming that Brookhart is a Socialist, an I. W. W., a dreamer with impractical ideas, and are holding him "guilty" until proven innocent.

Give the devil his due. Brookhart was chosen by the majority; he is the popular choice; give him your support until you find that he doesn't deserve it. This country needs some fresh ideas; needs them mighty badly; perhaps Brookhart's "Impractical" ideas may prove to be really worth something. He'll never know—and neither will the rest of us—until he tries to put them to work.

CLIPPINGS

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial Club last week it was decided to go ahead with the arrangements to put the city park in proper condition for the use of tourists. Mayor Pritchard conferred with the committee and since then has had the city water supertendent put city water in the park.

Signs have been painted and placed at the important corners directing tourists to the "Tourjsts Park." Toilets have been installed and men are at work moving a building to the park which will be fitted up with a stove. There is quite a lot of wood in the park that can be used for cooking, and all around we will have as nice a tourist park as any town in this part of Iowa.—Garner Leader.

Although Monday was a fine day and the corn needed plowing, Ed Simpson didn't put in a full day in the field. Ed started out at the usual early hour with good intentions but upon reaching the field found that somebody had stolen the shovels, shanks and shields off his new two-row cultivator. This dastardly deed was committed sometime Sunday night as the implement was in good shape until dark that day. Ed was was knocked out of a days work and it cost him about $20 for repairs. If he could just lay hands on the thief and only did half the things he says he would there would be a funeral. There would be a big crowd at the funeral too, but no mourners, and this paper would take pleasure in publishing the obituary.—Renwick Times.

The first band concert of the season was given last evening. This is the first concert given since Harry Keelel took over the band and was probably the best concert we have had for several years. Mr. Keeler is an exceptional instructor and the boys are making the best of the opportunity to work under him. Several of the boys who were in the band a number of years ago were back on the job last night, as well as standbys. Garner has a good band and the concerts will become better each week. The crowd last night was large for the first concert, and as the season progress the crowd will become larger.—Signal.

Moraine Hake went to Belmond Monday for a short visit with her friends.—Times.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

AN END TO WORRY:—Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.—Philippians 4: 6, 7.

Monday.

REWARD OF THE RIGHTEOUS:—Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace.—Psalm 37: 37.

Tuesday.

RIGHT REASONING:—Let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.—Isaiah 1: 18.

Wednesday.

MAN'S APPEAL:—O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years.—Habakkuk 3: 2.

Thursday.

THE ONLY HELP:—For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.—Isaiah 41: 13.

Friday.

DELIVERANCE AT HAND:—I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him.—Psalm 91: 15.

Saturday.

TRIED AND PROVED:—As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried, he is a buckler to all that trust in him.—2 Samuel 22: 31.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Will Vote on Ship Subsidy Question

Through the medium of a statewide referendum members of the Ia. Farm Bureau Federation will be given an opportunity to express their opinions on the ship subsidy bill which is now under consideration by congress.

Farm bureau meetings will be called in every township in the state, about seventeen hundred in number. At these meetings the bill will be taken up for discussion. Its various provisions and requirements will be explained, after which a vote will be taken and the results sent to federation headquarters in Des Moines.

While the referendum is really one of the underlying principles of farm bureau federation procedure, this vote is being instituted more especially in response to numerous demands made to the officials, by letter and otherwise, that the membership be given an opportunity to go on record on this question, and the tone of the requests indicate that farmer sentiment is very much alive toward it.

Much propaganda has been circulated in Iowa setting forth the benefits it is believed might accrue to the nation from a ship subsidy, but little or nothing in regard to the actual provisions of the bill itself. The farmers want to know just what the bill proposes to do and what it will cost the government to carry it on. The federation policy is to make everything clear to the individual member in order that he may think it out and settle for it himself.

Appropriation for T. B. Testing

Congress has recently passed the Agricultural Appropriation bill in which provision is made for an appropriation of over $2,000,000 to be used for paying federal indemnity on cattle found to be tubercular in the cooperative tuberculin test.

These funds will be available July 1, and it is hoped that since Wright county has seventy-six applications filed at the state veterinarian's office we will be one of the first counties to receive the help in the tuberculin work.

From general appearance it is not always evident that the cows are in a subnormal condition. We are all familiar with the case in Paris county, Illinois, where one cow that was tested seemed to be in such good flesh that the owner was sure that the test was wrong and gave the cow to a hired man in lieu of a debt. Both parties seemed to have thought that the test was wrong and the cow was in perfect condition. After a few month's a physician diagnosed the illness of a five year old daughter as tuberculosis. The cow was suspected, slaughtered and found to have a generalizel case of tuberculosis. Lesions were found in both lungs, all important glands of the body, liver and udder. A pig and four little cats had been fed milk from the same cow. Post mortem examination showed that they had generalized cases of tuberculosis. The Kelly family became alarmed and had their other six children examined. The baby had never been given cow's milk and the oldest daughter seldom drank milk. The other four children had enlarged glands which the physician pronounced as glandular tuberculosis.

A few months ago an Iowa mother of three children became convinced that is was unsafe to feed children milk from untested cows, and persuaded her husband to have their herd of fifteen cows tested. Twelve out of fifteen reacted to the test. It was not until after the husband watched the slaughtering of his healthy looking cows that he could believe that the cows were tubercular. Needless to say the father and mother are much concerned about the health of their children.

The table taken from Farmers' bulletin 1069, "Tuberculosis in Live Stock," gives a clear idea of the loss for the past fifteen years. It shows that in 1921, 8,179,572 cattle were slaughtered and that out of this number 33,328 were condemned on account of T. B.

This means that enough meat is condemned each year because of tuberculosis to feed nearly 54,000 families, allowing 100 pounds of meat to each person. In other words enough meat was condemned in 1921 to supply a city of 250,000 inhabitants with meat for a year. It means that we throw into tanks to be destroyed one hundred trains of forty car loads each because of tuerculosis contamination. This helps in the high cost of living and is a preventable waste.

Garment Club Leaders Meet

Mrs. Marie Berry, assistant state leader of Girls' club work, met with the leaders of eight garment clubs at the county agent's office Wednesday, June 14th, for the purpose of making plans for the club work of this season. Mrs. Berry spoke very highly of the splendid club organizations which the girls of the county have developed and complimented the leaders for their efforts in organizing the work. Mrs. Berry lectured and demonstrated on the following subjects: Appropriateness in dress; appropriate trimmings and proper seams for undergarments; sensible shoes; color schemes; attachments and use of sewing machines.

It should be remembered that the success of the garment clubs in the county rests with the leaders of the work and due credit should be given the unselfish leaders, who have so willingly volunteered their time and energy in this great work of directing the club girls in their sewing, with no thought in mind except that of helping the girls to better and bigger things as homemakers.

Following is the list of garment clubs of Wright county and the leaders in attendance at this meeting:

Lincoln Learning Lassies, Miss Edith Waddell.

Live Wires (Dayton) Miss Amy Benson.

Tri-G (Grant), Mrs. L. F. Dorr.

Wall Lake Willing Workers, Mrs. N. E. Schroeder.

Tri-R (Lake) Mrs. Arthur Duitscher.

Woolstock Township Club, Mrs. J. E. Kirstein.

Eagle Grove Townshio Club, Mrs. John Larson.

East Pleasant Township Club, Miss Virgie Jenison.

West Pleasant Township Club, Miss Vida Jenison.

Miss Hazel Spencer, former county club leader, also Miss Cloe Jenison of Pleasant township and about twenty-five club members, were also in attendance at this meeting.

Ship Your Wool June 23

Arrangements have been made by the Wright County Wool Growers association for the shipment of the 1922 clip of wool on Friday, June 23rd. Each wool grower is being asked to deliver his wool to his nearest shipping point on this date, wool to be packed securely in regulation wool sacks, properly tagged, and to be personally responsible for billing to the National Wool Warehouse & Storage Co., 4300 S. Robey street, Chicago, Ill., which firm the county association has consigned to for the past three seasons.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

State Bank of Belmond

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Belmond, Iowa in the County of Wright, at the close of business on the 10th day of June, 1922.

RESOURCES		
Loans and discounts, bonds and securities		$790,606.21
Overdrafts		1,718.32
Banking House	$ 40,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	15,000.00	55,000.00
Other real estate owned		11,500.00
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		20,243.68
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) Tax Receipts		13,512.56
Total Resources............................		$892,580.77
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock	$ 80,000.00	
Surplus Fund	20,000.00	$100,000.00
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand ..	$ 18,882.59	
Individual deposits subject to check..............	239,412.57	
Demand deposits (certificates, certified checks and unpaid dividends)	2,220.83	
Time certificates of deposit	165,287.36	
Savings deposits	18,573.69	444,377.04
Bills Payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	169,358.37	
Rediscounts	158,845.36	328,203.73
Customers Bonds ------------------		20,000.00
Total Liabilities		$892,580.77

State of Iowa, Wright County—ss.

We, A. L. Luick, President, and W. T. Gfeller, Cashier of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

(BANK SEAL) A. L. LUICK, President
W. T. GFELLER, Cashier

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by A. L. Luick, and W. T. Gfeller this 19th day of June, 1922.

(SEAL) C. O. FITTS
Notary Public in and for Wright County.

Attested by W. C. Tyrrell, Jr., T. A. Davenport, R. H. Klemme and Henry Groen, Directors.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Belmond Savings Bank

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Belmond, Iowa, in the County of Wright, at the close of business on the 10th day of June, 1922.

RESOURCES.		
Loans and Discounts, Bond and Securities		$422,597.06
Overdrafts		2,751.25
Banking House	6,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	3,253.74	9,253.74
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		27,150.64
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) Tax Receipts		424.89
Total Resources...........................		$462,177.58
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock	$ 25,000.00	
Surplus Fund	12,000	37,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses ------	1,442.37	
Reserve	1,500.00	2,942.37
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand ...	2,652.63	
Individual deposits subject to check..............	158,343.59	
Demand deposits (certificates, certified checks and unpaid dividends)	828.60	
Time certificates of deposit	118,481.83	
Savings deposits	74,829.04	355,135.69
Bills Payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	22,000.00	
Rediscounts	45,099.52	67,099.52
Total Liabilities		$462,177.58

State of Iowa, Wright County—ss.

We, C. P. Luick, President, and C. O. Fitts, Cashier, of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets

C. P. Luick, President.
C. O. Fitts, Cashier.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by C. P. Luick and C. O. Fitts this 17th day of June, 1922.

W. T. GFELLER,
[SEAL] Notary Public in and for Wright County.

Attested by M. D. Sullivan, W. J. Morse and O. T. Jacobson, Directors.

RADIO

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TROUBLE SHOOTING

How to Detect and Remedy the Open Circuit, Short Circuit and Leakage.

Radio circuits are subject to the same ills that the ordinary power circuits are subject to. However, to cure them is not such a difficult task as might be supposed, especially if some logical procedure is used.

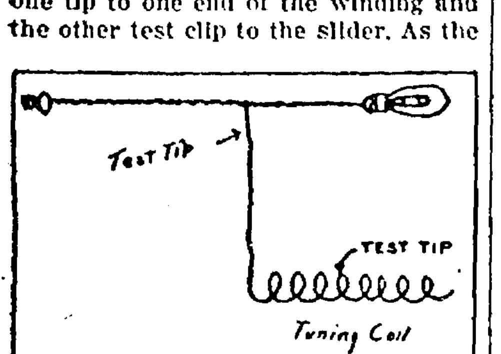
If a receiver is well put together in the first place and all contacts and other parts gone over once in a while, there is no reason why there should be any trouble. But the human being is prone to err, so that for the "once in a while" that is liable to happen, this article will be devoted to the explanation of what might happen to a simple receiver and the best way to fix it.

The usual troubles of the receiver fall under one of the following three headings:

1—An open circuit.
2—A short circuit.
3—Leakage.

An open circuit can most easily be detected by means of a series lamp. Nearly every one has available the ordinary 110 volt lighting circuit. Take an ordinary extension cord and cut one wire at any convenient place and use these two ends as test clips or tips. The extension cord is plugged into the house lighting circuit at any convenient outlet and when the two cut ends are held together the lamp will light as the circuit is closed. When the tips are held open the circuit is "open" and the light will go out.

Suppose it is desired to test for an open circuit in a tuning coil. Connect one tip to one end of the winding and the other test clip to the slider. As the slide is moved back and forth the light should remain lighted. If the light goes out at times there is an open circuit in the coil. If the light goes out when the coil is jarred the slider does not make good contact with the winding.



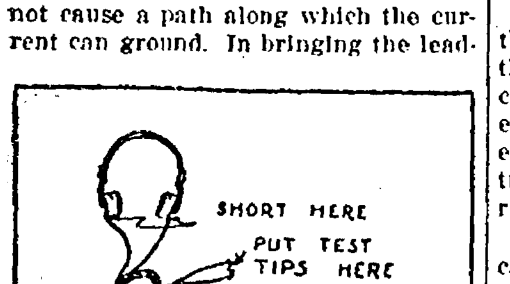
Testing the Tune Circuit.

If a buzzer and battery are available they can be used in testing for an open circuit in the same way that the lamp can be used. Connect the battery and buzzer in series with the test clips or tips and any low resistance circuit can be tested.

The ground connections can be tested with a buzzer and battery, but do not use the house-lighting circuit to test for grounds because one side of the lighting circuit is already grounded and if the other side were connected to the ground a short circuit would exist and an excessive current flow.

If the ground wire is connected to the water pipe, connect one test tip to the ground and the other to the gas pipe, which is also grounded. The buzzer should buzz if one has a good low resistance ground.

Leakage usually exists between the antenna and the ground. An antenna should be well insulated from its support. The lead-in should be brought down to the point where it enters the wall of the station in such a manner that when the wind causes it to swing, it cannot touch any grounded material, and that rain and snow cannot cause a path along which the current can ground. In bringing the lead-in through the wall, insulate it well and inside the station use as short a piece of well-insulated wire as is possible to make good connection with the set.



To Test Telephone Cords.

To test the continuity of the circuit of a pair of telephone receivers, touch the tips of the cord phone to the tongue. If the receivers are in reasonably good condition a slight click will be heard. If the response in one receiver seems to be weaker than that in the other, examine the diaphragm of the receiver giving the weaker response and see if it is bent toward the pole piece. Try tuning the diaphragm over if such is the case. Be careful when the diaphragm of a receiver is removed that the leads of fine wire from the magnet spools to the connection blocks do not become broken in handling.

If the continuity of the circuit of a pair of telephone receivers is checked and no response is heard when the cord tips are touched to the tongue, try checking each receiver of a double head set separately.

The two receivers are connected in series and to check either one separately, short circuit the tips of the cord leading to the other receiver just outside of the case. Should it appear that there is an open circuit in the cord, short circuit both receivers where the cord enters the case and with a buzzer or lamp connected to the tips on the end of the cord test for an open circuit.

Care should be exercised by the operator when adjusting a crystal detector to see that his fingers do not touch the surface of the crystal or the contact point of the little spring. The oil secretion that exists in the skin together with the dust that it collects will render a crystal detector inoperative by the insulating film that it will cause to form on the portion of the crystal surface that is touched. Should the surface of the crystal get dirty as evidenced by the received signals becoming weaker and weaker, try cleaning the crystal with alcohol and a little brush. Or if this does not seem to remedy the trouble, chip off old surface so that an entirely new surface is presented to the spring.

TIPS TO THE RADIOIST

The higher the aerial the stronger the signals. An increase of five to ten feet in the height of the flat top aerial will increase signals.

Addition of a variable condenser to the secondary or to the primary of a loose coupler often helps to tune out the undesired signals.

The sliders on tuning coils often make poor contacts with the slide rod. Thus much of the signal strength is lost. You can overcome this by soldering a flexible wire to the slider.

Increase length of spreaders of two, three or four-wire aerials from six to ten feet for best results. Each wire should be from four to six feet from its neighbor. Two wires one or two feet apart are no better than one wire. Likewise four wires on short spreaders are no better than one wire.

AMATEURS SHOULD PLAY FAIR

Radio Inspector Schmidt Urges That They Learn the Laws and Regulations.

Nine out of every ten radio fans are good sports, but the tenth is either a fan with poor judgment or a "rotter." It is up to the amateurs to see that restrictions are not imposed upon them, by playing fair, says Radio Inspector L. R. Schmidt of the Ninth district.

This can be done by observing certain cautions and by becoming posted on the radio laws and regulations. A copy of these regulations may be obtained from the superintendent of documents, government printing office, Washington, D. C., for 15 cents. It is worth while to spend 15 cents in order to be a "square shooter" in the radio game.

The great trouble with amateurs is that when they want to send a message around a corner they put on all the power they have with the hope that some one in Texas might pick up their message. The object should be to use the minimum amount of power to get the message to its destination.

"In all circumstances, except in case of signals or radiograms relating to vessels in distress, all stations shall use the minimum amount of energy necessary to carry out any communication desired."

Amateurs should keep their wave length to 200 meters.

They should use a "pure wave" or, as the regulations state, "if the sending apparatus is of such a character that the energy is radiated in two or more wave lengths, more or less sharply defined, as indicated by a sensitive wave meter, the energy in no one of the lesser waves shall exceed 10 per centum of that in the greater."

The wave must be "sharp." As to this the regulations state: "At all stations the logarithmic decrement per complete oscillation in the wave trains emitted by the transmitter shall not exceed two-tenths when sending distress signals or signals and messages relating thereto."

Amateurs frequently are at fault in calling stations too often. The law states that they can call three times, send "d e" once and sign their station call three times; but often the amateurs will send the calls a dozen or more times.

HOW TO GROUND AN AERIAL

If Properly Done It Really Protects the Property From Lightning.

Generally speaking, aerials do not attract lightning, but they do store up atmospherical electricity, and, of course, this condition does create a hazard. However, when the aerial is properly grounded it then acts as a lightning rod and really protects the property from this electrical hazard.

Briefly, the fire underwriters require that the aerial be grounded when not in use by a copper wire no smaller than B. S. Gauge No. 4 or larger, and run said wire as directly as possible to the outside ground.

This means that water, gas or steam pipes inside the property cannot be used for a lightning ground, because if ever this ground was called into service there is a possibility that fire and loss of life may result. So do not use inside grounds for lightning protection.

ROWAN NEWS

W. G. Whitten was a Belmond visitor Monday.

Miss Della Langdon is visiting at the Ed. Nigg home at Clarion.

Mrs. Henry Martin of Dows spent Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patton.

Guy Stumph was a Hampton caller Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box and the Misses Florence Box and Ruth Emerson were Iowa Falls shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Tresidder visited at the home of her son Howard and family in Clarion Friday.

Mrs. Darrell Stout visited friends and relatives at Clarion last week.

Several auto loads of people went to Lake Cornelia Friday evening and enjoyed a very pleasant time.

Alma Ramsay of near Dows, is assisting at the Charles Peddle home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder, Mrs. Hannah Whitten, and Laurel Baines and Wm. Baines spent Tuesday at Eagle Grove at the home of C. L. Hall and family.

Mrs. G. W. Whitten and daughter, Gladys, Mrs. Dan Fletcher and daughter Izetta were Dows visitors last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bailey returned Saturday from their visit with relatives in Minn.

Mrs. Charley Richards was injured quite severely last week when she was kicked by a horse.

Mrs. Harm Brinkman and children of Latimer spent the week end at the home of her sister, Mrs. Milt Ramsay and family.

Mrs. Elmer Burt was called to Eagle Grove last week on account of the sickness of her sister. She returned home Wednesday, her parents accompanying her for a short visit.

The Misses Letha Gunderson and Susan Duffy, who are attending summer school at Cedar Falls, spent the week end at the homes of their parents. The girls say they are enjoying their school work fine.

Miss Cecil Walker of Fairmont, Minn., is visiting at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Yoeman and other relatives.

Miss Wilda Whitten was a Dows caller Friday.

"THE SHEIK"
STAR THEATRE JUNE 23-24

Diana Mayo, a beautiful English girl, proud and haughty, decides to make a trip into the Saraha desert, despite the protests of her brother and friends. At Biskra, the Paris of the desert, she disguises herself as a slave girl and enters a gmbling casino where Sheik Ahmed, who is holding a fete, meets her. Learning that she is to go into the desert the next day, he bribes a guide and later she falls into his hands.

The Sheik is determined to bow her to his imperious will, but she rebels. He makes a slave of her, and one day while riding with an attendant, she attempts to escape. Her horse falls and breaks its leg and at this moment, Omair, a desert bandit sees and decides to abduct her. The Sheik arrives at this juncture and takes Diana back to camp. When he hears of Omair's presence in the vicinity, he decides to send Diana back to Biskra. While Diana and Saint Hubert, a friend of the Sheik's and a novelist, are riding in the desert, Omair swoops down upon them. Saint Hubert is wounded and Diana made prisoner.

When news of the abduction is brought to the Sheik, he summons his tribemen and hastens to her rescue. Diana is about to commit suicide rather than endure Omair's loathsome embraces, when the Sheik's followers attack the camp. In hand-to-hand battle, Omair is slain and the Sheik badly wounded. Diana nurses the Sheik, whom she now loves back to health, but he treats her indifferently and decides to return her to her people. Diana, who has learned from Saint Hubert that the Sheik is an American of excellent family, pleads with him and when he realizes that she loves him as devotedly as he adores her, he takes her in his arms. A few days later they start back to civilization, on the first leg of their honeymoon journey.

The Sunday school of the Methodish Episcopal church will hold their annual picnic next Thursday at the grounds of the Morgan and Blaine townships, near Dows. The friends will gather at the church at 9:30 in the morning and proceed to the picnic grounds. Baseball, volley ball, races, and sports and a good time generally will be indulged in. The officers of the Sunday school extend an invitation to you. Remember the date—Thursday, June 22.

Mrs. Elmer Burt's division of the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church will hold an ice cream sociel on the grounds of the Rowan Tennis and croquet association, next Saturday evening.

The W. C. T. U. meets with Mrs. Nelson Olson on Wednesday of this week.

The Rev. George Osborne of Kanawha occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church last Sunday morning and delivered a fine sermon, The pastor was in Kanawha.

Special services will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday all day. The sacrament of baptism will be adminstered at the morning hour of worship—the baptism service is always an interesting and instructive one for parents. At the evening hour the Sunday School will put on a special program of music and exercises. Let us make this Children's Day a red letter day in the history of the church.

Miss Anna Rietz visited with Miss Charters at Hampton last week end.

The tennis fiends are hard at work and there is evidence that in the approaching local tournament there will be keen competition. It is hard to predict the winner. The following are going to make a bold bid: Don Farren, Guy Sheldon, Will Rietz, Rev. Tomkinson, Ray and Wesley Azeltine. There are some dark horses who will also furnish a surprise.

Mr. George Liming has secured another Ford car.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett, Mrs. O. F. Braden and Mrs. George Pritchett went to Iowa Falls Thursday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham.

Mr. C. E. Johnson received word Friday of the sudden death of his father, J. K. Johnson. He left for Allison right away.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas and family went to Ventura Friday to visit at the home of their son, Jim and wife.

Mr. Matt Shanner and son, Clessant, of Storm Lake spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bopst, of Geneva spent Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Bine Wilder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham went to Iowa Falls Thursday for a short visit with friends at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, visited at Gillmore City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dix were callers in town Saturday enroute to Dows where they were going to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Willis. A brother of Mrs. Dix, Judge Willis of Los Angeles was also there visiting.

Jake Thomas, of Wiliams, was a Sunday visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box and also visited with an aunt, Mrs. Freeman who is visiting here.

Miss Margaret Aldinger of Hampton spent several days the past week at the home of her uncle, Mr. Jake Aldinger and family, returning to her home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ferguson, of Blairsburg visited Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. S. A. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Azeltine and family spent Sunday at the home of their sister, Mrs. L. D. Bingham at Iowa Falls. Miss Mildred Azeltine, who spent a few days at the home of her parents, returned with them to her aunt.

Mrs. D. A. French returned last week from Burt, where she had been visiting at the home of her son, R. D. Temple and wife.

Ralph Whitten left for Des Moines last week where he will be assigned agents territory for the Fuller Brush Company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten went to Waterloo last week to attend a convention. Miss Wilda and little Billie visited at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Clint Kercheval during their parents absence.

Duane Wilder is on the sick list threatened with typhoid fever.

Last Wednesday the following ladies from Rowan enjoyed the day at the home of Mrs. J. L. Sinclair at Clarion: Mesdames Arthur Emerson, Ben Hadley, Frank Kercheval, J. D. Pritchett, J. D. Brooks, Ed Miller, Fred Brooks, and Georgia Rowen. They report a fine time.

The Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. Ed Azeltine last Wednesday. A very pleasant instructive afternoon is reported. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The Children's Day program of the Congregational church will be held at the church Sunday evning. Everybody is invited to attend these exercises.

Last Saturday evening the Y. P. S. C. E. held an ice cream social on the church lawn. Altho the evening was chilly a large crowd attended and the society cleared fifteen dollars.

Rev. Mohr of Alexander filled the Congregational pulpit Sunday morn- There were no services Sunday evening.

Last Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden entertained for the choir of the Congregational church. Some 25 young people were present at the gathering. The evening was spent in music after which the hostess served a delicious luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and children were Dows callers Friday.

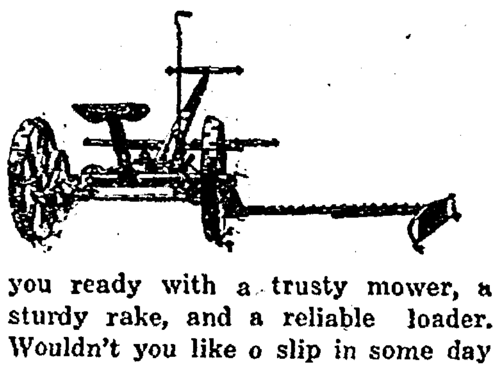
Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, JUNE 22, 1922 No. 16.

Keep cool! This isn't the time to get all "het up." It's hot enough the way it is.

A Big Hay Crop

Haying machines are ready now. Clip-clippity-clip, the call of the mower sounds in the distance, and it won't be long before a big hay crop will be ready for harvest. Are you ready with a trusty mower, a sturdy rake, and a reliable loader. Wouldn't you like o slip in some day and look at the McCormick or Deering mower, the International Side-Delivery rake and the International loader? You should have these three machines. McCormick and Deering mowers are famous for service over the whole round world—so are the rest of the International haying machines. Their long suit is light draft. Come in and look 'em over.



A real he-man is a little bit of everything that's good and still remains what he should be.

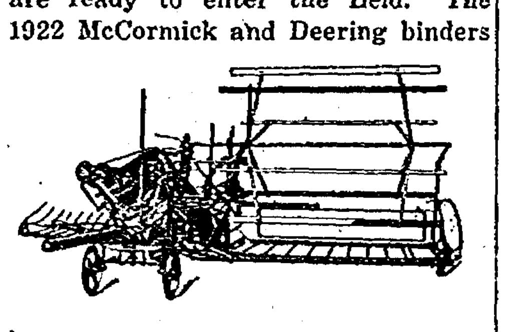
The mouth is a source of much trouble, and it's not altogether toothache of stomach trouble either.

It's hard to see what some women see in the men they marry, but it's harder still to see what some men see in the "hootch" they drink.

No flies mean a clean home. Cleanliness means efficiency, better health, better homes, and better humanity.

Improved Binders

Will your old binder stand the "gaff" for anoher season? Now's the time to find out. Not when you are ready to enter the field. The 1922 McCormick and Deering binders have many improvements over the binder of ten years ago. At your first chance come in and see some of these improvements—outside reel support, grain-saving floating elevator, quickly removed durable pitman, long wearing fabric canvas straps, modern bundle carrier, tongue truck and better bearings. With a new McCormick or Deering binder you'll be ready for all harvesting difficulties—including rough fields, and long ache or stomach trouble either.



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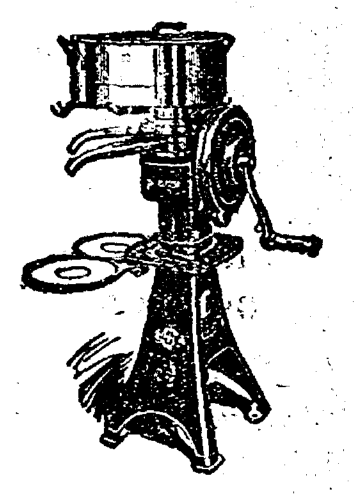
That the Primrose is the only cream separator made with two wide-open cream outlets, giving it more than double the space any other separator has for cream to escape? It's a fact. Fat globules cannot be crushed or broken in passing through these openings. The density of the cream is regulated in the Primrose with a screw in the skimmilk outlet. It is easy to adjust because it works on the large volume of skimmilk instead of the small volume of cream.



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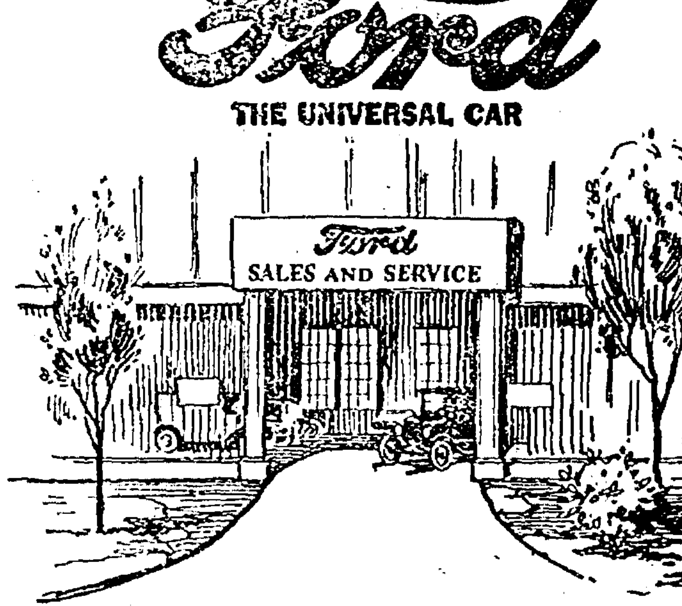

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Why is this? Because an automobile is a heavy load weighing thousands of pounds. It takes time and lots of power to get that big piece of metal started and rolling along smoothly and rapidly. You can't start an automobile right off at sixty miles an hour.

In the same way you can't advertise today and have the orders you want on your desk tomorrow evening. People don't do busness that way. You have to tell them what you want to sell, and keep on telling them many times over to get their orders. Some people are harder to start than automobiles and they move more slowly.

Some Independent readers are just as anxious to buy your goods as you are to sell them. But they don't know about 'em. Tell them what you have got. Start in at once. Tell them facts in your advertisements every week and when they are placing orders—YOU'LL GET YOURS.

BELMOND INDEPENDENT

BELMOND, - - - IOWA

NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In the Estate of Gelke Bohning, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that on the 31st day of May, 1922, there was filed with and opened by the undersigned Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Wright County, a written instrument purporting to be the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Gelke Bohning, late of said County, deceased.

And you are further notified that the 26th day of June, 1922 at 1:30 p. m. of said day has been set as the day for the final hearing and proof of said Will, before me at the Clerk's office in the Court House at Clarion, Iowa, at which time any person interested can appear and show cause why the same should not be admitted to probate

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and afixed the seal of said Court at my office in Clarion in said County this 31st day of May, A. D., 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN,
Clerk District Court

(Seal)

SIX MILLIONTH FORD BUILT ON MAY 18TH

The six millionth Model "T" Ford motor was produced May 18 in the Ford factory at Detroit. In other words, from the time back in 1908 when the company began marketing the model T until May 18, 1922 a total of six million cars and trucks have been produced.

That Ford products have been quite evenly distriuted thruout the United States is borne out by the fact that thru the sparsely settled communities in the West to the densely populated cities in the East, practically the same ratio of cars and trucks to population exists.

Ohio leads with a total of 290,769 cars and trucks in daily use; Illinois comes second; Pennsylvania third; Texas fourth, and Michigan fifth, with a total of 234,081. New York, Iowa and California follow in the order named, each having more than 200,000.

Ford motor number 6,000,000 was lifted from the assembly line in the Highland Park Ford plant at 9:14 a. m. Just 5 1-3 seconds later number 6,000,001 was finished.

HOBO INJURED

Weary Willie, knight of the road is getting three squares a day and a comfortable bed for the first time this year, because when he attempted to alight from a late evening freight on Monday at the Second street viaduct his feet failed to hit soft turf and he bounced unmercifully on he pavement 20 feet below, according to the Chief. Willie wasn't supposed to know where the whereabouts of the viaduct. Cherokee was Cherokee to him, and he wanted to alight as gracefully as possible. The time was ripe, and the night seemed beautiful—and one place seemed as good as another—so he let loose. Terra Firma refused to come up and meet his stretching feet and he flip-flopped unceremoniously to the pavement. Hard is the word—to fall from a moving freight train and kiss the right of way is usually disasterous for the kisser. But Willie was lucky. One rib was fractured and he spent a few minutes in an attempt to organize his faculties. The stars flitted to and fro, and he emitted barks and groans. Kind hearted spectators, reluctant to put on the brakes, screeched to a halt and picked up the remains, taking them to the hospital for treatment. It is believed that Willie will be some time convalescing. The grub is reported O. K.

Bankers Practice Shooting.

Members of the Cherokee County Bankers' Protective Association from the north half of the county, spent one day last week at the Cherokee Rifle Club's range north of town, practicing with real amunition at the various targets. Both revolvers and rifles were used. Woe to be the easy money grabber who comes to Cherokee, provided the revolvers and sawed off shotguns are kept in handy places about the banks.

BOOTLEGGER IS DANGEROUS

Marshall Daily Times-Republican:—Bonker, the young man who killed Rebecca Nelson of Northwood, confessed fully to the officers. He killed the girl. He says he did not mean to rob his father's bank, that he meant to kill himself. He explains it all when he said that after her refusal to marry him, "I bought the hootch and then became crazy."

"Did it kill my mother?" he inquired. "I wouldn't have done it except for the hootch."

How dangerous is a bootlegger and those who peddle booze? At Northwood a fine girl who was working hard to pay off a mortgage on her dead mother's home lies dead by murder; two families are plunged into sorrow and despair; a boy who had served his country in war waits the noose.

Take it to yourselves, jurymen who boast that you will never convict a man for selling liquor; take it to yourselves, officers of the law, that wink at violation of the law; take it to yourselves, you smug citizens, to whom law violation and hootch peddling are perfunctory while your own home seems safe; take it to your own families and take with it the truth that no family is so immune from possible disgrace thru some act of one of its members.

How dangerous is a bootlegger? As dangerous as sudden death, rape, mayhem and murder; he carries and peddles the potentialities of every crime in the catalog. So dangerous is the dealer in illicit intoxicants.

Next dangerous to him are the officials that evade their sworn duty and the citizens who sneer at the law.

A mad dog is less dangeruos.

Take it home. The family of this young man now looking toward a shameful end by rope and gallows is prominent in its community. The father is a farmer and banker there. Not that it matters as to social and financial prominence, but to drive home the thought that no family is immune from the disgrace and destruction by "hootch."

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Arthur Savogue of Chicago is on a vacation at home.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Beier drove to Manson to visit their son Walter.

Mr. and Mrs. Mellem spent Wednesday at Mason City.

Geo. Luick and Wm. Bierer drove to Garner on Wednesday afternoon.

S. S. Matson made a business trip tq Garner on Wednesday.

Wednesday Carol Engeseth returned from a short vacation spent at Clear Lake.

Joe Heginger is improving his home in town by the addition of a bath room on the north side. Chas. Conklin is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allaben left early Thursday morning for a visit with their son H. Allaben, who lives at Brainerd, Minnesota. They drove thru with the car and will be gone about two weeks.

Jas. Bremmer and family were visiting friends in Goodell Thursday.

Mr. Okrueg drove to Hampton on Thursday to see his daughter, Mrs. Harry Ruka.

The Farm Bureau of Twin Lake township held a picnic at the Twin Lakes on Friday afternoon. All report a very fine time. A large number were present.

Elmer Schneider, who is in the hospital at Belmond, is reported as improving rapidly.

John Suurballe, of Garner, was in town Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Harry Ruka drove to Hampton Saturday afternoon to bring his wife home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Trumbell of Mason City are visiting their sons Harry and Sumner this week.

Warner Butts, Mathew Smith and father left last Wednesday for a few days' fishing trip.

Mrs. W. D. Demerritt is enjoying a visit from her father, the Rev. Baker.

Mr. Mellem has been employed for another year y tbhe Farmers Elevator Co.

Monday forenoon Mr. Mellem received word that his father who resides in Minneapolis was dangerously ill. As the word came too late to take the train he drove to Minneapolis Monday afternoon.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. O. Sandberg and Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson drove to Bayside near Clear Lake.

Monday forenoon Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Savogue, Mrs. Reed and Arthur Savogue were in Belmond on business.

MUNICIPAL PARK AT GARNER

Garner is going to have a Municipal Park. This fact was definitely decided at a meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial Club, Tuesday evening. The site is the old Midway Park which in former days marked the half-way limit between Garner and Concord. Arrangements have been made with the city, in which the title to the park rests, to allow the local Commercial Club to go on with improvements necessary to put the park up to the standard required by the state board and open it to the general public as camping ground. This move was made necessary by the demands made upon towns of this size by tourists for suitable camping ground. The club decided that the place should be put in proper condition forthwith—that is the improvements required by the state board would be made at once, and after this has been done, the park will be listed as a permanent Municipal Tourists Park. Markers proclaiming the presence and location of the park have been ordered, and will grace the highways leading to Garner. Workmen are busy bringing city water into the park, toilet rooms will be arranged and cooking apparatus installed.—Garner Leader.

AN OLD TALE CAUSES SUIT FOR $5,000.00

An old tale, which harks back to fifteen years ago, we have been told, re-told in the year of Our Lord, 1922 in cause for a libel suit which James Mehl has filed and in which he asks $5,000 from Byron Oberton of Clarion for an alleged malicious and defamatory statement.

Mr. Mehl's petition recites that he is now and has been a member of the Board of Supervisors of Wright county; that he is also a member of the Norway township school board. It alleges that on or about April 1st 1922, Byron Oberton of Clarion, in the presence of G. H. Lee of Clarion and others unknown to plaintiff, used the following "false and defamatory words: 'That damn Mehl, look what kind of a man he is for a member of the Board of Supervisors. His children had some trouble at school and he went to the schoolhouse and started to give her, the teacher, a licking, and he carried on so she had to stand him off with a six-shooter."

"The plaintiff alleges that the said false and defamatory words cause it to be believed that the plaintiff was unworthy of public trust and confidence, and unfit to hold and adminster the duties of public office and especially the offices herein set forth, whereby the plaintiff has been injured and damaged in his reputation in the sum of $5,000."

It is said that Oberton does not even know Mehl; that he only repeated a story which he had heard some fifteen years ago. Mr. Mehl is prepared to push the case and Oberton will undoubtedly resist with equal vigor.—news.

A Peculiar Automobile Accident

Last Monday, Ernest Edge had some business at the court house, says the Humboldt Independent, and drove up to attend to it, leaving his auto at the foot of the steps leading up to the court house from te south. As he expected to be in the court house but a few minutes, he left his motor running. The M. & St. L. south bound pasenger pulled in and while it was at the depot, Ernest's car took a notion to go down the hill to see what was going on at the depot, the small matter of being short a driver cutting no figure with it in the least. The result was that it crashed into the passenger train standing at the station. The car was somewhat damaged and Ernest had to postpone his trip to South Dakota that he was going o take Monday evening until Tuesday in order to have the necessary repairs put on his car.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Farmers Savings Bank

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 10th day of June, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities		$264,854.13
Overdrafts	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank		None
Banking House	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		33,119.62
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)		None
Total Resources		307,003.75

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	20,000.00	
Surplus fund	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)		4,628.62
Individual deposits subject to check	$ 98,084.44	
Time certificates of deposits	159,968.87	
Savings Deposits	4,321.82	262,375.13
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank		15,000.00
United States bonds borrowed	None	
Total Liabilities		$307,003.75

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, President; Conrad Bier, vice president; and K. Clarence Ruigh, Cashier of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN. President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.
K. CLARENCE RUIGH, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, Conrad Bier and K. Clarence Ruigh this 14th day of June, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.
(Seal)

Attested by Frank Hafermann and Jacob Nissen, Directors.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

G. Lauster and family motored to Mason City Tuesday of last week on shopping and business matters.

Albert Kulher Sr., visited at the Andrew Nelson home near Klemme on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rief were motor passengers to the county seat Thursday pretaining to business and shopping.

Mrs. C. E. Brogan returned home Monday after a few day's visit at the home of her sister at Charles City.

The Misses Viola Thomas, Orpha Smith, Ollie Pals and Irena Butz who are attending college at Cedar Falls spent the week end here at their respective homes.

Miss Tillie Pals was a visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Dick Barkema near Belmond on Friday.

A number of the people of this vicinity attended the annual Mission Festival at Alexander on Thursday of last week.

Postmaster Smith returned home from Ladysmith, Wisconsin on last Tuesday where he has been visiting his son and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rief and Mrs. C. E. Brogan autoed to Thornton on Tuesday evening of last week to attend the meeting of the Eastern Star. Mr. Muller joined the club. A very nice time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiko Kuhler and Edie and Dena autoed to Klemme on Monday of last week.

Frank and Eva Sprau were at Klemme one day last week having their tonsils removed at the Dr. Zinn office. Dr. Carlson of Mason City performing the operations.

Miss Ruth Smith left Wednesday for Mason City where she will take a course in bookkeeping.

Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh was taken to the Park Hospital at Mason City where she will take treatments.

Kieth Weaver who has been attending school at Council Bluffs came last Wednesday to spend his summer vacation here at the home of his mother, Mrs. Henry Proost.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morris and sons autoed to Sheffield and Mason City on Friday on shopping matters.

Notice

Having purchased a Thoroughbred Guernsey Sire. All those who desire his service a fee of $3.00 will be charged—Peter H. Pals, Meservey, Iowa.

Lost—Between Ventura and Meservey, auto camping tent and bed. Finder notify D. C. Petheran, Kanawha, for reward.

Albert Pals autoed to Sheffield on Friday evening of last week.

Geo. Sindlinger and children of Ft. Dodge spent the week end here at the Unverferth home.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and Lydia autoed to Mason City on Wednesday.

Miss Jeanetta Lauen, who is working at the Tom Nelson home near Klemme, spent Sunday here at the home of her parents.

Miss Mabel Eggers, who is working at the E. A. Strasburg residence, spent the week end with folks at Thornton.

Fred Alberts of Klemme visited at the Mrs. E. Stadtlander home on this week Monday.

Mrs. Boelman of Belmond was a visitor at the R. Boelman home here Monday.

Miss Gay Bohning of Belmond who is working at the Harm J. Pals home spent Sunday with her folks at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pals and son John and son Elmer accompanied by Mrs. Frohling, spent Sunday at the Titus Frohling home at Ackley.

Miss Wilhelmina Loats spent Sunday at the parental home at Belmond.

Mr. Jordon left Monday for Jefferson, Oklahoma, for an extended stay on business matters and to visit with friends.

Geo. Meyers of Thornton was in town on Monday attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gruis left Tuesday for Stout, Iowa, where they will spend the week visiting with relatives and also attend the annual mission feast there Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jorgens of Kanawha and Mrs. Jorgens, also of Kanawha, visited Sunday at the J. Cooper residence.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Janssen and children and Mr. and Mrs. Cooper autoed to Kanawha on last Thursday evening to attend the glee club concert given there by the Grundy College.

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H. F. Reif and Heinie Woagv motored to Mason City, Sunday, where the latter visited his sister, Mrs. Ruigh, who is at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Heming of Thornton spent Sunday here at the Edward Foss home.

Ed. Rooks and family of Klemme were here Sunday visiting at the Aug. Guth home.

John Abbas and family of Austenville spent the day Sunday at the H. K. Pals home.

Rev. Rosehish of Franklin, Wisconsin is here visiting at the Mrs. E. Stadtlander home. Rev. Rosehish and Mrs. Stadtlander are distant relatives.

Aiko Kuhlers and family went to Clear Lake on Friday to do some shopping.

H. H. Pals, K. C. Ruigh and daughter, Ida autoed to Mason City Sunday to visit Mrs. Ruigh.

Rev. Pannkuk and family, H. J. Groen and Henry Gerdes autoed to Britt Tuesday p. m. on a business and pleasure trip.

Mrs. Jake Wickershiem left Monday for a short visit with relatives at Fort Dodge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ruiter and Miss Freda Schroeder and Ben Hiteland spent Sunday evening with friends and relatives at Latimer.

Wm. Bonte and Dall Smith who accompanied the Misses Viola Thomas Irene Butz, Ollie Pals and Orpha Smith to Cedar Falls on Sunday p. m. returned home Monday.

The Misses Evlyn Thomas, Marie Fischer and Irene Guth were shoppers at Mason City on Tuesday.

E. A. Strasburg autoed to Mason City on Tuesday having dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rief and Mrs. C. E. Brogan attended the regular meeting of the O. E. S. last Tuesday evening at Thornton.

A. J. Nissen, L. B. Hulsebus and Dick Wessels were Clarion business callers Tuesday.

The Aid Society of the Reformed church met Monday p. m. in the basement. The good number of nineteen were present and refreshments were served by Mrs. Ben Gruis.

Mrs. A. J. Nissen and son, Marvin, Mrs. H. Brator and Mrs. A. E. Muller were Mason City business callers last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boughton of Webster City were Sunday visitors at the L. B. Hulsebus home last Sunday. Mr. Boughton returned home that evening but Mrs. remained for a week's visit. Mrs. Boughton will be better known as Miss Dora Witt, a sister of Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus.

Mr. Ed. Jenison came up from Belmond Saturday evening to spend Sunday at the Floyd Thayer home.

The Helping Hand society of the Evangelical church met at the home of Mrs. A. E. Muller last Thursday p. m. for their regular Monday session. Short talks being accomplished by the different women's organizations. Mrs. Schlesselman spoke on the aim and purpose of the W. M. S. Mrs. Meyers on the Helping Hand society and Mrs. Theo. Wendel brought out the good work being done by the Cemetery society. At the close refreshment, consisting of ice cream and cake was served. A very enjoyable time is reported.

For Sale or Trade—New For touring car.—C. E. Brogan, Meservey. 31tfc

Children's Day was observed at the Evangecial church Sunday. A good program was rendered. Special mention should be made of the flower exercise given by the beginers class, in charge of Mrs. C. J. Wendel. The offering amounted to just $100.00.

Sylvester McCauley who was on the pitching staff of the Kanawha ball club last summer has joined the Waukon semi-pro club. He recently pitched a game for the Dubuque White Sox against the Lancaster team, the former winning 5 to 4. He will lead the Columbia college ball team next season. —Reporter.

Christine Brown Harras and two children, Robert and Rose Mary of Chicago and her two sisters, Rose and Anna of Fort Dodge are visiting at the Unverferth home and with other relatives.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at the usual hours.
Saturday June 11th evening Rev. H. J. Faust will be with us for the quarterly business conference. Communion services Sunday morning.

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Services (German) 1015
Young peoples' meeting 7:15
Services (German) 8:00

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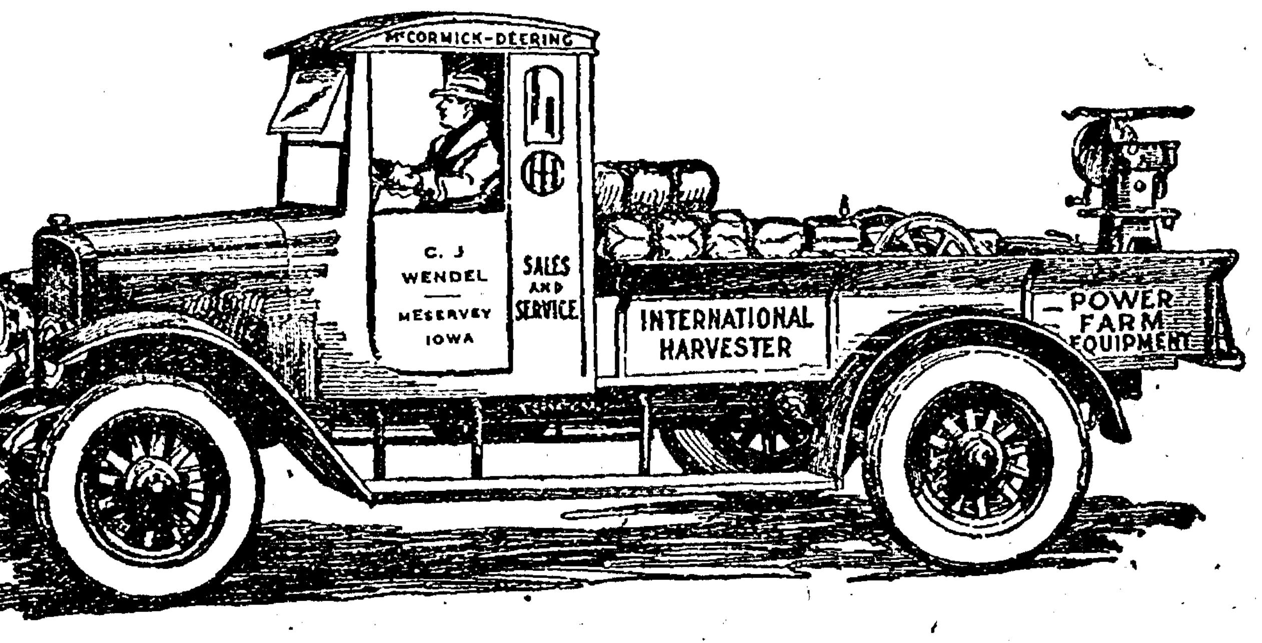

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Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local Nws

Remember Alexander has free out door moving picture shows every Saturday night. Do not miss them, they are fine. Bring your family and friends. Everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy and daughter, Bernadine were Sunday visitors with relatives at Aredale.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell and Robert Weber of Waterloo, visited with Alexander relatives several days the past week.

Glenn Klinefelter of Garner was a visitor at this place Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son, Frederick and Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens were visitors at Hampton last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Yaw of Iowa Falls was visiting relatives here the past week.

The Methodist church and parsonage has been improved much in looks by having a new coat of paint. L. C. Peters and Arthur Peters have done the fine work.

Mrs. Peter Pals left Monday evening for North Wood, North Dakota, where she went for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Osborne of Hampton and Mrs. Leona Jackson of Clarion visited at the Otto Kieslich home on Wednesday.

Fred L. Greenfield was a business caller at Clarion Monday.

John Bell was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Oscar Hensel and R. L. Carlock were business callers at Webster City on Friday.

Miss Addie Larsen was having dental work done at Belmond on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and baby and Miss Susie Schulte were callers at Belmond last Tuesday.

Mrs. Anna Bonte and daughter, Virginia of Meservey visited with friends and relatives at this place several days the past week.

Miss Charity Hansen, real estate agent of Hampton was transacting business at Alexander the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed and two children, Mildred and John visited with relatives at Belmond last Sunday.

Carl Greimann who has been station agent at the M. & St. L. depot for the past eleven months has been transfered to Hampton. Merle Penelerick of Steam Boat Rock is filling the vacancy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters, Jessie and Nellie visited at the Edd Tucker home at Hensell last Sunday.

Bert Kieslich autoed to Wisconsin last week to visit at the home of his brother, Paul Kieslich.

Peter Pals and sons, Joe and Peter were callers at Hampton Monday evening.

The Dorcas Society will be entertained at the home of Mrs. James Westaby next Wednesday afternoon, June the 28th.

LEAVES AND MONEY GOES RIGHT ALONG

News: A young man named Laurence Heyings, whose home is said to be in Carrol, walked off with around $40 of D. H. Eley's money from his cafe at Cornelia a few days ago, while the Eleys were at the Mrs. Abrahamson funeral. The young man hired Mr. Pederson, the blacksmith, to take him over to Belmond, and from that city is supposed to have taken the Great Western passenger train into Minnesota, where he is now believed to be.

The young man came to Clarion some time ago. The Eleys gave him employment and thot he was worthy of trust. But his good conduct was deceiving, and when he found his employers were going to be absent, he waited till they had gone and then proceeded to tap the till of the small change, sell some merchandise, and pocket the cash. He also is said to have told the boys around the lake that day that he was getting married, and he treated them rather liberally at Mr. Eley's expense.

When he left he gave Mr. Pederson a letter, saying that if any one wanted to know where he was to be found to ask a certain man near Belmond. The sheriff's office is searching for the young fellow and if he is located he may be brot back and prosecuted.

The boy is only about nineteen years of age, and is a nice appearing young fellow.

Farm Loan Money Coming Easier

Further indications of "easier" money is shown in the announcement from Omaha that the Federal Land Bank of this district has reduced its interest rate to borrowers from 6 per cent to 5½ per cent, effective June 1st. T. O. Hegen, president of the Central Iowa Mortgage company, Fort Dodge agents for the Federal Land Bank, says the reduction shows clearly there is "plenty of money" available for farm loans. The importance of a reduction of one-half of one per cent is set forth in a bulletin from which states that "this means more to farmers and to business interests in this section, dependent on farming than anything else that has occurred for many months." There are four states in this district Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming. The federal census shows a mortgage indebtness of about one billion dollars in these four states.

Railroad Traffic Declines

Railroad patronage is on the decline. Recently the Bode Bugle spoke of the fact that only one ticket was sold at that station on Tuesday, May 23, and that was only bought to Livermore. The auto bus and the auto and the truck are putting the railroads out of business, and will continue to do so until the roads learn to lessen their operating expenses by running smaller trains that require less investment and less man power. There is no reason why the roads connot run one car, gasoline and motor car that travels the high ways. The railroad is good every day of the year except in excessive snows, and is much better ffitted to handle light traffic than the truck, but is failing simply because the road officials will not change their ways.

HAS CHICKEN THAT IS A REAL FREAK

Joe Meyers has unearthed or found another curiosity on his farm. It will be remembered that the snakes come out and dance on the snow in Joe's back lot, and the frogs sing Christmas carols, and the gophers turn white, and now he has found a chicken that has four ferfect wings and four perfect legs, and a perfect head and body. The legs are situated fore and aft like a horse or any other quadruped, but there is no other bird that has four wings that we know of. If this bird should grow to maturity and start off across the world with the four wings all going at once, and then drop to the ground and gallop along like a kangaroo or a mule, it would be a sight well worth seeing.

The boys have speculated long and loud on the probable origin of this animal or beast or snake, or whatever it is, and the concensus of opinion is that the thing is a cross between that white gopher and a guinea hen. The monstrosity is white like the gopher, has pink eyes like the gopher, and lacks only tail and pockets to make it complete. It might have had the pockets for all we know; for we forgot to look, and it also might have had a stub of a tail under its feathery white down.—Humboldt Republican

The Republican forgot to mention one thing that would explain the foregoing—Humboldt's "White Mule."

KLEMME TO CELEBRATE

Times: It has been definitely decided among the business men of the town of Klemme to put on a celebration July 4th this year.

At the time of going to press it is impossible for us to give full details of the celebration as there are a number of things that the various committees have to work out; but Klemme will celebrate and we can promise that it will be a good celebration and you are assured of a good time.

Make your plans to come early and to stay late, there will be something doing every minute of the day.

If you would preserve harmony in the home, never tell your troubles to your wife—when she is at the bottom of them.

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In criticising others we are apt to lose the good opinion of those to whom we are speaking.

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SHEFFIELD HAS TOURIST PARK

The town of Sheffield, always up and doing, has just opened a park for tourists. It is located along the Jefferson Highway, just south of the residential portion of the town and may be entered at the west and at an opening just north of the bridge that spans Bailey creek and from the east by the brick-yard road at the second corner coming from the north. The tract comprises about thirteen acres and is an ideal camping ground. The land belongs to the Sheffield Brick & Tile Company and F. F. Carhart, president of the company, has given the town free use of the ground for a period of five years.

GLOOMY ABOUT IOWA? READ THIS SNAPPY ESSAY

Iowa agriculturalists, who have been feeling gloomy over low prices and difficult times, will be cheered by re-reading the "Short Essay on Iowa" written over ten years ago by the late George Fitch, former Council Bluffs newspaper man.

The essay, which displays Fitch's irrepressible optimism and quaint humor, is as follows:

"Iowa is a large and happy corn field, speckled with Carnegie libraries and half-ton hogs, which are exchanged by their owners when ripe for automibles and piano players. The field is bounded on the east and west by the Mississippi and Missouri rivers, but barbed wire is used on the north and south. The state has 2,200,000 people, almost all of whom scan the editorial pages and market reports in the daily papers with the deepest interest.

"Iowa has no romance in its history. Its history could not be dramatized, even in the high-brow theatre, with any success. About seventy years ago, people began going into Iowa from Illinois to raise crops, and they have been doing it ever since. Iowa leads the world in farm products. Its corn cribs have elastic sides, and the Iowa pig, after he has fed on Iowa corn for a few months, has to be moved to and from meals on a truck. The tourist who crosses Iowa during midsummer complains of the dense forests and early twilight, but he is only going thru 300 miles of Iowa crops which are getting their full growth. After an Iowa farmer has sat out on his porch on hot July evenings and has heard his corn grow for twenty-five years, it is hard to interest him in such pifflish music as grand opera products.

"Iowa is singularly blessed in its lacks. It has no trusts, no great metropolis, no smart set, no slums, no country estates, and no abandoned farms. It also has no vast increase of population to assimilate and educate; in fact, it showed a decrease of population by the last census, and it talks of giving medals to its vigilant police force because of the fact.

"Iowa people wear last year's fashions quite extensively, but read this year's books and originate next year's political improvements. The Iowa man can be readily distinguished by the placid brow, his nine o'clock bedtime, and his careless habit of paying cash for everything he buys."

How?

"Do you think, dearest, that you could manage on my salary?" the fond youth asked.

"Why, yes; I think I could, darling," the girl responded; "but how in the world would you get along?"

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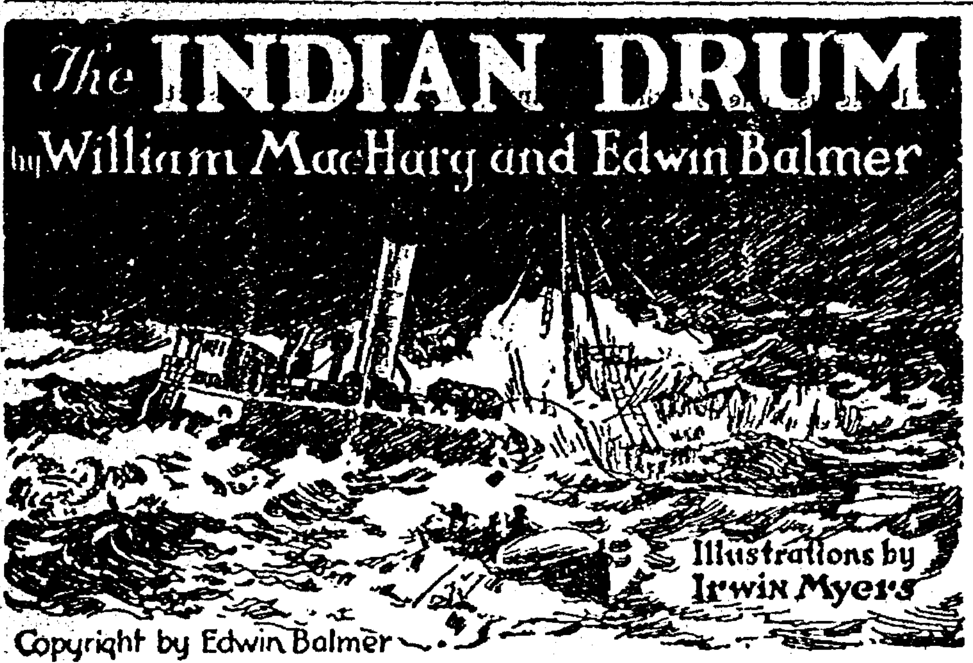

The INDIAN DRUM

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

CHAPTER IX.—Conrad recovers, and the affair remains a mystery.

CHAPTER X.—Alan learns from Wassaquam that it was Corvet's habit to keep the sum of $1,000 in the house, apparently to meet the demands of a certain "Luke," who appeared periodically. In the absence of Wassaquam, "Luke" comes to the house demanding to see Corvet. He is evidently in a dying condition, due to alcohol and exposure. Conrad tries without avail to get him to explain his connection with Corvet. The man dies. Wassaquam gives Conrad a paper on which is a list of names.

Alan had drawn back but now went to the man again. The first idea that this might have been merely some old sailor who had served Benjamin Corvet or, perhaps, had been a comrade in the earlier days, had been banished by the confident arrogance of the man's tone—an arrogance not to be explained, entirely, by whisky or by the fever.

"How long have you been this way?" Alan demanded. "Where did you come from?" He put his hand on the wrist; it was very hot and dry; the pulse was racing, irregular; at seconds it seemed to stop; for other seconds it was continuous. The fellow coughed and bent forward. "What is it—pneumonia?" Alan tried to straighten him up.

"Gi' me drink! . . . Go get Ben Corvet, I tell you! . . . Get Ben Corvet quick! Say—yous shear? You get me Ben Corvet; you better get Ben Corvet; you tell him Lu—uke's here; won't wait any more; goin' t'have my money now . . . sright away, your shear? Kick me out s'loon; I guess not no more. Ben Corvet give me all money I want or I talk!"

"Talk!"

"Syou know it! I ain't goin' . . ." He choked up and tottered back; Alan, supporting him, laid him down and stayed beside him until his coughing and choking ceased, and there was only the rattling rasp of his breathing. When Alan spoke to him again, Luke's eyes opened, and he narrated recent experiences bitterly; all were blamed to Ben Corvet's absence; Luke, who had been drinking heavily a few nights before, had been thrown out when the saloon was closed; that was Ben Corvet's fault; if Ben Corvet had been around, Luke would have had money, all the money any one wanted; no one would have thrown out Luke then. Luke slept in the snow, all wet. When he arose, the saloon was open again, and he got more whisky, but not enough to get him warm. He hadn't been warm since. That was Ben Corvet's fault. Ben Corvet better be 'round now; Luke wouldn't stand any more.

Alan felt of the pulse again; he opened the coat and under-flannels and felt the heaving chest. He went to the hall and looked in the telephone directory. He remembered the name of the druggist on the corner of Clark street and he telephoned him, giving the number on Astor street.

"I want a doctor right away," he said. "Any good doctor; the one that you can get quickest." The druggist promised that a physician would be there within a quarter of an hour. Alan went back to Luke, who was silent now except for the gasp of his breath; he did not answer when Alan spoke to him, except to ask for whisky. Alan stood watching, a strange, sinking tremor shaking him. This man had come there to make a claim—a claim which many times before, apparently, Benjamin Corvet had admitted. Luke came to Ben Corvet for money which he always got—all he wanted—the alternative to giving which was that Luke would "talk." Blackmail, that meant, of course; blackmail which not only Luke had told of but which Wassaquam too had admitted, as Alan now realized. Money for blackmail—that was the reason for that thousand dollars in cash which Benjamin Corvet always kept at the house.

Alan turned with a sudden shiver of revulsion toward his father's chair in place before the hearth; there for hours each day his father had sat with a book or staring into the fire always with what this man knew hanging over him, always arming against it with the thousand dollars ready for this man, whenever he came. Meeting blackmail, paying blackmail for as long as Wassaquam had been in the house, for as long as it took to make the once muscular powerful figure of the sailor who threatened to "talk" into the swollen whisky-soaked hulk of the man dying now on the lounge.

For his state that day the man blamed Benjamin Corvet. Alan, forcing himself to touch the swollen face, shuddered at thought of the truth underlying that accusation. Benjamin Corvet's act—whatever it might be that this man knew—undoubtedly had destroyed not only him who paid the blackmail but him who received it; the effect of that act was still going on, destroying, blighting. Its threat of shame was not only against Benjamin Corvet; it threatened also all whose names must be connected with Corvet's. This shame threatened Alan; it threatened also the Sherrills. What Sherrill had told Alan and even Corvet's gifts to him had not been able to make Alan feel that without question Corvet was his father, but now shame and horror were making him feel it; in horror at Corvet's act—whatever it might be—and in shame at Covert's cowardice, Alan was thinking of Benjamin Corvet as his father. This shame, this horror were his inheritance.

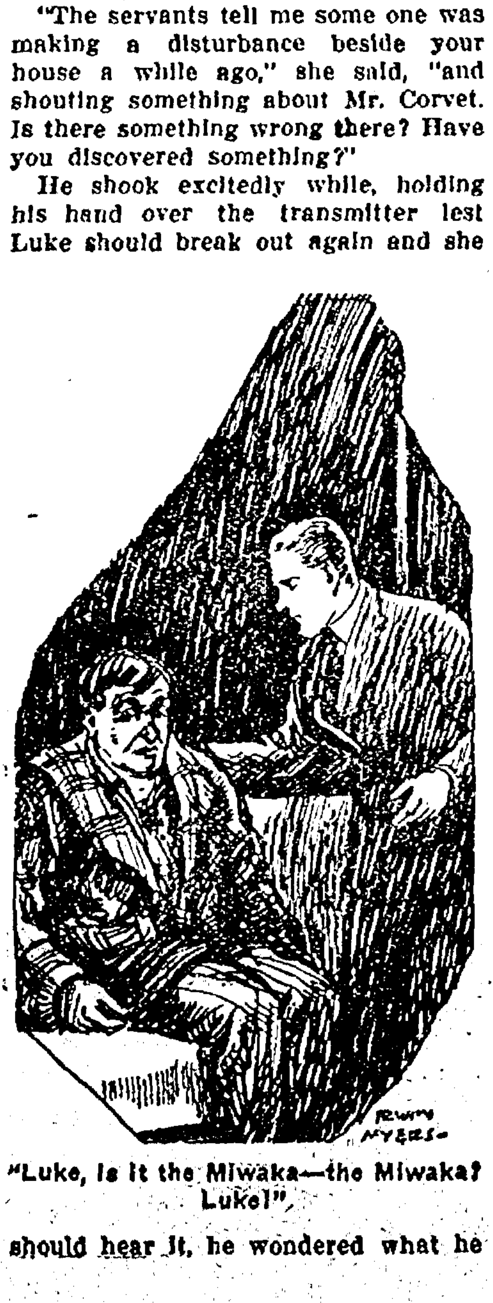
He left Luke and went to the window to see if the doctor was coming. He had called the doctor because in his first sight of Luke he had not recognized that Luke was beyond the aid of doctors and because to summon a doctor under such circumstances was the right thing to do; but he had thought of the doctor also as a witness to anything Luke might say. But now—did he want a witness? He had no thought of concealing anything for his own sake or for his father's; but he would, at least, want the chance to determine the circumstances under which it was to be made public.

He hurried back to Luke. "What is it, Luke?" he cried to him. "What can you tell? Listen! Luke—Luke, is it about the Miwaka—the Miwaka? Luke!"

Luke had sunk into a stupor; Alan shook him and shouted in his ear without awakening response. As Alan straightened and stood hopelessly looking down at him, the telephone bell rang sharply. Constance Sherrill's voice came to him; her first words made it clear that she was at home and had just come in.

"The servants tell me some one was making a disturbance beside your house a while ago," she said, "and shouting something about Mr. Corvet. Is there something wrong there? Have you discovered something?"

He shook excitedly while, holding his hand over the transmitter lest Luke should break out again and she should hear it, he wondered what he should say to her.



"Luke, Is It the Miwaka—the Miwaka? Luke!"

"Please don't ask me just now, Miss Sherrill," he managed. "I'll tell you what I can—later."

His reply, he recognized, only made her more certain that there was something the matter, but he could not add anything to it. He found Luke, when he went back to him, still in coma; the bloodshot veins stood out against the ghastly grayness of his face, and his stertorous breathing sounded through the rooms.

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Constance Sherrill had come in a few moments before from an afternoon reception; the servants told her at once that something was happening at Mr. Corvet's. They had heard shouts and had seen a man pounding upon the door there, but they had not taken it upon themselves to go over there. She had told the chauffeur to wait with the motor and had run at once to the telephone and called Alan; his attempt to put her off made her certain that what had happened was not finished but was still going on. Her anxiety and the sense of their responsibility for Alan overrode at once all other thought. She told the servants to call her father at the office and tell him something was wrong at Mr. Corvet's; then she called her maid and hurried out to the motor.

"To Mr. Corvet's—quickly!" she directed.

Looking through the front doors of her car as it turned into Astor street, she saw a young man, carrying a doctor's case, run up the steps of Corvet's house. Constance recognized him as a young doctor who was starting in practice in the neighborhood. He was just being admitted as she and her maid reached the steps. Alan stood holding the door open and yet blocking entrance when she came up.

"You must not come in!" he denied her; but she followed the doctor so that Alan could not close the door upon her. He yielded then, and she and her maid went on into the hall.

She started as she saw the figure upon the couch in the library, and as the sound of its heavy breathing reached her; and the wild fancy which had come to her when the servants had told her of what was going on—a fancy that Uncle Benny had come back—was banished instantly.

Alan led her into the room across from the library.

"You shouldn't have come in," he said. "I shouldn't have let you in; but—you saw him."

"Yes."

"Do you know him?"

"Know him?" She shook her head.

"I mean, you've never seen him before?"

"No."

"His name is Luke—he speaks of himself by that name. Did you ever hear my father mention a man named Luke?"

"No; never."

Luke's voice cut suddenly their conversation; the doctor probably had given him some stimulant.

"Where'sh Ben Corvet?" Luke demanded arrogantly of the doctor. "You go get Ben Corvet! Tell Ben Corvet I want drink right away. Tell Ben Corvet I want my thousan' dollar . . . !"

Constance turned swiftly to her maid. "Go out to the car and wait for me," she commanded.

Luke's muffled, heavy voice went on; moments while he fought for breath interrupted it.

"You hear me, you d—n Injin! . . . You go tell Ben Corvet I want my thousan' dollars, or I make it two nex' time! You hear me; you go tell Ben Corvet. . . . You let me go, you d—n Injin!" . . .

Through the doorway to the library they could see the doctor force Luke back upon the couch; Luke fought him furiously; then, suddenly as he had stirred to strength and fury, Luke collapsed again. His voice went on a moment more, and rapidly growing weaker:

"You tell Ben Corvet I want my money, or I'll tell. He knows what I'll tell. . . . You don't know, you Injin devil. . . . Ben Corvet knows, and I know. . . . Tell him I'll tell . . . I'll tell . . . I'll tell!" The threatening voice stopped suddenly.

Constance, very pale, again faced Alan. "Of course, I understand," she said. "Uncle Benny has been paying blackmail to this man. For years, perhaps. . . ." She repeated the word after an instant, in a frightened voice, "Blackmail!"

"Won't you please go, Miss Sherrill?" Alan urged her. "It was good of you to come; but you mustn't stay now. He's—he's dying, of course."

She seated herself upon a chair. "I'm going to stay with you," she said simply. It was not, she knew, to share the waiting for the man in the next room to die; in that, of itself, there could be nothing for him to feel. It was to be with him while realization which had come to her was settling upon him, too—realization of what this meant to him. He was realizing that, she thought; he had realized it; it made him, at moments, forget her while, listening for sounds from the other room, he paced back and forth beside the table or stood staring away, clinging to the portieres. He left her presently, and went across the hall to the doctor.

"Is he dead?" Constance heard him ask.

"Not yet," the doctor answered; "but it won't be long, now."

"There's nothing you can do to make him talk—bring him to himself long enough so that he will tell what he keeps threatening to tell?"

The doctor shrugged. "How many times, do you suppose, he's been drunk and still not told? Concealment is his established habit now. It's an inhibition; even in wandering, he stops short of actually telling anything."

Alan came back to Constance. Outside, the gray of dusk was spreading, and within the house it had grown dark. It was very quiet in the library; she could not even hear Luke's breathing now. Then the doctor came out to them.

"It's over," he said to Alan. "There's a law covering these cases; you may not be familiar with it. I'll make out the death certificate—pneumonia and a weak heart with alcoholism. But the police have to be notified at once; you have no choice as to that. I'll look after those things for you, if you want."

"Thank you; if you will." Alan went with the doctor to the door and saw him drive away. Returning, he drew the library portieres; then, coming back to Constance, he picked up her muff and collar from the chair where she had thrown them, and held them out to her.

"You'll go now, Miss Sherrill," he said. "Indeed, you mustn't stay here—your car's still waiting, and—you mustn't stay here . . . in this house!"

"Won't you come over home with me," she said, "and wait for father there till we can think this thing out together?"

Her sweetness almost broke him down. "This . . . together! Think this out! Oh, it's plain enough, isn't it? For years—for as long as Wassaquam has been here, my father has been seeing that man and paying blackmail to him twice a year, at least! He lived in that man's power. He kept money in the house for him always! It wasn't anything imaginary that hung over my father—or anything created in his own mind. It was something real—real; it was disgrace—disgrace and worse—something he deserved; and that he fought with blackmail money, like a coward! Dishonor—cowardice—blackmail!"

She drew a little nearer to him. "You didn't want me to know," she said. "You tried to put me off when I called you on the telephone; and—when I came here, you wanted me to go away before I heard. Why didn't you want me to know? If he was your father, wasn't he our—friend? Mine and my father's? You must let us help you."

As she approached, he had drawn back from her. "No; this is mine!" he denied her. "Not yours or your father's. You have nothing to do with this. Didn't he try in little cowardly ways to keep you out of it? But he couldn't do that; your friendship meant too much to him; he couldn't keep away from you. But I can—I can do that! You must go out of this house; you must never come in here again!"

Her eyes filled, as she watched him; never had she liked him so much as now.

"I thought," he said almost wistfully, "it seemed to me that, whatever he had done, it must have been mostly against me. His leaving everything to me seemed to mean that I was the one that he had wronged, and that he was trying to make it up to me. But it isn't that; it can't be that! It is something much worse than that! . . . Oh, I'm glad I haven't used much of his money! Hardly any—not more than I can give back! It wasn't the money and the house he left me that mattered; what he really left me was just this . . . dishonor, shame . . ."

The doorbell rang, and Alan turned to the door and threw it open. In the dusk the figure of the man outside was not at all recognizable; but as he entered with heavy and deliberate steps, passing Alan without greeting and going straight to Constance, Alan saw by the light in the hall that it was Spearman.

"What's up?" Spearman asked. "They tried to get your father at the office and then me, but neither of us was there. They got me afterward, at the club. They said you'd come over here; but that must have been more than two hours ago."

His gaze went on past her to the drawn hangings of the room to the right; and he seemed to appreciate their significance; for his face whitened under its tan, and an odd hush came suddenly upon him.

"Is it Ben, Connie?" he whispered. "Ben . . . come back?"

He drew the curtains partly open. The light in the library had been extinguished, and the light that came from the hall swayed about the room with the movement of the curtains and gave a momentary semblance of life to the face of the man upon the couch. Spearman drew the curtains quickly together again, still holding to them and seeming for an instant to cling to them; then he shook himself together, threw the curtains wide apart, and strode into the room. He switched on the light and went directly to the couch; Alan followed him.

"He's—dead?"

"Who is he?" Alan demanded.

Spearman seemed to satisfy himself first as to the answer to his question. "How should I know who he is?" he asked. "There used to be a wheelsman on the Martha Corvet years ago who looked like him; or looked like what this fellow may have looked like once. I can't be sure."

He turned to Constance. "You're going home, Connie? I'll see you over there. I'll come back about this afterward, Conrad."

Alan followed them to the door and closed it after them. He spread the blankets over Luke. Luke's coats, which Alan had removed, lay upon a chair, and he looked them over for marks of identification. A side pocket produced an old briar; there was nothing else. Then Alan walked restlessly about, awaiting Spearman. Spearman, he believed, knew this man; Spearman had not even ventured upon modified denial until he was certain that the man was dead; and then he had answered so as not to commit himself, pending learning from Constance what Luke had told.

But Luke had said nothing about Spearman. It had been Corvet, and Corvet alone, of whom Luke had spoken; it was Corvet whom he had accused; it was Corvet who had given him money. Was it conceivable, then, that there had been two such events in Corvet's life? That one of these events concerned the Miwaka and Spearman and some one—some one "with a bullet hole above the eye"—who had "got" Corvet; and that the other event had concerned Luke and something else? It was not conceivable, Alan was sure; it was all one thing. If Corvet had to do with the Miwaka, then Luke hed had to do with it too. And Spearman? But if Spearman had been involved in that guilty thing, had not Luke known it? Then why had not Luke mentioned Spearman? Or had Spearman not been really involved? Had it been, perhaps, only evidence of knowledge of what Corvet had done that Spearman had tried to discover and destroy?

Alan went to the door and opened it, as he heard Spearman upon the steps again. Spearman waited only until the door had been reclosed behind him.

"Well, Conrad, what was the idea of bringing Miss Sherrill into this?"

"I didn't bring her in; I tried the best I could to keep her out."

"Out of what—exactly?"

"You know better than I do. You know exactly what it is. You know that man, Spearman; you know what he came here for. I don't mean money; I mean you know why he came here for money, and why he got it. I tried, as well as I could, to make him tell me; but he wouldn't do it. There's disgrace of some sort here, of course—disgrace that involves my father and, I think, you too. If you're not guilty with my father, you'll help me now; if you are guilty, then, at least, your refusal to help will let me know that."

"I don't know what you're talking about. I told you this man may have been a wheelsman on the Corvet; I don't know more about him than that; I don't even know that certainly. Of course, I knew Ben Corvet was paying blackmail; I've known for years that he was giving up money to some one. I don't know who he paid it to; or for what."

The strain of the last few hours was telling upon Alan; his skin flushed hot and cold by turns. He paced up and down while he controlled himself.

"That's not enough, Spearman," he said finally. "I—I've felt you, somehow, underneath all these things. The first time I saw you, you were in this house doing something you ought not to have been doing; you fought me then; you would have killed me rather than not get away. Two weeks ago, some one attacked me on the street—for robbery, they said; but I know it wasn't robbery—"

"You're not so crazy as to be trying to involve me in that—"

There came a sound to them from the hall, a sound unmistakably denoting some presence. Spearman jerked suddenly up; Alan, going to the door and looking into the hall, saw Wassaquam. The Indian evidently had returned to the house some time before; he had been bringing to Alan now the accounts which he had settled. He seemed to have been standing in the hall for some time, listening; but he came in now, looking inquiringly from one to the other of them.

"Not friends?" he inquired. "You and Henry?"

Alan's passion broke out suddenly. "We're anything but that, Judah. I found him, the first night I got here and while you were away, going through my father's things. I fought with him, and he ran away. He was the one that broke into my father's desks; maybe you'll believe that, even if no one else will."

"Yes?" the Indian questioned. "Yes?" It was plain that he not only believed but that believing gave him immense satisfaction. He took Alan's arm and led him into the smaller library. He knelt before one of the drawers under the bookshelves—the drawer, Alan recalled, which he himself had been examining when he had found Wassaquam watching him. He drew out the drawer and dumped its contents out upon the floor; he turned the drawer about then, and pulled the bottom out of it. Beneath the bottom which he had removed appeared now another bottom and a few sheets of paper scrawled in an uneven hand and with different colored inks.

At sight of them, Spearman, who had followed them into the room, uttered an oath and sprang forward. The Indian's small dark hand grasped Spearman's wrist, and his face twitched itself into a fierce grin which showed how little civilization had modified in him the aboriginal passions. But Spearman did not try to force his way; instead, he drew back suddenly.

Alan stooped and picked up the papers and put them in his pocket. If the Indian had not been there, it would not have been so easy for him to do that, he thought.

CHAPTER XI

The Land of the Drum.

Alan went with Wassaquam into the front library, after the Indian had shown Spearman out.

"This was the man, Judah, who came for Mr. Corvet that night I was hurt?"

"Yes, Alan," Wassaquam said.

"He was the man, then, who came here twice a year, at least, to see Mr. Corvet?"

"Yes."

"I was sure of it," Alan said. "Can you tell me now why he came here, Judah?"

"I have told you I do not know," Wassaquam replied. "Ben always saw him; Ben gave him money. I do not know why."

Alan had been holding his hand over the papers which he had thrust into his pocket; he went back into the smaller library and spread them under the reading lamp to examine them. But, as he looked the pages over now, he felt a chill of disappointment and chagrin. They did not contain any narrative concerning Benjamin Corvet's life; they did not even relate to a single event. They were no narrative at all. They were—in his first examination of them, he could not tell what they were.

They consisted in all of some dozen sheets of irregular size, some of which had been kept much longer than others, a few of which even appeared fresh and new. The three pages which Alan thought, from their yellowed and worn look, must be the oldest, and which must have been kept for many years, contained only a list of names and addresses. The remaining pages, which he counted as ten in number, contained nearly a hundred brief clippings from newspapers; the clippings had been very carefully cut out, they had been pasted with painful regularity on the sheets, and each had been dated across its face—dates made with many different pens and with many different inks, but all in the same irregular handwriting as the letter which Alan had received from Benjamin Corvet.

Alan, his fingers numb in his disappointment, turned and examined all these pages; but they contained nothing else. He read one of the clippings, which was dated "Feb. 1912."

"The passing away of one of the oldest residents of Emmet county occurred at the poorfarm on Thursday of last week. Mr. Fred Westhouse was one of four brothers brought by their parents into Emmet county in 1846. He established himself here as a farmer and was well known among our people for many years. He was nearly the last of his family, which was quite well off at one time, Mr. Westhouse's three brothers and his father having perished in various disasters upon the lake. His wife died two years ago. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Arthur Pearl, of Flint."

He read another:

"Hallford-Spens. On Tuesday last Miss Audrey Hallford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hallford, of this place, was united in the bonds of holy matrimony to Mr. Robert Spens, of Escanaba. All wish the young couple well."

He read another:

"Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hal French, a daughter, Saturday afternoon last. Miss Vera Arabella French, at her arrival weighed seven and one-half pounds."

This clipping was dated, in Benjamin Corvet's hand, "Sturgeon Bay, Wis., Aug. 1914." Alan put it aside in bewilderment and amaze and took up again the sheets he first had looked at. The names and addresses on these oldest, yellowed pages had been first written, it was plain, all at the same time and with the same pen and ink, and each sheet in the beginning had contained seven or eight names. Some of these original names and even the addresses had been left unchanged, but most of them had been scratched out and altered many times—other and quite different names had been substituted; the pages had become finally almost illegible, crowded scrawls, rewritten again and again in Corvet's cramped hand. Alan strained forward, holding the first sheet to the light.

Alan seized the clippings he had looked at before and compared them swiftly with the page he had just read; two of the names—Westhouse and French—were the same as those upon this list. Suddenly he grasped the other pages of the list and looked them through for his own name; but it was not there. He dropped the sheets upon the table and got up and began to stride about the room.

He felt that in this list and in these clippings there must be, somehow, some one general meaning—they must relate in some way to one thing; they must have deeply, intensely concerned Benjamin Corvet's disappearance and his present fate, whatever that might be, and they must concern Alan's fate as well. But in their disconnection, their incoherence, he could discern no common thread. What conceivable bond could there have been uniting Benjamin Corvet at once with an old man dying upon a poorfarm in Emmet county, wherever that might be, and with a baby girl, now some two years old, in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin?

He called Wassaquam into the library and brought the lists and clippings out again.

"Do you know at all what these are, Judah?" he asked.

"No, Alan. I have seen Ben have them, and take them out and put them back. That is all I know."

"Do you know any of these people?"

He gave the lists to Wassaquam, who studied them through attentively, holding them to the lamp.

"No, Alan."

"Have you ever heard of any of their names before?"

"That may be. I do not know. They are common names."

"Do you know the places?"

"Yes—the places. They are lake ports or little villages on the lakes. I have been in most of them, Alan. Emmet county, Alan, I came from there. Henry comes from there, too."

"Then that is where they hear the Drum?"

"Yes, Alan."

"My father took newspapers from those places, did he not?"

Wassaquam looked over the addresses again. "Yes; from all. He took them for the shipping news, he said. And sometimes he cut pieces out of them—these pieces, I see now; and afterward I burned the papers; he would not let me only throw them away."

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Belmond Local News

THE DOUGHBOY'S PRAYER

Congress is my Shepherd; I am in want.

He maketh me to pay all my income; he leadeth me to believe that there will be no bonus.

He restoreth no hope of faith; he leadeth me to regret my vote.

Yea tho I walk thru the alley and the street of doubt I find no pleasure in them.

He preparest a fable before me in the presence of no free lunch counters.

Such poverty and hardships will follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in a rented house forever.

—Contributed.

Mrs. Will Busick returned to her home in Canton, So. Dakota yesterday.

The Rebekhas held a shower in honor of Mrs. Alice Sorenson last night after the business meeting. Mrs. Sorenson was married to Chas. Hedges last Saturday.

Philip McBurney and Scott Smith have been visiting at the McBurney home the past week. The boys graduated from Coe College and now have positions in Cedar Rapids.

E. F. Bailey was a business caller at Webster City on Tuesday of this week.

A Shower bath after the hard day's work will make you feel like you did when you started in the morning. Have you tried our's yet? Come in.—Brady's Barber Shop.

When your throat gets dry and sticky, and water doesn't seem to reach the spot, come in and get a bottle of malt or ice cold pop. It will turn the trick.—Brady's Barber Shop.

Active Representative wanted by large wholesale house of high standing. Unlimited earning possibilities with opportunity to build permanent trade selling complete line of staples in constant use. A connection with a real future. State age and full details.—John Sexton & Co., Chicago. Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh and daughter were guests of friends at the county seat town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey returned last Saturday from their trip to Minnesota, where Mr. Bailey spent part of his vacation from his duties as rural carrier. They report a splendid time, and state that crops in Minnesota are looking fine. They made the entire trip via the Ford route, and had good luck all the way thru.

The Misses Grace and Irene Ludwig, of Leland, Illinois, came last week to visit at the L. H. Johnson and Earnest Haupt homes, and with other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Chase were callers at the Bob Walters home Sunday.

Manager Hake of the Lyric is improving the theatre by a new coat of paint and redecorating.

Mrs. Sadie Reese came up from Waterloo last week Saturday to spend a few days visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Baldridge.

Harry Wolle arrived home Saturday from Bonners Ferry, Idaho, for a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle. Harry has had charge of a big ditching contract in Idaho, which he sub-let from the contractor, and has been making a fine success.

Mr. and Mrs. James Donovan and son, Roy and Mrs. Jason Pratt and family, of Algona, spent Sunday at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Peter and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy.

Hampton has their ball team going again this season, and according to reports are playing some good games.

Morse Lake this warm weather is the Mecca of many family parties, who take their lunch out in the evening and get away from the heat of the home. Judging from the many people fishing the lake ought to be pretty well cleaned of bullheads.

For Sale—Parrot, a good talker, Call at Independent. 31*

H. F. Reif of Meservey, accompanied by one of the ministers, was trying his luck out at Morse lake one day last week.

Rev. H. T. Miller of Goodell, was a business visitor here one day last week.

Lost—Suit case containing fishing tackle and outing clothes, between Morse Lake and Cornelia, or Cornelia and Belmond. Finder please leave at this office. Reward.

Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans and Mrs. A. E. Martin of Belmond and Mrs. C. E. Barnes went to Praire du Chien Saturday to attend a reunion at the school there which they all attended. —Signal.

Quite a few of the Eagle Grove fans accompanied their ball team over Sunday to see the game.

The towns of Klemme and Swaledale are to celebrate the grand and glorious Fourth this year we understand Klemme is planning a big day, and Swaledale has had its advertising out for a couple of weeks. Most of the folks from this vicinity will doubtless attend the Farm Bureau picnic at the Warner estate north of the Harvey church that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair White, accompanied by a party of friends, drove up from Fort Dodge last Saturday evening, and then went on to Clear Lake, accompanied by Mrs. W. H. White of Belmond, where they spent Sunday at the White cottage on the lake shore.

Mrs. J. H. Fetrow returned last week from Rochester, where she went for examination. An operation was found unnecessary. Mrs. C. C. Landon, who accompanied her up, remained for treatment.

Rev. Tarbox, pastor of the American Baptist church of Forest City was in town last week in the interests of the American Home Finding Association of Ottumwa, Iowa.

Mrs. A. L. Bergsma, who has been visiting at the homes of relatives in this vicinity for several weeks past, returned the first of this week to her home at Huron, South Dakota.

Mrs. Golden, from Cedar Rapids, arrived last week Friday for a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Moore.

Mrs. Joe Stebbleton and daughters of Britt, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ramsay and Mrs. Robbins, this week.

Walter Schlieffarth and family were visitors at Webster City on Sunday of this week, making the trip with their car.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Polhemus of Guffey, Colorado, arrived in Belmond last week Thursday for a visit of a few weeks with relatives. Mr. Polhemus is an old time resident of this city, and a brother of Mrs. F. E. Snyder, whom he had not seen for 15 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Terence Davenport, Mrs. Ed. Webb, Mrs. Truer Davenport, Mrs. Wm. Voiles, and Miss Mildred Parsons attended the Rebekah convention held at Dows last week Thursday.

E. F. Bailey and Glenn H. Klemme left last week Saturday for Kentucky, where they are looking after some business matters.

Miss Garnet G. Steenblock spent this week with her cousin Edna Bohning.

Miss Nettie Benson was a visitor a few days this week with friends in Mason City.

Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson, accompanied by Mrs. Anderson's brother and wife from Minnesota, spent Sunday at Clear Lake.

Mr. Wilcox, now residing in Wyoming, and a former resident here, is visiting his son Ralph, and daughters, Mesdames Luick and Jenison, this week.

Mrs. Wallace Ramsay entertained Wednesday of this week in honor or her sister, Mrs. Stebbleton, of Britt.

Phillip McBurney and Scott Smith left last week for Cedar Rapids, after a few days' visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. F. McBurney. Both young men will be employed there this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Livermore, of Portland, Oregon, are visiting their daughters, the Mesdames Frank Baldridge and C. G. Johnson.

Miss Violet Stearnes, of Belmond left for her home Friday after a few days visit with Klemme relatives and friends.—Times.

Charley Dietz, of Mason City, was down Sunday to visit old time friends here. He was a former resident of Belmond.

Miss Magaret Johnson, of Lincoln, Neb., is visiting at the George P. Hardwick home. She is a former resident of this community, having lived with the Hinman family.

For your convienence to pay your July Premium, we will be in the office each evening.—W. H. Wolle, Sec.

Mrs. F. W. Miltner and Miss Geneva Helmer of Iowa City are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Barry. Mrs. Miltner is Mrs. Barry's mother. The ladies came up with Mr. and Mrs. Barry, who had been at Iowa City visiting, driving thru.

Joe Bohning arrived from California, for a visit with his son, Harry, and other relatives and to look after business interests. Mr. Bohning states that it is warmer here than in California.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Russell are enjoying a visit from a sister, who resides in Minnesota.

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MARY GEALOW

Mrs. Thomas McCauley and children from Des Moines are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh. Mrs. McCauley was formerly Miss Elizabeth Groh.

Gerald Tracy returned last week to his home in Sisseton, South Dakota. Mrs. Tracy will remain for a longer visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Young.

Alec McGregor of Des Moines, an old resident of Belmond, drove up the first of the week to look after business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and children from Huxley were recent visitors with relatives here.

Mr. S. A. Bohning, Mrs. Sarah Zook, Mr. Geo. Bohning, Mr. A. Riekens and Mr. W. P. Bohning were business callers in Hampton Monday.

L. Hulsebus, one of the leading merchants of Meservey, was a business caller in town on Tuesday of this week. He accompanied A. J. Nissen and two other Meservey men to Clarion, where the first named gentlemen were witnesses for the other two in securing naturalization papers.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bohning, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steenblock and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Daniels and children and Mr. and Mrs. E. Ankes and family from Buffalo Center were Sunday visitors at the W. P. Bohning home east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hagen, of New Richland, Minnesota, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Johnson and with other relatives in this vicinity.

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For Sale—Fall Poland China boars wt. about 200. Papers furnished.—Ralph Jenison, Belmond. 30tfc

Louie Tokman was at Des Moines the first of the week, on business matters.

Miss Clara Chase spent the week end with Miss Edna Bohning.

Thayne Bailey was a visitor at Eagle Grove on Monday of this week.

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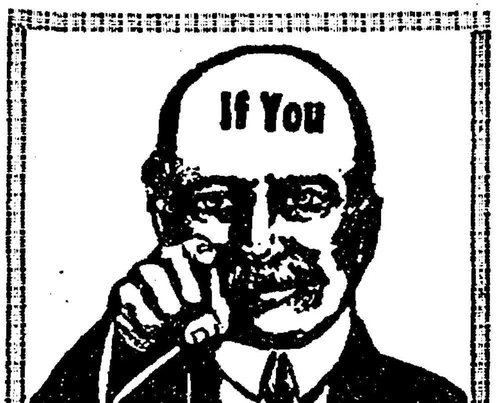

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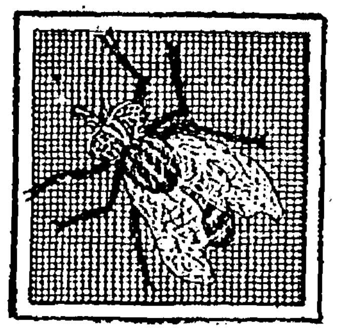

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TO CELEBRATE TYRRELL PARK DAY IN JULY

Wright County Picnic July 4th

Big Program Is Lined Up For Only Wright County Celebration On July 4th

DICKINSON WILL SPEAK

9:00 A. M. *Concert by Goldfield Band*
Township Base Ball—Boone vs. Grant.
Selection by Meekers' Orchestra.
10:00 A. M. Invocation by Rev Tomkinson of Rowan.
Reading of Declaration of Independence.
Male Quartette—Eagle Grove.
Short Address by Harry Sumners.
Male Quartette—Lincoln Township.
10:45 A. M. Address—Mrs. Ellsworth Richardson.
Music by Meekers' Orchestra.
DINNER
1:00 P. M. Concert by Goldfield Band
Mixed Quartette—Clarion.
Music by Meekers' Orchestra.
1:30 P. M. Address—Congressman L. J. Dickinson.
Music by Meekers' Orchestra.
ATHLETIC PROGRAM
will be followed immediately after L. J. Dickinson's Address.
County Horseshoe Tournament—
Bring your own regulation shoes $3.00-$2.00.
Pillow Fight In Barrels—
Boys 10 years and under $2.00-$1.00
Boys over 10 and under 18 $2.00-$1.00.
Free for all $2.00-$1.00.
Rooster Race—
Girls 12 years and under $2.00-$1.00
Ladies any age $2.00 $1.00.
Pillow Fight Straddle a pole—
Boys 10 years and under $2.00 $1.00
Boys over 10 and under 18 $2.00-$1.00.
Free for all $2.00-$1.00.
100 Yard Dash—
Boys 10 years and under $3.00-$2.00
Boys over 10 and under 18 $3.00-$2.00.
Free for all $3.00-$2.00.
Ladies' Race—
Girls' 10 year and under $3.00-$2.00
Free for all ladies $3.00-$2.00.
Fat Ladies' Race—
Wt. limit to be decided $3.00-$2.00.
Fat Mens' Race—
Men weighing 200 lb. or more (Handicap of one foot for each 5lb. over 200) $3.00-$2.00.
Aged Mens' Race—
All men 65 years or over $3.00-$2.00
Sack Race—
Boys 10 years and under $3.00-$2.00
Boys over 10 and under 18 $3.00-$2.00.
Boxing Match—Army Style—
Three Minute Rounds—
Light wt. class winner $3.00 loser $2.00.
Middle wt. class winner $3.00 loser $2.00.
Heavy wt. class winner $3.00 loser $2.00.
Matt Barry—Referee.
Tug-Of-War—
S. E. 4 Twps. vs. S. W. 4 Twps.
N. E. 4 Twps. vs. N. W. 4 Twps.
Championship pull between winners
Base Ball—
Eagle Grove vs. Belmond—Will play for $100.00 purse.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL TO BE PLACED BEFORE FARMERS

There has been much publicity sent broadcast over the country urging legislation granting subsidy to American Merchant Marine. Bills have been introduced in both branches of Congress aiming to enact a law providing for such subsidy. So much has already been said favoring the legislation that we believe it essential to give the Farm Bureau Members of Iowa a chance to vote and thus express their stand for or against the question.

In brief the bill proposes that private corporations buy the ships now owned by the U. S. Government and it is proposed to loan up to two-thirds value of ships bought or built in U. S. Ship Yards at not less than two per cent interest giving ten to fifteen years time, and not to exceed $125,000,000 is set aside by the U. S. Shipping Board to be known as its construction loan fund.

Further aid is proposed exempting the corporation or individual ship owner from income tax, provided such exemption is used for building new vessels. The bill also proposes to exempt five percent of ocean freight rates paid by persons subject to tax for transportation made in American vessels of goods or property of any kind. It also proposes to double taxes on fees now imposed on foreign ships entering our ports.

Provides further that fifty percent of aliens entering this country must take passage on American ships; also that Merchant Marine Naval Reserve be established and that members in good standing shall receive compensation per year apart from pay received as an officer or one of the crew of merchant ship. There shall be set aside, for this

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HUNT FOR GOLD

Salem, S. D.:—Interest in the reported burial of a pot of $65,000 in gold during the Indian days has been revived by the receipt by Mr. Kizer, the owner of the farm where the gold is supposed to be buried, of a letter from Nathan A. Parr, of Speer, Illinois, a metallurgist, proposing that he be given the task of locating the treasure.

It is believed that Mr. Kizer will soon conclude arrangements for making a systematic search for the alleged pot of gold. Interest in the matter is again becoming keen thruout the Salem and Montrose districts.

According to the traditional story, a party of whites was pursued by Indians. When they reached what is now the Kizer farm they decided to bury all their gold to prevent it falling into the hands of the Indians, who were gradually closing in on them. The whites shortly afterwards were overtaken and killed by the Indians, it is said.

BELMOND TOWNSHIP NEWS

(To late for last week.)

Mrs. A. E. Martin and Mrs. W. I. Rosecrans returned Sunday from Prairie Du Chien where they had been spending the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mennenga and daughter, of Mason City spent Sunday at the A. W. Martin home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Finch and daughter, Helen of Cheyenne, Wyoming were visiting Belmond relatives and friends the first of the week. They were returning from Minnesota where they had been spending the past month.

Miss Rose Wallace returned from a recent visit with friends at Storm Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Finch and family of Corwith spent Sunday at the A. E. Martin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Brooks and family attended the band concert at Clarion Tuesday evening. They report that Clarion has a splendid band.

The Kensington Club met at the home of Mrs. A. W. Martin last Wednesday. There were thirty present including the children.

The Kings Heralds are planning a picnic to be held Tuesday afternoon June 27 at Morse Lake. Are you a member of the Kings Heralds? If not, why not?

Miss Marion Pritchard of Garner spent the last of the week at the A. E. Martin home.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Wicks, Mr. Wicks and family and Mrs. Olson all of Story county spent Sunday at the G. Halverson home.

Several friends of the Munson young people drove up from Story City, Sunday and spent the day.

Mrs. Herman Johnson has been laid up with lumbago.

S. O. Windecker has had his old car made into a truck, a necessary luxury.

Corn shelling seems to be the order of the day again.

Mrs. Henry Anderson and Francis accompanied Mr. Anderson on his business round last Wednesday. While here they called on several of their old neighbors and friends.

The stork brought a baby boy to the Jacob Erdman home one day last week.

Raymond Hill has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Clarence Scott.

About thirty men helped to fight the fire last Thursday which burned off the hay land belonging to Geo. C. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lud Johnson have been enjoying a visit from relatives who live in Minnesota.

Mrs. Willard Morse of Belmond spent part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Orpha Anderson.

Mrs. Melvin Charlson of Forest City has been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Thompson have been attending meetings of the Luthern church at Minneapolis. While there Mrs. Thompson went to Osakis to visit her sister and attend a family reunion of the Shurson brothers and sisters. Rev. Shurson of Cal., whom they had not seen for some time being present.

A little daughter came to gladden the Helmer Hanson home. She has been named Ruth Elaine.

RUNNING A PAPER

Running a newspaper is just like running a hotel, only different. When a man goes into a hotel and finds something on the table which does not suit him, he does not raise hades with the landlord and tell him to stop his old hotel. Well hardly. He sets that dish to one side and wades into the many dishes that suit him. It is different with some newspaper readers. They find an article occasionally that does not suit them exactly and without stopping to think it may please hundreds of other readers make a grandstand play and tell the editor how the paper should be run. And what should be put into it. But such people are becoming fewer every year.—Exchange.

Goodell Takes 7-5 Game From Belmond

Goodell Secures Sweet Revenge For Many Years Of Mauling

BELMOND AT KLEMME 4TH

The town of Goodell secured sweet revenge Sunday for the years of defeat suffered in the past, when the ball team from there walked on Belmond for a score 7 to 5 victory. Superior playing tells the story. Scoring in the first inning, in a few more frames on three hits and numerous errors they had four runs salted away and the result was forecast. Belmond could not hit, fielding was poor, errors numerous, and Goodell took advantage of them all. A light rain made the ball slippery and hard for the pitchers to handle. A small crowd was out.

The Klemme Times reports that Belmond will play Garner at the Klemme Fourth celebration, and the Farm Bureau Exchange states Belmond will play Eagle Grove at the picnic the Fourth. We have not learned whether the one team is to play both games, or if the Farm Bureau picnic team will be another bunch.

SOME FISH RIDER

Garner Leader: Sheriff E. P. Hanson of this city, Attorney Frank Senneff, Dr. Denny, N. P. Nelson, and Joe Haxton, all of Britt, spent the greater part of last week fishing in the vicinity of Waterville, Minnesota, and fair luck is reported. The day that Attorney Senneff caught that 28-pounder, the thermometer registered high. In order to be as comfortable as possible, Sheriff Hanson donned his bathing suit, and it so happened that he was in the boat with Senneff when he got the big strike. By careful maneuvering, Frank succeeded in getting the fish close to the boat and part way out of the water, but it seemed that it would be impossible to land the prize. With rare presence of mind Sheriff Peck sprang upon the back of the fish, and after fastening his fingers securely in his gills, managed to steer him to shore. As Peck told us this story, we could not help but think how very fortunate it was that he was clad in his bathing suit. This is Hanson's own story, and as we listened attentively and gathered in all the details—some of which we have ommited here, we could not rid our mind of the thought "what an immaculate liar you are."

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Help us hit the 200 mark.

11 a. m. the pastor will give a patriotic address suitable for the 4th of July occasion. Good Music.

Epworth League at 7 p. m.

Evening service at 8 p. m.

Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Thursday evening. Bring your Bibles.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

KING'S HERALDS HOLD PICNIC AT MORSE LAKE

The King's Heralds enjoyed a splendid picnic at Morse Lake Tuesday afternoon, there being 40 of the Heralds present, also, 25 parents and friends of the members. The afternoon was spent in various games, and amusements, and a good dip in the lake. Refreshments of a picnic nature were enjoyed, and the members all report a real good time enjoyed. The next meeting of the King's Heralds will not be held until September.

SHEFFIELD TO CELEBRAT THE FOURTH

This is Sheffield's year to celebrate the Fourth of July and the business men of that splendid town are busy arranging a program that has the earmarks of being the biggest thing in that line ever attempted there. At a meeting held last week at the new Memorial hall an executive committee, headed by Dr. A. H. Hinken, and various other committees were named, to go ahead and do business, and this is a sure guarantee that the American eagle will scream long and loud. Franklin county people should arrange to celebrate the Fourth at Sheffield.—Hampton Recorder.

FIRE DESTROYS HAY CROP

Last Thursday fire destroyed around 30 acres of hay on the farm of Geo. C. Johnson, west of town. Quite a bit was destroyed on the Malvin Hanson place, also. It is thought that the fire was set from a passing train. No rain has fallen here for several weeks, to amount to anything, and hay and pastures are becoming as dry as tinder.

Townsan Hardware Entered By Thieves

Try To Saw Thru Floor But Give It Up And Enter Thru Window

TAKE ABOUT $30 WORTH

Unknown thieves broke into the Townsan Hardware building sometime Saturday or Sunday nights, and took hardware to the value of $25 to $30.

The robbers first attemped entrance thru the floor, boring several holes in the planking with the evident intention of cutting a hole and crawling up thru into the building. Evidently finding this a tedious job, they went around the back of the building and removed a back window, thru which they gained entrance. A revolver and cartridges, several pocket knives and several other small articles were appropriated, the total value being around $30.

No clews are entertained as to the identity of the burglars, altho the surmise is that they were either young boys or foreigners. All indications are that the thieves were boys, the job bearing the earmarks of such directing. Had they been older men, articles of greater value, and more of them would probably have been taken.

CLASS OF '16 HOLDS REUNION

The Class of 1916 B. H. S. held a reunion at Morse Lake Sunday June 25.

About 20 of the former class members were present which was quite a good representation, due to the fact that the reunion was planned in a short time.

A delicious picnic dinner, served by the ladies, was enjoyed by all.

The afternoon was enjoyably spent in recalling school day memories and a refreshing "dip" in the lake.

We hope to make this an annual affair.

NEW WAY TO RAISE FUNDS

Swea City Herald: Lakota is setting the pace for Kossuth county towns in the matter of street improvement. She is graveling all of her thorofares. The other towns are wondering how she can do it. You know how the neighbors talk when Mrs. Jones travels at a [illegible] pace with Jones producing a Ford income. Lakotas town finances are no better than those for the neighbors. Green-eyed with envy a Swea Cityan the other day asked a Lakotian: Where do you get the money?" "From those thirteen eighty-fives," replied the Lakota man. "Whaddy mean, thirteen eighty-five," was the comeback of the Swea Cityan. Then the Lakota man explained that motorists who exceeded the town's speed limit are fined $13.85. Persons who get "lit-up" on home brew are also taxed $13.85. In fact it seems there is a flat rate of $13.85 for infractions of the town's ordinances. And every time $13.85 comes in that means 10 yards of gravel on the streets. With Lakota's system of financing revealed there is now no good reason why the streets of Kossuth county towns *shouldn't* be transformed from mudholes to boulevards. Possessed of a diligent marshall and a flat rate any town can do it.

A FEW DON'TS FOR OUR TOWN

Don't fail to sound its praises wherever you are.

Don't make your money out of its citizens and spend it somewhere else.

Don't frown on every public improvement simply because it will cost you a dollar or two.

Don't sneer at the efforts of your fellow citizens to build up the town but lend a hand yourself.

Don't talk a great deal about what should be done and remain on the back seat waiting for someone else to do it.

Don't say the public schools are a failure because your boy has been upsetting the school's discipline and has been punished.

Don't stay at home on election day, but get out and hustle for good men and good government.

Don't let a good local paper that is the town's untiring champion abandon the champion business because of lack of deserved patronage.

Don't forget to drop your dollar in the slot when the committee that is afer a new enterprise comes around with the subscription list.

Don't forget that in building up the town, hearty co-operation, united endeavor and a spirit of get there are what win the day. There is no pull like a long pull, a *strong* pull and a pull together.—Exchange.

BURGLAR INSURANCE

Now is necessary. Do not forget that we write it.—W. H. Wolle.

COUNTRY CLUBS TO HOLD MATCHES

The newly organized Boone Valley Golf Association consisting of the Webster City, Eagle Grove, Rolfe, Clarion and Belmond country clubs will hold a series of tournaments beginning the first part of July at the various clubs of the association. The first tournament will be held on July 9th when Webster City comes here for a tournament on the local course. The remaining matches scheduled are for July 23rd with Clarmond at Eagle Grove; August 6th Clarmond at Webster City; August 21st, Rolfe at Clarmond, and September 4th, Rolfe at Webster City. The association will offer as a prize a silver trophy cup which will be awarded to the club winning the series. After the cup has been won by a club three times it then becomes the permanent property of the club.

In addition to the tournament scheduled for July and August, an open invitation tournament for all asociation club members will be held at the Eagle Grove County Club on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 14th and 15th. This tournament will be for the association championship.

The program begins on the morning of the 14th with qualifying round of eighteen holes. The sixteen lowest players will qualify for match play for the association championship and prize. The player turning in the lowest score will receive the prize and the runner up will also receive a prize. Match play will consist of eighteen holes with the exception of the finals which will consist of thirty-six holes.

Arrangements have been made for the entertainment of all visiting players at the local clubhouse which will be open to guests all day. Lunches will be served at the clubhouse and entertainment will be provided in the evening.—Eagle Grove Times.

POST OFFICE TO RETURN TO 3RD CLASS

July 1st the post office here will return to the third class, we are informed. Lack of the required amount of business is the reason for the office going back to the old stand. To be a second class office, there must be a total of $6,000 in business in the year, and the total fell a little short of this. When the factory gets to going and business picks up, there is little doubt but what the office will again be a second class office.

SEVENTEENTH MUSICAL HELD

Miss Gertrude Ely's puplis in music held another of their popular recitals last Friday evening, this one being the seventeenth recital which her students have given. The guests present thoroly enjoyed the excellent program rendered by the young people, many of whom displayed remarkable talent.

WHERE YOU GOIN' THE 4TH?

Where you goin' the Fourth? Close choices are the towns of Klemme and Swaledale, and the Wright County Farm Bureau picnic held at the Warner estate. Klemme claims a real bang-up affair is arranged, and Swaledale has been advertising for attractions, while the picnic progrm will be found in the Independent this issue. Clear Lake, of course, will celebrate, as usual, but the general opinion is that the mob will be sa great that there "won't be no fun there." And again, Morse Lake is still four miles west of town; the swimmin's fine.

RADIO CONCERTS FINE

The receiving station of the Belmond Battery Co. and the Independent continues to operate very successfully, and some fine concerts are being heard. The Ames station is the strongest of any, and government weather reports are received from there every day. The Omaha Grain Exchange gives the markets every noon. To date the stations heard by the above outfit are Ames, Iowa City, Des Moines, Fort Dodge, Kansas City, Dubuque, *Chicago*, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Omaha, Detroit, Dearborn, Akron, O., Schnectedy, and Boston. Come in at noon when Ames gives the report and "listen in."

COMMUNITY CLUB MEETING POSTPONED

On account of Prof. Shimek from Iowa City, being unable to be here this Friday the Community club meeting is postponed till Friday July 7. Prof Shimek is in Indiana doing research work among the sand dunes.

The Club is very fortunate in getting Prof. Shimek, he is a man of nation wide reputation. He will speak on conservation July 7th, if he can possibly get here, if he can't the college program planned for August will be given. So you will be assured of a good program if the speaker is unable to come.

Community Club and Council Co-Operating

Gift Of Capt. Tyrrell Being Fitted Out For Convenience Of Tourists

TO HOLD BIG DAY IN JULY

Tyrrell Park, located at the corner of Franklin Grove, and a gift to Belmond and community from one of its former residents and citizens, Capt. W. C. Tyrrell, Sr., of Beaumont Texas, is being made into one of the *finest* tourists camps and beauty spots in northern Iowa.

The ladies of the Community Welfare Club, in co-operation with the city officials, have been "fixing up" the park, and Belmond will soon have a resting spot and an accomodation for travelers which it may well be proud of. A fine well with pump has been dug and is now in use; three "dutch ovens" have been installed for the use of tourists and picnic parties in cooking; tables are being made, and benchers placed; toilets have been built, and many other improvements made which will make Tyrrell Park not only a fine tourists park but one of the natuarl beauty spots in this section of the country.

Park is Natural Timber Land

The Tyrrell Park is natural timber ten acres of it, and all furniture—tables, seats, and the lake—is being built to harmonize with the surroundings, rough and crude, some of it from untrimmed limbs, the seats built between or fastened to, the trees. The Community Club will be glad to accept any donations the public may care to make in the way of benches or tables for the park, and those who wish to give something along this line may call M. D. Sullivan, chairman of the park committee, or Mrs. H. L. Gowdy, representing the Community Club.

Club to Place Park Signs

Already tourists have been using the park for camping purposes, and the past week or two has seen a number of them taking advantage of its cool shade and useful accomodations. As it becomes better known and the many improvements planned are made, Tyrrell Park will undoubtedly be the Mecca of every tourist who is looking for a place to camp. The Community Club is having signs made relative to Tyrrell Park, which it will place on the Wilson Highway north and south of Belmond, for a distance of five miles, stating that "Tyrrell Park, so many miles to Belmond," giving the loca tion and a welcome. This is a splendid idea, and one which will pertain not only to the park but to the town as well.

Will Honor Donor With Park Day

In honor of the donor, Capt. Tyrrell the Community Club is planning a "Tyrrell Park Day," to be held, as at present planned, in the early part of July, when Mr. Tyrrell is expected here for a visit with his son, W. C. Jr., and family. The club plans to combine its annual picnic with this day, hold it at the park, with an appropriate program, and hopes to have Mr. Tyrrell present at the event. Plans for this day, which every Belmond citizen will heartily approve, are yet in the formative stage, but with the progressive members of Belmond's livest organization in community welfare in charge, the city may expect a real affair and will look forward in anticepation of the coming event.

CANDIDATES FILE THEIR EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Expense accounts of the various political candidates in the primary show that Atty. Jensen, of Belmond, expended $224.22, half of which was for circulars, postage, cards, gas, meals and lodging, and the other half for newspaper advertising. J. D. Baker spent $34. 50, of which $12 was for gas and oil. D. E. Harris was out $18, and R. C. Morse, democratic candidate for supervisor,, spent just an even dollar.

CROP CONDITION IS FAIR

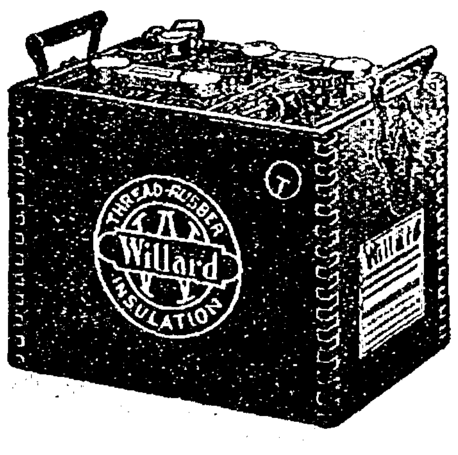
The condition of the crops in this vicinity is, taken generally, pretty fair. Oats are reported short in many cases, and some fields hardly worth cutting, while there are other fields where they are still green and growing. Wheat, of which there appears to be little, is reported pretty fair; barley short but fairly well fitted out. Corn, the old stand-by, is doing nicely, thank you, and is standing the dry weather in very good shape. Around Belmond the corn is much better than further west, we are told; most of it is knee high or better now, and coming strong. Sugar beets are doing nicely with the exception of the late plantings, which are much in need of rain, pastures are all drying up and very badly in need of rain.

What Water Does for Batteries

Not too much or too little—but just the right quantity of water ought to be kept in your battery *all* the time.

The water does two things: it keeps the battery solution over the tops of the plates so that the whole plate surface is used; and it gives proper strength of solution.

Don't hesitate to ask us for water service even if yours isn't a Willard Battery. The Willard Standards of Service are the same for every make.



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SAYS PROSPERITY IS RETURNING

Iowa's old-time prosperity is coming back.

Farmers and livestock breeders are in a much better concition than they were in a year ago, according to a report given out by the directors in charge of the coming Iowa State Fair.

Entries in the live stock departments for the Iowa State Fair are larger by far than they have been in recent years, Secretary A. R. Corey announced. This same trend has also been evidenced in inquiries received from all parts of the state regarding exhibits of grain, fruits and garden produce to be entered at the fair. Approximately 30 counties sent collective grain exhibits to the 1921 State Fair. This number will be very much increased this year, according to present indications.

If concession reservations are an indication, the 1932 State Fair will be a record-breaker. More than double the amount of space contracted for at this date last year has now been reserved. Officials state that the concession people are always a good barometer of the condition of their localities and declare that this augurs well for a big exposition August 23 to September 1.

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THE COUNTY NURSE

As has been reported in the Independent, there is more or less concentrated action being started towards having the question of the County Nurse submitted to the voters once more, at the fall election. It is the almost universal opinion among those who favor the retention of the nurse's services, that had the voters known more of what the nurse has done; of what her function is, and the results that have been accomplished, the result of the primary vote would have been different.

The News, in a brief editorial last week, suggests that those who are pushing the proposition may overdo it, and swing sentiment just the opposit to what is intended. There is truth in that, but if the nurse is to be retained, the public must have the question fairly placed before it in all angles, so that an accurate and unprejudiced judgment can be rendered. The County Nurse question, submitted at the primary, was under a handicap in that it was classed by a great many people in the same category as the county fair—and they emphatically did not favor the fair. They did not really understand the question. When they do, the Independent believes they will return a favorable verdict. For surely it is as important that the children of the country be given as much consideration as the hogs and cattle. We take great pains to give our stock better quarters, better foods and better care; should we neglect the children, then, in these same essentials?

The cost to the county is small; the individual amounts assessed to each tax payer are too small to argue about. It is simply a matter of whether we believe such a nurse, giving care and attention to our children, is a worth while proposition, and we do not believe that the majority of people in Wright county place their hogs before their children.

KILLING THEIR BEST FRIEND

One of the strongest cartoons "Ding" has ever created was published in the Register last week, depicting Union Labor as standing over the dead body of its best friend, Public Sympathy, whom Labor had just murdered. There is a world of truth in it; Union Labor is murdering its best friend. Public sympathy has been on the side of Union labor for years, but the past year or two has witnessed a great reversal. Such things as the murderous battle in Illinois last week, in which scores of non-union men were wounded and killed, many of them, according to the Press, deliberately and cold-bloodedly, are fast killing all sympathy the public has held for organized labor. The railroad unions, with their threats and strikes, their demands for exorbitant wages, and "public be damned" attitude, are steadily losing their most powerful weapon. Organized labor is needed, it is a just and right thing, but no body, however powerful, can do such things and remain intact. The days of the Czars are over.

This argument on whether American ships are to be booze joints reminds us of that line about "water, water everywhere, and not a drop to drink."

They christen ships with a bottle of wine, and now they want to keep right on feeding it. Prohibition will certainly cause a lot of travel if this goes thru.

One fellow wants us to boost the ball team, and another one wants to boost it, but they have different ways of wanting it boosted. If we boost it one way, the other will boost us; and if we boost it 'tother way, we'll be boosted again. Ain't it funny how everybody wants "George" to do it?

Our name isn't George, anyway.

It's Mud according to some folks.

Well, as Shakepeare once remarked, what's in a name? Sometimes there's a lot; a One dollar bill is different from a Ten dollar bill.

We had a compliment handed us the other day; fellow from Rowan tried to pay his subscription with a twenty dollar bill.

RADIO

VACUUM TUBE USED AS RADIO DETECTOR

How This Device Depends on Emission and Control of Electrons for Its Operation.

Readers of the radio column are urged to clip each article and paste it in a file book. The articles printed are continuous and the entire series will be valuable for reference.

The greatest advances made in the past few years in the radio art have been due in one way or another to the use of vacuum tubes. In view of this fact a more careful consideration of them will be of interest.

All of these tubes, known by a variety of names, such as radiotron, audion, seriotron (trade names of the manufacturer) depend upon the same fundamental principles for their operation. For the sake of simplicity of brevity these will be referred to in this column simply as vacuum tubes. A vacuum tube can be made to function as a detector, as an amplifier, or as an oscillator.

The vacuum tube depends on the emission and control of electrons for its operation. The electron is the smallest subdivision of matter which mankind recognizes and it carries the smallest known charge of negative electricity. For years previous to electron research it had been held by scientists that matter was built up of distinct particles or units which they called atoms and molecules. At first the molecule was assumed to be the smallest quantity of matter that could have a separate existence or take part in chemical action, but more vigorous research pointed to the fact that the molecule is made up of still smaller elements which are termed atoms; that is, a molecule may be composed of several atoms. Then for a time it was assumed that the atom was the very smallest quantity of an element that could exist, but later researches have revealed that atoms may be further subdivided into particles called electrons. The apparent mass of an electron is about one-eighteen-hundreth part of that of an atom of hydrogen which is the smallest of the chemical atoms.

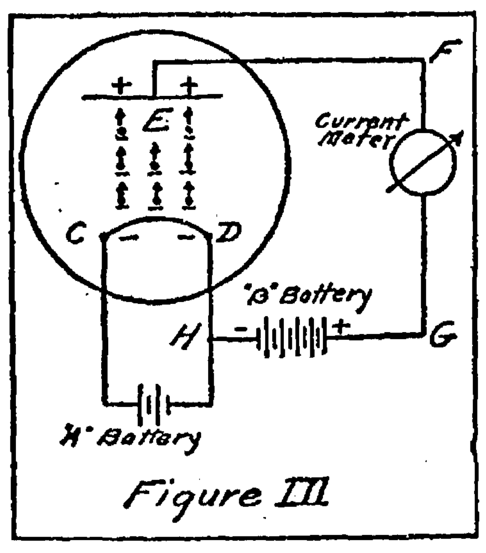


Figure III

According to the electron theory an atom consists of a definite number of electrons grouped around a nucleus having a positive charge and so long as none of the component electrons are driven from the atom, the latter possess no detectable charge. The positive charge on the nucleus is said to be exactly neutralized by the negative charges on the electrons grouped about it.

Suppose now that by some means an electron can be detached from the atom. Then the atom becomes what is known as a positive ion and it exhibits the properties of a positively charged body, or in other words since an electron which carries a negative charge has been removed from the atom which has equal positive and negative charges, the portion of the atom now remaining has a deficiency of negative charge and acts like any positively charged body.

On the other hand if some force can be brought to bear that will add an electron to a normal atom which is neutral as far as electrical charges are measured, the result will be a negative ion, which will possess all the properties of a negatively charged body. An atom then which has a deficiency of electrons is called a positive ion and one having excess of electrons is called a negative ion.

Since each electron carries a negative charge of electricity an electron represents a certain quantity of electricity. Forcing electrons to move from one point to another causes electricity to flow. The ability of any medium to conduct electricity or allow a current to flow through it depends upon the number of free electrons available as carriers of charges.

It has been known for many years that the space surrounding a piece of heated metal is a conductor of electricity. It has been demonstrated more recently that this is due to the release of electrons and that if an incandescent metal be placed in a bulb exhausted of all gases, pure electrons will be liberated from the incandescent metal.

In a vacuum tube such as we are using at the present time, the piece of metal used to furnish the electrons is called the filament and is usually made of tungsten and sometimes is coated with oxides to increase the electron emission. For convenience the filament of a vacuum tube is heated by a battery current and it is this heat furnished by the battery current that constitutes the force that disrupts the atoms of the filament and liberates electrons.

Fig. III is a spherical glass bulb from which all the air and gases have been exhausted and having mounted in it a filament C-D which can be heated to incandescence by the "A" battery connected to it, and the metallic plate E. When the filament C-D is heated to incandescence by the "A" battery connected across its terminals electrons are emitted. Connecting the cold plate E to the incandescent filament C-D by means of the circuit E-F-G-H which includes a current meter and a "B" battery, with its negative side connected to the filament lead at H and its positive side connected through the current meter, the plate becomes electrically positive with respect to the filament.

Since like charges repel and unlike charges attract, there will be a movement of electrons from the filament to the positively charged plate, and the current meter will show a deflection which indicates that a current is flowing in the circuit E-F-G-H.

Increasing the "B" battery voltage causes an increase in the current flowing in the circuit E-F-G-H, the plate circuit, until the positive charge on the plate E is so strong that all of the electrons given off by the filament are attracted to it. Assuming that the temperature of the filament is kept constant and that the plate voltage has been increased to the point where all of the electrons given off by the filament are attracted to it, any further increases in the "B" battery voltage will not cause any increase in the current in the plate circuit.

Increasing the temperature of the filament will increase the total number of the electrons emitted.

FRISCO TALKS TO HONOLULU

New Radio Station at the Presidio Can Be Heard Half Way Around the Globe.

"Hello, Honolulu."

That may sound like fiction, but it is a reality, nevertheless.

The new radio station at the Presidio, San Francisco, with aerial conditions right, can be heard half way around the globe. Officials in charge of construction declare it to be the most powerful vacuum tube transmitter on the Pacific coast.

Located on the highest point in the Presidio, overlooking San Francisco bay, two 150-foot aerial towers to augment its efficiency, the new station will command similar stations in Salt Lake City and Cheyenne.

Radiophones on German Trains.

Wireless telephone instruments will be installed on a number of important German express trains, and receiving instruments will be placed in hotels and embassies, according to an announcement made recently. Experiments conducted in a moving freight car have shown that the wireless system works well, the men engaged in the testing of the instruments being able to hold conversations with friends in Berlin. The tests were made under the observation of engineers, military attaches and the diplomatic representatives of the United States and Sweden.

Handling Vacuum Tubes.

When you handle the vacuum tubes of your receiver great care should be exercised that they are not knocked about or that the elements are broken. These little lamps are the heart and soul of the set. A good way to operate these tubes is to keep the glow just a little below the critical point.

ADVICE FOR AMATEURS.

The voltages applied to the plate circuits of amplifying tubes are not extremely critical and one voltage control will suffice. The detector tube, however, is often very critical and an efficient potentiometer will work wonders in controlling it.

Apparatus used for the reception of broadcasting is exactly the same as that used for the reception of code signals. The transmitting equipment, however, is different.

The use of a single wire for reception is advantageous because it lessens the amount of objectional interference in the way of static. It is equally as good as a multiple wire system for reception.

Defective "B" batteries will often cause roaring in the telephone receivers.

The electron often talked about is the smallest known quantity of negative electrical energy. In motion it makes up the electric current.

A "soft" vacuum tube is used as a detector tube and a "hard" vacuum tube as an amplifier. The terms "hard" and "soft" refer to degree of evacuation.

Radio waves travel at the same speed as light, namely 186,000 miles per second.

A wavemeter is an instrument used for checking up the wave lengths of sending and receiving stations.

Gas pipe or water pipe systems may be used for grounds, the latter being more advisable.

Lightning protection secured by grounding the antenna when not in use is essential and is required by the underwriters.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

ALL IS WELL:—Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.—John 14: 1, 2.

Monday.

WHY WILL YE DIE?—As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked. . . Turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways: for why will ye die. O house of Israel?—Ezekiel 33: 11.

Tuesday.

PEACE WITH ALL MEN:—Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.—Hebrews 12: 14.

Wednesday.

THE WAY TO PEACE:—Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.—Job 22: 21.

Thursday.

PROCLAMATION OF PEACE:—Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke 2: 14.

Friday.

REFUGE, STRENGTH, HELP:—God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.—Psalm 46: 1.

Saturday.

PERFECT PEACE:—Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee.—Isaiah 26: 3.

GOODELL NEWS

Last Thursday while George Rust was raking hay one of the horses began to kick and broke the rake tongue. George was thrown under the rake but he escaped with but a slight injury on his right limb.

Mr. and Mrs. Mellem returned from Lake Mills on Friday. His father who died at Minneapolis on June 19th was buried at Lake Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Christensen and Mrs. Charles Conklin visited with Mrs. Stacy at Lake Mills on Sunday.

Mr. Jay Griggs spent a few days at Spirit Lake last week, fishing.

Mrs. Butterfield of Belmond was calling on Goodell friends one day last week.

Mrs.L. W. Sherwood was very sick last week with ear trouble. Miss Maude Griggs her sister is helping to care for her.

Mr. Will Langlitz went to Hampton last Friday for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hio Harberts drove to Hampton on Saturday to consult the doctor.

On June 23 the North Avery Progressive Club meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bachman. There was a fine attendance. After an interesting program the guests were served with ice cream and cake.

Miss Ina Ahrenkiel who has been visiting in the east came home Saturday. She stopped at Waterloo to visit friends. Mr. and Mrs. Lund came with her and spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. John Ahrenkiel.

U. B. Church Notes.

Last Sunday Miss Sanborn gave an excellent address on the work of the Iowa Children's home.

The church finance Committee will hold an ice cream social on Saturday night July 1st in the building formerly occupied by the Goodell Drug store.

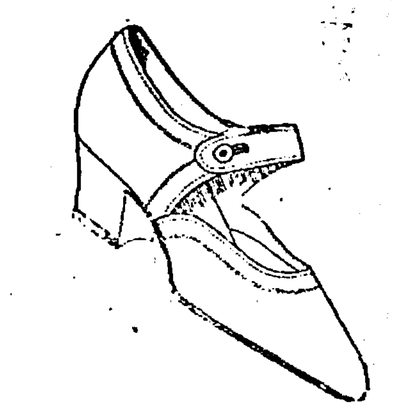
There has been a fine attendance at the Sunday school of late and the offering hs been good.

Everyone is invited to meet with us for the study of God's word.

July 2nd will be communion service. Sunday school it at 9:45 and general worship at 11:00 a. m.

The way the ladies are making improvements at the Silent City, co-operating with a Friend, the more we consider that suggestion that the road from town be paved and the community renamed the "Twin Cities," the more we are inclined to think that an injustice would be done the Silent City.

Pretty soon Dempsey and Wills will be "forced" into a match at a measly couple hundred thousand dollars for thirty minutes work. Wills ought to get the biggest share; he'll have to work so much harder.



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By L. F. Van Zelm

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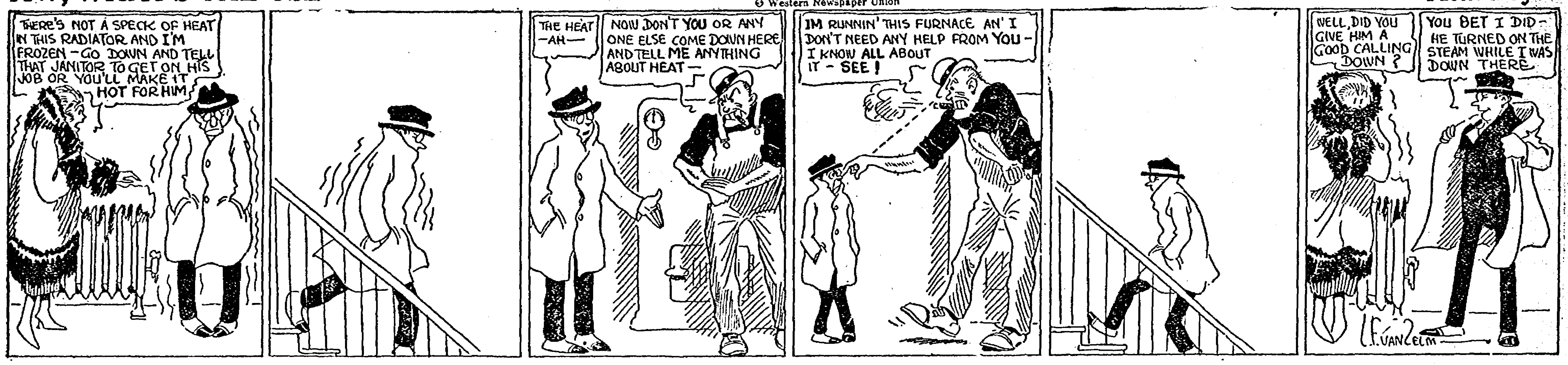
THERE'S NOT A SPECK OF HEAT IN THIS RADIATOR AND I'M FROZEN – GO DOWN AND TELL THAT JANITOR TO GET ON HIS JOB OR YOU'LL MAKE IT HOT FOR HIM
THE HEAT —AH—
NOW DON'T YOU OR ANY ONE ELSE COME DOWN HERE AND TELL ME ANYTHING ABOUT HEAT—
I'M RUNNIN' THIS FURNACE AN' I DON'T NEED ANY HELP FROM YOU – I KNOW ALL ABOUT IT – SEE!
WELL, DID YOU GIVE HIM A GOOD CALLING DOWN?
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WHY KEEP ADVERTISING

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"Things are slow this time of year; why should I advertise now?" is the question a man asked one day last week.

That man has driven an automobile. He knows that you can't start an automobile on high. First, you get the engine going; then you "put her in low. When she's moving a little faster, you change to second speed and finally, when the wheels are going round at a good clip, you shift into high.

Why is this? Because an automobile is a heavy load weighing thousands of pounds. It takes time and lots of power to get that big piece of metal started and rolling along smoothly and rapidly. You can't start an automobile right off at sixty miles an hour.

In the same way you can't advertise today and have the orders you want on your desk tomorrow evening. People don't do busness that way. You have to tell them what you want to sell, and keep on telling them many times over to get their orders. Some people are harder to start than automobiles and they move more slowly.

Some Independent readers are just as anxious to buy your goods as you are to sell them. But they don't know about 'em. Tell them what you have got. Start in at once. Tell them facts in your advertisements every week and when they are placing orders—YOU'LL GET YOURS.

BELMOND INDEPENDENT

BELMOND, - - - IOWA

CROOK GETS AWAY WITH $207

Hampton Chronicle: Some one in Manson City is out a few dollars on account of cashing three forged checks on June 12th. The name of a Hampton business man, W. L. Beringer, was signed to all three of the checks, and they were made out to George C. Miller.

Two of the checks were for $79.50 each, and were drawn on checks of the Franklin County State Bank. The other check was for $48.50 and was drawn on a check of the Citizens National Bank. When the checks were received for payments by the banks in Hampton the forgery was at once detected, and they were returned to the bank at Mason City which sent them here for collection.

It is understood that the checks were cashed at some store in Mason City, and in that case the concern which cashed the checks are out the money. As there is a George Miller who resides near Hampton, and in this way was able to get by with his game at some of the stores.

The Rock Island depot in this city was entered yesterday morning between 2:00 and 3:00 o'clock while the night operator, H. A. Pickett, was up town getting a lunch, and $48.03 was taken from the cash drawer.

The thief or thieves gained entrance through the freight house, which is connected with the ticket office, by pushing in on the big sliding door on the west side of the building and then unfastening the lock.

Nothing in the depot was molested, but the cash drawer, and the yeggs either missed or did not care to be bothered with over $100 worth of checks which were in the drawer.

The oil station at the Rock Island tracks, just south of the depot, was also entered later in the morning and several gallons of oil and some gasoline were removed therefrom.

Officers are now working on the case but as yet have not succeeded in uncovering any enlightening clues.

OIL IN IOWA?

Iowa may see a coal or oil boom, or both, at least something is doing if that wise old thing geology does slip a cog. Soundings and prospectings are being made in Winnebago county with the chances that coal and oil prospects may be unearthed to equal or surpass Texas and Oklahoma.

The prospecting is in the hands of reliable parties and is not for the purpose of forming wildcat or speculative companies, but of getting the real facts of what has been hinted at by oil and coal already discovered. Here is the story:

Some thirty years ago on the farm known as the Rev. Salverson farm, half mile south of Vinje and three miles west of Scarville, crude oil was found in a well dug about 25 feet deep with a spade. There was also evidences of coal at about that depth. The rumor went the rounds more as a matter of gossip or as a joke, and the discovery was soon forgotten.

T. H. Thompson, the banker at Miller, owns this farm now and N. E. Thurston of Forest City owns the farm adjoining this on the south. About eighteen months ago while drillers were sinking a well on the Thurston farm at the depth of about 30 feet, crude oil that would burn and was consumed, was taken from the well and a vein of coal of 4 to 7 feet deep was also struck.

Several different soundings were made on this and the Thompson farm with similar results, coal and oil being found in each instance. A geoloist called declared the oil a fair quality of crude oil and gave it as his judgment that the same was forced from many hundred feet below thru crevices of the rock and oth- geological formations.

Had the speculation mood of Iowa investors been as greedy as the previous year, undoubtedly this discovery would be in the heighth of development by this time, but the various investments in southern oil fields and even Iowa projects deterred any probability of testing the matter out by a company.

However, now the interest in the reports of the finding is reviving and men of the capital are awaiting the further reports of a geologist they have employed and have secured tentative lease, it is said, to sink wells or shafts if the geologist's report will warrant the out lay.

There seems to be no question as to the fact that oil and coal have been discoverd and the results of the investigation may prove a big and pleasing surprise to Northern Iowa. The oil and coal which have not been planted must come from somewhere in geological formations and the outcome of the shafts, if they are sunk, will be watched with unusual interest.—Mason City Globe Gazette.

KLEMME DEFEATS SCHOOL BONDS

The special school election held at the city hall Monday to vote on the $15,000 bond issue, brought out a goodly number of voters, both the men and the women.

The proposition was downed by 35 votes.

Many had hoped that the voters would accept the bond issue so that the school could be enlarged to take care of the full twelve grades but this plan will now have to be abandoned.

STATE DERIVES MUCH FROM SALE OF CIGARETS

Cigaret smoking in Iowa enriches the state exchequer by $1,000 a day for 2,000,000 cigarets a day are smoked in Iowa. The state imposes a tax of 2 cents on each 20 cigarets. This is at the rate of $520,000 income a year on a yearly consumption of 730,000,000 cigarets. During the first eight days of June receipts averaged $2,000 a day. Iowa is the only state in the union which makes unlicensed selling of cigarets a misdemeanor with a fine and punishment. A number of Iowa towns have refused to license the sale of cigarets. At the state meeting of the Spanish-American war veterans at Grinnell recently, several smokers were considerably chagrinned when they discovered that they could not get their favorite smokes in that college town.

U. S. GRAIN GROWERS

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

Financial negotitations for $50,000 to meet capital stock requirements for admission of the U. S. Grain Growers Sales Co. to the Chicago and Minneapolis grain exchanges and other arrangements for credit of a million dollars or more to finance grain movements, were reported to the directorate of the U. S. Grain Growers Inc. by Pres. C. H. Gustafson at the quarterly board meeting last week. While the entire matter is in the formative stage and was presented to the directors for their consideration, Mr. Gustafson stated that the officers of the farmer's grain firm had had numerous conferences and reached an agreement on details with principals who were willing to give this assistance to the growers' organization.

"It must be generally understood that sales offices which will be in position to handle grain through the exchanges is only a part of the selling and grain handling arrangements of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc.," said Mr. Gustafson. "We have examples of farmers' firms who attempted to handle grain without membership in established exchanges with the result that a goodly portion had to be resold to commission men holding membership or to the 'scalpers.' A double commission charge is the result. We are going to profit by this mistake. The Grain Growers must be able to handle any kind of grain at any time."

B. F. Hales, farmer-business man and formerly active in the grain markets in the barley and feed business is the man who stands ready to give such financial assistance to the grain selling operations of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc. Mr. Hales is extremely active despite his 67 years and has a record in financial circles of Chicago as a fighter. On the other hand, he is now devoting practically all his time and attention to his 800 acre farm outside of Chicago where he has a herd of more than 200 registered Shorthorns and **is known as one of the most generous** supporters of the Shorthorn cattle trade for the past few years.

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Japnese Sewing baskets. We sold hundreds last winter. Priced at 25c 45c 60c 75c 95c each, Nest of 5, one each size	$3.00

ROWAN NEWS

The churches were largely attended last Sunday when the Children's Day programs were given. The programs reflected great credit on those who were in charge.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Henry Azeltine on Thursday of this week.

The pastor of the Methodist church Rev. Harold Tomkinson, will deliver a special sermon next Sunday evening on "The Birth of a Nation," with reference to our independence and the price of our freedom. In the morning he will speak in "The Nobility of Our Young."

Mr. and Mrs. Westaby of Alexander were in town last Sunday and attended the Children's Day program.

Mr.r and Mrsr. Ed. Underdahl left last week for a vacation trip thro Minnesota. Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher are touring thro Wisconsin.

The Clarion tennis players are expected this week for a game with the local boys.

The Rowan horseshoe pitchers returned home from Hampton last week with victory to their credit. The contest was keen and close, but the Rowan boys won out. Dan Whitten was Rowan's star performer.

The Auxiliary of the American Legion are still adding names to their membership list. Miss Florence Box is the President of the local organization.

Last Friday afternoon the following families enjoyed a fine time at Lake Cornelia taking a picnic supper with them: Arthur Box, of Clarion, H. J. C. Box, R. H. Virden, D. W. Whitten, Will Duffy, S. B. Heath, Howard Box, J. F. Howell, George Aldrich, Jake Aldinger, and A. E. Emerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher and baby, Mrs. Dan Fletcher and Mrs. Morris Sullivan started for Bruce, Wis., Thursday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Weld.

Born to Mr. and Mrs Fred Stadtlander, a baby girl, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Hansen motored to Iowa Falls one day last week.

Mrs. Henry Hansen visited at the home of her mother, Mrs. Joe Daley at Hampton Thursday.

Messers William Steffens and Phil Klineschrodt spent a couple of days the past week at Clear Lake, where they enjoyed some good fishing.

Mr. J. H. Dix, of Hampton, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett and daughter, Mrs. O. F. Braden were Belmond callers Friday.

Saturday afternoon about twenty relatives of Mrs. J. F. Howell gathered at her home to help her celebrate the anniveryary of her birthday. The afternoon was spent by the ladies in sewing rug rags. A picnic supper was served at six o'clock. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, Mr. and Mrs. John Pritchett, Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchett, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bingham and family, Mrs. Clint Kercheval and son, Charles, and Mrs. F. L. Kercheval.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stumph and family visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Robinson in Meservey. The Robinson family accompanied them home Sunday.

C. E. Lindsey has been on the sick list the past few days.

Rev. Tomkinson is suffering from a broken foot which was injured when an auto tipped over in the ditch as he was on his way to the Sunday school picnic which was held at the Morgan township picnic ground last Thursday.

Mrs. B. Bradfield and daughter, of Spirit Lake have been visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jennie Rowan the past week.

Mr. A. J. Azeltine and sons, Wes, Will, Ed, and Ray motored to Iowa Falls Sunday to see their daughter and sister, Mrs. L. D. Bingham. They found her resting more com fortably than she had been for the past few days. Her, son, Harold has returned from Washington, D. C. Sunday morning and will stay with his mother for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller and daughter, Blanche and an aunt and cousin who are visiting at the Miller home spent Tuesday at the Guy Stumph home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow visited in Rowan Tuesday as they were enroute to their home in Goldfield from Waterloo. Miss Gladys Whitten accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Liming and son Glenn and daughter Lorine, D. K. Stout and wife, Ed Underdahl and wife, Sophia Eson, Garnett Stumph and Nelliee Hackley enjoyed a picnic supper at Lake Cornelia lesa Tuesday evening.

Mesdames Herb Hadley, W. R. and Leonard McCallum motored to Dows Wednesday.

Mrs. J. A. Whitten and little daughter, Billie went to Monkato Minnesota, Wednesday to visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jurden Brinkman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten and the Misses Mildred Duffy and Cecil Walker spent Tuesday evening in Thorton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitten.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, and Mrs. O. F. Braden motored to Iowa Falls Wednesday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Harris are rejoicing over the arrival of a nine pound baby girl which arrived at their home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rood, of Garner spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kieth.

Miss Carol Hoke has been suffering the past week from an infected foot. She is at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. K. Stout.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter, LaVonne, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval spent Sunday with relatives at Webster City.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder, and daughter, Ruth of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder.

Mrs. Anton Hospaska and daughter, Martha, of Clarion spent Sunday with Rowan relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum, who have been at the home of his parents the past few months, have moved back to town to the house lately vacated by the Gay Fletcher family.

Mrs. F. H. Fowler has been suffering from an infected eye. She has made several trips to Dows the past week where Dr. George has been caring for it.

The American Legion Auxiliary met in regular session Thursday evening. Four new members were initiated into the organization. We are anxious to make our chapter 100 percent. The meetings promise to get more interesting as we get better organized and used to the work. Anyone who is a mother, wife daughter or sister of an American Legion member is eligible to membership. If your boy does not belong to the Legion urge him to join so you can join in our good times.

James Rowen Married at Clarion Last Wednesday.

Last Wednesday morning at eight o'clock James Rowen was united in marriage to Miss Marjorie Griffen, of Clarion. The mothers of the bride and groom witnessed the ceremony. After a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride's parents, the happy couple left in an auto for a trip to St. Paul and thru Minnesota. Their many friends extend congratulations and wish them a long happy journey thru life.

Messers. Fred Hackley, L. A. McCallum, D. W. Whitten, G. Gunderson, Ed Azeltine, Joe Simons and John Riker were at Hampton last last Tuesday where they played in a horse shoe tournament with the Hampton players. Three games were played of 150 points each. Rowan winning by four points. D. W. Whitten held Rowan's highest score.

WRIGHT COUNTY FARM PICNIC ON JULY 4TH

(Continued from page one)

purpose, not to exceed $3,000,000 for any one year. A direct subsidy is proposed to vessels based on gross tons, miles traveled and speed, of one half of one cent for each gross ton and one hundred nautical miles traveled. This subsidy may increase up to 2 1-10 cents added to above rate and under certain conditions this subsidy may be doubled.

It has been admitted that some of the fast liners of large tonnage would be entitled to an annual subsidy of $900,000 and if that was doubled under the discretion proposed in the bill the ship could be paid $11,800,000 annually.

This subsidy would continue at least fifteen years if made a law and be continued under the provisions of the bill till ships show a net return of ten percent on capital invested.

Money must be provided to pay this subsidy, and make the low interest rate loans provided for in the bill. The farmers will have to pay their share of this reserve fund. The argument for the bill is that we must have a merchant marine to enlarge and hold our present export trade. You must decide whether it is necessary to subsidize ships to hold our foreign trade.

MOVIE BEING DEMONSTRATED

The county agent is now demonstrating, in the various townships, the moving picture machine which, if purchased will be used throughout the county in conducting the regular township Farm Bureau meetings.

At the May Board of Directors meeting it was decided that the moving picture machine should be demonstrated in each township so as to give each individual member opportunity to see the pictures and vote on the matter of purchasing the machine. All members seem very enthusiastic over the "Movie" and the machine will, undoubtedly, be purchesed at the next directors meeting.

CLOTHING SPECIALIST COMING

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist, from Ames, will be in Wright County July 5, 6, and 7 to lecture and demonstrate on the subject "Use and Alteration of Commercial Patterns." Quite a number of townships have asked for this specialized work by Miss Foster and it has been necessary to schedule the work so as to hold group meetings in order to give all ladies of the county opportunity to hear **Miss Foster.**

The schedule to be followed by Miss Foster in conducting the demonstrations is as follows:

Clarion July 5, 10:00 a. m. County Agents' office.

Eagle Grove July 5, 2:00 p. m. Community Rooms, Citizens' State Bank.

Dows July 6, 10:00 a. m. State Bank of Dows.

Belmond July 6, 2:00 p. m. City Hall.

Goldfield July 7, 10:00 a. m. Whyte Motor Co.

Wall Lake Twp. July 7, 2:00 p. m. Center School.

PRETTY SOFT FOR THE WOMEN

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

"Yes" answered Brown, upon being questioned, "Eliza, the wife, is sick. Don't know jest what's ailin' her. She got up this morning and got breakfast for me and the hands at five, and then she did some washin' and baking' and the churnin' and a little cleanin' besides diggin' some taters and a-weedin' a patch of garden. She got dinner and was a-sewin' and a-mendin' this afternoon when she sort o keeled over. I jest Kain't think what kin be the matter, for she's been a-doing nothing but keepin' house here easy-like for the last fifteen years."

WEBSTER ON AGRICULTURE

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

"Let us never forget that the cultivation of the earth is the most important labor of man. Unstable is the future of a country that has lost its taste for agriculture. If there is one lesson of history which is unmistakable it is that national strength lies very near the soil."

Kinseth's Store News

Where are you going to celebrate the Fourth? At home? If you are —and a lot of folks say that's where **they're going to stay—then you want** to be sure to come to the Store on the Corner and see what we can give you to help make the day successful.

Everything you need to make the Fourth Dinner a success. Come in and let us show you—and you won't have to blow in a lot of coin to do it, either. We've some real bargains that you want to look over. We've a few Silver Prunes left, extra good ones, and if you'll try a real prune dish with these, you'll have something as good as ice cream. Then we've got canned beans, cheaper than dried ones, canned cherries and grapes, everything in cans, and a big stock of fresh, clean groceries.

You know they used to say that the Fourth wasn't a real day without a new pair of shoes. That holds good yet, and if you'll ask us we'll show you some real ones. And percales, ginghams and such things for the new Fourth Dress.

Come to the Store on the Corner, folks, and save money to celebrate on. And save it every day after, too.

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Positions are plentiful for those well trained. Students may work for board. Tuition low. Write for Catalog C. Boyles Business College, Omaha, Neb.

Griesy's Store News

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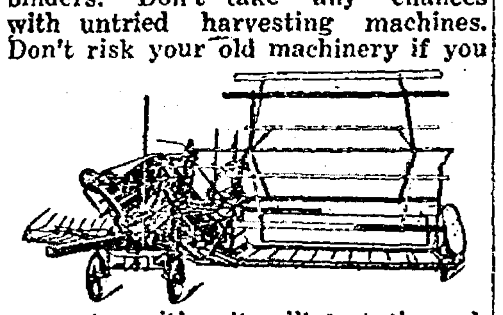
Don't worry too much because people do not always agree with you. Nobody agreed with Noah.

Take No Chances

Harvest is a fight from start to finish—a fight to get ahead of bad weather—a fight to save the grain in the shortest possible time. In fact, it is a fight against time. Saving a few hours in getting the grain cut may mean several hundred dollars in your pocket. Whether you win or lose in this fight to save the grain depends almost entirely upon the kind of harvesting machine you have. You know that you can depend on a Deering or McCormick binders. Don't take any chances with untried harvesting machines. Don't risk your old machinery if you are not positive it will last through the season without causing serious delays. Play safe. See us now.



A Hot Weather Worker

You don't have to lay off because of heat, or stop when the going is hard if you own a Titan 10-20 tractor. You can tear into work in the morning and by nightfall you've put a lot of it behind you. Right now is a good time to buy your Titan. The Harvester Company's free plow offer expired some time ago, but we were foresighted and bought several tractors before the expiration date. Therefore we can still sell you a Titan at $700, complete with regular equipment and a FREE three-bottom plow. Our supply of tractors and plows is limited so you'd better let us hear from you at once.

You don't need to have flies in the house. You may think you do, but you don't. Screen your porches and windows. Trap the fly before he gets in. Keep the back yard clean and keep everlastingly at it.

That Primrose, "Handsome Blue Machine,"
Just come in to look and view.
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And other worth-while features, too.

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One Ball Of Twine

looks very much like any other ball of twine. But the discovery of the difference between the good old reliable Deering which you should buy and the inferior grade which you might have been induced to buy, comes too late. Remember, only bound bundles pay. The great majority of farmers buy good twine—the Harvester Company brands, and they get their money's worth. Next in importance to getting good twine is to get it now. Don't wait until the last minute. Buy now.

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Protect Your Hay Crop

You can speen up the hay harvest and save man power with an International hay loader. The hot, strength-wasting job of pitching hay into the wagon is done away with. Load-time is **greatly reduced** so that there is less danger or damage to the cut hay from sudden wind and rain storms. One crop saved is worth many times the price of the loader. International hay loaders are almost enetirely steel-built. The parts are held in allgnment even in the roughest fields. They handle the hay from the lightest swarth to the heaviest windrow—practically no limit to capacity. Let us show you our complete line of International haying machines, including mowers, side-delivery rakes, self-dump rakes, tedders, sweep rakes and stackers.

PLAYING THE BABY

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

Occasionally we find a man who has become a littie put out about this or that and has cancelled his bureau membership. Usually it is something of no importance and very often it was something for which the bureau was not in the least to blame.

We might expect a man at the age of one or two years, if he cannot have his own way, to knock down his block house, to scatter his play-things all over the floor and to yell that he is through. When he gets to be 21 or 22 he generally has begun to learn that he cannot always have his own way, that the other members of society have a right to their opinions and that only by bowing to the will of the majority can we hope to get along. He has generally learned not to kick up his heels and holler that he won't play.

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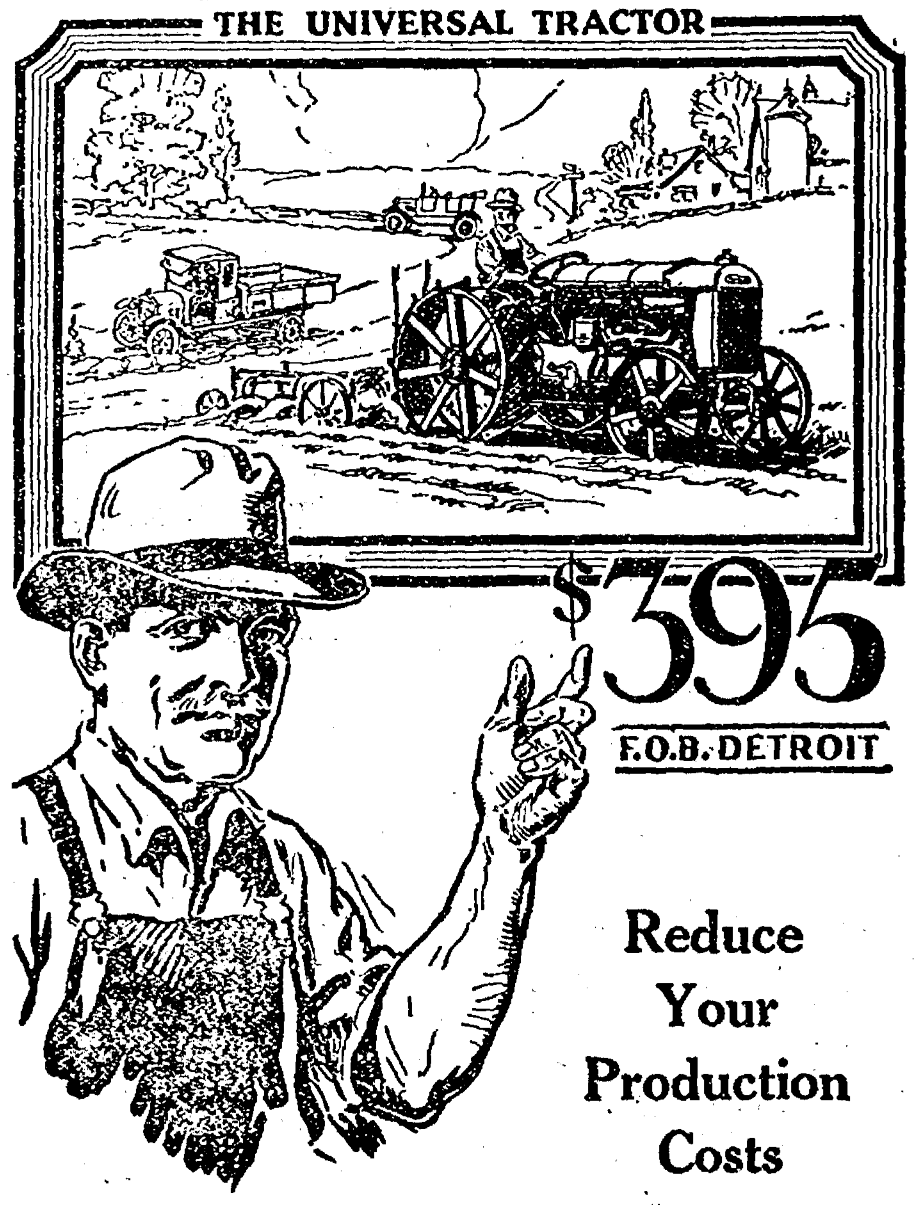

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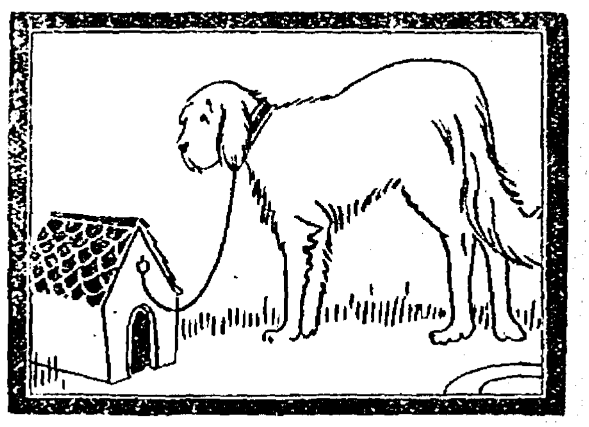

Some men want to cut ice in August, while others wish to make hay in Feburary, and that is the way the race is run.

In buying a home you have to buy when there is Mother Earth for sale.

READ ON:
(Continued from last week.)

must see the land we are talking and writing about. This is a hard wood soil, and plenty of rainfall to make rye, corn, oats, potatoes and all other crops grow. Good pleasant neighbors and schools. This land is located in the Famous Chipoawa Valley, southern Sawyer County, Wisconsin, and there is nothing better for the price to make you a Home to be proud of. Saw
(Continued next week.)

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

For Sale or Trade—New For touring car.—C. E. Brogan, Meservey. 31tfc

Notice

Having purchased a Thoroughbred Guernsey Sire. All those who desire his service a fee of $3.00 will be charged—Peter H. Pals, Meservey, Iowa.

Mrs. Ed Bachman and children of Klemme spent Wednesday at the Mrs. Wilkins home.

Miss Viola Lauster left Wednesday for Fort Dodge where she will visit at the Jake Fischer home, and also to attend the District convention of the Sunday School and Y. P. A.

Mrs. Earnest Eckhoff is assisting with the clerking in the Fischer & Wickershiem store during the absence of Mr. Fischer.

Herman Fischer and children motored to Ackley Thursday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Jennie Meinderts was a caller at Swaledale between trains on Friday.

Miss Alma Walters is having a few days vacation doctoring a sore throat.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and Miss Agnes Fischer left Friday for Fort Dodge to attend the cenvention there. Sunday. Agnes is a delegate for the Y. P. A.

A great number of the people of this vicinity attended the Mission feast at the Immanual church last Wednesday. The Contata entitled "From Cross to Cross," which was rendered in the evening was much enjoyed. The collection amounted to $811.00.

Fred Schulter, A. E. Muller, C. E. Brogan and Frank Nissen autoed to Thornton on Tuesday evening to attend the Masonic Order Meeting.

Rev. Pannkuk and family returned home Friday from Stout where they have visited relatives and attended the. Missin feast there on Thursday. Henry Proost left Sunday for Schuller, Iowa, where he was called by the illness of his brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlander spent Sunday at the Bert Stadtlander home at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson and Fay and Janet Lauen of near Klemme spent Sunday at the Bert Laun home.

Those on the sick list last week were Miss Alma Walters, Mrs. Mary Butz and Mrs. C. J. Wendel.

Miss Ruth Smith who is now at Mason City spent Sunday here at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kuhlers and children spent Sunday at the Hilko Barkema home.

Mrs. Thomas Wright and little son of Brookings S. Dakota and the Misses Harriet and Babe Sloss of Ames came Saturday for a visit at the home of their sister, Mrs. F. Nissen. Mrs. Wright and Harriet returned home Monday but Babe remained for the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Blewitt and little son were Sunday guests at the W. J. Hartfelder home.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Eckhoff and family of Alexander were Sunday guests at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nissen and children spent a few days at their cottage at Clear Lake. They were accompanied by Henry Freie who gave the cottage a new coat of paint.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and children spent Friday at Clear Lake.

Mr. E. A. Strasburg came back Friday from a fishing trip at Spirit Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Oltman and son and Henry Koenen and wife of Latimer were recent visitors at the Henry Hiteland home.

Mr. and Mrs. Twieman and granddaughter of Verona, North Dakota, came last week for a vist with parents and other relatives.

Grandma Ruiter of Belmond spent a few days here visiting at the T. Wieman home.

T. A. Davenport of Belmond was calling in Meservey one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wenzel and children were Belmond callers one day last week.

Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh returned home from the hospitil on Tuesday where she has been the past week taking treatments.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent the week end at her home at Belmond.

Miss Irena Guth left Saturday for Fort Dodge where she attended the District Convention on Sunday.

A. E. Muller and family were callers at the H. J. Kurnans home near Belmond on Sunday.

Miss Alma Ralston who is attending college at Iowa Falls spent the week end here at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Karfans and children of Bradford spent Sunday here at the Mrs. Eckhoff home.

Henry Van Buren and family of Minnesota stopped here last week Tuesday for a short visit at the H. K. Pals home while enroute to Pella for a visit with relatives. They returned Saturday to spend a day at the Hiko Kuhler home. They returntruned home Monday.

Mrs. Henry Dirks who has been at the hospital at Mason City for the past three month's returned home last Tuesday. Her many friends are glad to think she is again able to be home.

Mrs. Tony Knipp and children of Goodell visited t the Mrs. Wilkins home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Willer and children of Klemme and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Willer autoed to Mason City on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprau and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Theo Wendel autoed to Des Moiones on Sunday for a visit at the Chris Enabnit home. They returned home on Monday.

Wava and Weston Lewis of Downing, Wisconsin are here visiting friends.

Miss Geretchen Aurand of Charles City is spending a few days visiting here at the home of her friend Miss Marvel Brogan.

Those who attended the District convention at Fort Dodge Sunday were: Mr.and Mrs. Louis Foss. H. Fischer and daughters, Mrs. Schlesselman. L. B. Hulsebus and Alma Witt, J.Wickershiem, Wm. Butz and family and H. F. Rief and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus, Mrs. Earl Boughton and Alma and Louise Witt were at Mason City on Thursday. From there Mrs. Boughton left for her home at Webster City. She was accompanied by her sister, Louise who will make a visit there. Rev. Schlesselman is on the sick list at this writing.

The two sons of H. E. Drews of Chicago came last Wednesday for a visit at the home of their uncle, Mr. Messelhieser and family. A chum of theirs came with them also.

Mr and Mrs. Ike Dipping and children of near Latimer were Sunday guests at the Henry Hiteland home.

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WITHIN AN INCH

Pat was the man who did all the odds jobs about the place, and owing to petty thieving, his employer instructed him to get a good yard dog.

Pat was out all day and in the evening landed home with a dachshund.

"What on earth have you brought along, Pat?" queried his employer.

"Well, sir," said Pat, "he's the nearest I could get to a yard; he's two feet elivin inches long."—Minneapolis Trioune.

THE OLD-TIME BUGGIES

There was a lot of excitement in Knoxville a few days ago when a farmer bought a new two horse power buggy. The buggy manufacturers lost out because they didn't keep up to date. It is our idea that a buggy equipped with a windshield and a device for preventing the reins from getting—well, you know where the reins always managed to get when you and Mable were out riding—would find a ready sale, even in this day of sport model "eights" and disk wheel flivvers. One could drive a team in the good old days with one hand and at the same time keep the rig from going in the ditch. For Sunday night use the buggy and a geentle team never will have a rival. Of course you couldn't go very fast or far in one evening, but just think of the fun you had! The 1922 boys who take Mable or Nellie out riding in their $2,000 speedsters have the advantage of a more attractive bait, than did the boys of an earlier year, but the percentage of poor catches remains the same.—Carroll Times.

EIGHT INCH HAIL STONES

The southern part of Kossuth county was visited by a teriffic hail storm about 8 o'clock Monday evening and the growing corn and other crops were more or less injured. Most of the hail stones were about the size of hen's eggs, but some were considerably larger. One was picked up that measured eight and one half inches in circumference.—Algona Republican.

A big powerful motor slowed up as the occupants perceived a car of very modeset preportions standing by the roadside in a rather battered condition. The owner of the car was on his knees, endeavoring to straighten ont some of the parts.

"Have an accident?" queriede the man in the big car.

"No, thank you," grimly replied the other, "just had one."

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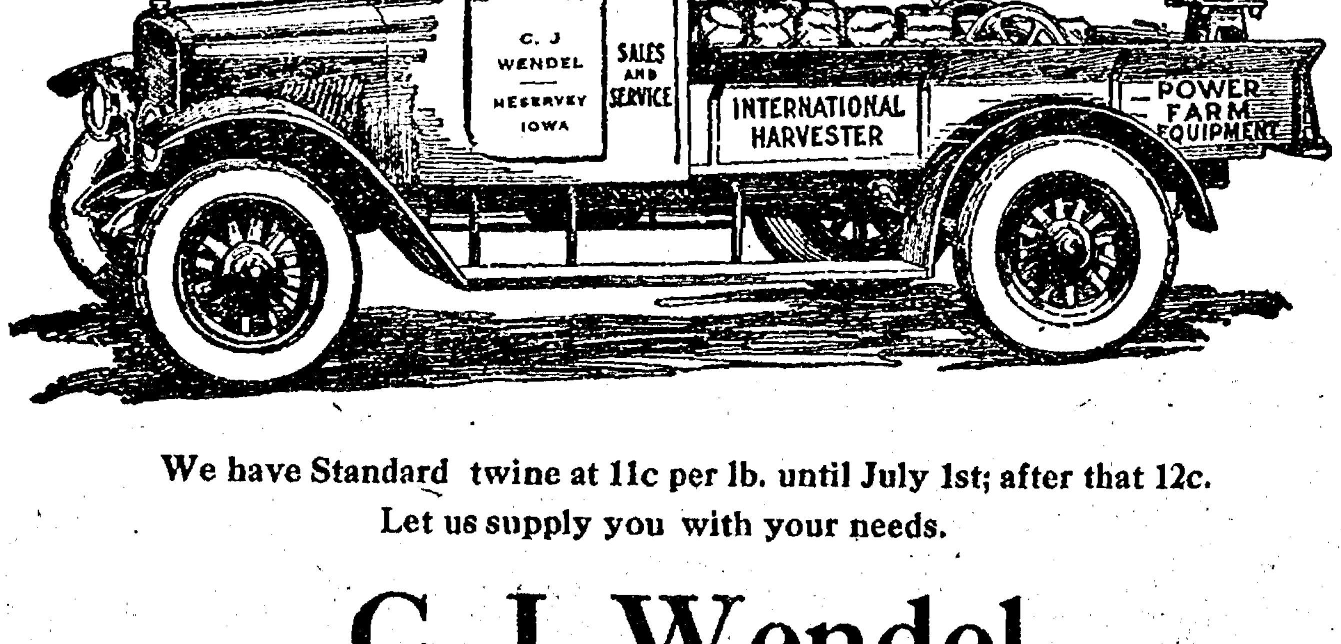

We have Standard twine at 11c per lb. until July 1st; after that 12c.
Let us supply you with your needs.

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MAKE FLY SPRAY FOR COWS

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)
Keep Up Production By Removing Pests From Dairy Barns

A good fly spray can be made from the following materials that will keep the barns cleaned of that pest, say the dairymen of Iowa State College.

Take 4½ quarts of coal tar dip, 4½ quarts of fish oil, three quarts of coal oil, three quarts of whale oil and 1½ quarts oil of tar. Dissolve three pounds of laundry soap, add the spray mixture and bring the whole up to 30 gallons with luke warm soft water. This spray will be cheaper than commercial mixtures; will keep off flies and will keep the cows hide in good shape. Thirty gallons of this mixture will spray 40 cows twice daily for ten days.

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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

E. Trager, of near Belmond, was doing some trading here Saturday evening.

Ole Foughty was a visitor at Hampton on Sunday of this week.

M. A. Brandenburg has purchased a brand new Tin Lizzie. Now girls spruce up.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulman Walsh and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brewster of Hampton visited Saturday night with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Walsh.

The many friends of Fred Schumberg are glad to know that he is home from the hospital and again is able to be about.

Don't forget the Chatauqua July 7-8-9-10. Eight large numbers for $1.75.

FREE MOVIES DRAW LARGE CROWDS HERE

The free movies here draw large crowds every Saturday evening. Why not the business men pay for a good clean show and draw crowds every night? The people appreciate it.

Frank Ramey, of Hampton was seen wandering around this burg Thursday.

C. S. Hamilton, of Hampton, was a business caller here on Friday of last week.

S. D. Hardman, of Swaledale, visited at the C. O. Walsh home on Sunday.

Alfred Ammerman was a caller at Belmond one day last week.

Mrs. Peter Bohlen has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy and children and Mrs. John Murphy and daughter, Bernadine were shoppers at Hampton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Roeds and daughters, Iona and Charlotte of near Latimer were Sunday visitors at the Frank Bohlen home.

Mr. nd Mrs. Fred Fulton and Mrs. Fred Frohling of Belmond spent Friday evening at the Fred Greenfield home.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitten of Thornton visited at the Clay Klinefelter home last Sunday.

Harold Aigley was a Belmond visitor Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stoffer and son, George were Mason City callers last Wednesday.

Fred Greenfield, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter, June were callers at Hampton on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Blau and baby visited with Mr.a nd Mrs. Charles Nelson at Clarion last Sunday.

Howard Shaffer of Hampton was at Alexander last Friday on a business mission.

Jerry Defreeze who has spent the past three weeks with relatives at Breckenridge, North Dakota returned home the last f the week.

Fred L. Bell of Waterlo was a caller in own on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Finkle and daughter Leona of Hampton were Sunday guess at the Fred Larsen home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Winwood, Mrs. William Winwood and Miss Mary Winwood were visitors at Clear Lake Sunday.

Oscar Walsh was a business caller at Belmond Saturday.

Mr. nd Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and two children visited with relatives at Hampton last Sunday.

Mrs. Younglin, of Latimer visited with her friend, Miss Anna Beenen the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Reed and little daughter, Mildred have spent the past week with relatives at different points in Illinois. Rev. A. D. Mohr is taking care of the meat market and post office while Less is on his vacation.

Misses Emma Eickmeyer and Leschien Westenberger of Sheffield were visiting friends at Alexander last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pals and children visited with reltives at Chapin last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Palmateer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Chance Palmateer and family of Goldfield met t the lakes near Belmond Sunday and spent a very enjoyable afternoon.

Axel Nelson was a business caller at Belmond Saturday.

Arthur Winwood was a Hampton caller last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen and children and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and children visited at the Edd Butler home at Hampton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter, June visited with relatives at Belmond Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Yaw and Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls spent Sunday at the F. D. Rodemeyer home.

A. M. Butler was at Davenport on business the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Root are the happy parents of a fine baby girl, born Saturday, June 17th.

Mrs. H. Kromminga of Abbott, returned to her home after a few weeks with relatives at Alexander.

D. O. Shrain of Dows was a business caller at this place last Wednesday.

All present reported a good time at the Annual Sunday School picnic of the St. John's Evangelical church held at the P. C. Bohlen grove last Wednesday June 21st.

The Alexander Chautauqua will be held July 7-8-9-10. Buy your season ticket and plan to attend each afternoon and evening as the entire program will be high class, instructive and interesting.

Miss Harriet Lee, County Nurse was a caller in this vicinity last Tuesday.

The ice cream social which was given by the ladines of the M. E. church last Wednesday evening was well attended. The ladies cleared the neat amount of 25 dollars.

Miss Ruth Palmateer, accompanied by her father, left Sunday for Iowa Falls, where she will attend six weeks sewing course.

Mrs. Alto Barker of Hampton was a visitor at Alexander on Sunday.

H. C. Yaw of Iowa Falls was in town the first of the week on a business mission.

Clyde Blau was a caller at Geneva Monday.

Misses Ruth, Alma and Gladys Johnson and Dorothy Jenson of Latimer were at Alexander Friday afternoon.

Miss Hazel Hendrickson of Thompson and Miss Bertha Gartz visited with their friend, Mrs. Fred Greenfield on Monday.

OPEN CHICAGO COMMISSION HOUSE

New Marketing Association Opened For Business June 19th, at Union Stock Yards

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

The largest livestock market in the world has a producer-owned and controlled commission house in complete operation at present. The Chicago Producers' Commission Association opened for business Monday morning June 19. S. W. Doty is general manager. He announces the employment of Ed. Stevens as steer salesman, A. C. Burney as Butcher cattle salesman, and George Parmenter as hog salesman. In addition to his general executive work, Mr. Doty himself will sell the sheep. Offices are in Room 357, Livestock Exchange Building, Union Stock Yards, Chicago.

The Chicago Producers' Commission Association is organized under the auspices of the National Livestock Producers' Association, set up by the Farmer's Live Stock Marketing Committee of 15 appointed by the American Farm Bureau Federation. The new producer-owned and controlled commission house will handle livestock chiefly from Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Wisconsin, South Dakota and southeast Minnesota. A large number of cooperative shipping associations in those states have already sent in their membership. The producer directorate of the Chicago Company is as follows: President A. Sykes, Ida Grove, Iowa; Vice President, George McKerrow, Pewaukee, Wis.; sec.-treas. I. Warren Crabb, Delavan, Ill; George W. Briley, Carthage, Ill; M. Sar, Essex, Iowa; Frank Coyne, Montrose, Iowa; W. S. Hill, Mitchell, S. Dak.

Gen. Mgr. F. M. Simpson of the National Livestock Producers' Association points out that the Chicago company will be the third established under the plan for the Farmer's Live Stock Marketing Committee of 15. The Indianapolis company opened for business on May 15 and in the second week was in first place as regards volume. Last week the producers' company handled 105 straight car loads of stock and 35 loads of trucked in stock. This represents the fourth week of business The business has increased so rapidly that it has been necessary for this producer-owned and controlled company to put on a night force in order to take care of it. This is a new departure in the conduct of the Live Stock commission business and it is indicative of the methods followed by the farmer-owned companies. They are quick to adopt new and unique methods which make for a lower cost of operation and better service to their patrons.

The producers' Company at National Stock Yards, Illinois (St. Louis Market) is the oldest one belonging to the National Live Stock Producers' Association and has been in operation since January 2, 1922. The value of the livestock handled by these two companies every week exceeds $500,000.

"Say it With Cars" is the slogan which live stock producers seem determined to follow when it comes to supporting their own commission houses.

MILLIONS SAVED BY RATE REDUCTION

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

The reduction of 10 percent in freight rates throughout the country on all commodities except agricultural products ordered on May 24, will mean approximately $127,000,000 to the farmers of the U. S.

As a result of a petition presented by the American Farm Bureau Federation to the Interstate Commerce Commission last October, the railroad executives granted a 10 percent reduction on all agricultural commodities for a temporary period of six months, which has netted the shippers an estimated $55,000,000.

Another $38,000,000 was saved to shippers in the reduction made in the Western Hay and Grain case. The revenue of the carriers for 1921 was $3,906,599,521. A 10 percent cut from this amount would be approximately $400,000,000, ninety-three millions of which have already been saved the shipper by the other two reductions.

Since the farmer pays 55 percent of the freight it means that he would get the benefit of $220,000,000 Ninety-three millions have already been saved which leaves $127,000,000 to represent the benefit derived from the reduction ordered on all commodities recently.

SYKES PRESIDENT OF CHICAGO TERMINAL

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)

Sykes, of Ida Grove, Iowa, President of the Cornbelt Meat Producers' association, has been selected as president of the New Producers' Live Stock Commission Association to be established at the Union Stock Yards, Chicago. Geo. McKerrow, of Pewaukee, Wis., was chosen as vice president and I. W. Crabb, of Delaven, Ill., as Secretary-Treasurer.

F. M. Simpson, of the National office at Chicago, is now perfecting arrangements preparatory to opening office headquarters.

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MARY GEALOW

STAND BY THE FARM BUREAU

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)
(From Traer Star-Clipper)

The Farm Bureau is approaching a critical period in its history. The next year or so it will survive or perish. It is the most formidable, most practical and most successful organization of farmers ever known in American History. Its power properly exerted will be tremendous from now on, if it continues to grow. The history of the farm organizations has been discouraging. Few of them have survived any great length of time. It has always been said that farmers will not stick together and in a great measure this is true. The Farm Bureau in its brief existance has done much to benefit and fortify the agricultural classes, and is in position to accomplish much greater work if the members will stick. But there is a tendency on the part of many to drop out. Here in Tama county scores have already quit, just when the Bureau is getting in position to do them the most good.

Some people never like to part with a dollar unless they can get two in return. Too many farmers object to paying yearly dues of $5.00. They say they don't get anything for their money. We know of no organization of business men that is run on a fee of $5 per year. The Star-Clipper has for years paid yearly dues of $30 to the Iowa Press Association and felt that it more than got its moneys worth. It costs railroad men around $100 per year to maintain the brotherhood. People will blow in several times $5. on lodges and think nothing of it.

If the farmers who are withholding their support from the Bureau would attend the meetings and learn what has been done and is proposed they would form a different opinion. Unlike many former farm organizations the bureau is headed by sane and conservative men. It is not their policy to tear down or fight anybody, but to lift up the farmer. We do not see how a farmer who heard Mr. Cunningham at Toledo Saturday can withhold his support from the farm bureau if he wants to improve his condition. The trouble is that such men are so prejudiced that they will not attend the meetings. They will make no attempt to inform themselves regarding the plans and accomplishments. They get the idea that someone is working a graft. They feel they know more about farming than the youthful county agent. They wholly mistake the purpose of the bureau The agent is not employed to tell them how to farm. He is their hired man. It is he that keeps up enthusiasm in the Bureau, that keeps the wheels going. It is he who brings in specialists, to demonstrate vaccination, culling, spraying, pruning, who hunts upseed grain, who brings men with animals to sell to those who want to buy; it is he who organized twelve shipping associations in this county; who was instrumental in testing seventy herds of cattle; who had aroused interest in the farmer's children in promoting beef clubs. Many farmers have made several years' fee in culling of hens alone, others in handling of wool, others in syraying.

But the greater benefits are yet to come. The shipping association is a success. What is needed is better marketing facilities and these the bureau have in sight. Then they plan a finance corporation that will be helpful to the farmer in carrying on his business. The bureau had more to do with the recent freight reduction than any other agency. We have not mentioned women's activities promoted by the bureau, which is in itself no small consideration.

Just why any Iowa farmers, who now have the largest bureau of any in the nation, should throw cold water upon any organization that is in position to do them so much good is a mystery to us.

IOWA FLEECE WOOL GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

(Wright Co. Farm Bureau Exchange)
To County Agent and Co-Workers:

I trust you are keeping the members of your county wool pool informed as to the advance in the prices. Since our last letter the market has advanced on some of the common grades and the better grades are stronger.

Wool is selling for 50 cents per pound in Texas and the buyers see even higher prices in the future. If the speculators are willing to pay the prevailing prices, there certainly will be a bright future for the pooled wool.

It is predicted that fine wools may reach 75 cents and medium wools 60 cents. Local buyers in Iowa are paying 40 cents for medium and fine grades.

The market quotations in the Commerical Bulletin of May 27 are on the same basis as in our last letter.

We recommend shipping the wool as soon as shearing has progressed sufficiently to let as many as possible in the first consignment. Wool will be graded and offered for sale at an early date this season.

Growers should bear in mind that by pooling his wool he will receive the benefit of any advance in the market, and if he sells locally this profit goes to the speculator. More strongly than ever do we advise the growers to build up and maintain their county pool.

Trusting we will receive a nice shipment from your county, I am

Very truly yours,
V. G. Warner, Sec. Treas.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

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We are still here selling more goods than ever. This week we are selling 1 gallon cans of fruit—just the thing for haying and harvesting, and cheaper than you can can them. Peaches, Apricots, Pineapples and Logan berries. They are good.

Do you know all woolen goods are higher—also cotton goods. The mills have shut down, waiting for prices to stabilize. You know that means higher prices. We are not going to raise while our present stock lasts, but you better hurry and get in as it is going to raise.

Remember hogs went to $11 last week. (We don't eat meat at our home.) but shoes are one-half times lower than two years ago. Come in and see these patent leather Oxfords and canvas slippers—just the thing for hot weather.

We pay higest prices for all produce—cash or trade.

Don't forget Opal coffee, 3 lbs for $1. A good standard corn at 95c per dozen cans. All kinds of fruit. FRESH CHERRIES THIS WEEK.

Bring in your eggs.

Look over our stock—WE WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD.

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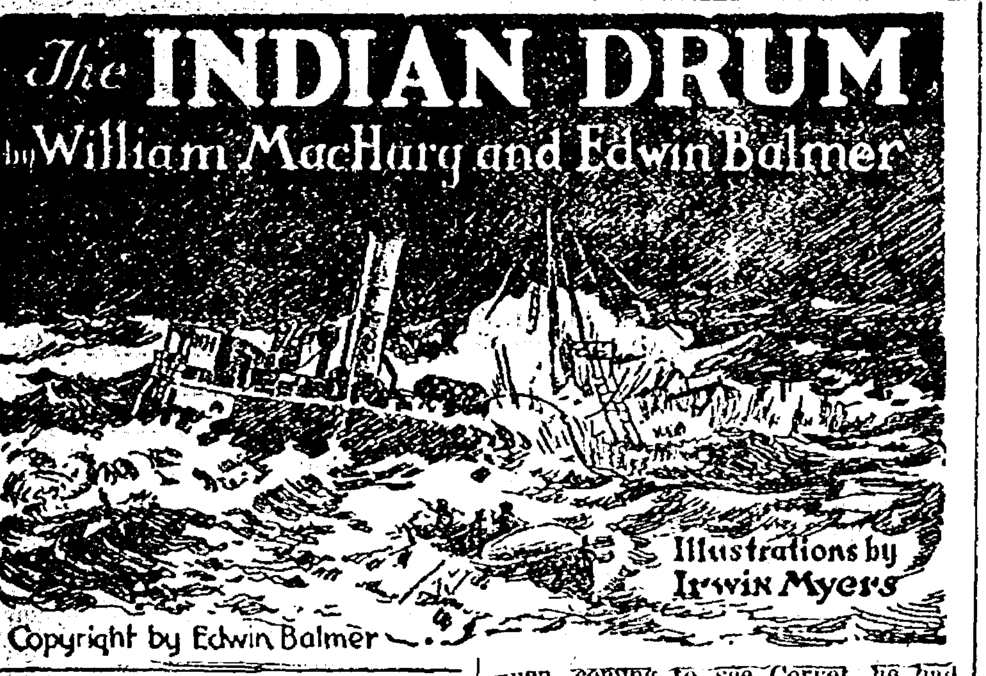

The INDIAN DRUM

by William MacHarg and Edwin Balmer

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

CHAPTER IX.—Conrad recovers, and the affair remains a mystery.

CHAPTER X.—Alan learns from Wassaquam that it was Corvet's habit to keep the sum of $1,000 in the house, apparently to meet the demands of a certain "Luke," who appeared periodically. In the absence of Wassaquam, "Luke" comes to the house demanding to see Corvet. He is evidently in a dying condition, due to alcohol and exposure. Conrad tries without avail to get him to explain his connection with Corvet. The man dies. Wassaquam gives Conrad a paper on which is a list of names.

CHAPTER XI.—From the document Alan thinks he may have a clue to the mystery surrounding Corvet's life and disappearance. He leaves Chicago to visit Lake Michigan ports in search of the persons whose names were on the list.

"That's all you know about them, Judah?"

"Yes, Alan; that is all."

Alan dismissed the Indian, who, stolidly methodical in the midst of these events, went downstairs and commenced to prepare a dinner which Alan knew he could not eat. Alan got up and moved about the rooms; he went back and looked over the lists and clippings once more; then he moved about again. How strange a picture of his father did these things call up to him! When he had thought of Benjamin Corvet before, it had been as Sherrill had described him, pursued by some thought he could not conquer, seeking relief in study, in correspondence with scientific societies, in anything which could engross him and shut out memory. But now he must think of him, not merely as one trying to forget; what had thwarted Corvet's life was not only in the past; it was something still going on. It had amazed Sherrill to learn that Corvet, for twenty years, had kept trace of Alan; but Corvet had kept trace in the same way and with the same secrecy of many other people—of about a score of people. When Alan thought of Corvet, alone in his silent house, he must think of him as solicitous about these people; as seeking for their names in the newspapers which he took for that purpose, and as recording the changes in their lives. The deaths, the births, the marriages among these people had been of the intensest interest to Corvet.

It was possible that none of these people knew about Corvet; Alan had not known about him in Kansas, but had known only that some unknown person had sent money for his support. But he appreciated that it did not matter whether they knew about him or not; for at some point common to all of them, the lives of these people must have touched Corvet's life. When Alan knew what had been that point of contact, he would know about Corvet; he would know about himself.

Alan had seen among Corvet's books a set of charts of the Great Lakes. He went and got that now and an atlas. Opening them upon the table, he looked up the addresses given on Corvet's list. They were most of them, he found, towns about the northern end of the lake; a very few upon other lakes—Superior and Huron—but most were upon or very close to Lake Michigan. These people lived by means of the lake; they got their sustenance from it, as Corvet had lived, and as Corvet had got his wealth. Alan was feeling like one who, bound, has been suddenly unloosed. From the time when, coming to see Corvet, he had found Corvet gone, until now, he had felt the impossibility of explaining from anything he knew or seemed likely to learn the mystery which had surrounded himself and which had surrounded Corvet. But these names and addresses! They indeed offered something to go upon, though Luke now was forever still, and his pockets had told Alan nothing.

He found Emmet county on the map and put his finger on it. Spearman, Wassaquam had said, came from there. "The Land of the Drum!" he said aloud. Deep and sudden feeling stirred in him as he traced out this land on the chart—the little towns and villages, the islands and headlands, their lights and their uneven shores. A feeling of "home" had come to him, which he had not had on coming to Chicago. There were Indian names and French up there about the meetings of the great waters. The sense that he was of these lakes, that surge of feeling which he had felt first in conversation with Constance Sherrill was strengthened an hundredfold.

He gazed down at the lists of names which Benjamin Corvet had kept so carefully and so secretly; these were his father's people, too; these ragged shores and the islands studding the channels were the lands where his father had spent the most active part of his life. There, then—these lists now made it certain—that events had happened by which that life had been blighted. North, there by the meeting of the waters, was the region of the wrong which was done.

"That's where I must go!" he said aloud. "That's where I must go!"

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Constance Sherrill, on the following afternoon, received a telephone call from her father; he was coming home earlier than usual, he said; if she had planned to go out, would she wait until after he got there? The afternoon's mail was upon a stand in the hall. She turned it over, looking through it—invitations, social notes. She picked from among them an envelope addressed to herself in a firm, clear hand, which, unfamiliar to her, still queerly startled her, and tore it open.

"Dear Miss Sherrill," she read,

"I am closing, for the time being, the house which, for default of other ownership, I must call mine. The possibility that what has occurred here would cause you and your father anxiety about me in case I went away without telling you of my intention is the reason for this note. But it is not the only reason. I could not go away without telling you how deeply I appreciate the generosity and delicacy you and your father have shown me in spite of my position here and of the fact that I had no claim at all upon you. I shall not forget those, even though what happened here last night makes it impossible for me to try to see you again or even to write to you.

"ALAN CONRAD."

She heard her father's motor enter the drive and ran to him with the letter in her hand.

"He's written to you, then?" he said, at sight of it.

"Yes."

"I had a note from him this afternoon at the office, asking me to hold in abeyance for the time being the trust that Ben had left me and returning the key of the house to me for safekeeping."

"Has he already gone?"

"I suppose so; I don't know."

"We must find out." She caught up her wraps and began to put them on. Sherrill hesitated, then assented; and they went round the block together to the Corvet house. Sherrill, after a few instants' hesitation, took the key from his pocket and unlocked the door and went in. The rooms, they saw, were all in perfect order; summer covers had been put upon the furniture; protecting cloths had been spread over the beds upstairs. After their inspection, they came out again at the front door, and her father closed it with a snapping of the spring lock.

Constance, as they walked away, turned and looked back at the old house, gloomy and dark among its newer, fresher-looking neighbors, and suddenly she choked, and her eyes grew wet. That feeling was not for Uncle Benny; the drain of days past had exhausted such a surge of feeling for him. That which she could not wink away was for the boy who had come to that house a few weeks ago and for the man who just now had gone.

CHAPTER XII

The Things From Corvet's Pockets.

"Miss Constance Sherrill,
Harbor Springs, Michigan."

The address, in large scrawling letters, was written across the brown paper of the package which had been brought from the post office in the little resort village only a few moments before. The paper covered a shoe box, crushed and old, bearing the name of "S. Klug, Dealer in Fine Shoes, Manitowoc, Wisconsin." The box, like the outside wrapping, was carefully tied with a string.

Constance, knowing no one in Manitowoc and surprised at the nature of the package, glanced at the postmark on the brown paper which she had removed; it too was stamped Manitowoc. She cut the strings about the box and took off the cover. A black and brown dotted silk cloth filled the box; and, seeing it, Constance caught her breath. It was—at least it was very like—the muffler which Uncle Benny used to wear in winter.

She started with trembling fingers to take it from the box; then, realizing from the weight of the package that the cloth was only a wrapping or, at least, that other things were in the box, she picked up box and wrapping and ran up to her room. She locked the door and put the box upon the bed; now she lifted out the cloth. It was a wrapping, for the heavier things came with it; and now, also, it revealed itself plainly as the scarf—Uncle Benny's scarf! A paper fluttered out as she began to unroll it—a little cross-lined leaf evidently torn from a pocket memorandum book. It had been folded and rolled up. She spread it out; writing was upon it, the small irregular letters of Uncle Benny's hand.

"Send to Alan Conrad," she read; there followed a Chicago address—the number of Uncle Benny's house on Astor street. Below this was another line:

"Better care of Constance Sherrill (Miss)." There followed the Sherrills' address upon the Drive. And to this was another correction:

"Not after June 12; then to Harbor Springs, Mich. Ask some one of that; be sure the date; after June 12."

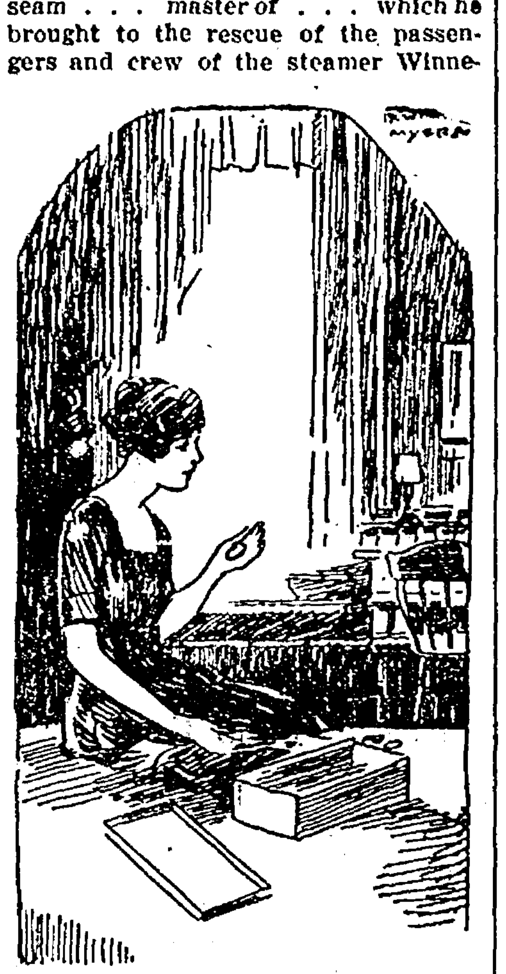
Constance, trembling, unrolled the scarf; now coins showed from a fold, next a pocketknife, ruined and rusty, next a watch—a man's large gold watch with the case queerly pitted and worn completely through in places, and last a plain little band of gold of the size for a woman's finger—a wedding ring. Constance, gasping and with fingers shaking so from excitement that she could scarcely hold these objects, picked them up and examined them—the ring first.

It very evidently was, as she had immediately thought, a wedding ring once fitted for a finger only a trifle less slender than her own. One side of the gold band was very much worn, not with the sort of wear which a ring gets on a hand, but by some different sort of abrasion. The other side of the band was roughened and pitted but not so much worn; the inside still bore the traces of an inscription. "As long as we bo . . . all alive," Constance could read, and the date, "June 2, 1891."

It was in January, 1896, Constance remembered, that Alan Conrad had been brought to the people in Kansas; he then was "about three years old." If this wedding ring was his mother's, the date would be about right; it was a date probably something more than a year before Alan was born. Constance put down the ring and picked up the watch. It was like Uncle Benny's watch—or like one of his watches. He had several, she knew, presented to him at various times—watches almost always were the testimonials given to seamen for acts of sacrifice and bravery. The spring which operated the cover would not work, but Constance forced the cover open.

There, inside the cover as she had thought it would be, was engraved writing. Sand had seeped into the case; the inscription was obliterated in part.

"For his courage and skill in seam . . . master of . . . which he brought to the rescue of the passengers and crew of the steamer Winnebago foundering . . . Point, Lake Erie, Nov. 26, 1890, this watch is donated by the Buffalo Merchants' Exchange."



Constance Choked, and Her Eyes Filled With Tears.

Uncle Benny's name, evidently, had been engraved upon the outside. Constance could not particularly remember the rescue of the people of the Winnebago; 1890 was years before she was born, and Uncle Benny did not tell her that sort of thing about himself.

Constance left the watch open and, shivering a little, she gently laid it down upon her bed. The pocketknife had no distinguishing mark of any sort. The coins were abraded and pitted disks—a silver dollar, a half dollar and three quarters, not so much abraded, three nickels, and two pennies.

Constance choked, and her eyes filled with tears. These things—plainly they were the things found in Uncle Benny's pockets—corroborated only too fully what Wassaquam believed and what her father had been coming to believe—that Uncle Benny was dead. The muffler and the scrap of paper had not been in water or in sand. The paper was written in pencil; it had not even been moistened or it would have blurred. There was nothing upon it to tell how long ago it had been written; but it had been written certainly before June 12. "After June 12," it said.

That day was August the eighteenth. It was seven months since Uncle Benny had gone away. After his strange interview with her that day and his going home, had Uncle Benny gone out directly to his death? There was nothing to show that he had not; the watch and coins must have lain for many weeks, for months, in water and in sand to become eroded in this way. But, aside from this, there was nothing that could be inferred regarding the time or place of Uncle Benny's death. That the package had been mailed from Manitowoc meant nothing definite. Some one—Constance could not know whom—had had the muffler and the scrawled leaf of directions; later, after lying in water and in sand, the things which were to be "sent" had come to that some one's hand. Most probably this some one had been one who was going about on ships; when his ship had touched at Manitowoc, he had executed his charge.

Constance left the articles upon the bed and threw the window more widely open. She trembled and felt stirred and faint, as she leaned against the window, breathing deeply the warm air, full of life and with the scent of the evergreen trees about the house.

The "cottage" of some twenty rooms stood among the pines and hemlocks interspersed with hardwood on "the Point," where were the great fine summer homes of the wealthier "resorters."

This was Uncle Benny's country. Here, twenty-five years before, he had first met Henry, whose birthplace—a farm, deserted now—was only a few miles back among the hills. Here, before that, Uncle Benny had been a young man, active, vigorous, ambitious. He had loved this country for itself and for its traditions, its Indian legends and fantastic stories. Half her own love for it—and, since her childhood, it had been to her a region of delight—was due to him and to the things he had told her about it. Distinct and definite memories of that companionship came to her. This little bay, which had become now for the most part only a summer playground for such as she, had been once a place where he and other men had struggled to grow rich swiftly; he had outlined for her the ruined lumber docks and pointed out to her the locations of the dismantled sawmills. It was he who had told her the names of the freighters passing far out, and the names of the lighthouses, and something about each. He had told her, too, about the Indians. She remembered one starry night when he had pointed out to her in the sky the Indian "Way of Ghosts," the Milky way, along which, by ancient Indian belief, the souls of Indians traveled up to heaven; and how, later, lying on the recessed seat beside the fireplace where she could touch the dogs upon the hearth, he had pointed out to her through the window the Indian "Way of Dogs" among the constellations, by which the dogs too could make that journey. It was he who had told her about Michabou and the animals; and he had been the first to tell her of the Drum.

The disgrace, unhappiness, the threat of something worse, which must have made death a relief to Uncle Benny, she had seen passed on now to Alan. What more had come to Alan since she had last heard of him?

Word had reached her father through shipping circles in May and again in July which told of inquiries regarding Uncle Benny which made her and her father believe that Alan was searching for his father upon the lakes. Now these articles which had arrived made plain to her that he would never find Uncle Benny; he would learn, through others or through themselves, that Uncle Benny was dead. Would he believe then that there was no longer any chance of learning what his father had done? Would he remain away because of that, not letting her see or hear from him again?

She went back and picked up the wedding ring. The thought which had come to her that this was Alan's mother's wedding ring, had fastened itself upon her with a sense of certainty. It defended that unknown mother; it freed her, at least, from the stigma which Constance's own mother had been so ready to cast. Constance could not yet begin to place Uncle Benny in relation to that ring; but she was beginning to be able to think of Alan and his mother. She held the little band of gold very tenderly in her hand; she was glad that, as the accusation against his mother had come through her people, she could tell him soon of this. She could not send the ring to him, not knowing where he was; that was too much risk. But she could ask him to come to her; this gave that right.

She sat thoughtful for several minutes, the ring clasped warmly in her hand; then she went to her desk and wrote:

"Mr. John Welton,
"Blue Rapids, Kansas.

"Dear Mr. Welton:

"It is possible that Alan Conrad has mentioned me—or at least told you of my father—in connection with his stay in Chicago. After Alan left Chicago, my father wrote twice to his Blue Rapids address, but evidently he had instructed the postmaster there to forward his mail and had not made any change in those instructions, for the letters were returned to Alan's address and in that way came back to us. We did not like to press inquiries further than that, as of course he could have communicated with us if he had not felt that there was some reason for not doing so. Now, however, something of such supreme importance to him has come to us that it is necessary for us to get word to him at once. If you can tell me any address at which he can be reached by telegraph or mail—or where a messenger can find him—it will oblige us very much and will be to his interest."

She hesitated, about to sign it; then, impulsively, she added:

"I trust you know that we have Alan's interest at heart and that you can safely tell us anything you may know as to where he is or what he may be doing. We all liked him here so very much. . . ."

She signed her name. There were still two other letters to write. Only the handwriting of the address upon the package, the Manitowoc postmark and the shoe box furnished clues to the sender of the ring and the watch and the other things. Constance herself could not trace those clues, but Henry or her father could. She wrote to both of them, therefore, describing the articles which had come and relating what she had done.

The next noon she received a wire from Henry that he was "coming up." It did not surprise her, as she had expected him the end of the week.

Late that evening, she sat with her mother on the wide, screened veranda. The lights of some boat turning in between the points and moving swiftly caught her attention. As it entered the path of the moonlight, its look was so like that of Henry's power yacht that she arose. It was his way, as soon as he had decided to leave business again and go to her, to arrive as soon as possible; that had been his way recently, particularly. So the sight of the yacht stirred her warmly and she watched while it ran in close, stopped and instantly dropped a dingey from the davits. She saw *Henry in the stern of the little boat*; it disappeared in the shadow of a pier . . . she heard, presently, the gravel of the walk crunch under his quick steps, and then she saw him in the moonlight among the trees. She went down on the path to meet him.

"How quickly you came!"

"You let yourself think you needed me, Connie!"

"I did. . . ."

He had caught her hand in his and he held it while he brought her to the porch and exchanged greetings with her mother. Then he led her on past and into the house.

When she saw his face in the light, there were signs of strain in it.

"You're tired, Henry!"

He shook his head. "It's been rotten hot in Chicago; then I guess I was mentally stoking all the way up here, Connie. But first, where are the things you wanted me to see?"

She ran upstairs and brought them down to him. Her hands were shaking now as she gave them to him; she could not exactly understand why; but her tremor increased as she saw his big hands fumbling as he unwrapped the muffler and shook out the things it inclosed. He took them up one by one and looked at them, as she had done. His fingers were steady now, but only by mastering of control, the effort for which amazed her.

He had the watch in his hands.

"The inscription is inside the front," she said.

She pried the cover open again and read, with him, the words engraved within.

"'As master of . . .' What ship was he master of then, Henry, and how did he rescue the Winnebago's people?"

"He never talked to me about things like that, Constance. This is all?"

"Yes."

Henry put the things back in the box. "Of course, this is the end of Benjamin Corvet."

"Of course," Constance said. She was shaking again and, without willing it, she withdrew a little from Henry. He caught her hand again and drew her back toward him. His hand was quite steady.

"You know why I came to you as quick as I could? You know why I—why my mind was behind every thrust of the engines?"

"No."

"You don't? Oh, you know; you must know now!"

"Yes, Henry," she said.

"I've been patient, Connie. Till I got your letter telling me this about Ben, I'd waited for your sake—for our sakes—though it seemed at times it was impossible. You haven't known quite what's the matter between us these last months, little girl; but I've known. We've been engaged; but that's about all there's been to it. Don't think I make little of that; you know what I mean. You've been mine; but—but you haven't let me realize it, you see. And I've been patient, for I knew the reason. It was Ben poisoning your mind against me."

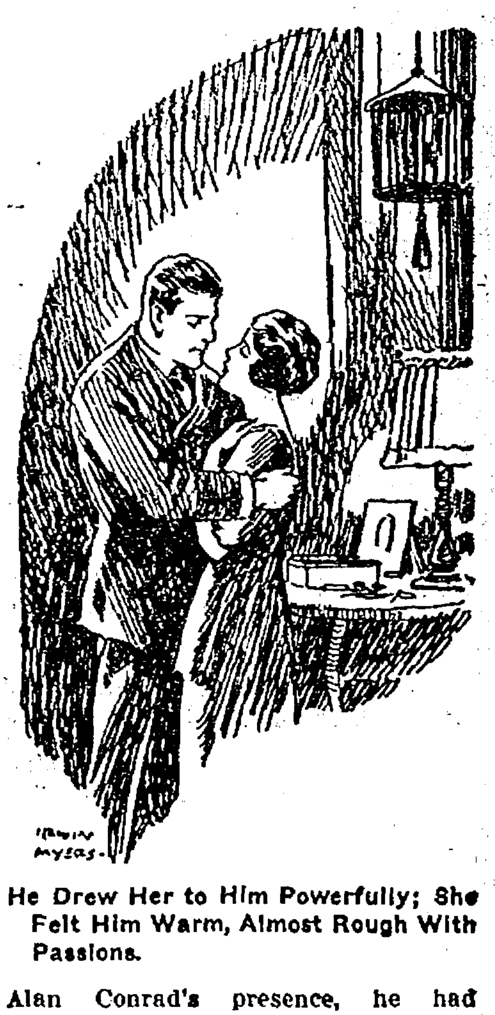
"No! No, Henry!"

"You've denied it; I've recognized that you've denied it, not only to me and to your people, but to yourself. I, of course, knew, as I know that I am here with your hand in mine, and as we will stand before the altar together, that he had no cause to speak against me. I've waited, Connie, to give him a chance to say to you what he had to say; I wanted you to hear it before making you wholly mine. But now there's no need to wait any longer, you and I. Ben's gone, never to come back. I was sure of that by what you wrote me, so this time when I started to you I brought with me—this."

He felt in his pocket and brought out a ring of plain gold; he held it before her so that she could see within it her own initials and his and a blank left for the date. Her gaze went from it for an instant to the box where he had put back the other ring—Alan's mother's. Feeling for her long ago gazing thus, as she must have, at that ring, held her for a moment. Was it because of that that Constance found herself cold now?

"You mean you want me to marry you—at once, Henry?"

He drew her to him powerfully; she felt him warm, almost rough with passions. Since that day when, in Alan Conrad's presence, he had grasped and kissed her, she had not let him "realize" their engagement, as he had put it.



He Drew Her to Him Powerfully; She Felt Him Warm, Almost Rough With Passions.

"Why not?" he turned her face up to his now. "Your mother's here; your father will follow soon; or, if you will, we'll run away—Constance! You've kept me off so long! You don't believe there's anything against me, dear? Do you? Do you?"

"No; no! Of course not!"

"Then we're going to be married. . . . Right away, we'll have it then; up here; now!"

"No; not now, Henry. Not up here!"

"Not here? Why not?"

She could give no answer. He held her and commanded her again; only when he frightened her, he ceased.

"Why must it be at once, Henry? I don't understand!"

"It's not must, dear," he denied. "It's just that I want you so!"

When would it be, he demanded then; before spring, she promised at last. But that was all he could make her say. And so he let her go.

The next evening, in the moonlight, she drove him to Petoskey. He had messages to send and preferred to trust the telegraph office in the larger town.

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Alan was driving northward along the long, sandy peninsula which separates the blue waters of Grand Traverse from Lake Michigan; and, thinking of Constance, he knew that she was near. He not only had remembered that she would be north at Harbor Point this month; he had seen in one of the Petoskey papers that she and her mother were at the Sherrill summer home. His business now was taking him nearer them than he had been at any time before; and, if he wished to weaken, he might convince himself that he might learn from her circumstances which would aid him in his task. But he was not going to her for help; that was following in his father's footsteps. When he knew everything, then—not till then—he could go to her; for then he would know exactly what was upon him and what he should do.

His visits to the people named on those sheets written by his father had been confusing at first; he had had great difficulty in tracing some of them at all; and, afterward, he could uncover no certain connection either between them and Benjamin Corvet or between themselves. But recently, he had been succeeding better in this latter.

He had seen—he reckoned them over again—fourteen of the twenty-one named originally on Benjamin Corvet's lists; that is, he had seen either the individual originally named, or the surviving relative written in below the name crossed off. He had found that the crossing out of the name meant that the person was dead, except in the case of two who had left the country and whose whereabouts were as unknown to their present relatives as they had been to Benjamin Corvet, and the case of one other, who was in an insane asylum.

(Continued Next Week)

White Buys
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Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Local News

MAN'S A FOOL

As a rule,
Man's a fool.
When it's hot
He wants it cool.
When it's cool
He wants it hot;
Always wanting
What is not;
Never pleased
With what he's got.
Joe Wing.

Jim Adams has a nifty new electric sign in front of his pharmacy, adding much to the attractiveness of the store.

John Brooks and mother returned Monday evening from Birds Island, Minnesota, where they have been visiting relatives a few days.

D. Bishop and family were visitors at Des Moines Sunday of this week, driving down in their car.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slining are the parents of a baby boy, born this week Monday.

Mrs. Ralph Forrestal entertained the members of the Dorcas society at her home in north Belmond one evening last week. Her sister, Miss Agnes Rikensrud, of Kanawha was the out of town guest.

The regular business meeting of the King's Heralds was held at the M. E. parsonage on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Boller, of Mason City, are the happy parents of a baby girl, born June 26, at the Harry Forrestal home. Mrs. Boller was formerly Miss Edith Forrestal.

The annual picnic of the King's Heralds is planned for this week Thursday, the picnic to be held at Morse Lake.

A number of young people accompanied by Rev. Wilkinson of the Methodist church attended the Epworth League convention held at Algona last week Wednesday and Thursday.

Elmer Rikansrud, of Kanawha, suffered a broken bone and severe bruises when he leaped from a car in which he was riding, when it caught fire. The accident occured late last Friday evening, about 12 miles out of town. He was taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. R. Forrestal, in Belmond.

The Dorcas society will serve ice cream and cake Saturday evening on the lot between the Hotel and the Schultz jewelry store. Ice cream and cake 20 cents.

L. B. Clark, of Des Moines, an old time resident of this locality, has been in town several days the past week looking after business matters.

C. C. Benson is fixing up his house in east Belmond, raising it, and putting in a basement. He plans to make the house modern, and when completed will have a fine home.

County Agent Edwards was in the city on Monday of this week, attending to some affairs of the Farm Bureau in this part of the county.

Wm. Meyer, who is here from Chicago visiting his brother, Fred, and other relatives and friends, spent the week end with Harry Webb, at Ottosen, Iowa, where Harry has charge of a church this summer.

Joe White went to Mason City with Dibble's truck last week one day, and at Rockwell, one of the towns the truck makes on the route, he ran across Rev. Horton, formerly minister of the Congregational church here. Rev. Horton has a fine church and pastorate at Rockwell, where he is doing nicely.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey to spend the week end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Snyder left Friday evening for a month's visit in parts of Michigan and Indiana, and to attend a reunion of the Snyder family. Brothers and sisters from California, South Dakota, Iowa, Michigan and Indiana are expected to be present.

Mrs. W. A. Bullis is enjoying a visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Riggs, in Estherville.

Miss Mary Forrestal, who is employed at Galt, spent the week end at the home of her parents in Belmond.

The ladies of the Priscilla club entertained their husbands at a picnic in the park Tuesday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Polhemus, of Guffey, Colo., were the out of town guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Scott were called to Huxley last Sunday by the serious illness of Mrs. Scott's father.

Miss Dorothy Purcell is the new clerk at the Foster Cafe.

The Misses Nettie Benson and Iris Trumbell spent a couple of days at Mason City last week with Miss Trumbell's uncle.

Dan Wenzell was a visitor the past week with his son, Will who resides at Swea City.

Now is the time to get rid of the roosters. Sell them to Joe S. White. Phone 272.

The Community Club meeting is postponed till July 7th, the speaker being unable to be here this week.

Will Wolle is spending a few days visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle. He drove down in his Ford, and is on a vacation from his duties at Morningside College. He was accompanied by a friend, Miss Vivian Dow, of Odeboldt.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Haupt drove to West Bend last week one day, to visit the famous Grotto of the Redemption being constructed at that place by the Catholic Father, Rev. Dobberstein. The Grotto is a wonderful piece of art, and well worth the trip by anyone. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Haupt and Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Johnson and party of friends were also visitors at the Grotto.

If you have any old hens or roosters to sell, call Joe. S. White, Phone 272.

Mrs. Wm. Harbinson returned last week to the hospital at Rochester for futher treatment. She recently returned from a month's stay at the hospital, where she underwent an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stapley and family from Chicago arrived Sunday for a visit at the home of his brother, Ernest, and family, with his father, Henry Stapley, and with other relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. L. Collins was called to Wisconsin last week by the serious illness of her father.

Adolph Johnson, a former resident of this vicinity, and now farming west of West Bend, was in town over the week end visiting old friends here. He states that crops in his part of the country are fine, especially the corn.

Howard Wolle drove down from Sioux City Sunday to spend a day or two visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle. Howard is employed with the Sioux City Telephone company, having specialized in telephone work.

If you want some extra money for the Fourth, sell me your eggs, cream, and poultry Monday July the 3rd. Will be open in the evening.—Joe. S. White. Phone 272.

The two Sliceman boys, who have been staying here the past couple of weeks, left Monday.

The Community Club meeting is postponed till July 7, on account of Prof. Shimek being unable to be here this week.

The Misses Jean and Betty Haven, of Charles City, were visitors in town Sunday evening of this week, driving over with some friends.

If you want to ride on a real honest-to-goodness road, one that illustrates what gravel will do, ride over the Solsburg to Clarion stretch. If you close your eyes you will be unable to tell whether you are riding on pavement or not. This road, formerly one of the worst in the country, is certainly a splendid argument in favor of gravel as the solution of the Iowa road problem, and is beyond question one of the best in the state.

Miss Nellie Kessler of Cornelia accompanied by Mrs. Peter Weaver and Frank Kessler of Cairins Alberta Canada were calling on friends at Belmond Friday.

Miss Francis Richards and Katherine Bussel of Clarion spent the week end with Eloise Brooks.

Quite a number from here drove to Rowan Saturday evening and enjoyed the "Sheik."

The Class of 1916 enjoyed a picnic dinner at Morse Lake on Sunday.

TO COVER LARGER TERRITORY

Owing to the growth of the Chambers Music House of Mason City, they have added to their present line of Pianos and pronegraphs the Stainway and Lyon and Healy Pianos and Players. There are but few musical people who are not familiar with these two well known lines and it will be an advantage to local people to see and select their instruments from their store, They extend a cordial invitation to every one interested in music to visit their store at 29 E. State St. Mason City, Iowa and try these wonderful instruments.

Arthur Nelson visited relatives at Jewell, Iowa over Sunday.

The Thomas Brooks family accompanied by Francis Richards, Katherine Russel and Mildred Houge motored to Clear Lake Sunday.

C. S. Robinson now has his new delivery auto on the job, and has a substantial, service-giving rig in the outfit.

For Sale—Hay rake and stacker, in good condition. Inquire of S. A. Bohning, phone 3203. 322c

The Wright County Farm Bureau has decided to purchase a moving picture machine, and it will soon be on the job in the various townships. A demonstration of the machine will be given today, Thursday, June 29, at the Jake Henn home in Pleasant township, the pictures being shown this evening. Everybody is invited to attend the demonstration, and partake of the refreshments which will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kragh and daughter, accompanied by Mrs. W. A. Bullis, drove to Dows, Sunday for a visit with relatives and friends.

The Little Light Bearers enjoyed a lawn party at the home of Mrs. J. S. White last Tuesday evening.

The Misses Rhea Campbell and Doris Bailey are enjoying a few days' visit with Miss Campbell's grandmother at Clarion.

Sell your cream before the Fourth. I will have my Cream station open Monday night July 3rd.—Joe S. White. Phone 272.

Mrs. W. Shake of Pipestone, Minn. is visiting at the home of her twin sister, Mrs. Joe Sampson. Mrs. Shake arrived Sunday, and will visit with other relatives and friends in and around Belmond, her former home.

Joe Sampson drove to Mason City Sunday, to meet his sister-in-law, Mrs. Walter Shake, of Pipestone, Minnesota, who is visiting here.

Miss Hazel Hembd of Belmond spent a few hours in Clarion Tuesday, on her way home from a visit with her sister in Oelwein.—News.

Miss Margaret Johnson former Belmond resident, left for her home in Lincoln Tuesday, after a visit with old friends at Belmond. She will spend a short time with relatives at Council Bluffs enroute.—News.

About 24 young people from east of Belmond gathered at Morse Lake last Sunday to enjoy a picnic. The afternoon was spent in playing games and other sports. About three o'clock refreshments were served which consisted of ice cream cake and lemonade. They all agree they had a fine time.

We know several in Belmond that are awaiting the result of the controversy before deciding whether to go to Europe or not.

Jawn Dividend Rockefeller is said to have seven dollars for every man, woman and child in the country. We'll give a 50 percent commission to anyone who will get us our share.

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For Sale—Fall Poland China boars wt. about 200. Papers furnished.—Ralph Jenison, Belmond. 30tfc

For your convienence to pay your July Premium, we will be in the office each evening.—W. H. Wolle, Sec.

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VITAL STATISTICS

Mildred Kathryn, born June 17 to Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Paul, of Clarion.

A daughter, Annie Laurie, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ketchum of Lincoln township, June 21.

The little daughter born to Mr. and Mr. J. J. Bolgan of Grant township on June 19, has been named Julia.

A son born June 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Potter Logan of Forest City on June 18. Mrs. Logan is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carr of Clarion.

Henry Parker, born June 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence C. Guild, of Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Eike of Clarion announce the arrival of daughter No. 1 at their home on June 26.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to George Albrt Freese and Myrtle Florence Hemenway, Joseph L. Graham and Gladys Leone Jenison, Charles Herbert Pinkham and Beulah Mae Short.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard of Swaledale is spending a day or two at the home of relatives here.

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3 pkgs. macaroni	25c
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Japan tea	50c
Gun powder tea	40c
Rio coffee	25c
Pea berry coffee	30c
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PROF. SHIMEK AT COMMUNITY CLUB FRIDAY

Meet To Gravel Morse Lake Road

Belmond Township Trustees To Grade And Furnish Gravel Free Of Charge

MEETING SATURDAY EVE.

To all those interested, and who would be benefitd by the graveling of the road west of town from the Martin corner to the road leading to the lake (two miles in all).

The township will grade the road this summer, and after corn husking this fall, will furnish the gravel and load it on the wagons free of charge.

This is a fine opportunity for the town and the country to get together and have this road graveled.

There will be a meeting at the Belmond Twp. Hall Saturday evening July 8th, at 8 o'clock to consider the matter, and a full attendance will be appreciated.

Signed,
Trustees of Belmond Twp.

The Independent enthusiastically endorses the sentiments of the foregoing article, and hopes that there will be a crowded house at the meeting next Saturday evening. This road is one much traveled by Belmond people as well as farmers, and in the manner suggested the improvement of the road, which is badly needed, can be made at a minimum of expense to all concerned. It will be a fine thing for the town and country to get together on it. Belmond people and business men can boost this proposition and know they are getting value received for every penny expended and every minute of time. Be at the Meeting Saturday night, July 8th, and help put it across.

COUNTRY CLUB ACTIVITIES

The first of the season's ladies' days at the Clarmond country club was held Wednesday afternoon. The time was spent with cards and the ladies who cared to, brought their fancy work while some of the more energetic ones engaged in playing golf. The husbands arrived in time for a six-thirty picnic supper. About one hundred and fifty were present. The club plans on holding an event of this kind every two weeks.

Another pleasant social affair held at the club house during the past weeek was the dancing party Monday evening.—Monitor.

BARRY FOR REPRESENTATIVE

M. C. Barry, of Belmond, was given the honor of the Democratic nomination for State Representative at the Demoncratic convention held in Clarion last Saturday.

The convention was insistive that Matt take the nomination, and in the end, despite his protests, forced it upon him. Matt would make a mighty good official in the capacity, and if elected will serve Wright County voters to the best of his ability. He has had considerable experience in public office, knows the game, and would make a fitting representative. He has a host of friends in Belmond who are glad he has been accorded this honor, and who wish him success in his campaign We are not informed as yet what his plans are, whether he intends to make an active campaign or not. But anyway, Matt, here's now.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Monitor: Eighteen wrote the rural teachers' examinations given three days last week.

Miss Blanche Bock is in attendance at the National Educational convention now in sesson at Boston. Miss Bock joined the Iowa delegation at Chicago, two Pullmans having been provided for them. They proceeded to Boston by way of Niagara Falls and Montreal. On the return trip Washington, New York and other points of interest will be visited.

An error was made last week in stating that J. F. McClelland, candidate for sheriff, had not filed his expense account. The same was overlooked. His total expense was $103 being for publicity, cards, bills and the usual incidentals.

Marriage lcenses were issued the past week to Issac Luther Clark and Ila May Campbell, Ivan D. Anderson and Irma Donly, Hilber Carlton Bryson and Ethel Daggett, Ivan Pearl Heart and Minnie Phares.

The contract for the new storm sewer was awarded last week to the Belmond Construction Co., of Belmond. Nine firms made bids for the job. At the time of going to press figures are not available on the work except for section two, which amount is $56,636.03.

Quite a number of local people attended the celebration held at Kanawha last week.

FARM BUREAU TO MEET AT STATE FAIR

The mid-summer gathering of farm bureau members from all parts of Iowa will be held at the State Fair this year, according to announcements of plans made by State Fair and Farm Bureau officials.

The Farm Bureau gathering will be held August 28, the fourth day of the State Fair. National speakers of prominence will come to Iowa to address the gatherings and leaders from every county in the state will assemble here to discuss farming problems of 1922-23 and consider the coming year's work of the organization.

All of the meetings will be held at the fair. The programs will be arranged so that the farmer visitors may get away in time to enjoy all of the exposition attractions and study the exhibits.

Plans were also announced this week for a special Farm Bureau camp at the State Fair. This will be located in the 80 acre free camping tract immediately adjoining the fair and will be plotted out by counties, in order that farm neighbors may be together during the exposition. Camping space will be provided free of charge. Another special camp is to be provided for all county agents in Iowa. The dates of the Iowa State Fair this year are August 23 to September 1.

EAGLE GROVE FARMERS ASK FOR RELEASE

Around forty farmers in the independent school district of Eagle Grove have filed a petition with the Eagle Grove school board asking that they be permitted to withdraw from the independent district of Eagle Grove and establish a rural school district of their own. We understand the petition embraces territory around the town. The petitioners feel that the cost of the Eagle Grove school is more than they can afford. What action the school board there will take in the matter is problematical. If the board refuses the petitioners' request, they will undoubtedly appeal to the county superintendent's office. Senator Chase, of Webster City is representing the petitioners, and this indicates they are going to exhaust every resource to make the change. In the event the county superintendent denies the petition, an appeal to the state superintendent will be in order.

The farmers feel that the cost of the grade and high school is more than they can affrd to pay. The school tax is said to be around a dollar an acre.

It is said withdrawal from the district would automatically throw the burden of unpaid indebtedness on the Eagle Grove district as it would then be constituted. At present it costs the district around $1,000 per year for bus hire for transportation of the country pupils to the schools in town.—News.

ELDORA BOYS LEAVE

The Eldora Industrial School Boys' band furnished the music at the Creamery Day celebration held at Kanawha last Thursday, and it is reported that several of the boys took advantage of the opportunity and escaped. The last reported they were headed towards Britt with officers on the trail.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU MEETING JULY 12

The Pleasant township Farm Bureau will hold the regular monthly meeting July 12 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jenison. A speaker from Woodbine, Harrison county, is to addreses the audience. Farmers are requested to make an effort to attend for they will have a real treat. Everybody is invited and welcome.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sorenson last Sunday, the occasion being the birthday of Mrs. Sorenson. Some 25 guests were present, the out of town guests being Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sorenson and family, Claude Meacham, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collinske and family and a friend from South Dakota, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Meacham and daughter Mildred from Titonka, and Mr. and Mrs. Len Wilson and family from Goodell. A big dinner was enjoyed and a fine time was had.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collinske, who have been at Beebee, Sout Dakota where Mrs. Collinske was keeping house for her brother, Walter Sorenson for the past year, have moved back to their home in Clear Lake. Mrs. Collinsk states that they had nice rains there every week and the crops are looking fine. Walter Sorenson has 480 acres with fine crops.

INTRODUCING THE NEW EDITOR

Ye ed is taking a vacation for the next two weeks, visiting relatives in Kansas, and during his absence the Independent will be in charge of his sister, Mrs. Wm. Leonard, of Swaledale.

BELMOND TEAM WINS SUNDAY AND TUESDAY

Belmond Wins From Humboldt By Heavy Score And Then Trims Garner.

The Belmond ball team hit their stride Sunday, and eradicated the Humboldt Rats to the sweet and satisfying tune of 20 to 1.

It was a massacre of the most horrible nature, without mercy and without quarter. Scoring four runs in the first inning, the local team continued to run races around the bases for eight frames, scoring in nearly every inning. Fourteen runs had crossed the plate in the first three innings, and at this stage some of the crowd left for greener pastures.

The Humboldt team, the "Rats" must have thought the rat crusade was still on, and altho they tried hard they were unable to do anything until the fifth, when a hit and an error gave them their one run. John Chapman, the farmer pitcher, stood the Rats on their heads with his curves, and allowed three hits. John pitched a splendid game, and a game worthy of a much better apponent than he had. The boys played real ball, making very few errors, and they all pounded the ball to the four corners of the lot, two-baggers being a common occurance. They ran bases like they used to, in fact their playing was like unto that of the first part of last season.

The line-up was as follows:
Fulton, Catcher.
Chapman, Pitcher.
Packard, 1st base.
Jones, 2nd base.
Thomas, 3rd base.
Madsen, short stop.
Dillon, left field.
Foss, center field.
Wenzell, right field.

C. C. Christie played with the Humboldt outfit, and relieved the Humboldt pitcher in the third inning. He was swatted for five runs in his first inning but tightened up after that and the boys only secured six more runs from his delivery the remainder of the game.

On the Fourth, at the Klemme celebration, the Belmnd team took the measure of the Garner bunch by 4 to 3, in a real game featured by air-tight playing and the heavy hitting of Belmond. Garner, having no team, had hired the best players they could find, and with Becker in the box were prepared to feast on the bacon. Simerson, pitching for Belmond proved his superiority over his apponent, allowing about three or four hits, while his team mates gathered nearly a dozen from Becker, long, heavy drives for two and three bases. Thomas, Packard, Foss, Jones Fulton, and Dillon gathered two-baggers, every man swatting the ball. In the field they were a frozen wall, but very few errors being made. Ground rules alone kept Packard from a home run. Belmond led by 1 to 0, then 2 to 0, when Garner evened it, then went ahead a run. With two on Louie Foss leaned against Becker's slants for a long two-base hit, placing Belmond in the lead where they stayed. In the 9th, Simerson hit the first man, and the second went out on a long fly to Nelson in left, and the next two batters fanned the breeze, with the result 4 to 3 for Belmond. The game was a real one, with real ball playing by Belmond, and desperate trying on the part of Garner.

Klemme had a nice little celebration, with something doing all the time, and a good sized crowd.

IOWA MAGAZINE NEW WEEKLY PAPER FEATURE

A number of weekly newspapers in the state, and in this part of the country the Eagle Grove Times and the Garner Signal, commenced last week the Iowa Magazine, a supplement to the regular issue. The magazine, an attractive little sheet, contains fiction and articles of interest to Iowa readers, besides the various other features of such magazines. The outcome of the venture will be awaited with interest by the other papers of the state, inasmuch as the foreign advertising which this magazine is expected to carry, cuts a lot of ice in the income of the average weekly. Should the advertising be placed in the magazine, instead of the paper, it will be a losing proposition. The magazines are sydicated. not published by the papers individually.

NO RAIN—BUT FINE CROPS

The vicinity of Belmond has not had a real rain for several weeks, but in spite of the lack of it the crops are coming nicely. Corn is in excellent shape, better than knee high, and small grain is doing good. Oats are expected to turn out better than was anticipated, and beets are coming in good shape. Pastures of course are nil, and hay very short. All thru this part of the country there are very few fields of either corn or small grain which do not look good. Potatoes appear to be doing nicely despite the lack of moisture, and a pretty fair crop is looked for.

FOURTH IN BELMOND IS QUIET AFFAIR

Some Celebrated At Grove Or Lake, Others At Klemme FARM BUREAU

Belmond was a quiet place the Fourth, the streets being more deserted than on a Sunday. A large number of people observed the day quietly by picnicing in the grove or at the lake, a number of them went to Klemme to witness the ball game between Garner and Belmond, out the large majority of them attended the Farm Bureau picnic on the Warner estate near the Harvey church. The picnic was a fine success, with a large crowd in attendance. The entire program was pronounced excellent, and very good order was maintained. The stands on the grounds were run on a reasonable price basis and had a good run of business. The ball games were interesting and the sports program exciting. All reports give the picnic as being the best attraction of any during the day. Klemme had a nice celebration with a good crowd, as did Sheffield. A few from here were at Clear Lake.

BIG SCRAP DEVELOPES COUNTY CONVENTION

The county convention held at Clarion last Saturday developed some real interest, according to reports, and the Old Guard, or "machine" as it has been styled, was given a large size wallop thru the efforts of Atty. Jensen of Belmond. It seems that the "machine" had things all lined up on the delegates and considered that it was sittin' pretty, when J. M. heaved a monkey wrench in the wheels and completely gummed up the works, especially as to the judgeship. As a result, the delegates were uninstructed and go to Hampton, July 10, with J. M. as chairman, to choose between Clarence Hanson, of Fort Dodge and E. H. Lindy, of Eldora, between whom the fight seems to rest to fill Judge Wright's shoes in the district court. J. M. is some scrapper when he gets going, and apparently there are a number of folks in the county who are beginning to believe maybe there is something in it, at that. Jensen was for letting the peolpe have a hand in the affairs of the cenvention, and backed by Oscar Ulstad, of Holmes, another go-getter, and others, they did.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Wednesday morning Dr. and Mrs. Snearly left for their vacation. They were accompanied by the doctor's brother and wife of Fort Dodge, Iowa. They will spend their vacation in the Northern part of Minn.

Miss Alva Matson who has been in Des Moines for some time studying dress making returned on June 27.

Doc Robbins remains about the same. He is rather weak from the dicease.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allaben returned Wednesday from their visit with their son, who lives at Brainerd, Minn. He says that the fishing was fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Graeber attended the Creamery Picnic at Kanawha last Thursday.

Last Thursday Dr. Steele of Belmond, in the absence of Dr. Snearly, was called to see Mr. S. S. Matson who is weakened and run down condition.

On June 27 Mrs. O. Olsen departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Anna Wilson, of Cornelia. Death was due largely to old age. She was born in Denmark in 1844 and came to this country in her youth and first setted at Oshkosk where she was married to Mr. O. Olson. In the late seventies they moved to New Amsterdam, Iowa, where she livd until a few years ago.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Burress of Madrid, Iowa, from the United Brethern in Christ church at Goodell of which she had been a members for twenty-five years. Her remains rest beside her husband in the cemetery at New Amsterdam just across the road from her old home.

Mr. John Savogue and son, Harold and Earny Wilkins were at Kanawha on Thursday enjoying the Creamery Picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson drove to meet Mrs. Nelson's sister from Decorah.

Mrs. Frank Clark is still at the hospital in Hampton.

FATHER COMES FROM ACROSS

Louie Tokman spent the week end at Mason City at his home, where he met his father for the first time in 20 years. His father, who lived in Roumania, arrived in this country about two weeks ago. Louie has been trying for several years to get him to come over, and finally convincing him had a bunch of red tape to untangle before the necessary papers and passports could be secured. The arrival of Mr. Tokman is of course one of the greatest pleasure to Louie and his many friends will rejoice with him in his father's coming.

COUNTY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION SAT.

The county republican and democratic conventions were held at Clarion Saturday afternoon. There was little to be done except select delegates to the state convention, the judicial convention at Waterloo and the district judicial convention at Hampton. The judges are nominated in regular delegate convention instead of at the primary.

The following is the complete minutes of the republican convention:

Clarion, Iowa, July 1, 1922.

The convention was called to order by County Chairman . P. Morton. In the absence of Burt Harwood, secretary of the county central committee H. W. Barnes was appointed temporary secretary.

It was moved and seconded that O. P. Morton act as permanent chairman and H. W. Barnes permanent secretary. Motion carried. The chairman stated that the business and purpose of the convention was to select delegates to the state convention at Des Moines on August 2, to the state judicial convention at Waterloo and to the district judicial convention at Hampton.

It was moved and seconded that the delegates to these conventions be selected by having each precinct elect a member of a committee, said committee to select the delegates, subject to the approval of the convention. The motion was amended as follows: That the chairman appoint a committee of seven to select the delegates, subject to the approval of the convention. After a short discussion a roll of the precincts was ordered on the amendment. There were 49 votes for and 62 against. The chair declared the amendment lost. The original motion then carried without a dissenting vote. The following were named on the delegate selecting committee:

Belmond township—A. C. Hinman
E. Blaine—Ole Hogue
W. Blaine—E. E. Paxton
Clarion Ward 1—M. F. Birdsall
Clarion Ward 2—W. H. Trowbridge
Clarion Ward 3—F. J. McCoy
Clarion Ward 4—A. Richards
Dayton—E. A. Shillington
E. Grove Ward 1—Andrew Midland
E. Grove Ward 2—H. B. Cole
E. Grove Ward 3—F. B. Andrews
E. Grove Ward 4—Hallvard Kloster
E. G. Twp.—Miller Nelson
Grant—J. E. Lamb
Iowa—J. E. Rowen
Lake—M. J. Lokersee
Liberty—A. A. McCurry
Lincoln—Mrs. L. Richards
Norway—J. Thompson
Pleasant—W. E. Bullard
Troy—W. O. Jones
Vernon—W. F. Schroeder
Wall Lake—J. L. Nickle

Woolstock—no representative in the convention.

It was moved and seconded that M. F. Birdsall be elected the judicial chairman. Motion carried. Motion to adjourn to 1:30 carried.

1:30 p. m.

Chairman Morton called the convention to order and had the list of candidates nominated in the primary read to the delegates. The chair called for nominations for congressional committeeman. J. A. Rogers was elected. On motion Ray Birdsall of Dows was elected senatorial committeeman.

It was moved that in cases where no committeeman had been elected in the primary, the delegates present from such precincts nominate a committeeman and that the convention approve the selection. Motion carried.

The following committeemen were then nominated and elected by the convention:

Clarion Ward 3, F. J. McCoy.
Clarion Ward 2, J. H. Ramsay.
Clarion Ward 4, O. J. Pardun.
E. Grove Ward 1, Andrew Midland.

The report of the nominating committee was then presented and unanimously adopted. The following delegates were selected for the state convention at Des Moines:

Hallvard Kloster, Eagle Grovee.
M. F. Coons, Goldfield.
Ward Barnes, Eagle Grove.
Harry Summers, Clarion.
Mrs. R. H. Keith, Goldfield.
Arthur Richards, Clarion.
E. G. Reed, Belmond.
F. B. Andrews, Eagle Grove.
Geo. P. Hardwick, Belmond.
J. D. Reed, Woolstock.
W. M. Mantle, Goldfield.
F. H. Peterson Dows.
A. L. Middleton, Eagle Grove.
W. H. Trowbridge, Clarion.

The following were named alternates to the state convention: H. B. Cole, W. F. Meacham, Wm. Christensen, John McDonald, Jr., John Ross F. B. Sheldon, S. A. McCreery, J. E. Lamb, S. C. Brace, A. E. Martin, E. Caquelin, J. F. Keely, Ole Hogue, Fred Allen, J. L. Lunnstad.

The following were named delegates to the state judicial convention: M. F. Birdsall, W. E. Bullard, J. W. McGrath, R. W. Birdsall, Sylvester Flynn, Miller Nelson, C. P. Luick, Grant Trask, H. B. Cole, A. R. Ladd, Ed. Overbaugh, Mrs. Jos. Holman, Mrs. B. W. McElhinney, Oscar Hobbet, Mrs. H. B. Cole.

The following were named delegates to the district judicial convention: J. M. Jensen, Mrs. Lydia Richards, Hjalmar Jansen, L. N. Aichard, J. E. Richardson, Oscar Ulstad, C. J. Nagle, J. H. Abernathy, Mrs. A. E. Weber, J. A. Rogers, Evert McGrath.

After the formal election of the convention delegates Chairman Morton announced a meeting of the county central committee immediately following the adjournment of the convention. It was moved and seconded that the convention adjourn. Carried.

O. P. Morton Chairman.
H. W. Barnes, Secretary.

County Central Committee Meeting

The meeting was called to order by O. P. Morton, Chairman. The chairman read his financial report and then called for the election of a county chairman. F. M. Koons and O. P. Morton were placed in nomination. Mr. Koons received four votes and O. P. Morton ten votes. Mr. Koons moved that the election of Mr. Morton be made unanimous. Carried.

On motion Burt Harwood of Clarion was elected secretary of the county central committee. Adjourned.

O. P. Morton, Chairman.
H. W. Barns, Secretary.

Iowa City Man To Give Address

To Address Club On The Conservation Of America's Natural Scenery.

ALL SHOULD BE PRESENT

The Community Welfare club will meet Friday of this week, July 7th, at the library parlors. The meeting will be called promptly at 8 o'clock.

Prof. Shimek, of Iowa City, will be here to address the meeting, his subject being the Conservation of Natural Scenery, a topic which every real American should be interested in. Prof. Shimek will be in town only between trains, and the chairman will call the busness meeting of the club promptly in ordr to get thru with this feature of the program and allow Prof. Shimek as much time as possible.

The club is fortunate in being able to secure Prof. Shimek for this meeting. He is an interesting and instructive speaker, well informed on his subject, and his address will be well worth an effort to hear. This meeting is a postponed one from the regular time, owing to a trip which Prof. Shimek made East to deliver an address on these same lines.

The serving committee for the day are:

Mrs. E. E. Boughton, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. A. E. Martin, Mrs. Louis Hauge, Mrs. C. J. Johnson, Mrs. L. N. Foster, Mrs. T. N. Davenport, Mrs. Thiltgen.

JENISON—GRAHAM

Miss Gladys Leone Jenison and Joseph L. Graham stole a march on their many friends when they were quietly married last week Tuesday, June 27th at the St. Francis' Rectory, Rev. Father Eardley performing the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Thompson acted as best man and bridesmaid.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jenison, prominent farmers of Pleasant township and one of this city's best known and talented young ladies. She has been prominent in social circles here, and is very popular among the younger people.

Mr. Graham is well known in Belmond, where he has resided for many years, and where he was for a time in business, having a barber shop. He is an ex-service man, industrious and capable, and will take his bride to his new location, Titonka where he has a shop and where the happy cuple will be at home to their host of frinds after July 1st.

The Independent takes pleasure in joining with the many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes for a happy prosperous life together.

KANAWHA'S BIG DAY GOES OVER FINE

Kanawha's Creamery Day last Thursday went over big, with immense crowds and a variety of attractions. The Eldora Boys Band rendered the music, which was pronounced excellent, and the sports program was highly entertaining. The feature of this was the ball game between Belmond and Kanawha which the latter won 4 to1 in a hotly contested battle replete with heavy hitting and sensational fielding on both sides. All reports are highly commendatory of the day.

A SUGGESTION

A farmer's wife makes the suggestion that Belmond could have a band by soliciting for one among the farm people. How about it?—Contributed.

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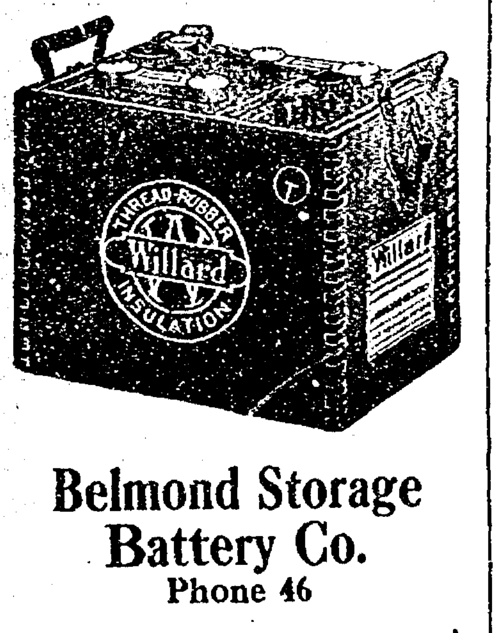

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"You can always size up a circus by its 'Bulls,'" says the old Circus man, Bulls by the way, being improved circus vernacular for Elephants.

While this it not an infallible rule, the Elephant is an important factor in the modern tent show, just as he contributed in no small degree to the pageantry of Old Rome and the circus specticacles of Ancient Greece.

The "Patterson's Trained Wild Animal Circus" which is to display its wonders in Garner, Monday July 10 announces that it makes a specialty of its trained Elephants, and according to all accounts their big pacjyderms are as multitudinous as they are educatedly clever. The Elephants are utilized in the big specacular entree, which introduces the performances. They are presented in a series of stunts in the three rings, they make a brave showing in the Menagerie, and they play an important part in the "Sun-Bright" and gorgeous free street parade, that ushers in Circus Day. A novel angle in "Patterson's Trained Wild Animal Circus" Elephant offering is the fact that the three herds are directed by as many clever girls, fearless and agile young women who are said to display an aptness in handling their big charges that mere men rarely acquire. Under their direction the Elephants are said to go through their difficult performances with the tractability of burros.—Advt.

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ARE WE GETTING BETTER?

What do you think about this old world, anyway? Are we getting better, or worse? Is the human race progressing, standing still or going back? It cannot stand still; it must either go forward, of go back. Sometimes, when one views such happenings as the mine riots in Illinois; the selfish aims and views of the old world in attempting to grab everything not nailed down; the race riots of our own South; and the scores of bickerings and quarrels and fights going on thruout the world, one is tempted to think that the world is going backwards.

We are but little removed from those ancestors who killed with a club and knawed their meat raw. The veneer of civilization is thin, and when something occurs, such as the Herrin riots, which appeal to our inherant instincts of making right by might, we slip back into the dark ages, ages which were not so very long ago. We have progressed far, it is true, in the past 20 centuries; we have gained in knowledge, in art, in literature, in a better understanding of God; yet, in a moments' time, we can slip back to the days when every man was his own law, recognizing no other, and obeying no other.

We like to think that the world is getting better; that it is going ahead, for only by going ahead can we ever reach the goal towards which the strive. To think that we were going backwards; that our efforts towards progress were unavailing; would be unbearable. A hopeful viewpoint is half the battle, and by keeping it, by thinking that we are going ahead, we will.

EXPENSE OF COUNTY CAMPAIGN

Monitor: F. W. Walker's total election expense for renomination to the office of county auditor was $71.50, which amount was spent for newspaper announcements.

For his campaign for re-nomination to the office of county treasurer E. A. Allen expended the sum total of $170.60, being about $100 for printing and postage, balance for announcements.

F. H. Peterson's total expense foots up $137.80. The items include board, gas, car fare and publicity.

Clerk Goslin's total expense was $113.00. Of this sum $50 was spent for movie advertising, carfare, and cards.

His opponent, Chas. DeVore reports a total expense of $83.00. The major portion was for printing and advertising, $10 being for gasoline.

Sheriff Lang spent $2.80 for gas and railroad fare. The remainder of the total, $107.95, was spent for printing and advertising.

Clifton Campbell says the race he made for sheriff cost him $116.50. In addition to the usual advertising the sum of $15.50 was spent for gas and oil.

The third candidate for sheriff, Jack McClelland, has filed no report.

Will Dunn, candidate for sheriff on the democratic ticket, reports a total expense of $52.50. He was nominated without opposition, receiving 120 votes in the entire county. Only 150 democratic votes were cast this year.

Miss Edith M. Vaughn was unopposed for county recorder. Her expense for publicity was $60.00.

J. A. Rogers enumerates the usual expense items in his report, the total being $84.41.

The whirlwind camgaign of his successful opponent, J. M. Jensen of Belmond, cost him $224.22. L. A. Jensen of Forest City contributed $20.10 of this amount. One-half of this sum was spent for circulars, postage, cards, gas, meals and lodging, the remainder being for newspaper advertising.

Dr. H. P. Walker of Clarion reports no expense whatever in being renominated for coroner.

Supervisor Grattiage spent $19, while J. C. Peterson the successful nominee reports a total expense of $22.50.

Ed Evans of the Fourth district reports $22.50 expended. He had no opposition.

In the First district J. D. Baker the successful candidate reports $34.50, of that sum $12.60 was for gas and oil. D. E. Harris spent $19.00 and R. C. Morse, the democratic candidate, an even one dollar bill.

For the year ending June 30 Auditor Walker reports a total of 1203 hunting licenses issued, the receipts being $1212.00. Only one nonresident license at $10 was issued.

RADIO

THIRD ELEMENT IN THE VACUUM TUBE

Grid Added to Fleming Valve by Dr. Lee DeForest Was a Big Improvement.

Any device which will pass electricity in one direction and will wholly or partially obstruct the flow in the opposite direction is termed a rectifier, because when connected in the path of an alternating current it will suppress one-half of each cycle and therefore the circuit will be traversed by pulsating direct current. A rectifier also is said to possess unidirectional conductivity, meaning, of course, that it will conduct electricity in one direction only. Its ability to rectify currents of extremely high frequency determines its application in radio.

Due to its ability to rectify high frequency alternating currents the two-element (filament and plate) vacuum tube can be used in a radio receiver as a detector.

Fig. VI is a simple radio receiving circuit employing this type of two-element vacuum tube in place of a crystal detector.

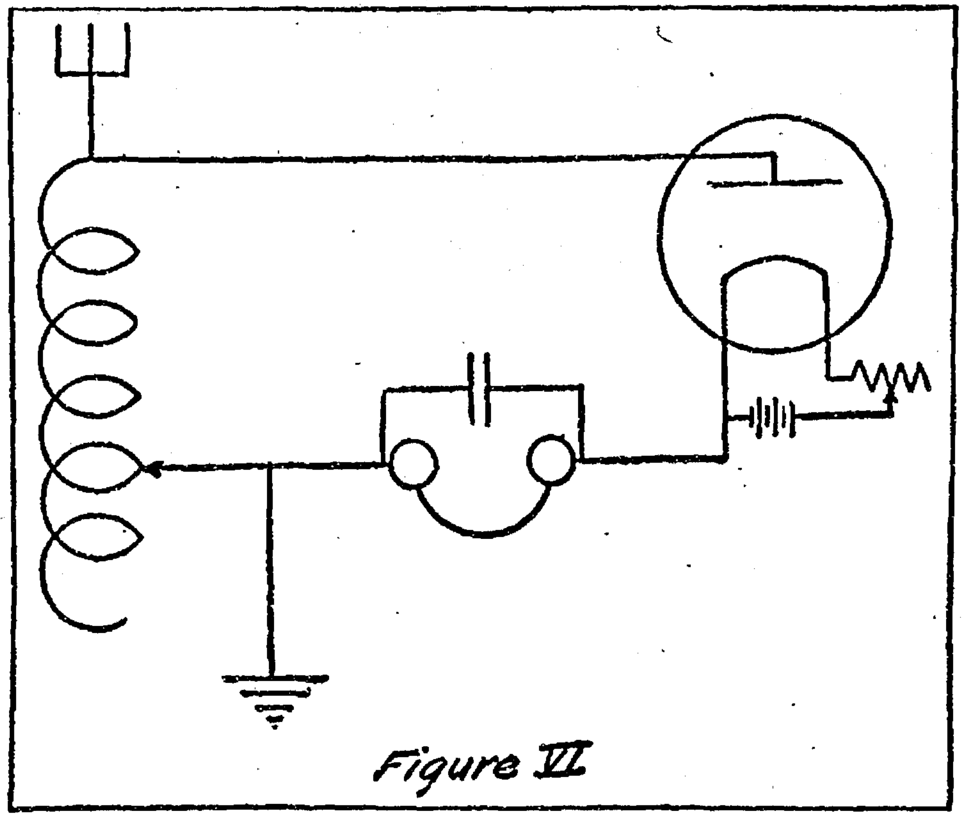

Figure VI

Dr. J. A. Fleming of London, England, was the first to use a two-element tube of the type just described as a medium of rectifying high frequency radio currents. Fleming called his product a valve because it would let current flow in one direction but not in the other direction. The Fleming valve as a forerunner of the vacuum tube of today marked a very important step in the progress of the radio art. The Fleming valve, however, in its original form was not much better than other forms of rectifiers then in use and, owing to the greater ruggedness and ease of manipulation of the latter, did not come into general use as a detector.

Dr. Lee DeForest, an American, greatly improved the Fleming valve by adding a third electrode called the grid, which served the function of a control element and thus made it possible to utilize the feeble incoming signal currents to control more powerful local currents. The three-electrode vacuum tube of DeForest is the tube used so extensively today.

The third element which is called a grid and from which the three-electrode vacuum tube derives its name was placed by DeForest between the filament and the plate in the path of the electrons. The grid is a perforated plate or mesh of fine wire through the openings of which the electrons must pass in their journey from the filament to the plate.

Fig. VII is a diagrammatical sketch of the circuits of a three-electrode vacuum tube and is identically the same as the sketch in Fig. III for a two-element vacuum tube with the addition of the grid circuit I-J-K-L. The battery in the grid circuit is called the "C" battery.

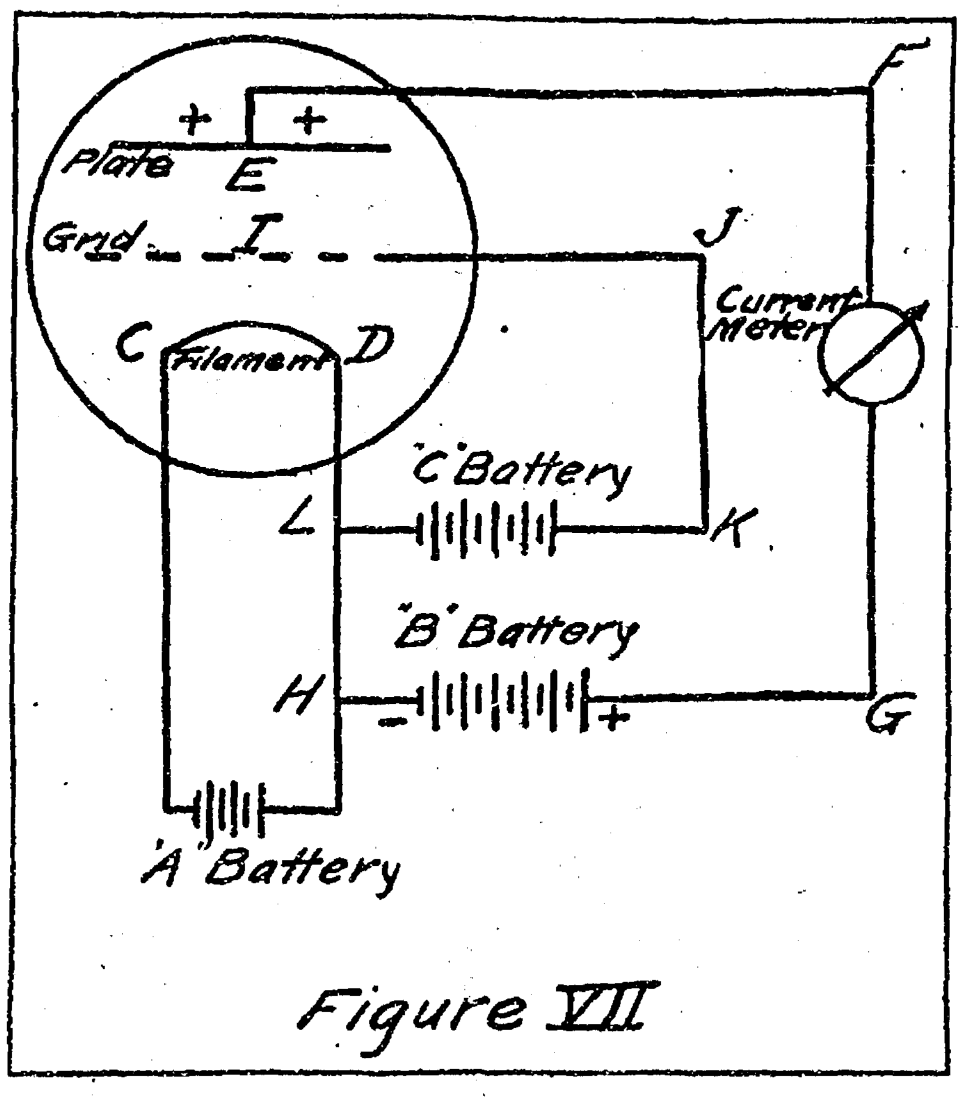

Figure VII

As a start let us suppose that "C" battery voltage is zero. The operation of the three-electrode tube would then be exactly like that of a two-electrode tube, just as though there were no grid. Like a two-electrode tube when the filament C-D is brought to incandescence by the "A" battery a steady stream of electrons will be given off, which will be drawn over to the plate E. Plate E is maintained at a positive potential with respect to the filament by the "B" battery.

Now if the grid is made positive with respect to the filament, it is possible to accelerate the flow of the electron stream from the filament to the plate; if the grid is made negative with respect to the filament, the flow of the electron stream from the filament to the plate will be retarded. Or in other words, by making the grid positive or negative with respect to the filament, it is possible to increase or counteract the space charge. The third electrode or grid thus offers a means of controlling the current in the plate circuit without changing the plate potential or the filament temperature.

The characteristic curve of a three electrode vacuum tube is shown in Fig. VIII. This diagram shows the relation of grid potential to plate current, assuming that the filament temperature and plate voltage remain constant.

It can be seen from the curve that by applying a negative potential of value E to the grid, the plate current can be reduced to zero. The negative charge on the grid will have the effect of a negative potential E with respect to the filament, making the negative charge so strong around the filament that the electrons cannot leave it. On the other hand, if a positive potential of value F be applied to the grid with respect to the filament, the maximum or saturation current will flow in the plate circuit. Applying a greater positive potential than F to the grid with respect to the filament will not cause an increase in the plate current because the electrons given off are being attracted to the plate and grid.

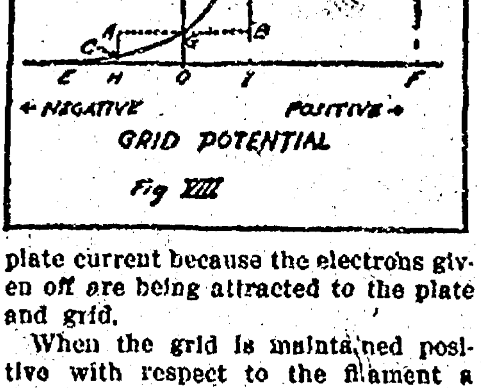

Fig VIII

When the grid is maintained positive with respect to the filament a small current will flow in the grid circuit. Because of its being positive it will attract the electrons and have a charge given up to it by them.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

REVERE THE CREATOR:—Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.—Revelation 4: 11.

Monday.

LORD SEES ALL:—For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth to show himself strong in behalf of those whose heart is perfect toward him.—2 Chronicles 16: 9.

Tuesday.

WHERE IS YOUR TREASURE?—Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.—Matthew 6: 21.

Wednesday.

SOURCE OF TRUE HELP:—My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.—Psalm 121: 2.

Thursday.

LIVE RIGHT TO-DAY:—Boast not thyself of to-morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.—Proverbs 27: 1.

Friday.

SURE GUIDANCE:—In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.—Proverbs 3: 6.

Saturday.

SAFETY WHILE ASLEEP:—I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.—Psalm 4: 8.

CHANCE OF A LIFETIME

The occupants of the parlor car of the limited were startled by the abrupt appearance of two masked bandits.

"T'row up yer hands!" commanded the bigger of the two. We're gonna rob all the gents and kiss all the gals."

"No, pardner," remonstrated the smaller one, gallantly. We'll rob the gents, but we'll leave the ladies alone."

"Mind your own business young fellow," snapped a female passenger of uncertain age. "The big man is robbing the train."—American Legion Weekly.

BOYS ENTER CREAMERY

A couple of small lads entered the Clarion creamery via the coal room door the other evening and were making away with a goodly supply of cream and ice cream when Manager Anderson appeared on the scene. They had first ransacked the office for money, scattering his papers all over the floor. When caught the smaller of the two lads says, "You can't do nothing to me, I ain't old enough to know better." When asked where he lived he refused to tell until told he would be put in jail. These and other lads are responsible for a great deal of the pilfering going on of late.—Monitor.

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The grit he daily shows;
The way he stands on his feet
and takes
Faith's numerous bumps and
blows.
A coward can smile when nothing his progress bars,
And daddy pays the bills.
It's the dollar that counts you
earn yourself,
Not the dollar that was
given by others.

Continued from last week
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ROWAN NEWS

"THE AFFAIRS OF ANATOL" JULY 14-15

Nothing like this cast in the way of aggregate talent has ever been assembled before. The drawing power of almost any of the names on the roll has been sufficient to awaken the interest of the discriminating public. Here, for the first time, they are appearing in a single production under the direction of a master producer.

Peter Schreck, of Hayfield was a Rowan visitor on Monday of last week.

Henry Williams was a Fort Dodge business caller Tuesday.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Jennings and family, in Clarion Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham, Mrs. J. D. Pritchett and Mrs. E. Bingham were Iowa Falls visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. L. W. Stevenson was a Clarion shopper between trains Wednesday.

Mrs. Julius Goos and daughter Anna, of St. Paul, arrived last week for a visit at the Henry Rietz home and with other relatives.

Mrs. Guy Sheldon and children visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder at Clarion, Thursday.

The Misses Izetta Fletcher and Celia Azeltine were at Hampton several days last week where they were taking teacher's examinations.

Miss Fay Swartzendrover, of Clarion spent a few days at the home of her friend, Mrs. Jesse Agnew.

Mrs. J. S. Farren and children returned Wednesday from their visit at the home of their son, Duncan and wife in Los Angeles, Calif. They also visited relatives in Utah.

Miss Dollie Riley was a Clarion visitor Friday.

Dr. Brown and famiy, Mrs. S. A. Packard and family of Belmond, and S. W. Smith and family, of Fort Dodge spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Steffens.

Mrs. Ida Ryder went to Grundy Center this last week to visit at the homes of her children Ralph and wife and Mr. and Mrs. P. Fuller.

Mrs. J. F. Howell and children spent the past week at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Howell at Humbodlt. Mr. Howell motored over Sunday after them.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham left Thursday for a trip thru So. Dak. They will visit relatives at Viborg Parker and Wessington Springs.

Mrs. M. M. Snyder spent a few days in Clarion the past week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simons and family spent Sunday with relatives it Eagle Grove.

Word received from Mrs. Fred Williams the past week states that their oldest daughter, Bernice was operated on for appendicitis last Sunday. At last reports she was doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Baldwin, of So. Dak. are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Hardley.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler went to Storm Lake Monday to spend the 4th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Shanner.

J. A. Whitten is improving his town property by the addition of a new porch.

Friends who remember Mrs. Henry Cowley, who formerly resided at this place will be sorry to learn that she is at Rochester, Minn., where she has undergone a very serious operation but will be glad to learn she is doing nicely.

Rev. Hardcastle of Iowa Falls preached at the Congregational church Sunday. Mrs. Hardcastle and son attended the services also. There will be regular services next Sunday. Every one is invited to attend.

The Misses Laura McCallum and Susan Duffy were week end visitors at the home of their parents.

Mrs. J. A. Whitten and daughter, Billie returned from their visit at St. Peter Minn., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jurden Brinkman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher, Mrs. Dan Fletcher and Mrs. Morris Sulliwan returned from their auto trip to Bruce, Wis. where they visited at the Tim Weld home.

Mrs. Edith Hanson and granddaughter Kathern went to Kanawha Wednesday to visit at the home of her daughter.

NO WAR HORRORS HERE

There are none of the horrors of war in "The Rookie's Return," Douglas MacLean's New Paramount picture which will be shown at the Star Theatre Saturday July 8th. It is a delicious comedy filled with laughs and all will enjoy it. Doris May heads a competent cast of players.

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11:30—Sunday school
7:00—Epworth League
8:00—Evensong

The pastor last Sunday evening delivered a patriotic sermon on "The Birth of a Nation." It was strongly and deeply patriotic, and could not but help the people to appreciate their privileges as citizens of America.

The members of Mrs. Bert Pelley's S. S. class were entertained last Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubbel at Dows. There were some 40 young people present who enjoyed themselves with games and music. At the close of the social hour ice cream and cake were served. All voted the affair a real good time.

The local tennis tournament is in full swing, with lots of interest from the players and people. There are three different competitions, one for the boys, a second for business men, and a third free-for-all. The medals for the winners will be on view in a few days in the window of Fred Hackley's drug store. The winners will be proud of their prizes.

The Auxiliary of the American Legion are planning on assisting in the campaign for new members.

Quite a large number of the citizens witnessed the horseshoe pitching competition last Saturday afternoon between Hampton and Rowan. The local players will enter the competition at the county celebration and expect to capture some of the prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter Faye left Monday for Clear Lake where they will camp out for a few days and fish, also renew old acquaintances.

Miss Angie Baines is taking a short vacation from her duties at the central office.

Wm. McCallum has been enjoying a visit from a brother from Nebraska.

Mrs. J. E. Bollinger of Sioux Falls, S. D., is visiting at the homes of her sisters, Mrs. Amos Cowley and Mrs. Mary Braden.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lent and children of Vinton visited Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham.

Mrs. Sarah Fothergill of Armstrong spent the week end at the Will Whitten home.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten, Laurel Baines and Miss Angie Baines are spending the week at Spirit Lake visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten and daughter and Mrs. Fothergill spent Sunday at Goldfield visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Fred Hackley was an Eagle Grove business caller Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Heit Pennings of Ackley were calling on old friends in Rowan on Monday.

Fred Hackley went to Hampton on Monday, returning with a new automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller and daughter Blanche of Clarion visited Rowan relatives Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berger were Belmond callers Monday.

THE CO. NURSE QUESTION

The writer is afraid that a second submission of the county nurse question to the voters of Wright county will not have the easy victory some of its staunch supporters expect. It will require lots of hard, individual work, and we doubt very much of the wisest kind of publicity will overcome the prejudice which exists in many quarters against the proposition. The vote in the primary was, it is true, a vote of protest, not so much against the individual nurses as it was against the expenditure of county funds for the maintenance of the work. Conditions may change mightily between now and November, but the promptness with which a second vote is asked on the question has tended to crystallize the opposition and may serve to defeat the very ends the friends of the county nurse work are seeking.—News.

It's getting so nowadays a farmer can't tell which political party he belongs to until he reads the market report.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Directors Purchase "Movie"

At the regular board of directors meeting Saturday, June 24th, the directors voted to buy the movie machine to be used in conducting the farm bureau meetings. A committee of three was appointed to investigate the different kinds of machines and place the final order.

This machine has been demonstrated in the various townships for the past two week with the result that wherever it has been shown the members have voted unanimously in favor of the purchase. Forty-two counties in Iowa are now using the movie machine, in fact it seem to indicate that its use is bringing results in the farm bureau work. It is estimated that it will require about a month's time to get the machine after the order is placed, so that it is quite probable that the movie will not be shown in the regular farm bureau meetings until about August.

Exchange Discontinued

At the last board of directors meeting it was decided to discontinue the printing of the monthly publication, the "Farm Bureau Exchange." The directors felt that the exchange, in a sense, is a duplication of the weekly farm bureau notes which are printed in the various county papers. The thought was expressed that all farm bureau notes of any consequence are printed in the local papers, in fact, everything except the advertising appears in the county papers.

Harding Likes Us!

From the White House to president J. R. Howard of the American Farm Bureau Federation comes the following letter bearing the signature of Warren G. Harding, President of the United States of America:

"Almost from its earliest beginnings I have been quite intimately apprised of the developing work of the Farm Bureau Federation. It has taken its place in an astonishingly brief period among the most important and influential factors in behalf, not only of the best agricultural development but also of shaping the community sentiments of the country. Its policies have been directed with a uniform wisdom and breadth of understanding which have been well earned the high place which the federation holds in the confidence of the country. I feel that it has been worthy of especial commendation by reason of the broad view it has been taking of national problems and industrial relationships. This liberality of vision has been particularly illustrated in its broad and comprehending interest in behalf of an adequate merchant marine, and its favorable attitude toward the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway project.

"Particularly in regard to the encouragement of the merchant marine, I feel that the federation, by recognizing the vital community of interest between the agricultural concerns of the nation and the development of a great and prosperous merchant marine, has demonstrated an understanding of economic fundamendals which deserves highest commendation. No particular department of industry or commerce will in the long run be promoted by an attitude on the part of those immediately concerned for it, which excludes an accurate view of the common interest among them all. Being thus convinced, I have especial satisfaction in expressing my commendation of the federations' work and attitudes, and my sincere hope for its continuing and increasing prosperity."

President Harding was invited by President Howard to attend the Farm Bureau Decennial at DeKalk, Ill., on June 30. Because Congress remains in session at that time the president is unable to attend the tenth birthday anniversary, but he expresses his regret as follows:

"I am very sorry, indeed, for a number of reasons, that engagements heretofore made render it impossible for me to accept the invitation which would afford an opportunity to present some suggestions which are very prominent in my mind."

Kinseth's Store News

Well, the Fourth is over. What kind of a time did you have? So did we! And we're still here on the corner ready with the same good bargains as ever.

Lots of fruit for you—cherries, raspberries, gooseberries, and some peaches too in a week or so. Prices within reason, and you can see the reason. And while we're talking on fruits don't forget to order canning sugar NOW—it's going up, which is good news for our sugar factory but poor for you. Better buy a supply before it hops another notch.

We have some dandy overalls for the harvest fields, just the thing and at bargains. And shoes and socks and ginghams and percales, everything guaranteed. And our guarantee is a promise, not like the guarantee of the colored person who sold

a brother negro some kink remover. It didn't work and Rastus complained "yo gahanteed it." "Yas," replied his fellow, "but Ah didn't promise nuthin."

Don't forget the store on the corner.

P. S.—A few glasses of those real preserves left at 23c a glass. Hurry!

Griesy's Store News

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When The Day Is Hot

When the day is miserably hot, and the hours linger long and weary through the swealtering heat, and the old binder limps and rattles along skipping bundles here and clogging there, giving no end of trouble, while a storm is brewing in the distance, and finally the thunder roars and the rain falls, leveling and tangling the once even heads of golden grain—then's "when a feller needs a friend." On the other hand, suppose you came to town before you start harvesting, and get a new McCormick or Deering binder, and even though the day may be disagreeably hot the work will go on smoothly as it should, and then, after the last bundle is safely shocked, the rain comes down—"ain't it a grand and glorious feelin'?"

Before you become unreasonably stubborn, make sure you are right. Talking without thinking is like shooting without aiming.

Think of Quality—Buy Wisely

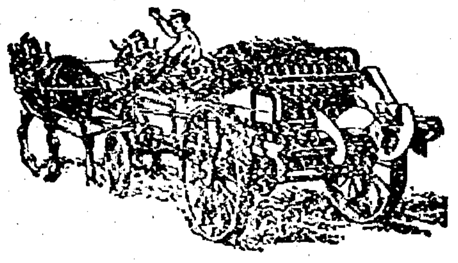
It is not the price you pay that counts, it is the service you receive. Why take chances with an inferior or short length twine? It will prove expensive and you will pay dearly for it during the busy harvest season when you cannot afford to lose time. Buying good binder twine is always true ecomomy in the long run. Twine is one commodity that is bought very much on honor. The ball of twine is non-committal; one ball of twine looks very much like any other ball of twine and you must take it on trust. That is why it is essential that you must depend upon twine reputation in your purchase. Good twine will add much to the success of your harvest. Poor twine will be costly, out of all proportion to the difference in price. Buy the reliable Deering twine.

Some men get credit for being courageous, when they are merely lacking in sense.

Are YOU a Pitchfork Farmer?

The one thing that will bring better times: KWITCHERBELLIAKIN.

Besides being hard work, "pitchfork farming" is a long, long way from being efficient farming. It makes a "four-operation" job out of work that should be done in one opereation with an up-to-date machine. Think how much time an In-



ternational Spreader would save on your farm—and at the same time it would do the work better than you can possibly do by hand. The new International Manure Spreader will lay the manure on the ground evenly, in any quality desired. There is no more comparison between the work done by the International Spreader and a man with a pitchfork than there is between the speed of an automobile and a wheelbarrow. They simply are not in the same class. Why be a "pitchfork farmer" when International Spreader prices are so attractively low? It has been six years since we have been able to offer you such remarkable values.

Isn't it fierce to be the wife of a man who isn't popular, or the husband of a woman who is?

How would you like to own a "Big Brother" of our own "Red Baby?" You can get a "Brother" equiped with an enclosed cab and general purpose box, enabling you to do all your farm hauling quickley, at the right time, and at low cost. The body consists of top boards and end gate added to the regular express body, and is grain tight. The end gate goes clear to the bottom of the body. The lower portion is of the Comstock type so it can be removed to allow grain to be dumped. The top box is well made, braced at the corners, and bolted securely to the express body. Eleven other body and cab combinations are also included in the "family" of "Red Baby" Brothers. Let us tell you more about them.

A fellow with loose habits very often gets into a tight place.

COAL SITUATION NOT FAVORABLE

Manager Kellogg, Iowa Falls Electric Co., Thinks Price Will Advance Till Strike Ends

The people in this locality seem to show very little concern over the existing coal strike, and the fact that the situation is practically the same as when the strike was called. The only interest they seem to have in the matter is whether they will be able to get coal for domestic purposes during the coming winter, and they seem to believe that the matter will be settled before that time. They apparently do not realize that the matter is of the greatest importance to them especially if they are being furnished with electric current for lighting and heating purpose by the Iowa Falls Electric company and other similar companies.

A representative of this paper called on H. F. Kellogg, manager of the Iowa Falls Electric company, who made the following statement in regard to the local conditions: "You remember that at the time the strike was called our company made a statement which appeared in this paper in regard to the supply of coal then on hand at Iowa Falls. A short time ago we made a new inventory of the coal on hand and found that on June 1 we had in storage at Iowa Falls about 1,855 tons. This is about three months' supply at our present rate of consumption. *As there seems to be no chance of* an immediate settlement of the strike we believe that it was not wise to deplete our stock of storage coal, so went into the market and bought whatever coal we could find that was suitable for our purposes. We were able to buy ten cars of Kentucky screenings, the first of which has just been delivered. This coal cost the company $2.50 more per ton than the coal which we had in storage, but we preferred to pay the advanced price and thereby be assured that we can furnish service for at least a month longer than we could by using our storage coal. We are now in a position to assure our customers that we will be able to furnish service until Oct. 1, and it is our intention to continue to purchase coal so that we will not be obliged to close down in the event that no settlement of the strike is agreed upon..

The price of coal is advancing daily and the amount that is offered is very limited, and this is being bought as rapidly as offers are made. In spite of the fact that there has been a slight reduction in freight rates which will become operative on June 1, the coal which we will buy will be at an advanced price. The decrease in freight rates will amount to about forty cents per ton, but the advance in price of coal will more than offset this saving. It is my opinion that the price of coal will continue to advance until the strike is settled. All of the coal that is being offered is from the Kentucky and Virginia fields and the freight rates are much higher than what we had been paying on Illinois and Iowa coal. There is no question that we will be obliged to shoulder a considerable loss in buying coal under present conditions but we feel that we owe it to our customers to furnish service as long as it is possible to do so."—Adv.

Belmond Local News

The Charlie Johnson residence in north Belmond is nearing completion, and when finished will add much to the appearance of Stanton street.

Fred Desing left Tuesday for Kansas, where he will work in the wheat fields during the harvest season, which is now in full blast there.

Mrs. John Heuerman will be hostess Thursday of this week to the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. Church.

Bert Rowen, from Chicago, has been in town the past day or so, greeting old time friends here.

Mrs. H. H. Doctormann has been enjoying a visit from a brother the past few days.

Mrs. W. A. Bullis returned from Estherville lest Friday, where she has been visiting relatives. She reports that in spite of more rainfall recently the crons in that section of the country are not looking as well as those around Belmond.

Don't be Penny Wise and Pound Foolish

Don't think because you can get a big can of Baking Powder for little money that you are saving anything.

There's Only One Way to Save on Bake-Day

USE CALUMET

The Economy BAKING POWDER

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The World's Greatest Baking Powder

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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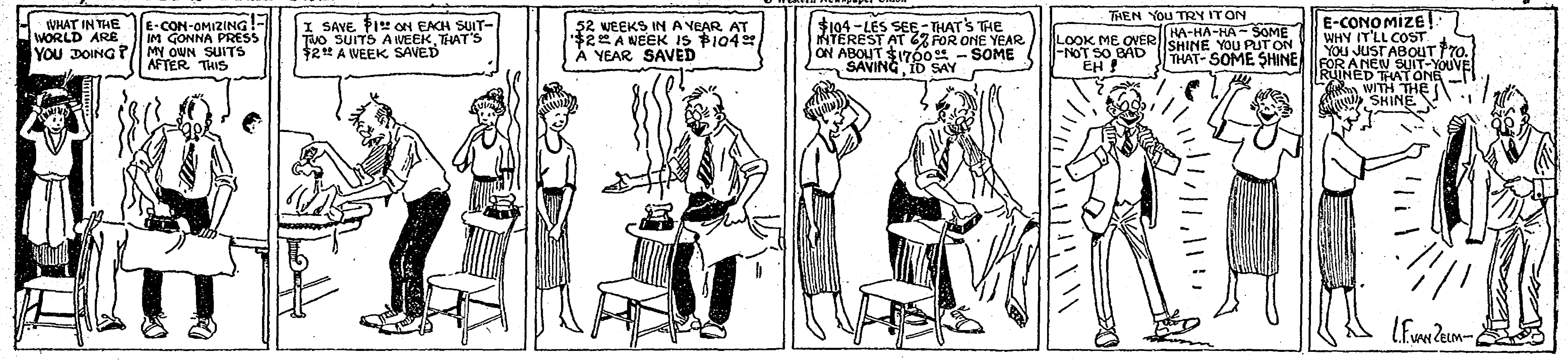
Smarty!


WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE YOU DOING?
E-CON-OMIZING!— IM GONNA PRESS MY OWN SUITS AFTER THIS
I SAVE $1.00 ON EACH SUIT— TWO SUITS A WEEK, THAT'S $2.00 A WEEK SAVED
52 WEEKS IN A YEAR AT $2.00 A WEEK IS $104.00 A YEAR SAVED
$104—LES SEE—THAT'S THE INTEREST AT 6% FOR ONE YEAR ON ABOUT $1700.00 —SOME SAVING, ID SAY
THEN YOU TRY IT ON
LOOK ME OVER —NOT SO BAD EH!
HA-HA-HA— SOME SHINE YOU PUT ON THAT— SOME SHINE
E-CONOMIZE! WHY IT'LL COST YOU JUST ABOUT $70. FOR A NEW SUIT—YOUVE RUINED THAT ONE— WITH THE SHINE
L. F. VAN ZELM—

Good Job Printing
Is Essential To
Good Business

Good job printing and good business go hand in hand---and it is very necessary to the welfare of your business that your printing is given careful attention as to make-up, style, quality of stock used, ink and presswork---in fact everything that goes into a real job of printing.

Perhaps you need some letterheads, and envelopes to match, or maybe some statements. Try us on some of your printing. You'll say "That's fine."

And our prices are as low as you will find anywhere---considering quality. We will gladly quote you prices on request, and show you samples of our work.

Belmond Independent
The "Know How" Print Shop

DON'T READ THIS!

Unless you are interested in the Lord's mighty and wonderful works.

While I have been home all week hoeing potatoes and picking bugs in the day time and studying the heavens and measuring the apparant distances of the stars and planets from each other at night, and after meditating and figuring and charting a great deal I came to the conclusion that I would write once more on this subject as I have done often in former years, but it was not much appreciated apparantly.

But lately several evenings groups of men and ladies have been here for obsrvations and stating this coming relestial phenomenon one man expressed the desire "I wish I could see those two stars go by each othere." This induced me to write this time, as there may be more persons interested in seeing two heavnly bodies from different directions coming nearer each other every few days and finally passing each other at a certain place and date.

We presume tht most people know that all stars rise in the eastern sky and get higher and set on the western horizon. But that all stars rise 4 minutes earlier, or to be more exact 3 minutes and 56 seconds, every evening, only few people know, and only by this means the heavens with all their beautiful clusters of stars shift over our heads westward and in the course of a year we have seen every constallation from east to west of the whole magnificent universe, and we have the same stars as landmarks or mileposts at the very spot we saw them a year ago. Or a century ago. As the most brilliant of all, "Sirius," will be at 8:40 p. m. in the middle of Feb. right straight south of you about 1-3 of the horizon to the zenith. The first magnitude star "Regulus" will be at 8 p.m. in the middle of April on the meridian 2-3 up in south. The great "Arcturus" will be at 8:15 p. m. in the middle of June quite a little south of the zenith. The pearl white Vega will be at 8:30 in the middle of Aug-Lagittarius holds the point of his arrow on the meridian at 8 p m. in the middle of August low down on the south.

While from 9 to 10 p. m. the great square of Pegasus stands right south of you in the middle of October 2-3 of the sky to zenith. And in the middle of December the most interesting star is Algol or the blinking demon, and will be at 9 p. m. squarely above your head.

Excuse me for giving so much of a sample on stars, But planets do not work that way. You never see them in exactly the same spot, they are constantly shifting their location or they all move with different speeds which can not be perceived by the naked eye only at intervals. Our beautiful Venus appeared in the western sky above the horizon on April in the constellation Aries working higher at her speed of 22 miles per second. She is now above the horizon after sunset in the west, northwest, and Saturn and Jupiter, the two greatest planets of our system Saturn 750 times cubic contents that of our earth and gigantic Jupiter 1300 times of the earth became visible on our eastern sky in April or 180 degrees apart. They both are located in the constellation Virgo. These two giants passed each other last Sept. and as Saturn can make only 5 1-2 miles per second Jupiter with his four moons has a speed of 8 1-3 miles per second and has outrun Saturn since that conjunction time up to 10 degrees.

To make the long story short these latter two will be seen at the present time 1-2 hour after sunset about straight south of you a little over half way up in the sky. Jupiter is a real bright star, and a little N. W. on hand wide on outstretched arm you see the little [illegible] golden orb of Saturn with his ring system. Now try and try again until you have them thoroly located in the sky and in your mind that you can find them all three at a single glance in a few moments' time. The wonders and astounding part of it is you see them now 81 degrees apart but they will get nearer each other right along and on Aug. 15 Venus and Saturn will pass, Venus about one inch south of Saturn, and on Aug. 27 Venus will pass Jupiter on the south side too, about the same distance. Now watch and see as it may be the first conjunction you ever witnessed. Whereas:

"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth His handiwork." And furthermore, His word says: "Lift up your eyes on high and see who hath created these, that bringeth out their host by number; He called them by name; by the greatness of His might, and for that He is strong in power, not one is lacking." 'Consider the work of God, for who can make that straight which he hath made crooked."

And close and meditate. "For the spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God."

Your Amateur,
J. C. JANSSEN.

SOME TRAFFIC RULES

Don't make any signal as you leave the curb with your car. Sooner or later some one will run into you and then you can sue him.

Don't make a signal when turning a corner. It might be considered courteous and courtesy is weakness in the average autoist. Then, it's the law anyway. Why encourage legislation?

Don't fail to park your car exactly opposite another on a narrow or the main street. Put it exactly across. That assists in keeping the traffic alert and is excellent for the other driver's hands and eyes.

Don't miss driving up and down the streets where there is the heaviest traffic. Joy ride 'em. Drive slow—very slow. If any other car turns out to pass just step on her a little. Then the girls in your car will giggle and think you are a regular devil.

At night always park your car as close to the corners of the streets as possible. When the other fellow swings around and suddenly sees your old boat right under his radiator it gives him a chance to test out his brakes. Brakes should be tested often.

If any person should call your attention to the law at any time tell him to remove to the lower regions. That is imperative. No discourteous driver will ever fail to do that. Be a hero.

If you drive a truck take advantage of your opportunity. No truck driver worthy the name ever gives an inch of the road until he absolutely has too. They'll get out of your way—just be firm.

If you haven't a dollar in the world except the payment you made on an old jitney and the three gallons of gas in its tank, slam into 'em. They can't collect a cent from you—and your feelings don't count.

Where the road is rough and there is only one track, of course, it belongs to you—even if on the wrong side of the road. Stick to it brother. The chances are that the other driver will have sense enuff to avoid a collision. And, he may be of the courteous type to which you are a sworn enemy.

If you happen to be a lady, always keen in mind that mere man is supposed to take care of himself and a lady. Crowd him into the curb. He should be polite enuff to like it. If he isn't—why, make him like it anyway!

it you are pedestrian jaywalk across the street anywhere. Take your time. Make 'em brake. If he happens to hit you you can sue for a million dollars at the least, and, maybe, you'll get something. At the least it is worth trying—when a lawyer will take the case on a contingent fee.

After ten o'clock at night, on all residence streets, always run with your cutouts wide open. Why should they sleep when they might be up just to see you go by?

If you happen to get pinched you can always tell the mayor that you will never vote for him again; and if you happen to live outof town you can threaten to take your trade elsewhere.

Study the automobile law. Ponder the laws of courtesy. The more you know of them the more you can break.

Flights of Fancy

"That poem of yours doesn't show any imagination," said the editor.

"More imagination than you think for," retorted Mr. Penwiggle. "I imagined I was going to get $50 for it."

"DIRTY POLITICS"

Chicago Tribune: The sudden tragic death of Mrs. Len Small, wife of the governor of Illinois, following what her husband described as the happiest day of her life, is a matter of deep regret to the people of Chicago and of the state. The Tribune sympathizes sincerely with the bereaved family and with Mr. Small as a private citizen mourning the loss of the helpmate of a lifetime. That sympathy is felt and extended as in a tragedy sadly closing long years of domestic happiness. It is for the man, not for the office holder.

When Len Small was nominated for the governorship of Illinois, this newspaper opposed him because it believed his political record and associations were such as did not promise a good adminstration. Nothing he has done confirmed it. No tragedy, however deeply it may move our emotions, can alter that opinion any more than it can alter the record on which the opinion is based.

Such gratuitous expressions of sentiment as that contained in The Chicago American's report of Mrs. Small's death, that "her life paid the price of the despicable political conspiracy led and fostered by The Chicago Tribune," or the statement by Coporation Counsel Ettelson that her death was "nothing but murder, done by dirty politics," are entirely beside the point. They reveal nothing but a desire to make political capital of the death, such as they accuse The Tribune of making of circumstances prior to the tragedy. The same is true of the editorial from The Herald and Examiner of June 27.

The facts are that Mrs. Small was the wife of a man who arose to an important place in Illinois politics. It was her misfortune that the methods he employed to reach that place prompted strong arverse criticism. Eventually this criticism disclosed the fact that durng Mr. Small's incumbrancf as state treasurer, millions of dollars in his custody were put into the hands of borrowers, who paid from 5½ to 8 per cent for their use, while the state received only 2 per cent. Indictment by a grand jury on a charge of criminal conspiracy followed.

In the course of the trial in which the former treasurer, now governor, was a defendant, it was disclosed that approximately $1,500,000 was earned on these funds, which was never turned into the state treasury. The state sought to prove that part of this money went to Mr. Small. It did not find the money in his pockets, the book sought by the prosecution to prove beyond question that he had received the money was destroyed, and the jury decided that other evidences to that effect was inadequate. But Mr. Small never took the stand to deny under oath that he had received any of the money. Neither did the defense put any other witness on the stand to make such denial. And he was acquitted.

Great was the rejoicing among his friends and political adherents. At the close of the demonstration the wife, who had stood by him, and who naturally had been under great strain, suffered a stroke which, at the age of 61, proved fatal. That is sad, but it should not cloud the issue, any more than it should cloud the civil suit now pending to recover the missing money.

The processes under which this indictment was returned, and this trial held, and this defendant acquitted, were the normal orderly processes of a civilized society. To deny prosecution of an indicted crime because it might cause acute sorrow to a wife or a mother would destroy the operation of all law. No murderer and no bandit could be punished under such a theory. It would be sentimentality gone mad.

Breaking the News

Bridegroom—The bills for your trousseau? Why, I thought your father paid there.

Bride—It is customary, dear. But papa thought you would rather do it than give him the humiliation of borrowing money from you.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Quandt and son Harvey and Mrs. Lena Quandt were visitors at the Conrad Quandt home at Klemme last Sunday.

H. Fischer and children left Tuesday morning in their car for several weeks visit with friends and relatives at different points in Minnesota and also at Ladysmith Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Quandt and son Harvey and Mrs. Lena Quandt were business callers at Mason City last Tuesday. They also had some dental work done.

Friends and relatives surprised Mrs. J. Ruiter on her birthday Wednesday eve. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. Heitland and daughter, Freda Schroeder, Ben Heitland, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Altmann, Ike Depping and family from Latimer. Ice cream and cake were served. All report a splendid time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nissen and children and Mrs. G. E. Raecker and baby took in the big day at Kanawha Thursday.

Mrs. J. Riekens was a Mason City caller between trains Friday.

Dr. Agler and daughter, Mrs. Roy Gatzke and baby were callers at Mason City one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ables from near Swaledale were Meservey visitors last Friday.

Wava and Weston Lewis who have been visiting Meservey friends the past week left Thursday for Mason City. They will stop there at the home of their brother Milton and wife.

WEED CUTTING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that all property owners must have the weeds cut on their property, and such part of the street or alley that borders on their property on or before July 15. If not done in time specified, same will be done by the City and costs thereof assessed against that property and collected with other taxes.

By order of Town Conucil.

Dated at Meservey, Iowa this 3 day of July 1922.

FRANK HAFERMAN,
Town Clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals, Wilma and Mrs. Rozaboom who is here from Pella, autoed to Mason City on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson and little daughter of near Klemme were Sunday visitors at the Mrs. Wilkin's home. Mrs. Wilkins and children returned home with them for a visit.

The Misses Irena Butz, Ollie Pals, Orpha Smith, Viola Thomas and Miss Erma Holden, a chum of the girls, of Cedar Falls came Friday to spend a few days here at their homes. They returned to their school duties on Tuesday.

Henry Proost who has been at Schaller visiting a sick brother-in-law, returned home last Tuesday.

Miss Wilhelmina Loats spent Sunday at the parental home at Belmond.

Carl Gruis who is attending college at Cedar Falls is spending a few days here at home.

The Helping Hand Society will give a bake sale July 8th at 2:00 p. m. in the C. J. Wendell Hardwared store.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stadtlander were callers at Kanawha on Friday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nissen and children were Sunday guests at the Ralph Waddingham home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Wieman and granddaughter, who have been visiting here the past week left Sunday for their home at Verona N. Dak.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stadtlander and children and Henry Meinderts of Latimer were Sunday visitors at the Ben Boelman home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bachman and children and Miss Janet Lauen of near Klemme were Sunday evening callers at the Meinderts home. Marie Lauen returned home with them for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Raecker and daughter Jeanetta spent Sunday with relatives at Waverly.

Mr. and Mrs. George Watermiller of near Kanawha spent Sunday here at the parental home.

The German Reformed church held their annual Sunday school picnic last Wednesday at the Harm Dirks Grove. A large crowd was present and a nice time reported by all.

Miss Alma Ralston who is attending college at Iowa Falls came Saturday for a few days visit with her parents.

The Cemetery Society will meet on Tuesday of next week July 11th at the Mrs. Nels Faaburg home.

A. J. Nissen and son, Marvin, Hafferman and Wm. Butz autoed to Mason City Saturday on business matters.

Mrs. Wm. Jones and son returned home Monday after spending a week at the G. Walton home at Thornton, to assist with the work, while Mrs. Walton was at the hospital with her son, Harlo. The little fellow is still at the hospital but is much improved.

A. J. Nissen was a business caller at Thornton on Monday.

Miss Ruth Smith of Mason City came Sunday for a short visit at the parental home.

Mrs. La Dasar of Mason City is spending a few days here at the F. A. Lemke home.

Postmaster Smith and family, Dr. Agler and Phylis, Mrs. Roy Gatzke and son, Mr. and Mrs. Bing Jones and son, left Monday for a few days outing at Ventura Hieghts.

Mr. and Mrs. Schackleton and their neice, Miss Ball of Boone stopped here for an over Sunday visit at the Wm. Morris home while enroute to Clear Lake for a couple of days outing.

Mr. J. N. McCall, accompanied by his father were visitors at the C. J. Janssen home Sunday. His daughter Carolyn accompanied them on their return to Fort Dodge.

L. B. Hulsebus and Herman Witt were business callers at Clear Lake on Monday.

The Message Bearers enjoyed a very interesting talk Sunday on Africa by Mr. La Dasar who is studying for foreign missionary work.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus, Alma, Walter and Herman Witt spent Sunday with relatives at Webster City. Louise, who has been visiting there the past week, returned home with them.

"Who's the editor of your advice to lovers' column?"

"The fat man over there smoking a pipe at the corner desk."

"Umph! What does he know about heart affairs?"

"A great deal. He was a divorce lawyer before he entered the profession of journalism."

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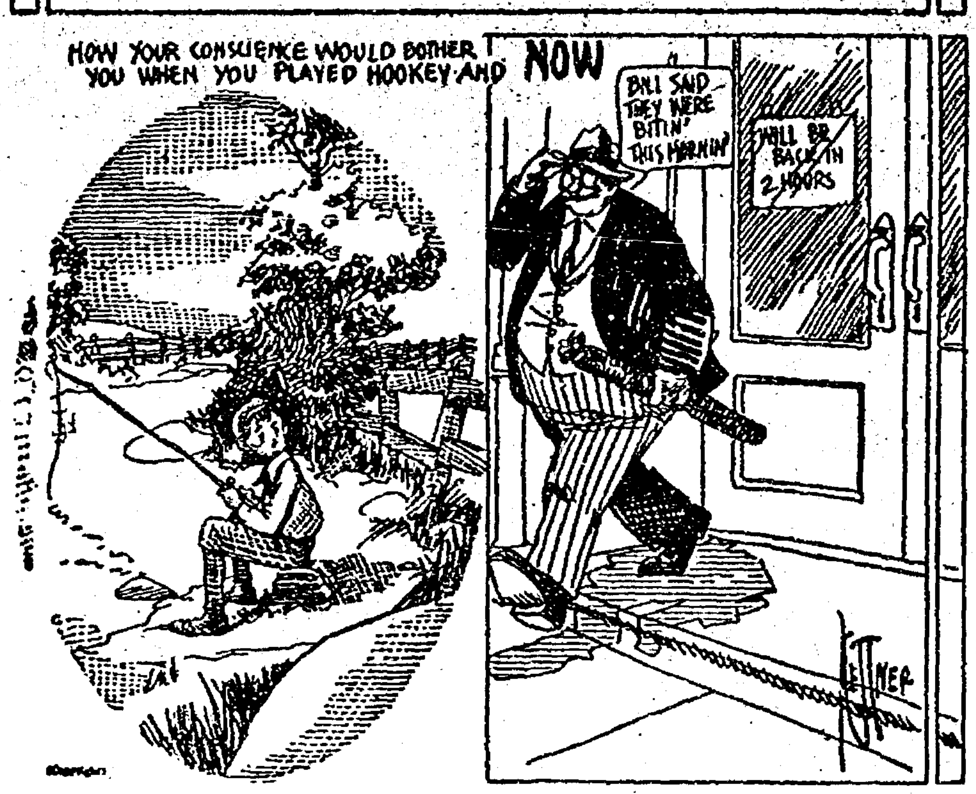
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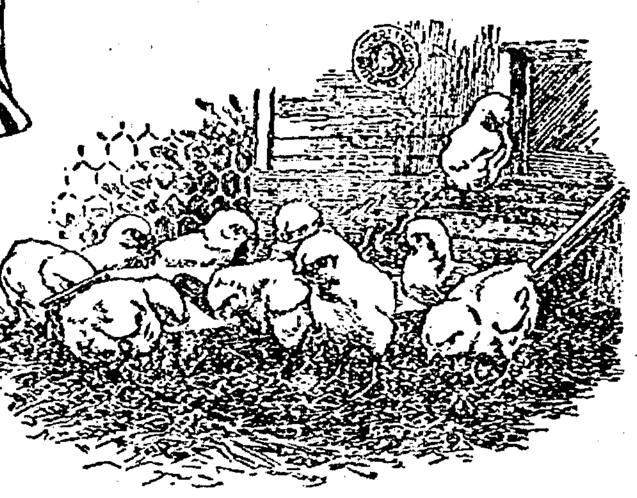

CHICKS THRIVE ON IT
WHAT a satisfaction it to see your baby chicks scampering around lively, healthy and hungry! Their little digestive organs are very delicate the first three weeks and only proper feeding will bring them through. Dried buttermilk with finely ground grains, seeds, meat meal, etc. proportioned as in Sterling Buttermilk Mash will save them—grow them—mature them.
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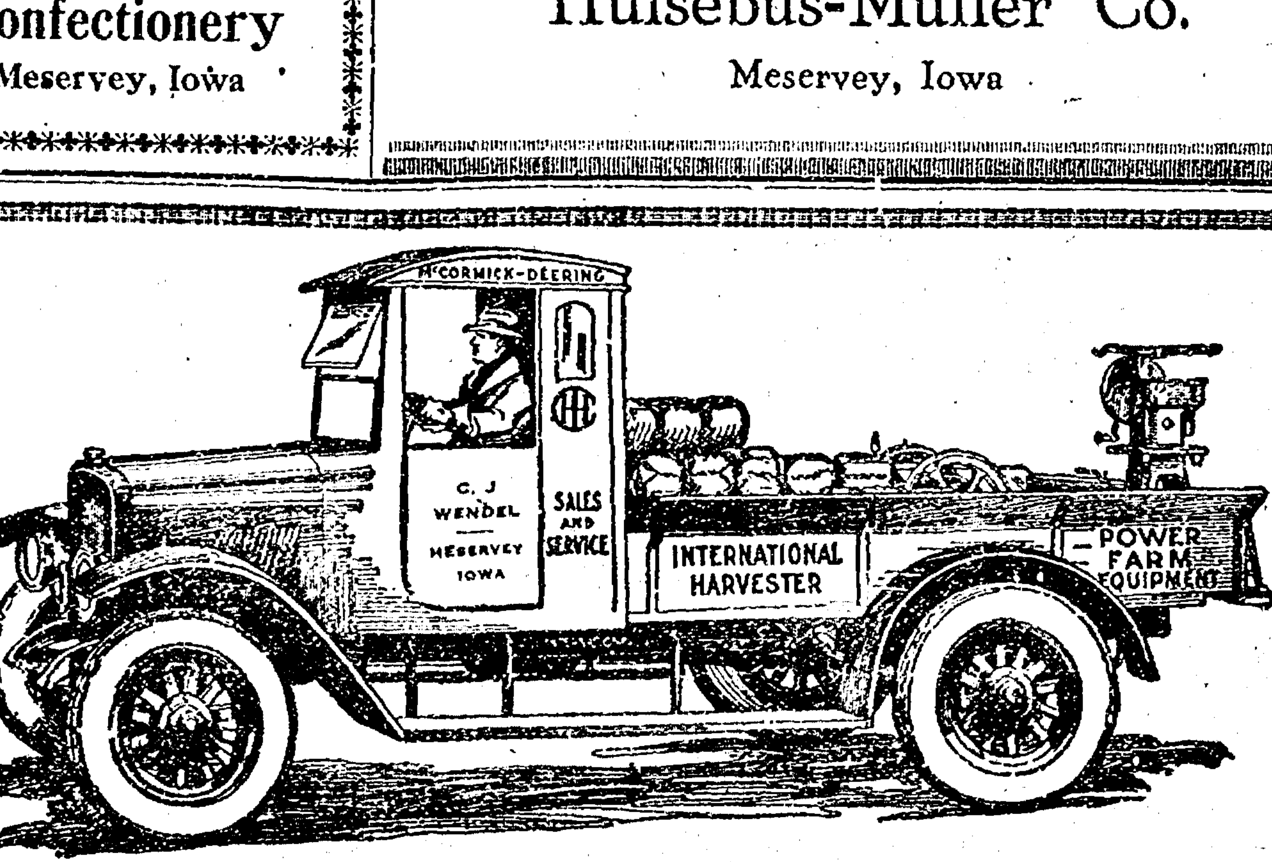

We have Standard twine at 11c per lb. until July 1st; after that 12c.
Let us supply you with your needs.
C. J. Wendel

Four sisters, Nina, Freda, Elanor and Alice Falk, residing on a farm in Page county, recently shipped two cars of fat steers to the Omaha market. The girls did all the feeding, starting the cattle on alfalfa and corn in January. The animals took on a pound and a half of flesh each day. All four of the sisters went to Omaha with the shipment as they were all anxious to learn all they could about the qualities of stuff wanted by the buyers. "We have a hired man or two to help us in the fields in the busy season," said Miss Freda recently in discussing their work on the farm.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at the usual hours.

The Reformed Aid society met on Monday afternoon at the hour of 2 in the church basement. A goodly number were present. officers were elected for the following year, and refreshments served by Mrs. H. H. Meinderts.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:15
Services at 10:15
Young people's meeting at 7:15
Services (English) at 8:00
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Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Agnes Stoffer spent several days last week visiting with relatives at Belmond.

The Misses Grace and Bertha Gartz of Palsville visited with friends at Alexander last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens were business callers at Belmond on last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hardy and two children of Hampton visited at the home of relatives in this vicinity several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stadtlander rejoce over a fine baby girl born last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Arnold and two children, Mrs. Maude Arnold and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hanna and three children of Britt spent the day Sunday at the Miss May Hall and Lloyd Green homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and baby and Miss Susie Schulte visited with relatives and friends at Chapin last Sunday.

Mrs. Lyle Hall, who has been seriously ill for the past week or two, is reported better at this writing.

Geo. S. Yaw of Iowa Falls was transacting business here several days last week.

Mrs. Leslie Born and Mrs. W. P. Aldinger and children were Mason City callers Wednesday.

Ray Isenberger and family of Latimer were callers in town last week Wednesday evening.

Mrs. John Murphy and daughter Bernadine visited with her people at Aredale a few days the past week.

Miss Gertrude Beringhausen ot Eldora came Sunday for a visit with friends at this place.

John Arends and sons Leonard and Jesse were callers at Belmond last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Penning of Ackley were Sunday visitors at the Bohlen homes.

Oscar Hensel and family spent the first of the week with relatives at Webster City.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and little daughter June visited with relatives at Belmond, Sunday.

R. L. Carlock left Monday on a trip to Fargo, North Dakota.

Ben Arends and Oscar Hensel attended to business matters at Goodell last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn of Belmond visited with their daughter, Mrs. Leslie Reed, on Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Kausian of Ackley visited with relatives at Alexander the first of the week

The Ceemetery society will meet at the home of Mrs. Ray Richards next Thursday afternoon July 13th. Hostesses for this meeting are the Mesedames Ray Richards, Lloyd Green and Lyle Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder of Hampton were Sundav visitors with relatives at this place.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer of Sheffield visited with friends here on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Roeds and two daughters of Latimer were Sunday visitors at the Frank Bohlen home.

On Tuesday, July 11, the Dorcas society will mee at the home of Mrs. W. A. Wilkinson at Belmond.

SIGNBOARD IS BASIS $5,000 DAMAGE SUIT

News: The Eagle Grove store, which bought a prominent display signboard on the main street of Clarion, only to have the Fort Dodge Poster Co. remove the sign when it was seen the sign in the location it had was poor business for the company, is now suing the Fort Dodge concern for $5,000 damages, alleged to be due as a result of the violation of the contract.

We understand that the store claims that it contracted for the sign, with ten or twelve others ot similar size, for a period of three years. This sign in Clarion especially was one specified in the contract. The store alleges its removal will damage its business.

For this breach of contract the owners of the stre are asking damages in the sum of $5,000.

The outcome of this suit, which Frank Wixom, of Eagle Grove informs us, has actually been filed in district court at Fort Dodge, will be awaited with interest.

CLARION MAY HAVE KU KLUX KLAN

News: The time is not far distant when Clarion will possibly be represented among the cities of the land where a local branch of the Ku Klux Klan will be organized. Iowa has a head kleagle, or goblin, or whatever it is, that is expected to organize the state. The best thot of individual should be given to the subject before joining the Klan. It is not as bad as some men claim. Men, ministers of the gospel and attorneys, business men, leaders in public life, say it is not antagonistic to color or creed, but it does demand fair play for things American and Americanism. Much is done contrary to law which is laid at the door of the Klan. The average man in this locality knows little of it. He has read much of surmise and alleged disclosure, but the actual workings of the Klan are not a matter of public record. A Klan is said to have been recently rganized in the writer's d me town. A minister of the Methodist church in a sermon as late as Sunday, a week ago, publicly praised the Klan and prayed for divine blessing on its membership and aims. This would not indicate that it was a lawless organization. The organizer for that territory stated that the Klan was doing much good for the younger people. Members patrolled the roads around the larger cities, watching cars which contained young people who were promiscuously spooning. Parents were notified of the danger the young folks were facing and the Klans claim that the young people will be safeguareded through its activities. The Klan is against an influx of foreigners to this country. Many people can commend this stand. That the Klan is having a tremendou growth is admitted by those who most strongly oppose it. It is only a question of time until it will reach this section and when it does people should make certain that they know what their aims are, and what it offers. It is dmittedly not the ordinary secret society founded on fraternalism. It's purpose is more than fraternalism.

IT'S COMING!

"Well, the big day is gettin' pretty near," remarked Fred Middleage as he sat in the club reading the newspaper.

"How-so?" asked Mr. Oldone, adding, "Which day do you mean?"

"Why circus day, of course," replied the former.

"Oh, yes, that's right. That big one—what's its name—"

"Hagenbeck-Wallace—"

"Yes. It's due in Hampton Wednesday July 12. Wonder where it will show?"

"Why at the Fair Grounds, according to the paper,"

Charley Oldone sat meditating for a second or so. Then turning to Fred, remarked, "You know, Fred, there's nothing like circus day to bring back happy recollections. We old ones don't like to admit we crave for the show. It seems childish, but, dog-gone it, to be truthful, we have to say we do. What is there like the smell of that saw-dust and that atmosphere to bring back our boyhood days? It certainly is a season which does us good. Remember that day back in the old town we skipped school and carted water to the elephants, just for a ticket? That would be real work for us today, but then—yeh, then—it was the greatest thing in our lives—it certainly was. Remember, it was the first circus we ever saw. And remember how you fell in love with that wire-walker. Ha—ha—she was a pipen, at that. I suppose you will tke in this one?"

"I'll never niss it."

"Same here."

What a lot of truth there is in that conversation. Circus day surely does bring back many fond recollections to the grown-ups and is something long to be remembered by the kiddies.

But Mr. Middleage or Mr. Oldone never had the opportunity to see such a marvelous exhibition in their younger days as is promised by the majestic Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus this season. Nothing has been left undone, according to the management in surpassing their exhibitions of former years. It surely will be a glad day for many.—Advt.

A lady from Monona drove her car into a light pole in front of the Garner Trust & Savings Bank Saturday evening, breaking the globe and damaging her car several dollars worth. She paid the damage to the pole as well as her own repair bill. She was an experienced driver but her brakes refused to work properly. —Signal.

No wonder alarm clocks are going back to pre-war prices. The children come home now just in time to wake up the old folks.

Work is the meat of life; pleasure the desert. Too much dessert is bad for the stomach.

BOY IS INJURED IN BAD EXPLOSION SUNDAY

Just because 16 year old John, son of Mrs. E. Teder of Britt, wanted to hear a dynamite cap make a lot of noise Sunday afternoon may now mean the loss of one eye. The lad tried to explode the cap by hitting it with a rock. John in company with some other boys found the cap which had been bought last spring with dynamite for blasting rocks on the farm. John placed the cap on a rock and then hit it with another rock and the terrific explosion blew up fragments of rock which struck him in the face, a piece of rock lodging in his right eye and he also received other wounds in the face and about the body. He was rushed to a Mason City hospital to have the injured eye tended to but it is very doubtful if the eye can be saved.—Klemme Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jacobs, of Garner, accompanied by their daghter, Mrs. C. J. Papousek, of Belmond, visited at the Ed. Jacobs home here Saturday evening.—Klemme Times.

BOOTLEGGERS PREYING ON YOUNG FOLKS

A well know Clarion man, whose business is to keep in touch with law enforcement, was at Cornelia Friday night of last week and came home pretty well imbued with the idea that if the general run of people knew what the bootleggers were doing out in that vicinity, there would be something a-popping. The victims of the bootleggers, who are about as ornery a bunch as you can find anywhere, are not exactly grown-up men, who should have sense enough to take care of themselves, but are mostly young men in their teens. Friday night this man hung around Cornelia and was unable even to wobble. They were some of these mere boys dead drunk, pretty well dead to the world.

The dance was being properly conducted, and no one who was under the influence of liquor was inside the dance pavilion. We do not wish to be misunderstood, for the dance cannot be blamed for the drinking."

This man, describing his visit Friday night, said: "When I got out of the car Friday night the smell of liquor was as plain as in the old-time saloon. I could see the boys who had all they could handle. A car, with a Hardin county number, was pointed out by one of the boys as the car whose occupants had sold him some of the booze. The price was $2 per pint.

The bootleggers do not actually take the liquor in their cars. They generally hide it out and spread the word that it can be had. Then the buyer and seller fade away and it's a pretty hard matter to locate them.

Conditions are said to be worse than any time in Iowa's history. You can buy booze in any quantity in Mason City and Fort Dodge "leggers" sell the stuff in wholesale lots.

The same man who visited Cornelia Friday night was in Council Bluffs and Omaha a short time ago. There, he says, conditions are worse than here. Negroes, who, a year or so ago were depending on charity turned to bootlegging and are now riding in expensive motor cars. The profits are enormous. And if you will read the court proceedings you will generally find that the penalty for selling is a fine, which can be made back in a week's selling.

Ivor Iverson, federal prohibition officer for the Fort Dodge territory, recently told the News that while the traffic was enormous, it was hard to get the co-operation from the public. Most folks know it is being sold, but do not want to become involved in the prosecution or arrest of leggers. Tuesday a raid in the vicinity of Carrol unearthed $50,000 of the illicit booze. Iverson and a state agent staged the raid. They got big stills and little stills, operating full blast.

In the old days of the saloon you would see men of mature ages drunk. Now the men seem to leave it alone, but the young men and boys are getting drunk. Unless conditions change, it is very likely the sentiment for licensed beer and wines will force a change in the present prohibitory.—News.

NO HARD TIMES

Algona Advance: Spencer had a big Ford day week before last, and A. H. Avery, who used to conduct Algona's Independent chautauqua was the speaker of the day. A synopsis of Mr. Avery's remarks follows:

My fellow poverty-stricken citizens of Iowa: As I look into your faces, with your sunken eyes and hollowed cheeks, living in this garden spot of the world, I wonder what ails us. Here in Iowa we have automobiles enough to make a procession 25,000 miles long, and we can load every man, woman and child in the state for one great joy ride, and still have enough left to reach from Spencer to Chicago. And yet to hear the people bellyaching you would think we were just two jumps ahead of the sheriff. What ails us?

We have just emerged from the greatest war the world has ever known which cost the people of the world 40 billions of dollars. We can't comprehend that sum. If old Noah, born 7,000 years ago, had started counting the minute he was born at the rate of 100 dollars a minute, working eight hours a day, 300 days a year, he'd still have to live 3,000 years to count it out.

Hard Times? Ask Adam, Eve

The other night I sat down to a meal here in Iowa that King Soloman in all his glory never ate. He didn't know what corn or Irish potatoes were for. They didn't have them until America was discovered. He didn't have the kind of bread that I had—and yet we think that we're having hard times! I can remember as a boy out on the farm when, many a time I sat down to fried pumpkin and molasses. I wonder if any of you men, women and children have sat down to a meal like that since the war.

Hard times! Ask some of these old grayheads what hard times are. What did Adam and Eve have in the Garden of Eden to what we have? They never had a telephone, a moving picture show, an automobile—they never even enjoyed a ride in a Ford.

Luxuries Cost Fortune

If we had all the money we have spent in Iowa since January, 1920, for automobiles, and two hundred million squandered for blue sky, we'd be quite comfortable, thank you. Our desires have changed since the days of Adam and Eve. We have bought a lot of things we didn't have to have, and we have gone into debt at high war prices. Now we are paying and we are having a hard time.

Everything in this world came into existance to satisfy some human desire. I can remember when there were livery stables in every town. They satisfied the human desire. Now I don't know where there is one. Why? Because they have ceased to satisfy human desire and all things failing to satisfy human desire cease to exist.

Defends School Expense

I cannot let this opportunity pass without entering a protest against the propaganda going around against the school taxes. Why, they say, Spencer spent $75,000 last year for her schools! That is just $75 for each boy and girl who was in school. But what can you hire a maid for? Then figure what a small cost the schools were. For nine months 1,000 boys and girls were educated at a cost of only $75 per head.

When I can't pay my school taxes I'll sell my Ford, and pay that into the taxes to educate the boys and girls. I'll go without gasoline and oil, and the accessories that go with it. When you hear someone yelling about the cst of education, ask him how much he is paying to run an automobile. That which is spent in education is stored up, preserved, safeguarded for the future maintenance of our nation. That which is spent for automobiles is gone.

No Collections For Iowa

I haven't heard yet of any collections being taken in Russia, Mexico, or any other place to help the starving people of Northwest Iowa. The farmer of Northwest Iowa, that garden spot of the world, who sticks to the farm for the next ten years and limits some what the purchases of things for which he can't pay, will be on easy street.

Some years ago I prohesied, in one of my speeches in the opera house that Clay county land would sell for $500 an acre. The farmers and other friends joshed me about it but we all know it went above that mark. I want to prophesy now that in ten years more we will again for $500 an acre right here in Clay County.

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

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We are still here selling more goods than ever. This week we are selling 1 gallon cans of fruit—just the thing for haying and harvesting, and cheaper than you can can them. Peaches, Apricots, Pineapples and Logan berries. They are good.

Do you know all woolen goods are higher—also cotton goods. The mills have shut down, waiting for prices to stabilize. You know that means higher prices. We are not going to raise while our present stock lasts, but you better hurry and get in as it is going to raise.

Remember hogs went to $11 last week. (We don't eat meat at our home.) but shoes are one-half times lower than two years ago. Come in and see these patent leather Oxfords and canvas slippers—just the thing for hot weather.

We pay higest prices for all produce—cash or trade.

Don't forget Opal coffee, 3 lbs for $1. A good standard corn at 95c per dozen cans. All kinds of fruit. FRESH CHERRIES THIS WEEK.

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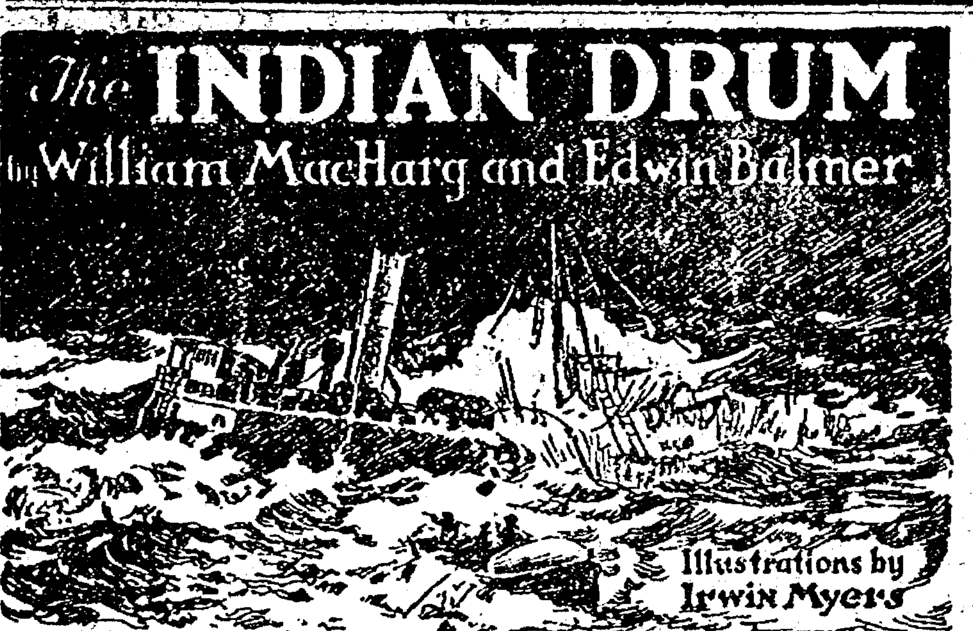

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

CHAPTER IX.—Conrad recovers, and the affair remains a mystery.

CHAPTER X.—Alan learns from Wassaquam that it was Corvet's habit to keep the sum of $1,000 in the house, apparently to meet the demands of a certain "Luke," who appeared periodically. In the absence of Wassaquam, "Luke" comes to the house demanding to see Corvet. He is evidently in a dying condition, due to alcohol and exposure. Conrad tries without avail to get him to explain his connection with Corvet. The man dies. Wassaquam gives Conrad a paper on which is a list of names.

CHAPTER XI.—From the document Alan thinks he may have a clue to the mystery surrounding Corvet's life and disappearance. He leaves Chicago to visit Lake Michigan ports in search of the persons whose names were on the list.

CHAPTER XII.—Constance receives a package wrapped in a muffler which she recognizes Corvet was wearing on the day he went away. It contains a few coins, a watch, and woman's wedding ring. She believes them to have been the property of Corvet, and accepts them as a proof of his death. Spearman urges Constance to marry him. She consents, but refuses his demand for an immediate ceremony.

He had found that no one of the persons whom he saw had known Benjamin Corvet personally; many of them did not know him at all, the others knew him only as a name. But, when Alan proceeded, always there was one connotation with each of the original names; always one circumstance bound all together. When he had established that circumstance as influencing the fortunes of the first two on his lists, he had said to himself, as the blood pricked queerly under the skin, that the fact might be a mere coincidence. When he established it also as affecting the fate of the third and of the fourth and of the fifth, such explanation no longer sufficed; and he found it in common to all fourteen, sometimes as the deciding factor of their fate, sometimes as only slightly affecting them, but always it was there.

In how many different ways, in what strange, diverse manifestations that single circumstance had spread to these people whom Alan had interviewed! No two of them had been affected alike, he reckoned, as he went over his notes of them. Now he was going to trace those consequences to another. To what sort of place would it bring him today and what would he find there? He knew only that it would be quite distinct from the rest.

The driver turned aside from the road across a cleared field where ruts showed the passing of many previous vehicles; crossing this, they entered the woods. Little fires for cooking burned all about them, and nearer were parked an immense number of farm wagons and buggies, with horses unharnessed and munching grain. Alan's guide found a place among these for his automobile, and they got out and went forward on foot. All about them, seated upon the moss or walking about, were Indians, family groups among which children played.

Alan saw among these looking on, the bright dresses and sport coats of summer visitors who had come to watch. The figure of a girl among these caught his attention, and he started; then swiftly he told himself that it was only his thinking of Constance Sherrill that made him believe this was she. But now she had seen him; she paled, then as quickly flushed, and leaving the group she had been with, came toward him.

He had no choice now whether he would avoid her or not; and his happiness at seeing her held him stupid, watching her. Her eyes were very bright and with something more than friendly greeting; there was happiness in them too. His throat shut together as he recognized this, and his hand closed warmly over the small, trembling hand which she put out to him. All his conscious thought was lost for the moment in the mere realization of her presence; he stood, holding her hand, oblivious that there were people looking; she too seemed careless of that. Then she whitened again and withdrew her hand; she seemed slightly confused. He was confused as well; it was not like this that he had meant to greet her; he caught himself together.

Cap in hand, he stood beside her, trying to look and to feel as any ordinary acquaintance of hers would have looked.

CHAPTER XIII.

The Owner of the Watch.

"So they got word to you!" Constance exclaimed; she seemed still confused. "Oh, no—of course they couldn't have done that! They've hardly got my letter yet."

"Your letter?" Alan asked.

"I wrote to Blue Rapids," she explained. "Some things came—they were sent to me. Some things of Uncle Benny's which were meant for you instead of me."

"You mean you've heard from him?"

"No—not that."

"What things, Miss Sherrill?"

"A watch of his and some coins and —a ring." She did not explain the significance of those things, and he could not tell from her mere enumeration of them and without seeing them that they furnished proof that his father was dead. She could not inform him of that, she felt, just here and now.

"I'll tell you about that later. You—you were coming to Harbor Point to see us?"

He colored. "I'm afraid not. I got as near as this to you because there is a man—an Indian—I have to see."

"An Indian! What is his name? You see, I know quite a lot of them."

"Jo Papo."

She shook her head. "No; I don't know him."

She found a spot where the moss was covered with dry pine needles and sat down upon the ground.

"Sit down," she invited; "I want you to tell me what you have been doing."

"I've been on the boats." He dropped down upon the moss beside her. "Until yesterday I was a not very highly honored member of the crew of the package freighter Oscoda; I left her at Frankfort and came up here."

"Is Wassaquam with you?"

"He wasn't on the Oscoda; but he was with me at first. Now, I believe, he has gone back to his own people—to Middle Village."

"You mean you've been looking for Mr. Corvet in that way?"

"Not exactly that." He hesitated; but he could see no reason for not telling what he had been doing. He had not so much hidden from her and her father what he had found in Benjamin Corvet's house; rather, he had refrained from mentioning it in his notes to them when he left Chicago because he had thought that the lists would lead to an immediate explanation; they had not led to that, but only to a suggestion, indefinite yet. He had known that, if his search finally developed nothing more than it had, he must at last consult Sherrill and get Sherrill's aid.

"We found some writing, Miss Sherrill," he said, "in the house on Astor street that night after Luke came."

"What writing?"

He took the lists from his pocket and showed them to her. She separated and looked through the sheets and read the names written in the same hand that had written the directions upon the slip of paper that came to her four days before, with the things from Uncle Benny's pockets.

"My father had kept these very secretly," he explained. "He had them hidden. Wassaquam knew where they were, and that night after Luke was dead and you had gone home, he gave them to me."

"After I had gone home? Henry went back to see you that night; he had said he was going back, and afterward I asked him, and he told me he had seen you again. Did you show him these?"

"He saw them—yes."

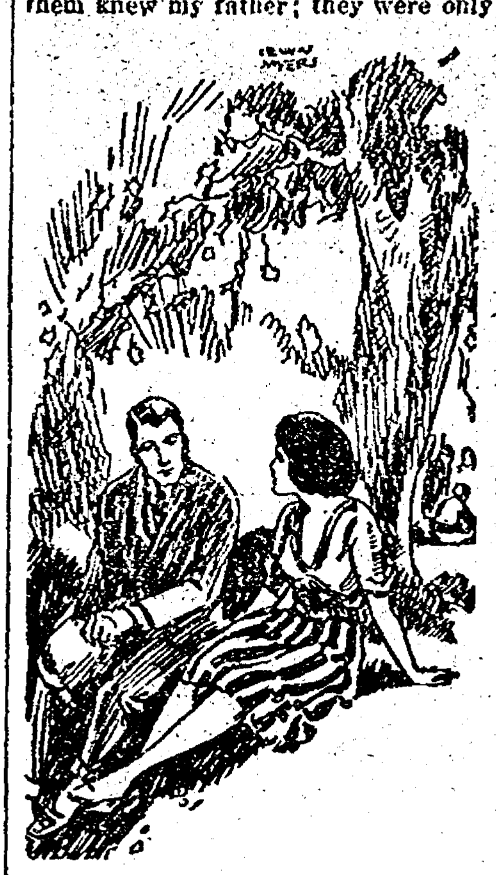
"He was there when Wassaquam showed you where they were?"

"Yes."

A little line deepened between her brows, and she sat thoughtful.

"So you have been going about seeing these people," she said. "What have you found out?"

"Nothing definite at all. None of them knew my father; they were only



"Nothing Definite At All. None of Them Knew My Father."

amazed to find that anyone in Chicago had known their names."

In her feeling for him, she had laid her hand upon his arm; now her fingers tightened to sudden tenseness. "What do you mean?" she asked.

"Oh, it is not definite yet—not clear!" She felt the bitterness in his tone. "They have not any of them been able to make it wholly clear to me. It is like a record that has been—blurred. These original names must have been written down by my father many years ago—many, most of those people, I think—are dead; some are nearly forgotten. The only thing that is fully plain is that in every case my inquiries have led me to those who have lost one, and sometimes more than one relative upon the lakes."

Constance thrilled to a vague horror; it was not anything to which she could give definite reason. His tone quite as much as what he said was its cause. His experience plainly had been forcing him to bitterness against his father; and he did not know with certainty yet that his father was dead.

"You'll lunch with us, of course," she said to Alan, "and then go back with us to Harbor Point. It's a day's journey around the two bays; but we've a boat here."

He assented, and they went down to the water where the white and brown power yacht, with long, graceful lines, lay somnolently in the sunlight. A little boat took them out over the shimmering, smooth surface to the ship; swells from a faraway freighter swept under the beautiful, burnished craft, causing it to roll lazily as they boarded it. A party of nearly a dozen men and girls with an older woman chaperoning them, lounged under the shade of an awning over the after deck. They greeted her gaily and looked curiously at Alan as she introduced him.

"Have you worked on any of our boats?" she asked him, after luncheon had been finished, and the anchor of the ship had been raised.

A queer expression came upon his face. "I've thought it best not to do that, Miss Sherrill," he replied.

She did not know why the next moment she should think of Henry.

The yacht was pushing swiftly, smoothly, with hardly a hum from its motors, north along the shore. He watched intently the rolling, wooded hills and the ragged little bays and inlets. His work and his investigatings had not brought him to the neighborhood before, but she found that she did not have to name the places to him; he knew them from the charts.

"Grand Traverse light," he said to her as a white tower showed upon their left. Then, leaving the shore, they pushed out across the wide mouth of the larger bay toward Little Traverse. He grew more silent as they approached it.

"It is up there, isn't it," he asked, pointing, "that they hear the Drum?"

"Yes; how did you know the place?"

"I don't know it exactly; I want you to show me."

She pointed out to him the copse, dark, primeval, blue in its contrast with the lighter green of the trees about it and the glistening white of the shingle and of the more distant sand bluffs. He leaned forward, staring at it, until the changed course of the yacht, as it swung about toward the entrance to the bay, obscured it.

"Seeing the ships made me feel that I belonged here on the lakes," he reminded her. "I have felt something—not recognition exactly, but something that was like the beginning of recognition—many times this summer when I saw certain places. It's like one of those dreams, you know, in which you are conscious of having had the same dream before. I feel that I ought to know this place."

They landed only a few hundred yards from the cottage. After bidding good-by to her friends, they went up to it together through the trees. There was a small sun room, rather shut off from the rest of the house, to which she led him. Leaving him there, she ran upstairs to get the things.

She halted an instant beside the door, with the box in her hands, before she went back to him, thinking how to prepare him against the significance of these relics of his father. She need not prepare him against the mere fact of his father's death; he had been beginning to believe that already; but these things must have far more meaning for him than merely that. She went in and put the box down upon the card table.

"The muffler in the box was your father's," she told him. "He had it on the day he disappeared. The other things," her voice choked a little, "are the things he must have had in his pockets. They've been lying in water and sand—"

He gazed at her. "I understand," he said after an instant. "You mean that they prove his death."

She assented gently, without speaking. As he approached the box, she drew back from it and slipped away into the next room. She walked up and down there, pressing her hands together. He must be looking at the things now, unrolling the muffler. . . . What would he be feeling as he saw them? Would he be glad, with that same gladness which had mingled with her own sorrow over Uncle Benny, that his father was gone—gone from his guilt and his fear and his disgrace? Or would he resent that death which thus left everything unexplained to him? He would be looking at the ring. That, at least, must bring more joy than grief to him. He would recognize that it must be his mother's wedding ring; if it told him that his mother must be dead, it would tell him that she had been married, or had believed that she was married!

Suddenly she heard him calling her. "Miss Sherrill!" his voice had a sharp thrill of excitement.

She hurried toward the sun room. She could see him through the doorway, bending over the card table with the things spread out upon its top in front of him.

"Yes."

He straightened; he was very pale. "Would coins that my father had in his pocket all have been more than twenty years old?"

She ran and bent beside him over the coins. "Twenty years!" she repeated. She was making out the dates of the coins now herself; the markings were eroded, nearly gone in some instances, but in every case enough remained to make plain the date. "Eighteen-ninety — 1894 — 1889," she made them out. Her voice hushed queerly. "What does it mean?" she whispered.

He turned over and re-examined the articles with hands suddenly steadying. "There are two sets of things here," he concluded. "The muffler and paper of directions—they belonged to my father. The other things—it isn't six months or less than six months that they've lain in sand and water to become worn like this; it's twenty years. My father can't have had these things; they were somewhere else, or some one else had them. He wrote his directions to that person—after June twelfth, he said, so it was before June twelfth he wrote it; but we can't tell how long before. It might have been in February, when he disappeared; it might have been any time after that. But if the directions were written so long ago, why weren't the things sent to you before this? Didn't the person have the things then? Did we have to wait to get them? Or—was it the instructions to send them that he didn't have? Or, if he had the instructions, was he waiting to receive word when they were to be sent? You thought these things proved my father was dead. I think they prove he is alive! Oh, we must think this out!"

He paced up and down the room; she sank into a chair, watching him. "The first thing that we must do," he said suddenly, "is to find out about the watch. What is the 'phone number of the telegraph office?"

She told him, and he went out to the telephone; she sprang up to follow him, but checked herself and merely waited until he came back.

"I've wired to Buffalo," he announced. "The Merchants' exchange, if it is still in existence, must have a record of the presentation of the watch."

"Then you'll stay here with us until an answer comes?"

"If we get a reply by tomorrow morning; I'll wait till then. If not, I'll ask you to forward it to me. I must see about the trains and get back to Frankfort. I can cross by boat from there to Manitowoc—that will be quickest. We must begin there, by trying to find out who sent the package."

She helped him put the muffler and the other articles into the box; she noticed that the wedding ring was no longer with them. He had taken that, then; it had meant to him all that she had known it must mean. . . .

In the morning she was up very early; but Alan, the servants told her, had risen before she had and had gone out. The morning, after the cool northern night, was chill. She slipped a sweater on and went out on the veranda, looking about for him. An iridescent haze shrouded the hills and the bay; in it she heard a ship's bell strike twice; then another struck twice—then another—and another—and another. The haze thinned as the sun grew warmer, showing the placid water of the bay on which the ships stood double. She saw Alan returning, and knowing from the direction from which he came that he must have been to the telegraph office, she ran to meet him.

"Was there an answer?" she inquired eagerly.

He took a yellow telegraph sheet from his pocket and held it for her to read.

"Watch presented Captain Caleb Stafford, master of propeller freighter Marvin Halch for rescue of crew and passengers of sinking steamer Winnebago off Long point, Lake Erie."

She was breathing quickly in her excitement. "Caleb Stafford!" she exclaimed. "Why, that was Captain Stafford of Stafford and Ramsdell! They owned the Miwaka!"

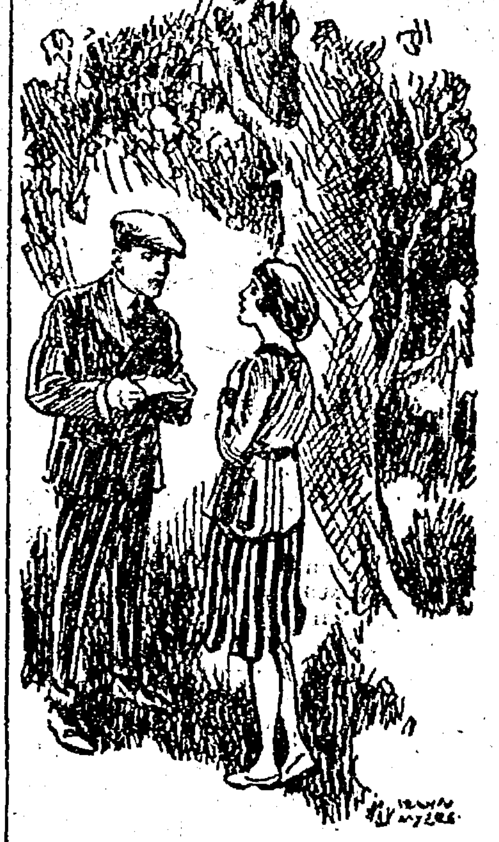
"Yes," Alan said.

A great change had come over him since last night; he was under emotion so strong that he seemed scarcely to dare speak lest it master him—a leaping, exultant impulse it was, which he fought to keep down.

"What is it, Alan?" she asked. "What is it about the Miwaka? You said you'd found some reference to it in Uncle Benny's house. What was it? What did you find there?"

"The man—" Alan swallowed and steadied himself and repeated—"the man I met in the house that night mentioned it. He seemed to think I was a ghost that had haunted Mr. Corvet—the ghost from the Miwaka; at least he shouted out to me that I couldn't save the Miwaka!"

"Save the Miwaka! What do you mean, Alan? The Miwaka was lost with



"Save the Miwaka! What Do You Mean, Alan?"

all her people—officers and crew—no one knows how or where!"

"All except the one for whom the Drum didn't beat!"

"What's that?" Blood pricked in her cheeks. "What do you mean, Alan?"

"I don't know yet; but I think I'll soon find out."

"No; you can tell me more now, Alan. Surely you can. I must know. I have the right to know. Yesterday, even before you found out about this, you knew things you weren't telling me—things about the people you'd been seeing. They'd all lost people on the lakes, you said; but you found out more than that."

"They'd all lost people on the Miwaka!" he said. "All who could tell me where their people were lost; a few were like Jo Papo we saw yesterday, who knew only the year his father was lost; but the time always was the time that the Miwaka disappeared!"

"Disappeared!" she repeated. Her veins were pricking cold. What did he know, what could any one know of the Miwaka, the ship of which nothing ever was heard except the beating of the Indian Drum? She tried to make him say more; but he looked away now down to the lake.

"The Chippewa must have come in early this morning," he said. "She's lying in the harbor; I saw her on my way to the telegraph office. If Mr. Spearman has come back with her, tell him I'm sorry I can't wait to see him."

"When are you going?"

"Now."

She offered to drive him to Petoskey, but he already had arranged for a man to take him to the train.

She went to her room after he was gone and spread out again on her bed the watch—now the watch of Captain Stafford of the Miwaka—with the knife and coins of more than twenty years ago which came with it. The meaning of them now was all changed; she felt that; but what the new meaning might be could not yet come to her. Something of it had come to Alan; that, undoubtedly, was what had so greatly stirred him; but she could not yet reassemble her ideas. Yet a few facts had become plain.

A maid came to say that Mr. Spearman had come up from his boat for breakfast with her and was downstairs. She went down to find Henry lounging in one of the great wicker chairs in the living room. He arose and came toward her quickly; but she halted before he could seize her.

"What's wrong, dear?"

"Alan Conrad has been here, Henry."

"He has? How was that?"

She told him while he watched her intently. "He wired to Buffalo about the watch. He got a reply which he brought to me half an hour ago."

"Yes?"

"The watch belonged to Captain Stafford who was lost with the Miwaka, Henry."

He made no reply; but waited.

"You may not have known that it was his; I mean, you may not have known that it was he who rescued the people of the Winnebago, but you must have known that Uncle Benny didn't."

"Yes; I knew that, Connie," he answered evenly.

"Then why did you let me think the watch was his and that he must be—dead?"

"That's all's the matter? You had thought he was dead. I believed it was better for you—for every one—to believe that."

She drew a little away from him, with hands clasped behind her back, gazing intently at him. "There was some writing found in Uncle Benny's house in Astor street—a list of names of relatives of people who had lost their lives upon the lake. Wassaquam knew where those things were. Alan says they were given to him in your presence. Why didn't you tell me about that?"

He straightened as if with anger. "Why should I? Because he thought that I should? What did he tell you about those lists?"

"Nothing—except that his father had kept them very secretly; but he's found out they were names of people who had relatives on the Miwaka!"

"What?"

Recalling how her blood had run when Alan had told her that, Henry's whiteness and the following suffusion of his face did not surprise her.

"I told that fellow long ago not to start stirring these matters up about Ben Corvet, and particularly I told him that he was not to bring any of it to you. It's not—a thing that a man like Ben covered up for twenty years till it drove him crazy is sure not to be a thing for a girl to know. Let it alone, I tell you."

She stood flushed and perplexed, gazing at him. She never had seen him under stronger emotion.

"You misunderstood me once, Connie!" he appealed. "You'll understand me now!"

She had been thinking about that injustice she had done him in her thought—about his chivalry to his partner and former benefactor, when Uncle Benny was still keeping his place among men. Was Henry now moved, in a way which she could not understand, by some other obligation to the man who long ago had aided him? Had Henry hazarded more than he had told her of the nature of the thing hidden which, if she could guess it, would justify what he said?

She had made Alan promise to write her, if he was not to return, regarding what he learned; and a letter came to her on the fourth day from him in Manitowoc. The post office employees had no recollection, he said, of the person who had mailed the package; it simply had been dropped by some one into the receptacle for mailing packages of that sort. Alan, however, was continuing his inquiries.

She wrote to him in reply; in lack of anything more important to tell him, she related some of her activities and inquired about his. After she had written him thus twice, he replied, describing his life on the boats pleasantly and humorously; then, though she immediately replied, she did not hear from him again.

A new idea had seized Constance. Captain Caleb Stafford was named among the lost, of course; with him had perished his son, a boy of three. That was all that was said, and all that was to be learned of him, the boy.

Alan had been three then. This was wild, crazy speculation. The ship was lost with all hands; only the Drum, believed in by the superstitious and the most ignorant, denied that. The Drum said that one soul had been saved. How could a child of three have been saved when strong men, to the last one, had perished? And, if he had been saved, he was Stafford's son. Why should Uncle Benny have sent him away and cared for him and then sent for him and, himself disappearing, leave all he had to—Stafford's son?

Or was he Stafford's son? Her thought went back to the things which had been sent—the things from a man's pockets with a wedding ring among them. She had believed that the ring cleared the mother's name; might it in reality only more involve it? Why had it come back like this to the man by whom, perhaps, it had been given? Henry's words came again and again to Constance: "It's a queer concern you've got for Ben. Leave it alone, I tell you!" He knew then something about Uncle Benny which might have brought on some terrible thing which Henry did not know but might guess? Constance went weak within. Uncle Benny's wife had left him, she remembered. Was it better, after all, to "leave it alone?"

A telegraph envelope addressed to her father was on the table in the hall. A servant told her the message had come an hour before, and that he had telephoned to Mr. Sherrill's office, but Mr. Sherrill was not in. There was no reason for her thinking that the message might be from Alan except his presence in her thoughts, but she went at once to the telephone and called her father. He was in now, and he directed her to open the message and read it to him.

"Have some one," she read aloud; she choked in her excitement at what came next—"Have some one who knew Mr. Corvet well enough to recognize him, even if greatly changed, meet Carferry Number 25 Manitowoc Wednesday this week. Alan Conrad."

Her heart was beating fast. "Are you there?" she said into the phone.

"Yes."

"Whom shall you send?"

There was an instant's silence. "I shall go myself," her father said.

She hung up the receiver. Had Alan found Uncle Benny? He had found, apparently, some one whose resemblance to the picture she had showed him was marked enough to make him believe that person might be Benjamin Corvet; or he had heard of some one who, from the account he had received, he thought might be. She read again the words of the telegram . . . "even if greatly changed," and she felt startling and terrifying warning in that phrase.

(Continued Next Week)

White Buys
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Belmond, Iowa

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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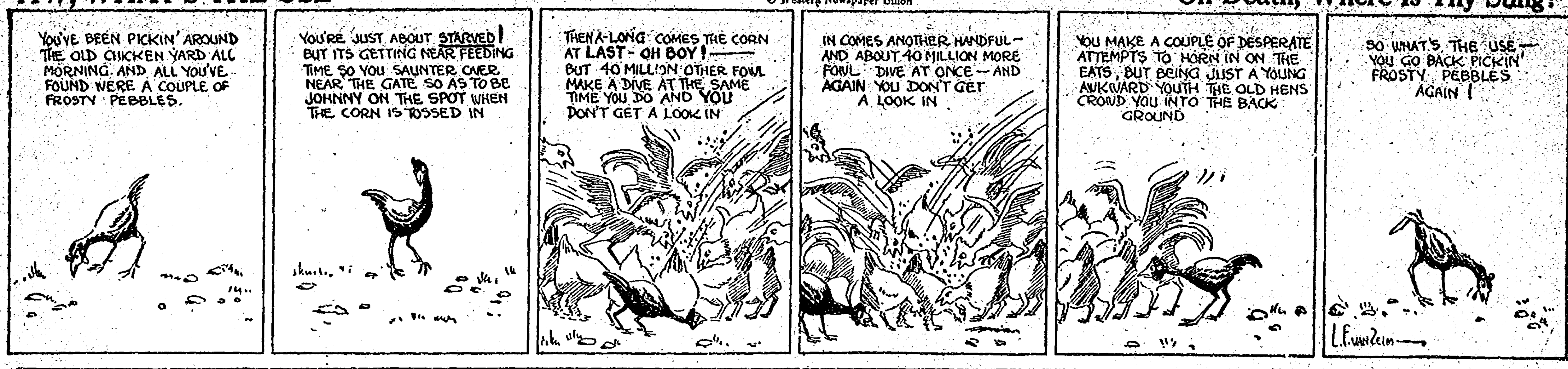
Oh Death, Where Is Thy Sting!


YOU'VE BEEN PICKIN' AROUND THE OLD CHICKEN YARD ALL MORNING AND ALL YOU'VE FOUND WERE A COUPLE OF FROSTY PEBBLES.
YOU'RE JUST ABOUT STARVED! BUT ITS GETTING NEAR FEEDING TIME SO YOU SAUNTER OVER NEAR THE GATE SO AS TO BE JOHNNY ON THE SPOT WHEN THE CORN IS TOSSED IN
THEN A-LONG COMES THE CORN AT LAST - OH BOY! —— BUT 40 MILLION OTHER FOWL MAKE A DIVE AT THE SAME TIME YOU DO AND YOU DON'T GET A LOOK IN
IN COMES ANOTHER HANDFUL - AND ABOUT 40 MILLION MORE FOWL DIVE AT ONCE — AND AGAIN YOU DON'T GET A LOOK IN
YOU MAKE A COUPLE OF DESPERATE ATTEMPTS TO HORN IN ON THE EATS, BUT BEING JUST A YOUNG AWKWARD YOUTH THE OLD HENS CROWD YOU INTO THE BACK GROUND
SO WHAT'S THE USE — YOU GO BACK PICKIN' FROSTY PEBBLES AGAIN!
L.F. VAN ZELM

Belmond Local News

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IT CAN BE DONE

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied
That maybe it couldn't, but he'd not be one
To say until he had tried—
So he buckled right in with a bit of a grin
On his face—if he worried he hid it
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed—"Oh, you'll never do that,
At least no one has ever done it."
But he took off his coat and took off his hat,
And the first thing we knew he'd begun it—
With a bit a of a grin and a lift of his chin,
Without any doubting or quitit,
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it can not be done,
There are thousands to prophesy failure—
There are thousands to point
The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Take off your coat and go to it—
Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing,
That can not be done, and you'll do it.
—Edgar A. Guest.

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Anybody got a set of rooms, in a modern house, which they will rent for light housekeeping purposes? We have an inquiry for same. If you have, notify the Independent what they are, and price.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Webb drove to Ottoson, Sunday, to visit their son Harry who is conducting a church at that place.

C. N. Hildebrand was a caller at Britt on Monday on matters of business.

Miss Jennie Stadtlander was a visitor last Friday with her sister, Mrs. Jake Meyers who resides at Titonka.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Boller have returned to Belmond, where Harvey is employed on the Dibble Transfer Line.

Gravel and sand for sale; gravel 50 cents a load, sand 75. Pit located 1 1-2 miles north of town on the old Wendell place.—A. J. Dorr. 332*

Some of the towns around are considering the plan of parking cars in the center of the street. This plan may have some advantages over the regular way but we don't know what they are.

Harry Wolle and Henry Luick spent a couple of days last week in Chicago and while there Harry purchased a Ford coupe. The two drove the car home, and they had many and varied adventures on the way. Ask Harry or Henry—or the cop at Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Moore and children left Monday to spend the Fourth with his parents in Lidderdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy and family spent Sunday at Hampton visiting with friends and relatives.

Clarence Hildebrand was a visitor at Allison on Sunday of this week with friends.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison returned last week Friday from the hospital at Rochester, where she had been for treatment. She is reported better and her many friends hope to again see her around soon.

A false alarm of fire was turned in Sunday when a small boy climbed an electrolier and pressed the button.

Ralph Christie reports the loss of some fine sheep, the exact number killed and wounded not being known as yet. Dogs are reported responsible for the damage.

The local delegates to the Republican County Convention went to the county seat last Saturday, where they went thru the form of confirming what the voters done.

Joe Scott and some friends enjoyed a fishing trip to the Minnesota lakes last week, and of course there were some wallopers caught—and got away. But anyway, they had a good time anyway and brought home a bunch of fine fish.

Dave Finn and Charley Jones suffered a slight accident Thursday of last week when the car they were driving skidded in some loose sand and went in the ditch. Neither of the men were injured much, having a few bruises and sprains. The accident occured just south of Kanawha.

Chas Hedges has resigned his position with the Dibble Dray & Transfer Line.

The Standard Bearers met last Monday evening with Miss Coetta Foster.

A farm house just east of Goodell burned to the ground Tuesday evening. The cause is unknown. We were unable to learn whose home it was. Local people driving home from the Klemme celebration witnessed the blaze, which occured around nine o'clock.

Chester White stock pigs, registered, weighing about 200 lbs. for sale. — A J Dorr, Belmond. 331*

Vet Luick is making his home for the summer with relatives at Clear Lake.

When you have some chickens to sell, sell them to Joe S. White. Phone 272.

W. C. Tyrrell, Sr., came last week for a visit at the home of his son W. C. Jr., and to greet old friends of his former home. It is planned as announced in the Independent last week, to hold a Park Day in honor of Mr. Tyrrell for his donation to the city of the 10-acre tract of timber now known as Tyrrell Park, this day to be held during his stay here.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

The next Farm Bureau social will be held at the Ed Jenison home Wednesday evening July 12.

Quite a number from here autoed to Klemme last Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mr. Albers. By many, Mr. Albers will be remembered as a Pleasant Township resident.

Mrs. Frank Barry was called to Britt last week by the death of a sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barkema and family were Sunday evening callers at the home of Adolph Meinders Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boelman and family were Sunday visitors at the E. Traeger home.

Hazel Hendrickson of Thompson who spent the past week with her friend Bertha Gartz, returned to her home last Friday.

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O. L. Varland, of the State Bank has been enjoying a short vacation, spent in Minnesota enjoying the fishing and the lakes.

This vicinity had a light rain last week Thursday night and Friday morning, which, while it didn't amount to much, helped out some. Every drop was worth a nickel, we believe, and we need about 40 million dollars worth more.

Leo Dunn of Clarion was a visitor with friends here on Sunday.

Miss Everall Thompson and Miss Mildred Hauge spent the week end with the latter's grandmother at Clarion.

Miss Oralee Brooks is spending a few days with her friend Mrs. Ross Farmer, near Clarion.

Miss Cora McNutt is visiting her grandmother at La Monte, Iowa, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Eckstrom of Ames were calling on friends here Friday of last week. They were enrout to Spirit Lake where they expect to spend a week. Mrs. Ecksrom is a sister of Arthur Nelson.

Bert Trumbel was in town the first of the week greeting old friends. He has been attending college in Des Moines the past year and was enroute to Klemme to visit his grand mother, Mrs. Brooks, and other relatives and to celebrate the Fourth.

The Belmond Township Farm Bureau will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Center school house on Thursday evening, July 5.

Mrs. Sam Foster and three children of Mason City spent the 4th of July dinner at the Joe Sprenzel home.

Prof. Shimek will speak on Conserveation of Natural Scenery at the Community Club meeting Friday.

Rufus V. Morse and wife were visiting at the home of his brother C. M. and with othere relatives a few days the past week. They left the first of the week for Chicago, where Rufus will take a position with an electric company.

Jos. Bohning and Bert Anfinson returned last week from their Minnesota fishing trip, reporting fine luck and a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott, accompanied by Mrs. Henry Nelson and children, drove to Huxley, Wednesday, to attend the funeral of a grandparent, Mr. Anderson.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

For Sale—Fall Poland China boars wt. about 200. Papers furnished.—Ralph Jenison, Belmond. 30tfc

A fine steer calf for sale, cheap. Phone 318.

For Sale—Hay rake and stacker, in good condition. Inquire of S. A. Bohning, phone 3203. 322c

Lost—Bunch of keys, two bunches fastened together. Name plate on key ring.—W. O. Eaton. 331*

WANTED TO BUY: Your poultry, Eggs and Cream.—Joe. S. White, Phone 272.

For Sale—Second hand electric washing machine. Bargain if taken at once.—Townsan Hardware.

For Sale or Trade—One Sampson tractor and tractor plow, also one Jenny silo filler and husker. Inquire at Griesy's store. 333c

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Belmond Savings Bank

BAILEY SECURES CONTRACT

The Belmond Construction Co. was awarded the contract for a new storm sewer at Clarion, winning over nine competing bids. The cost will run over a hundred thousand dollars. The contract is a goodly sized one and means a good many months' labor on the job.

The Independent Pup was lost again last week, up at Kanawha, the firecrackers scaring him stiff. Bro. Africa of the Reporter done some Sherlork Holmes detecting and as a result the pup is back, for which we extend our thanks.

Joe Vermeesch left last week for Detroit, where he expects to make his future home. He has been employed with the Sugar Company here as fieldman.

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MARY GEALOW

Miss Shirley Thompson returned Saturday from Cedar Rapids. She intends to take up her position in the State Park.

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TYRRELL PARK DAY THURSDAY JULY 20TH

Short Review Of Splendid Address

Subject In Which Every Citizen Should Take Intelligent Interest

LARGE AUDIENCE ATTEND

The lecture by Prof. Shimek, ot Iowa City, on the subject "Conservation of Our Natural Scenery" was enjoyed by a large audience of Community Club members.

Iowa has taken the lead in her attempt to preserve thenatural beauty spots and many other states are besieging us with questions for plans to carry on a similar work.

Prof. Shimek linked his subject with Citizenship and gave an ideal picture of the true citizen who realized both his rights and his obligations and the rights of his neighbors in moral and sentimental way as well as legally.

A few quotations from the lecture are given below upon topics which are worthy the consideration oi every serious-minded citizen.

"We are too prone to measure things by what we call a practical standard and ask, 'Can we eat it? or 'How much is it worth?' Many things which cannot be estimated by this standard are "practical."

"We have paid little attention to ethical teaching and the cultivation of reverence for the beautiful and have driven into minds of our children and the foreigner coming to us, the fact that America is a great country to make money—the land of material advancement in wealth, position, and achievement.

"When we see the man strutting about boasting of his rights as a free American citizen, we wonder to what entent he is thoughtful of the duties and responsibilities ot that citizenship."

"Though the citizen may claim he has a right to destroy the forests, undergrowth and flowers, if he will consider the question from the unselfish point of view, he will form a very different conclusion. The state should own or control every acre of land bordering the streams and the natural timber and shrubs should be preserved just as given us by God. Much of this land is unfit for agricultural purposes, and, if cleared of timber, would be washed away by the streams, not even a mortgage being able to hold the soil in place."

"Teach little children the love of flowers which does not mean the picking of them but an appreciation of their marvelous beaty of form and color in their natural setting."

"The spirit of destructiveness is an evil, and when allowed to go unrestrained in the little child, must bear the fruit of destructiveness in the spirit of the man."

"A child who learns to be kind and sympathetic to the bird, the creeping worm, the nodding flower, will learn kindness and sympathy for the human being."

Professor Shimek called his address a sermon and he simply appealed to his audience for a higher standard of living, for a greater reverence for God's creation and for a more complete surrender of the interests of the individual to the cause of general good. He deplored the graft that is prevalent today and declared that selfishness was at the bottom of all the problems that are demanding a solution at the present time.

One unfortunate thing about the effect of such a wholesome address is the habit of many of listening to the words of caution and advice with approval and then thoughlessly committing the same wrongs that they had done before.

Will we continue to make that cattle path across our neighbor's lawn? Will we continue to view the devastation of wild flowers and shrubs with indifference.

Prof. Shimek concluded his talk with an earnest plea to every women voter to exercise her right in an intelligent way, to be a good citizen and to be a good partisan if the two did not conflict.

COMMUNITY CLUB NOTES

The regular meeting of the Community Club was held in the library parlors last Friday with a very large attendance.

Thursday, July 20, was the date decided upon for the combined celebration of Tyrrell Park Day and the Annual Club Picnic.

The following committees were appointed to make the necessary plans for the celebration:

Executive, Mrs. J. J. Flynn, Mrs. E. F. Bailey, Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell, Miss Mary Barry, Mrs. C. Jennings, Mrs. H. L. Gowdy, Miss Maye Tracy, and Mrs. Cecil Jones.

Program, Mrs. M. C. Barry, Mrs. Howard Moore, and Mrs. Herman Schultz.

The committee which has charge of the funds from the sale of Red Cross seals reported that a part of the money had been used to purchase a tent for a tubercular patient. The County Nurse had been called to take charge of the case and had rendered very valucable services.

The Club voted to purchase a new Congoleum rug for the Rest Room.

Mrs. Foster was given a rising vote of thanks for the ice cream which was donated by the Foster Cafe.

A motion was carried to revise the constitution and by-laws.

THE AMERICAN'S CREED

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon the principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies,

William Tyler Page.

On April 3, 1918, at a joint meeting of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, this creed, which had won the $1,000 prize, was formally accepted in the name of the United States Government.

At a recent meeting of the Community Club of Belmond the above creed was adopted and will be repeated in unison by all the members at the beginning of each meeting.

ALEXANDER FREE MOVIES

An unusual and highly successful method of arousing community interest is the free movies being staged by the Alexander Booster Club. Besides being free, the movies are given out of doors, thus adding to the pleasure and comfort of the audience.

At the head of Main street of this village, just outside their city hall is a gentle slope of vacant land. The movie machine is placed inside the city hall and a screen and seats arrnged upon the green slope, making an ideal setting.

Every Saturday night from five to eight hundred people enjoy this little out door theatre.

The funds for carrying on this project are furnished by the Booster Club in which the membership fee is one dollar. This club is composed of the business men and all wide awake citizens who realize the benefit ot be derived from the good will thus created.

The free movie began last summer and has proved a fine stimulus to trade and community pride.

Seven reels are shown at each performance and while the crowds are enjoying the show the merchants are busy filling the orders placed earlier in the evening. In this way, all goods are wrapped and ready when the show closes and the farmer and his whole family go home praising the Alexander merchants for their excellent service and generosity.

STORM SEWER CONTRACT IS $56,000 JOB

The Board of Supervisors let the storm sewer contract last Friday to the Belmond Construction Co., the firm which put in the outlying drains, at a total price of $56,636.03. This bid is for both labor and materials. It was the lowest bid for both material and labor, but a joint bid made by the Belmond Construction Co., for the tile material and the Blackmore & Jensen firm for the labor was approximately $2,600 lower than the Belmond firm's bid for the complete job.

The city council and mayor of Clarion filed a written statement with the Board of Supervisors, recommending that the Belmond firm's bid be accepted.

The council feels that the company is on the ground and can complete the job more satisfactorily and possibly with as small a total expense as the job could be completed working thru the joint contract.—News.

BASE BALL SUNDAY

At West Lake, Kanawha
Sunday July 16th
Garner vs. Belmond

Belmond is going after Garner's scalp the second time, having won by a score of 4 to 3 against them on July 4th. Becker, the State University star, will be on the mound for Garner. Belmond has started a fine string of victories and is sure to add another trophy at the Sunday July 16th game.

PICNIC FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Special attention is called to the announcement in the Farm Bureau Notes to a county wide picnic for all boys and girls. This picnic is planned, not only for members of boys and girls clubs, but for all youngsters who enjoy a good time.

The place will probably be, Goldielf Park and the date is Thursday, July 27th.

HEAVY RAIN THURSDAY SAVES SUGAR BEETS

All Crops Benefitted By Million Dollar Rain

Belmond and the adjacent territory was visited by a heavy rain last Thursday, the first we have had for many weeks, and as a result, the crops are looking up and the pastures which had completely dried up, are coming back.

The sugar beets were reached in the nick of time. They had not suffered much from the drought so far, but a few more days of dry weather and would have been seriously damaged. With this rain, however, they are in fine shape and a bumper yield is expected.

This will be most welcome news to Belmond and vicinity for it means that our sugar factory will have a heavy tonnoge of beets for the coming campaign.

The corn was doing splendidly in spite of the long stretch of dry weather and this rain placed it in tip-top shape. You could almost see it grow next day. This part of the country should have a big corn crop —and the price is going up.

Oats are being cut and are a much better yield than was anticipated. S. A. Bohning showed us some the other day that were very well filled out and many other farmers report a better crop than they had thought.

Hay, of course, was short, but barley and wheat are good and the rain will make a good potatoe crop as well as doing a world of good to practically all the garden stuff. It was a million dollar rain truly enough, and came just in time.

Everybody is wearing the smile that won't come off and feeling a hundred percent more optimistic and cheerful.

Ames Radio report Friday, gives corn all over the state excellent, clover and timothy good quality but light, rye good. Potatoes over the state reported seriously hurt by draught as whole. Least amount of rain in some parts of state for June in twenty-eight years.

THIEVES ROB CLEANING PLANT

Eagle Grove Eagle: Thieves entered the Eagle Cleaning Plant Sunday night and made way with several hundred dollars worth of clothing. Included in the lot were thirty pairs of men's pants, several coats, ladies' dresses and other garments. Entrance was made thru the rear door and the goods taken were in a wall case, all cleaned and pressed ready for delivery.

No definite clew has been found.

Kenefick's drug store was also entered between eight and nine o'clock Sunday evening. Entrance was made by forcing up a back window and prying off the hasp on a lock from a door which opens into the paint and store room. Mr. Kenefick entered the store himself about nine o'clock and thinks perhaps the thieves heard him coming in and made their get-away. He left the store earlier in the evening and personally locked the door on which the lock was broken.

He thinks the thieves were after dope as he turned down a very urgent request of a strange dope fiend that afternoon. Nothing in the store was taken and nothing molested.

SUGAR BEET SAMPLES

There are several fine samples of sugar beets at the State Bank. Some brought in by J. M. Sampson about July 1 are large and well developed and of ideal type as to shape. These would eventually mature into a beet weighing ten pounds or more.

Fred Alison has a sample of the better type. There is also an example of the beet with sprangle roots which are the result of shallow plowing. This beet when matured would not weigh more than four or five pounds as the body of the beet practically stops growing when these secondary roots appear and the life goes into producing useless sprawling roots.

SMALL FIRE WEDNESDAY MORNING

A small fire which might have resulted in a serious loss, originated in a closet in the second story of the Si Packard restaurant, Wednesday morning about ten o'clock.

The whole inside of the closet partition was burned out before the smoke showed on the outside.

Cato Greisy noticed what seemed to be dust coming down from the ceiling of his store building, and after watching a few minutes, discovered it was smoke.

Upon making investigation in the two buildings, he found clouds of smoke in the second story and sounded the fire alarm. The fire was quickly put out by the fire company and no damage done except the burning of the small partition. No cause can be learned for the blaze as there was not even any electric wiring in the closet where the fire started.

BELMONDERS INITIATED BY O. O. H. AND P.

Mysteries and Stunts Give the Boys Plenty of Thrills

What is said to have been the largest initation ever staged in Mason City was put over Thursday night at the Armory when 488 neophytes were obligated and took the initiation in the Oriental Order of Humility and Perfecton. Many and varied, as well as fearful were the stunts they were called upon to do and one candidate said there was mighty little humility about the degree team, while the only perfection he saw was the instruments of torture used.

A monster banquet in the high school gymnasium followed the work of installing the lodge in the afternoon. There were 603 plates laid for the first table and many were seated after others had finished.

The parade, held in spite of the rain, was enjoyed by a crowd that lined the sidewalks. There were wild men in cages, an elephant and a camel, both of which seemed to have an excellent eye for feminine beauty, neophytes in all sorts of fanciful costumes and a farmer in a somewhat descrepid flivver with a corn sheller in the rear. The manner in which this sheller turned out frankfurters from the old shoes, wrenches and rags fed it was the marvel of the spectators and a source of delight to the number of tramps who consumed the output as fast as they were able.

The festivities at the Armory did not end till nearly 2 o'clock in the morning. The midnight lunch at the Armory served by S. M. Decker, who also served the banquet, came at an apportune time and it is stated spurred both candidates and drill team to reneived efforts.—Globe-Gazette.

A number of Belmond men attended the initiation described above and received the obligation of the O. O. H. and P. They were: F. P. Dibble, Ray Brewer, Lawrence Gealow, T. A. Davenport, Dr. A. W. Russel, Dr. R. G. Brown, Wm. Hembd, J. H. Fetrow, Percy Smith, Mike Luick, and Henry Groen.

BELMOND BOYS HURT WHEN AUTO TRUNS OVER

Early Friday morning when several Belmond boys were driving home from the Creamery Day celebration at Kanawha their Ford roadster turned over when it struck the loose gravel on the road south of that town and the boys were thrown into the bank. Although some of the boys were quite severely hurt there were no serious results.

Dave Finn and Charles Jones were taken to the Judd Hospital where their injuries were examined. The later returned home but Dave Finn remained in the hospital over a week having received a badly twisted neck and several minor injuries.

John Tiara had one bone of his arm fractured near the wrist, being thrown from the car so as to throw his whole weight on his arm.

Clair Schultz, who was another occupant of the car, was not injured.

The boys were certainly very fortunate in escaping so easily but would not care to have a similar experience soon.

FREE CONCERT

The Lakeside Concert Company of St. Paul gave a free concert Monday evening, before a large audience of people who lined both sides of the street. This company was here last spring under the name of Orpheus Orchestra Company. Their concert Monday evening was surely a fine advertisement should they wish to return for a future engagement.

They also gave a free informal concert of sacred music at St. John's Luthern church on Sunday evening.

The members of the company are boys who are earning their way through college by their music and stopped here on their way to their next engagement at Rockwell City.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Ladies Aid Society will hold their regular monthly business meeting on Thursday afternoon in the parlors of the church. A social hour will be held after the business session is over.

Next Sunday for a record breaker in attendance and also in every one coming with a well prepared lesson. We are now studying one of the most interesting of the Old Testament characters, let us try and see how much more we can learn about him.

The regular morning worship at 11:00. The young peoples meeting beginning at 7:30 and the evening sermon at 8:15. Our evening services are being well attended and are full of interest. Something new next Sunday night so be sure to be there.

Our annual Sunday School picnic is not far off. Let us plan to make this year the best picnic that we have ever had.

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FARM BUREAU MEETING

The women of the Farm Bureau of Belmond and Pleasant townships met in the City Hall last Thursday. Miss Martha Foster, extension work from the Iowa State College at Ames gave a very instructive demonstration on the renovation of women's hat's including the steaming and pressing of velvets and the re-tinting of old flowers.

LIBRARY NOTES

Several new magazines have been added to those received at the Public Library.

Each issue of many of these contains the best information on Radio as well as other subjects of general interest and any except the current numbers may be taken out for one week.

The list now includes:

American Magazine
American Boy
Bird Lore
Bookman
Century
Child life
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Harpers
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Ladies Home Journal
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Outlook
Popular Mechanics
St. Nicholas
Scientific American
Survey
Woman's Home Companion
World's Work
Youth's Companion

COURT HOUSE NEWS

During the storm Saturday night A. J. Mayfield, held to the grand jury for laicency of some clothing, from the store of McCarty & Cole, of Eagle Grove, made his escape. He, with other prisoners, had been given the freedom of the corridor during the day and when time came to lock them in their respective cells for the night all were in bed, supposedly. A casual glance at their cots showed them to be occupied, but after the trick had been pulled one of the forms proved to be a dummy —a lot of clothing arranged under the covers to represent a man asleep. With the aid of an ordinary table fork Mayfield had picked the lock in the door leading to the woman's cell above. Here he hid until the noise of the storm permitted him to begin operations. This cell is warmed with a stove when occupied in cold weather, the stove pipe going thru an ordinary steel ceiling and about four inches of cement to the attic above. The prisoner removed the thimble and with his bare hands tore away the cement, which had become rotten and crumbled like so much sand. He was soon in the attic and gained the roof thru a small window and from there to the ground via the gutter spout. His escape was not discovered until the next morning. Mr. Lang had warned the other two prisoners, two Belmond young men, that Mayfield was a bad man and to let him know if he attempted to pull off anything, which they promised to do. As their bunks are only a few feet apart they evidently "forgot their promise. Had the roof of the women's cell been in good repair the prisoner would not have made the escape.

Birth Record

Arlene Jeanette, born July 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Leonard, of Belmond.

Wallace Knight and Walter Lewis are the names given the twins which arrived at the Curtis Oldnam home July [illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. Jaul Hecox are the proud parents of a son born Thursday, July 6th, their first heir.

Only one marriage license was issued thep ast week, that of Wendell Hovland and Edith Planek.

—Monitor

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Bring one.

11:00 a. m., preaching service.

Epworth League at 7:00 p. m. The Epworth League expects to send a few representatives to the Institute at Okoboji Lake, July 17 to 23.

Evening Service at 8:00.

Prayer meeting at 8:00 p. m., Thursday. This service wil be followed by a meeting of the Sunday School Board.

Dr. J. J. Bushnell will be with us July 23, in the morning.

Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

A Milestone In Belmond History

Capt. W. C. Tyrrell Gives A Beautiful Park To Citizens of Belmond

PARK OPENING JULY 20TH

Thursday July 20th, has been the day set for the formal opening of Tyrrell Park and its dedication to the comfort and enjoyment of the citizens of Belmond and surrounding country, and to the wayfarer within our midst.

This beautiful park of natural timber is the gift of one of our former citizens, Capt. W. C. Tyrrell, Sr., of Beaumont, Texas. It consists of a tract of about ten acres located at the corner of Franklin Grove.

Through the co-operation of the Park Committee and the Community Club, the park has recently heen provided with a well, three "dutch" ovens and several rustic benches and tables.

The opening of Tyrrell Park will mark one of the milestones in the history of the development of Belmond. Other dates in her history have marked her advancement in business, educational nd spiritual life. This day will give to all, both young and old, a wonderful playground, which is as necessary to the well-rounded life as business and education. To those who view the park of the Great Gardener with reverence, it will also prove a spiritual blessing, "The groves were God's first temples."

Capt. W. C. Tyrrell, the guest of honor, will be present at the opening of the Park and an invitation is extended to all to be present and meet the donor of this beautiful gift. A special invitation is given to the old settlers who were Mr. Tyrrell's neighbors of former years. An invitation is also extended to the people of surrounding towns, especially Rowan and Clarion, in which places the donor at one time resided. The program will be given in the evening so that everyone will be at liberty to attend.

Capt. W. C. Tyrrell has proved a generous giver. Let us prove to him by a large crowd and a hearty spirit that we can be "generous receivers."

The Community club has arranged to have their annual picnic in connection with the Park opening and the ladies of the Club will look after the comfort and enjoyment of all guests and have charge of the picnic supper which will be served at six o'clock.

Members of the Community Club will be solicited for food. Others are requested to bring dishes and sandwiches for their family and a dish of the following:

Salad, cake, baked beans, or creamed potatoes. Ice cream will be sold by the dish or in cones. A program will be given after the supper.

REPUBLICAN DISTRICT JUDICIAL CONVENTION

S. A. Clock, of Hampton, Iowa, was nominated by the Republican party on Monday, July 10th, at the 11th District Judicial Convention held at Hampton on the 58th ballot. The candidates who were voted upon as successor to R. M. Wright, of Ft. Dodge were Boyd Bryson, of Iowa Falls; S. A. Clock, of Hampton, and Clarence M. Hanson, of Ft. Dodge, Iowa. The final vote on the 58th ballot was 44 for Clock, 30 for Hanson and 12 for Bryson. The Wright county delegation stood 6 for Clock and 5 for Hanson. There were 86 delegates to this convention and it took 44 delegates to make the choice. The convention re-nominated Judges E. M. McCall, H. E. Fry and G. D. Thompson unanimously.

The delegates from Wright county were J. M. Jensen, of Belmond; Lydia Richards, of Clarion; Mrs. A. E. Weber, of Clarion; C. J. Nagle, J. A. Rogers, L. N. Archerd, all of Clarion; Evert McGrath, of Eagle Grove, Oscar Ulstad, of Holmes; J. E. Richardson, of Goldfield, J. H. Abernathy, of Boone township and Hjalmer Jansen, of Norway township.

The Cemetery Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Willard Morse on Friday July 14.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Rankins, Miss Mary Gealow and R. A. Rankins, editor of the Independent left Saturday morning for a trip across the country to Caldwell, Kansas. They expect to be gone about two weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Russel and family have been enjoying a visit from the formers sister, Miss Ella Russel, who teaches in Austin, Minn. Miss Russell formerly lived in Meservey.

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THE CONSUMER AND THE COAL STRIKE

Many press articles are being circulated through the large press service organizations and other mediums which are truely nothing more nor less than portions of organized propaganda fathered by the owners of the coal industry with the object of making it possible to sell coal at an extortionate price.

Many of our public service institutions and factories are beginning to number the days that they can contnue to operate without replenishing their supply of fuel. Many of them are issuing and causing to be published, articles calling the attention of their patrons to the fact that the securing of coal is becoming daily more difficult. They do not neglect to inform us of the increased costs of fuel, and to call our attention to the fact that it is in some instances causing them financial loss. This looks to us to be nothing but general propaganda, intending to pave the way for future increases in the price of service and product as the heads of these various institutions cannot help but know that the lock out of the coal miners and the consequent cessation of production of coal will not last into the winter months, and there will, in the very nature of things, be an adequate supply of fuel for all who need it.

The coal mining industry, like every other industry or business, is operated primarily for the profit of the owners of the industry. A cessation of production for a period long enough to deplete the reserve supplies built up by the over production of the mines would bring the owners of the mines to the point where there would be no profits rolling in and at that point the strike will end PRONTO. The Lock Out of the miners would not have occured if it had not been a fact that the coal industry of the country is over developed; there are so many mines opened up for production that a surplus supply of coal rapidly accumulates when all are running. There must at times be some let up in production in order to decrease the surplus stocks. This Lockout is just that and no more—A let-up in production to reduce existing stocks. When the stocks are cut to the point where more coal than is above ground is needed, the mines will again start to work, regardless of the wage arrangements which the operators may be compelled to make with their miners—an increase or decrease in miners wages means little to the mine owners, as it is passed on to the consumer—so when it comes to the point where it is to the interests of the operators to resume production, agreements will be made and operations resumed. The over-development of the coal industry will prevent any shortage next winter, as the mines of the country will be able to and will produce, coal faster than it is consumed. It is mined for profit, and when the market is good profits are good; so in our opinion we should not be stamped into buying coal at "Jesse James" prices. We should buy for current use only. The government has set a maximum price upon coal and it cannot cost more ~~than that~~ price whether we buy now or next winter.—Contributed.

The Independent agrees in a large measure with the contributor's ideas as to the available coal supply—it has been worked so often that a change in tactics would be in inovation—but that commerical companies supplying the public with utilities are boosting the coal operator's plans and spreading their propaganda we do not believe. All concerns dealing with the public are not hogs, and such tactics on their part could only do them harm in the end.

If you want fair prices you should support the dealer who gives fair prices. This kind of encouragement is strictly up to you.

RADIO

POSITION AND SIZE OF GRID IMPORTANT

Determine Value of Negative Potential Necessary to Reduce the Plate Current to Zero.

In using a three-electrode vacuum tube in a radio set it is preferable to maintain the grid negative with respect to the filament in order to require the minimum amount of energy in the control of the plate circuit.

The relative position of the grid with respect to the filament and the plate and the size of the mesh of the grid, determine the value of E. E is the negative potential which must be applied to the grid in order to reduce the plate current to zero. The value of F, which is the positive grid potential that will cause the maximum or saturation current to flow in the plate circuit, is also determined by the relative position of the grid with respect to the filament and plate. If the grid is of very fine mesh, the value of E is small because the electrons in passing through the small mesh of the grid on their journey from the filament to the plate will negatively charge the grid and will be repelled. Similarly a small positive charge applied to a fine mesh will tend to accelerate the velocity of the electrons.

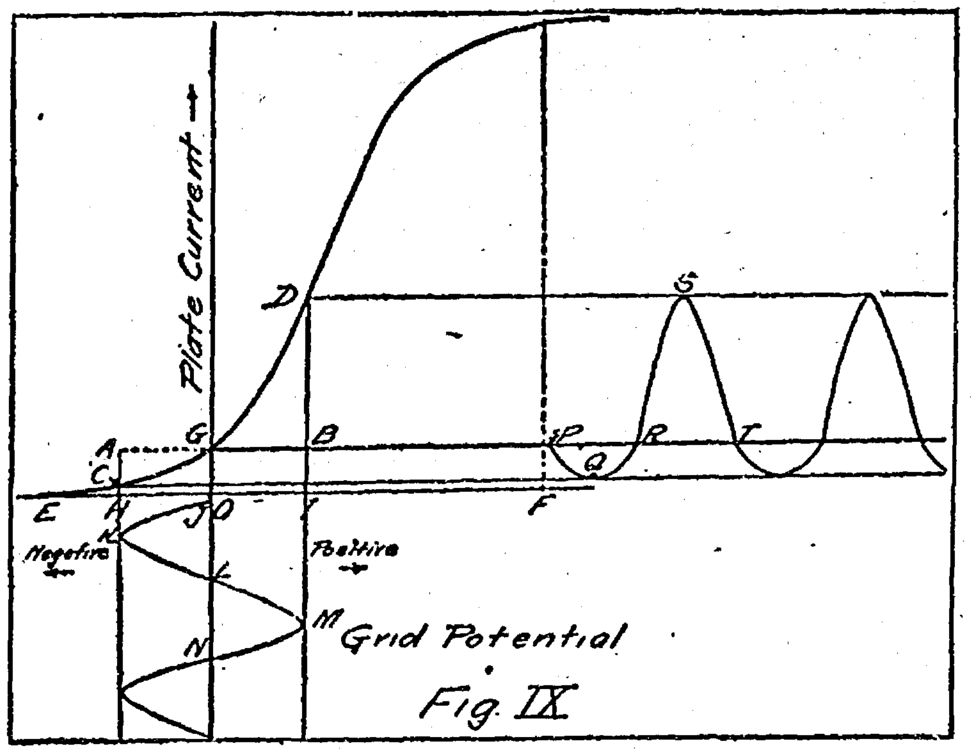

Fig. IX

In case of a very coarse mesh grid, the electrons can pass through the apertures in the grid without coming in so close to the charge on it and a relatively high potential will be required on the grid to control the electron stream, or in other words, the current flowing in the plate circuit.

Referring to Fig. VIII, O-G, is the current that will flow in the plate circuit when there is no potential applied to the grid. Suppose a positive potential as O-I is applied to the grid. The corresponding plate circuit current will be I-D or B-D, more than it was when the grid had no potential applied to it.

A negative potential of O-H is now applied to the grid where O-H is equal in value to O-I, but opposite in sign. The application of the negative potential when applied to the grid will cause the plate current to be reduced to a value H-C or A-O, less than it was when there was no potential applied to the grid. So it is seen that a negative potential when applied to the grid does not reduce the plate circuit current as much as the same positive potential increased the plate circuit current. This irregular conductivity of the tube is made use of when the tube is used as a detector or rectifier of radio signals.

The incoming radio signal is a high frequency alternating current. Let us apply an alternating difference of potential whose maximum positive value is equal to O-I and whose maximum negative value is equal to O-H, to the grid of the three-electrode tube whose characteristic curve is the same as that shown in Fig. VIII. In Fig. IX is shown the alternating difference of potential applied to the grid. Through the first quarter of a cycle, from zero at J to a maximum negative value at K, equal to O-H, the plate circuit current will vary from O-G, its value at P when no grid potential is applied to a value at Q equal to H-C.

During the next quarter of a cycle the grid potential changes from a maximum negative value at K to zero at L. The corresponding values of plate circuit current are shown by the portion of the plate current curve Q-R.

During the next or third quarter of a cycle the applied grid potential increases from zero at L to a maximum positive value at M, equal to O-I, and causes the plate circuit to increase from I-B, its value when the plate potential is zero, to I-D, an increase in plate current equal to B-D.

During the remaining fourth quarter of a cycle as the applied grid potential varies from a maximum positive value at M to zero at N, the plate circuit current varies from a value S to T.

Assuming that the characteristic curve as shown in Fig. VIII and Fig. IX was with a potential of 40 volts on the plate, then, if the plate current is to be reduced to zero by a variation of plate voltage—with no potential applied to the grid—the plate voltage must be reduced to zero or a reduction of 40 volts must be made. If the 40 volts is maintained on the plate and a negative potential of E-O is applied to the grid, it will reduce the current to zero.

Suppose O-E represents five volts. It can be seen then that a change of five volts in grid potential will accomplish the same result that 40 volts will in the plate circuit. The ratio of the voltage change in the plate current is called the factor of the tube and is denoted by the letter "K."

In the tube just discussed the amplification factor would be 40 divided by five or eight. The amplification factor of the tubes available for amateur use at present is usually between 4 and 10. The amplification factor is a function of the dimensions and relative positions of the elements in the tube.

An incoming radio frequency alternating current applied to the grid of a three-electrode vacuum tube is not only rectified but the variation in the plate is multiplied by "K," the amplification factor of the tube. This makes the three-electrode vacuum the most sensitive detector available.

In actual tubes the point "G" on the characteristic curves as shown in Fig. VIII and Fig. IX may not fall on such a point of the curve that symmetrical changes in grid potential will cause a symmetrical change in plate current, starting with zero potential on the grid.

It then becomes necessary to apply a constant potential to the grid by means of a battery in the grid circuit, called the "C" battery, to maintain the grid at such a point on the characteristic curve that symmetrical changes in grid potential will cause the maximum symmetrical current to flow in the plate circuit.

Big Ships' Radio.

The radio equipment of the ships Paris and Lafayette is described in a recent issue of Radioelectricity. On both steamers a five-kilowatt tube transmitter has been installed with a wave range of between 2,000 and 9,000 meters. A five-kilowatt motor-generator set is used to produce the plate-high tension for four rectifying and four oscillatory tubes, and the low voltage current for the heating of the filament of these tubes. Both vessels are equipped with a radio range-finder, or "radio goniometer," which, reduced to plain English, means a radio compass. A distance of 3,400 kilometers has been covered safely by messages sent from the transmitter of the Paris.

Radio for Animal Training.

Experiments with the radiophone as an aid in animal training are to be made at the Hippodrome, New York city, by George Power, trainer of the elephants, to determine whether it will be possible for his big pets at some future date to execute his orders on the stage while the trainer himself is absent.

Professor Bell a Radio Fan.

Finding the telephone, his own invention, a source of annoyance to him, Alexander Graham Bell had it removed ffrom his home. With the radiophone there is a difference, it seems, for Mr. Bell, now seventy-five years old, is said never to tire of "listening in" and experimenting with the new device. There are few more ardent enthusiasts, declare his friends.

RADIO DON'TS

Don't expect the circuit to oscillate with equal strength over a great range if you tune the grid circuit with capacity alone. Keep the ratio of L to C as near constant as possible while tuning.

Don't expect a circuit to oscillate if the natural period of the tickler circuit is equal to the natural period of the grid circuit.

Don't place the tickler or plate variometer tight against the grid coil or a change in the plate circuit will detune the grid circuit.

Don't expect high impedance tubes to oscillate freely in a circuit designed for low impedance tubes.

Don't discard a regenerative receiver until you have tried more than one detector tube.

Don't forget that a soft gaseous tube is the best detector, and that a hard tube is the best oscillator.

Don't treat inductance coils with shellac or any other varnish or compound that will absorb moisture.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

STAY WITH THE LORD:—The Lord is with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.—2 Chronicles 15: 2.

Monday.

WAIT PATIENTLY:—Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.—Psalm 27: 14.

Tuesday.

A LOVE FEAST:—Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith. —Proverbs 15: 17.

Wednesday.

THE ONLY SAFE TRUST:—Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.—Psalm 20: 7.

Thursday.

SPEAK THE GOOD WORD:—Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.—Proverbs 12: 25.

Friday.

PRAYER FOR WISDOM:—So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.—Psalm 90: 12.

Saturday.

HOW TO CONQUER AN ENEMY:—When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.—Proverbs 16: 7.

Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hawley and three children of Hayfield, Minn., have been visiting at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Green and Mrs. Dan Brooks. Mrs. Hawley and children will remain about a month.

Mrs. C. C. Landon returned from Rochester, Minn. last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Wippermann returned July 6 from a visit to the former's people at Grimes, Iowa. They report a partial destruction of crops by a storm the previous night in the vicinity of Story City.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sands and daughter, Stella have gone to St. Joseph, Missouri to visit their two daughters, Nellie and Emma. Mr. Sands will later go to the hospital at Savannah, Missouri, for treatment.

Friends of Miss Mary Madigan recently received the first letter which she had been able to write in several months. Miss Madigan is recovering from an operation in the Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles, on March 15th. Since that time she has been confined in a cast and unable to move, until two weeks ago, when she was sent to Monrovia, Cal. where she is recovering nicely.

A crew of about thirty-five men are at work over-hauling the machinery at the Iowa Valley Sugar Beet Factory. Mr. Will Ditmer, formerly of Clarion is the master mechanic in charge of the work.

Mr. W. C. Tyrrell, Jr. has recently been purchasing supplies for the fall campaign. Recent rains have assured a large tonnage of beets.

Miss Marjorie Purcell returned Friday from a week's visit at the Rev. Burress home in Madrid, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Milsap of Williams, Iowa, visited the latters sister, Mrs. Pat Dillon, last week. Mrs. Dillon returned with them for a few day's visit.

Miss Agnes Dillon spent the week end with her parents, Mr and Mrs. Pat Dillon. Miss Agnes is taking special training at Teacher's College Cedar Falls, in preparation for her work as second grade teacher in Corwith.

Several cars containing the Alexander Booster Club passed through town Saturday noon advertising their Chautauqua which began the eighth.

Herbert and Gerhard Hauge of Des Moines, Ia., visited at the Lewis Hauge home Saturday. They returned to Clear Lake where they are camping.

Miss Loretta Delaney returned last Thursday from a visit with friends in Alma, Mich., and also in Chicago.

E. M. Lathrop made a business trip to Mason City, last Saturday.

Earle Lateer made a trip to Mason City, Thursday, via the Dibble route.

Frank Behan, of Oelwein, Iowa visited at the D. H. Delaney home lest week.

When you are having trouble with your eyes, frequent headaches, your print blurs, your eyes smart, burn or bother you in any way see me I can relieve your trouble.—A H. Berger, Eye sight specialist, Clarion Iowa.

Mrs. Raymond Mills and daughter of Chicago are visiting at the E. L. Haupt, Sr. home.

Beatrice and Berenice Leavy returned Monday from a week's visit with their sister, Mrs. G. C. Walker, of Fort Dodge.

The Independent observed Clean-Up Day, July 8, which was the date set by the newspaper world for their general annual house-cleaning. Waste matter is the assassin of thought—to barrow from Schopenhauer. It is an excellent plan to clear the decks once a year a least.

Conrd Nissen, a former resident of Belmond visited his brother, Gus Nissen this week.

The Misses Irene and Grace Ludwig of Leland, Ill., are visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Haupt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Leslie, of Waverly visited at the C. C. McGuire home for a few days last week. Mrs. Leslie will remain for a more extended visit.

Miss Helen Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson has been elected to teach the third and fourth grades in the Swaledale school next year. Miss Johnson was formerly a student at Teacher's College, Cedar Falls.

Mrs. Louise Veeder returned from Rochester, Minnesota Friday where she had been for an examination. Her many friends will be glad to know the doctors pronounced her condition very satisfactory.

Milton Allison returned recently from Rochester, Minnesota, where he has been for six weeks. While there, he had three operations which were the result of his illness during his service as a soldier in the World War.

Kinseth's Store News

LADIES FIRST

Nothing like planning your work this hot weather so that the housework will not be a burden. We have three plans to suggest.

No more Blue Mondays because of those big baskets of laundry. Try our P. & G. soap—our big leader at 5 cents a bar. Washing out early, plenty of time to rest.

Are you planning your meals so as to save labor in the hot kitchen? Try our fresh cherries, peaches and raspberries or some other canned fruit.

Our prunes also, make a fine dessert at 39 cents a pound.

Everybody going to the picnic in the New Park, next week? Try our flour for the picnic pies and cakes.

Seal of Minnesota	$2.60
White Swan	$2.50
White Rock	2.40
Dynamite	2.20

NOW YOU MEN

We are not leaving much space but what we have to say to you is important.

For the harvest work, leather gloves, 65 cents. Shoes at prices you will say are right.

AJAX
BLACK TREAD TIRES
With New Features
CORD · ROAD KING · PARAGON
(FABRIC) (FABRIC)
Supreme in Appearance, Mileage, and Non-Skid Security
Jones Harness Company
Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Local News

Mrs. Gene Curtis and two children of Webster City have been visiting her brother, Walter Schleiffarth and family.

During the month of June, one hundred seventy-five ladies enjoyed the comforts of our city Rest Room. This is the largest number of visitors registered for any one month since its beginning.

Mrs. Frank Parker of Wibeaux, Montana is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Enger.

Mrs. C. C. McGuire and daughter, Mrs. H. L. Leslie were Clear Lake visitors last Thursday.

Miss Clara Johnson will teach the third and fourth grades at, Duncombe, Iowa, next year. Miss Marjorie Purcell will teach the Primary room in the same school.

Miss Shirley Thompson recently finished her course in the Cedar Rapids Business College. Miss Thompson has accepted a position in the State Bank.

R. E. Lee Aldrich of near Rowan was in town trading on Friday. He was accompanied by a cousin, Mr. Hunter, from Buena Vista county, who is visiting here. Mr. Hunter is a noted checker player—and that he knows the game we can testify.

ACTIVE REPRESENTATIVE—wanted by large wholesale house of high standing. Unlimited earning possibilities with opportunity to build permanent trade selling complete line of staples in constant use A connection with a real future. State age and full details.—John Sexton & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. S. P. Pennell was happily surprised last Thursday by the arrival of her brother, Ed. Pierce, whom she had not seen for thirty-seven years.

Mrs. Harvey Major and two children of Mason City have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill. Mrs. Major was formerly Miss Maude Bullis and resided in Belmond. She was on her way to visit her sister, Ada, in Council Bluffs.

Mrs. E. P. Ingraham of Swaledale passed through Belmond on her way to visit her son, O. L. Ingraham of Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Luick are visiting in Jamestown, N. Dakota. They also stopped at Winthrop, Minn. to visit Mrs. Pat Knoer, who was Miss Clara Lee, a former Belmond girl.

Miss Margie Flynn visited Goodell friends last week.

Cleone Hauge from Adrian, Minnesota is visiting at the Lewis Hauge home.

Adelaide Hauge left the first of the week for a camping trip at Lake Itaska. While enroute she will visit friends and relatives in Northfield, Minneapolis and Chaska.

Burton Hubbard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hubbard, of Durango, Colorado has been spending about two weeks visiting the Luick and Morse families. Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard were former Belmond residents.

Kill the worms before they get your pigs. Use O. K. Worm Capsules. Nothing better.—Schultz Drug Co.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mennenga and children of North Dakota, are visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Little Louis Mennenga underwent an operation for the removal of his tonsils and adenoids at the Park Hospital at Mason City last week.

Grace Gartz attended a meeting of Elementory District Supt. of the Wright county Sundy School Association at Clarion last Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Kate Finn left Sunday to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. Walter Courtney at Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Dorenkamp. spent Sunday afternoon at the Jake Smidt home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barkema and family were Sunday evening visitors at the Dick Barkema home.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Picnic Great Success

The county wide picnic celebration which was held at the Warner estate grove July 4th, proved to be a great success especially grom the standpoint of attendance. The weather and road conditions were ideal and everyone seemed to enjoy the occasion to the fullest extent. Everyone seems to be agreed that a celebration of this type is more economical as well as more enjoyable when compared with the usual type of celebration.

The able address by Congressman L. J. Dickinson and the most eloquent address by Mrs. Ellsworth Richardson were the features of the occasion. The program was not carried out as advertised for the reason that the speakers did not arrive as scheduled but with the special numbers of music and other numbers of the program the large crowd was entertained until the arrival of the speakers.

The success of this county wide picnic celebration is due in a large measure to the splendid cooperation of the various towns of the county with the farm bureau organization. This is a splendid example of how the people of any community can cooperate with one another in holding a county wide entertainment. Due credit should be given the various committees for their efforts in working out a program for the occasion. To work up a county wide affair of this kind requires considerable time and energy on the part of those who are responsible for the plans. The picnic as a whole was a great success and let us hope it will not be the last celebration of this type.

Millinery Specialist

Miss Martha Foster, clothing and millinery specialist from Ames spent three days last week in the county demonstrating and lecturing on "Renovation of Hats" and "Alternation of Commercial Patterns."

The rainy weather interferred somewhat with the attendance at these meetings but those who had the courage to face the weather seem to be pleased with the work as presented by Miss Foster.

Ladies who are interested in the work by the specialist will be interested to know that Miss Foster will return to Wright county August 14, 15, and 16 to demonstrate and lecture on remodeling of clothing and it is suggested that those who are interested bring embroidery floss and materal for making some fancy stitches.

Picnic for Boys and Girls

A county wide picnic for all boys and girls of Wright county is being planned for Thursday July 27th. It was planned originally to hold a picnic for members of the garment and poultry clubs of the county but it has been decided since that all boys and girls in Wright county would enjoy a get-together of this kind. The picnic will probably be held in the Goldfield park and all boys and girls are urged to begin planning for this occasion.

Members of the poultry club will be pleased to know that Mr. J. L. Gordon, poultry specialist from Ames will be in Wright county Wednesday July 26th, to meet with the members of the poultry clubs to talk over the poultry work and make plans for the county wide poultry exhibit for the month of August. Members of the garment clubs will be pleased to know that Miss Hazel Spencer, assistant leader of girl's club work will be in the county Wednesday July 26th, to conduct a school of instruction for the leaders of girls' clubs in the county.

Will Entertain Bankers

Directors of the Wright county farm bureau are planning a get-together meeting of the bankers of the county and surrounding territory with the directors of the farm bureau. This meeting which is being planned for the latter part of July and will be in the nature of a round table discussion with the view of bringing about a better feeling between the banking interests and the county farm bureau.

Since the interest of the farmers and the bankers are so closely allied it has been thought that a meeting between these two organizations would bring about a better understanding of one another's problems and a closer cooperation in the activities of the community which aim towards better homes better agriculture and better living condition in the community.

Capper-Tincher Bill Passes

The new Capper-Tincher bill, which overcomes the unconstitutionality of the previous law of that name and regulates grain exchanges passed the House of Representatives on June 28. It goes now to the Senate.

The Farm Bloc was successful in preventing amendments which Representative Tincher and other members of the bloc did not desire. The only amendment which passed, of all of those which were offered, was one by Representative Mann of Illinois to which no objection was made. The amendment struck from the bill paragraph F, section 5 which would have authorized the Secretary of Agriculture to approve certain forms of contracts used upon grain exchanges.

The bill seeks to re-enact certain passages in the grain futures bill passed last August and which the Supreme court on May 15 held to be unconstitutional since it attempted to regulate the exchanges by the taxing system. Both Senator Capper and Representative Tincher have worked strenously to have the new bill passed quickly.

ROWAN NEWS

STAR THEATRE
JULY 14-15
"THE AFFAIRS OF ANATOL"

Securing $30,000 worth of furniture for a single interior setting and then smashing the outfit before the camera produces photoplay realism, but at a well-nigh prohibitive cost. Yet that it what Cecil B. DeMille did in his Paramont production, "The Affairs of Anatol," which will be shown at the Star theatre July 14-15.

The setting in question serves as a background for a part of the story portrayed by Wallace Reid, Gloria Swanson, Elliott Dexter, Bebe Daniels,, Wanda Hawley, Theodore Roberts and other all-star players. It is in ultraluxurious apartment and Howard Higgin, production manager for Cecil B. DeMille productions was instructed to spare no expense.

The result was an attractive suite designed by Paul Iribe—furnished withapproximately $30,000 worth of furniture. This included a valueable set of Louis XVI chairs, a magnificent carved photograph case of unique design, a grand piano, lamps mirrors, tables, a desk, lounge, pictures and bric-a-brac.

At the climax of this episode, Wallace Reid was instructed to run amuck, smashing everything breakable in the set. The orders were comprehensive and Reid obeyed them to the letter. Not one stick of furniture remained in its original shape when the vandalism was complete! Using the small pieces of furniture as bludgeons, Reid shatterer everything in sight while the camera clicked just out of range of his blows. Mirrors, lamps, chairs, phonograph and piano were demolished one by one. As a conclusion to the scene, the husky star seized the huge overstuffed divan and hurled it bodily through the French doors at one end of the set.

"111" cigarettes
10¢ plus Iowa State Tax
They are GOOD!

For Sale—Shack 10 x 12. 8ft. high, double floored, new. First $40 takes it. Cost $80 to build—Dorothy Steffens, Rowan, Iowa.

Miss Lenora Osterhus visited over the 4th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McCallum.

The M. E. Aid Society met last week at the home of Mrs. Henry Azeltine. About twenty-four were present. The hostess server frappe.

Mr. John Glade, Mrs. Bernice Hansen and Miss Bertha Glade, of Arthur, Iowa, have been visiting at the homes of Joe Patton, Earl Patton Henry Martin and Fred Hackley. They left for Coggin the first of the week, Mr. Joe Patton accompanying them.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harris, of Des Moines, motored to Rowan Sunday to visit at the home of their parents. They left Monday for Missouri to visit at the home of Fred Williams and family. Mrs. A. A. Williams accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey, of Belmond spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mertelle Myers and Miss Florence Wilder attended the circus at Iowa Falls last Thursday.

Last Monday evening was a very busy time for auto thieves in this vicinity. They entered the office at the lumber office and tried to open the safe. Failing in this they tried several cars. J. D. Pritchett found the floor of his car littered with burnt matches. They started out with Ray Azeltine's but broke it in the new sand at the school house so abandoned it and finally made a get-away in Gay Fletcher's car about four o'clock in the morning. Neighbors heard the car starting but supposing Gay was getting an early start for the Fourth of July thot no more about it. Gay found his car near Forest City the middle of the week.

Mrs. Jennette Coulter went to Iowa Falls Saturday evening to visit at the home of her brother, Thomas Parland. From their she will go to Wisconsin for a visit.

The little Watt boy had his big toe cut off last Saturday. He was brot to town and Dr. Maker dressed the wound.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum was on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Elsie Hickethier, of Spokane, Washington is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bine Wilder.

Mrs. Lem Rowen has been ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Odland, of Goldfield was called Monday to care for her. Mrs. Georgia Rowen is also helping care for her.

Mrs. Ellen McCallum and family, of Thornton, is visiting relatives at this place and is undetermined what she will do.

Mrs. George Whitten, Miss Vinnie Whitten and little Ivan Williams visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Oestine at Mason City last week.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold their regular business meeting and social hour at the home of Miss Francis Virden Friday evening. Please notice the change from Thursday evening to Friday. The young people are invited to attend this social gathering.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet in regular session Thursday evening at the Legion Hall. All members are urged to remember the meeting night.

Mrs. Mary Braden and Miss Maude Cowley went to Clarion Monday to meet a niece of Mrs. Braden's who came from Minden Minn.

Mrs. Bollinger, who has been visiting her sisters, Mrs. Mary Braden and Mrs. Amos Cowley went to Dows Monday to visit at the home of other relatives.

Mrs. Fred Kercheval went to Belmond Thursday where she had her tonsils removed. Dr. Steele performed the operation. She is getting along nicely.

The tennis tournament at Rowan is progressing nicely. We hope to be able to print the final returns next week. Dale Farren won in the boys contest. The business men are not thru yet and then there will be a free for all.

Mrs. John Klusmier and children, of Lyle, Minn. are guests of her mother, Mrs. Etta Carr.

Luelda McKinley visited at the home of her aunts, the Misses Mary and Lena Drahem in Clarion the past week.

Mrs. Peterauche, of Oelwein, spent the fourth at the home of their aunt, Mrs. R. H. Kieth.

Mrs. Clowes and family of Renwick visited at the R. H. Kieth home the Fourth of July.

Lowell Hoke spent several days at Clarion at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Hahn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler spent Tuesday in Iowa Falls at the L. D. Bingham home.

Rev. Hardcastle, of Iowa Falls preached in the Congregational pulpit last Sunday. There will be regular services next Sunday. Every one is invited to attend.

The Congregational Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Jake Aldinger Thursday of this week.

E yn Whitten has been on the sick list the past week.

It will stand the parents in hand to know that what their children are doing around here. The town council have decided that this petty stealing MUST stop. Too much fruit and garden stuff are being taken and destroyed. If the youngsters are not stopped the parents will be held responsible.

Dr. Maker, who has been gone from this vicinity since the first of June, has returned and will practice madicine here again. He has rented the J. D. Pritchett building on the south side of Main street and has his office at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box, of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box.

Ray Azeltine has purchased a new Ford Coupe.

The Misses Zella and Virginia Stapley, of Chicago, visited at the J. S. Farren home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Carpenter, of Polo, Ill. visited at the Guy Stumph home last week.

Mr. Will Lukensmeyer and wife and daughter, of Hampton and Mrs. A. D. Benson and son, Vane of Geneva, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bine Wilder.

Rowan is getting some new crossings around town.

Miss Freida Zander, of Springfield, Minn. spent several days at the home of her friend Miss Vinnie Whitten.

Last Monday evening the American Legion and Auxiliary met at the Legion Hall to spend a social evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James Rowen. Owing to a misunderstanding over the telephone the guests of honor failed to arrive. However the evening was spent very pleasantly by those present.

A large crowd from Rowan attended the county picnic at the Harvey Grove the 4th of July.

A picnic was held at the J. W. Azeltine home the 4th. Those attnding were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Azeltine, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Rowen, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Huber.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lynch and family of Lanesboro visited a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Farren. They returned home the latter part of the week. Mrs. Farren and son Bobby accompanied them home for a short visit.

The Misses Wilda and Freida Whitten attended the Chautauqua at Alexander Monday.

Rowan was well represented at the Chase Lister Show at Clarion last week. Also t the Band concert at Clarion Friday night.

Griesy's Store News

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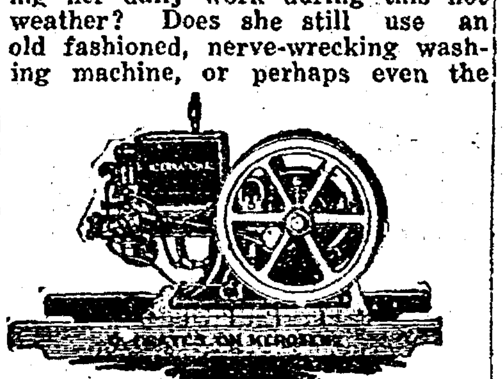
If one woman had all the clothes she wanted, more than likely the rest of them would have to go around in barrels.

Taking the line of least resistance is what makes rivers—and some men—so crooked.

A "Mother's" Helper

You believe in having up-to-date labor saving machinery on the farm. You know it pays. But does "Mother" have the means of lightening her daily work during this hot weather? Does she still use an old fashioned, nerve-wrecking washing machine, or perhaps even the old back breaking tub and washboard? Is she still using the old hand churn? "Mother" deserves something better and she would appreciate it if you would hitch a good washing machine together with other conveniences to a small International Kerosene Engine—an engine she can easily operate—a real "Mother's" helper. Try it, and watch her smile.



Character is what you are. Reputation is only what men think you are.

It Runs in the Family

Our "Red Baby" and all its Brothers are real Go-Getters. Take our "Red Baby" for instance, it's on the job every minute hustling around and doing honest-to-gosh work. You may not be in the same business we are in, but it's a ten to one shot that whatever your business one of "Red Baby's" Brothers would be just the candy for you. They are great trucks—these Internationals—and there's more honest-to-goodness service in them than in any other truck we've ever seen. Come in or stop our "Red Baby"—let's talk it over.

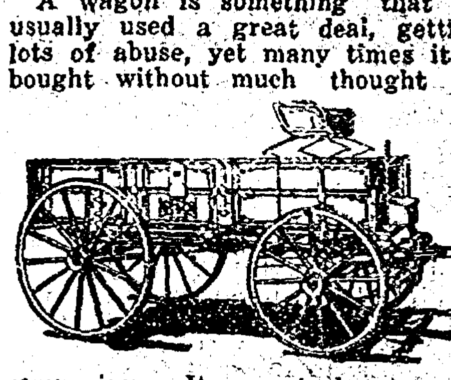
Did you ever catch the man who finds fault with his wife's cooking trying his hand at it himself? Hardly, he knows better.

Oats Down? Pipe This!

Automatic Grain Lifters will save that patch of down and tangled oats. They fit any binder and will more than pay for themselves in two or three rounds. Better come in and get yours now--they are going fast.

Weber—King of All

A wagon is something that is usually used a great deal, getting lots of abuse, yet many times it is bought without much thought or comparison. It pays to buy a good wagon—one with exclusive features, good workmanship, and high-grade materials. The Weber meets all these requirements. It is truly "The King of All Farm Wagons."



Nature's Smiling

Doesn't it make a fellow feel good to see how the corn has been growing the last week or two? It sure does. One just can't help feeling fine when all Nature is smiling and trying to outdo herself.

Give the Cow a Chance

A good cow and a Primrose cream separator will turn green grass into golden butter fat—producing a cash crop every day of the year. The Primrose gets ALL the cream.

The raising of a beard is about the only thing that the women can't or won't do nowadays.

CLIPPINGS

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Spitler, of Belmond were Klemme visitors Wednesdey of last week.—Klemme Times

Billie Dittmer has secured a six-month's layoff as machinist for the Great Western and will be general foreman of the machinist work at the Belmond sugar beet factory. He is on the job.—News.

The Norway Rural Telephone Co. recently purchased a rural line from the Clarion telephone company and now have the same in operation. This line is known is Line 20.—Kanawha Reporter.

Mrs. J. W. Baldridge, Mrs. Schaffer and Chas. Waltz of Belmond were guests at the Geo. Baldridge home Thursday and enjoyed the creamery day celebration. Little Miss Winifred Reese of Waterloo, who has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Baldridge and other relatives at Belmond for some time, accompanied them here and remained for a visit at the Geo. Baldridge home.—Reporter.

It is true, the public doesn't know how taxes are to be reduced, but it doesn't alter its conviction that they've got to be.

There is no dearth of money in this country. The only scarcity is in the number of people who possess it.

Lots for Your Money Should Not Tempt You
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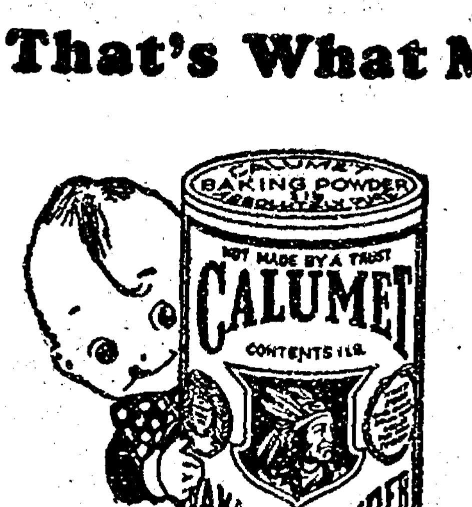
CALUMET
The Economy BAKING POWDER
That's What Millions of Housewives Do



BEST BY TEST
—They know that Good Baking Powder can't be sold for less; that "More for the Money" means bake-day failures, waste of time and money; that Calumet means economy.
The World's Greatest Baking Powder

MESERVEY SECTION

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AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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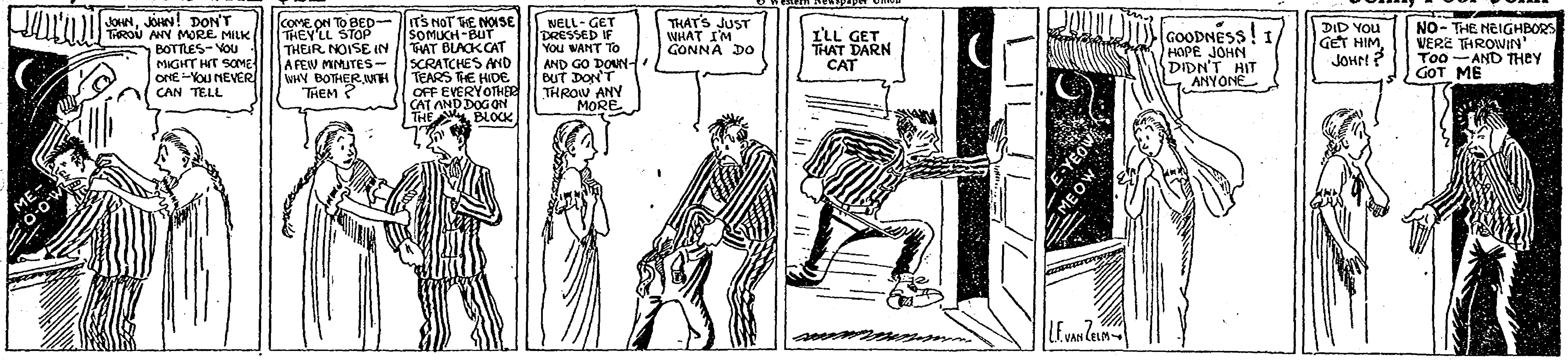
John, Poor John


JOHN, JOHN! DON'T THROW ANY MORE MILK BOTTLES—YOU MIGHT HIT SOME-ONE—YOU NEVER CAN TELL
ME-O-OW
COME ON TO BED—THEY'LL STOP THEIR NOISE IN A FEW MINUTES—WHY BOTHER WITH THEM?
IT'S NOT THE NOISE SO MUCH—BUT THAT BLACK CAT SCRATCHES AND TEARS THE HIDE OFF EVERY OTHER CAT AND DOG ON THE BLOCK
WELL—GET DRESSED IF YOU WANT TO AND GO DOWN—BUT DON'T THROW ANY MORE
THAT'S JUST WHAT I'M GONNA DO
I'LL GET THAT DARN CAT
GOODNESS! I HOPE JOHN DIDN'T HIT ANYONE
E-YEOW
MEOW
L.F. VAN ZELM
DID YOU GET HIM, JOHN?
NO—THE NEIGHBORS WERE THROWIN' TOO—AND THEY GOT ME

Good Job Printing

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Good Business

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Perhaps you need some letterheads, and envelopes to match, or maybe some statements. Try us on some of your printing. You'll say "That's fine."

And our prices are as low as you will find anywhere---considering quality. We will gladly quote you prices on request, and show you samples of our work.

Belmond Independent

The "Know How" Print Shop

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beier, of Manson, Iowa, visited his parents last week. They left last Friday for Toledo, Iowa, for a short visit with Mrs. Beier's mother.

L. W. Wesenberg made a business trip to Mason City on Saturday.

Mrs. John Ahrenkiel and Mrs. T. O. Letch spent the week end with Miss Maude Griggs at Elm Bend.

Master Richard Clark of Garner is visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beier.

The McGuire Road Construction Co., is removing the dirt off of two acres of Harvey Christensen's gravel pit. The gravel will be used to gravel the Wilson Highway near Goodell.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Sandberg and son Carl made a quick trip to Dixon, Ill. They left Goodell on Sunday July 2 at noon and at 5:30 the next morning they arrived at Dixson.

The fire at the Old Town on the 4th proved that the chemical engine purchased last year is O. K. Give it chemicals and water and it will do the work.

The house that burned was occupied by Mr. Ackerman and owned by Mr. Frank Gee. The building was covered by insurance.

Miss Alva Matson went to Rochester, Minnesota Monday afternoon.

U. B. Church Notes

Sunday school on July 16 at 9:30 so as to be out in time to go to the Sunday School District Meeting at Liberty township M. E. Church.

There will be no preaching services on July 16.

Mrs. Wm. Allaben and Mrs. Robt. McNutt entered the Ladies Aid Society on Wednesday afternoon.

Program for the Institute of the 4th District

It will be held at the Liberty Township M. E. church at 11:00 a. m.

Opening Devotion, by Dist. Pres. Geo. Gruetzmacher.

Address State Workers—Mr. Hutton of Des Moines, Iowa.

Music by Liberty M. E. church and Sunday School.

Dinner.

Afternoon 2:00 p. m.—Song Service by Goodell choir.

Devotion by Rev. Miller of Goodell

Report of State Convention by Mrs. S. B. Durant, Co. Secy.

Music by Goodell Choir.

2:40—Address on the County work and its benefits for the denmonstration by S. C. Pollock, County Pres.

3:00 p. m.—Music by Klemme Ladies Quartette.

Address by Mr. Hutton.

Round table.

Evening service at Klemme in the Park.

7:45 Song Service—Devotions by Rev. Geddy.

Music by Klemme M. E. Choir.

Address by Mr. Hutton, State Worker.

Music by Klemme First M. E. Choir.

Prayer and Benediction by Rev. Bergman.

NEW ELECTRIC LIGHTS

H. F. Kellogg, manager of the Iowa Falls Electric Co., and Oliver Longueville, attorney, were in town Monday and met with the council to assist in perfecting the necessary legal papers in connection with electric light proposition to be submitted to the voters of Thornton. The council took favorable action on the petition asking for an election, and the two proclamations by Mayor Young in furtherance of the proposition as adopted appear in this issue of the enterprise. Thornton now has an opportunity of securing a high tension electric light service and the indications are that the proposition will command a majority vote.—Enterprise.

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CLARION MAN TO RUN HOTEL AT ROCHESTER

J. H. Moore has closed a deal for the lease of the Martin hotel at Rochester, Minn., taking possesion on July 1. The Martin is one of the largest and best hotels in the famous hospital city.

It has nearly 400 rooms and is well located, being directly south of the Mayo clinic. The price of the lease is said to have been $25,000 a year.

I. L. Walls, of Clear Lake, another former well known Clarion man, negotiated the deal.—Globe Gazette.

ALEXANDER BOY SERIOUSLY INJURED

Lewellyn Dunn, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn of Alexander, was struck by the front wheel of a Charles City car bearing the license number 39-3279, Tuesday as he was crossing the interurban loop on the north shore.

The lad was picked up unconscious and rushed to a physicians care, where an examination revealed that he was seriously injured. The rear wheel of the car had passed over his body.

The Fred Dunn and George Dunn families of Alexander drove here Tuesday for the celebration, camping in the space by the interurban loop. Lewellyn was sent across the highway for a pail of water and was struck down as he crossed.—Globe Gazette.

At this writing little Lewellyn is still in the hospital in Mason City suffering with blood clots on the lungs but is improving rapidly and may soon be moved to his home in Alexander.

CAREFUL CROSSING CAMPAIGN

The following letter regarding the "Careful Crossing Campaign" has been received from President Harding by the chairman of the safety section, American Railway Association:

"My attention has been called to the fact that under the auspices of the American Railway association, an intensive campaign is to be waged for eliminating accidents at rail road highway crossings.

"The complete success of such an effort would mean the saving of thousands of lives, the prevention of many more thousands of injuries and incidentally the prevention of a great property loss. Of course, the ideal solution is elimation of grade crossings, to which all possible energy and means should be unceasngly directed. But the extent of our country and its railroad mileage make apparent that not for many years of utmost effort should this be effected. There should be constant pressure for elimation of these danger spots, particularly in the more populous areas, pending which there is need for just the kind of a preventive effort that your association is planning. Among these measures, the most effective would be to arouse in the minds of drivers a sense of their personally responsibilities. When thoughtlessness is allowed to usurp theplace of vigilance, as too often happens, the scene is set for tragedy. Reminders and still more reminders, of the need for caution at railway crossings are needed.

"Surely, the effort you are undertaking is appealing, and it ought to have the most generous and general support."

Most of us have probably noticed the pictures which have been placed near every railroad crossing through the efforts of the American Railway Association.

It will be worth your time to go down to the railway crossing and make a careful inspection of those picthres.

Meservey, as well as other towns, has had some serious crossing accidents in the past.

Use your imagination. Suppose it were yourself and family in the perilous position shown in that crossing sign.

Congress has spent more energy and ingenuity in dodging the bonus than the whole American army did in earning it.

There may be such a thing as luck, but if so it is the off-spring of wisdom, energy and perseverance.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

J. F. Hartfelder was a Mason City caller Friday.

G. E. Raecker and Wm. Morris were business callers at Mason City Monday, bringing back with them a new Chevrolet.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm J. Pals were Mason City callers on Thursday. Mrs. Pals staying there for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hafferman were Manson City shoppers Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brogan returner home from there trip to Fairmont Minnesota and other points, visiting friends and relatives.

J. J. Ruiter sold his touring Ford last Saturday evening to George Lieuwen.

Mr. T. Wieman 's home in the south part of town was struck by lightning Thursday. No damage was done, however.

E. A. Strasburg was at Mason City Friday having dental work done.

This community was visited by a grand rain Thursday. It was a real soaker and just what was needed. Ruth Smith was a week end visitor at the parental home here.

Happy Hand Society will meet Thursday afternoon, July 20th at the home of Mr. C. J. Jannsen.

Mr. Jordon who has been on a business trip to Oklahoma the past few weeks returned home last Saturday.

Henry Proost was a business caller at Mason City last week Wednesday.

M. A. Smith was a Mason City caller Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and daughter Elanore were business caller at Mason City Monday.

Fred Sprau was on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ruiter were Saturday evening callers at Latimer.

Hartley Blewitt and wife and baby of Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hartfelder were Sunday guests at the A. J. Nissen home.

Mr. A. E. Muller and family attended the Chautauqua at Alexander Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals and children, Grace, Wilma, Harold and Miron left Monday in their car for Sioux Center where they will visit friends and relatives. They were accompanied by Mrs. Pals' mother who has been visiting here the past week.

The Misses Mildred Goalow and Wilhelmine Loats spent Sunday with home folks at Belmond.

Mr. A. D. Brogan returned home one day last week from Whitemore where they have been visiting relatives, Mrs. Brogan and little son remaining for a longer visit.

The Helping Society bake sale which was held at the C. J. Wendel Hardware store was a real success. The net proceeds amounted to $14.00.

G. E. Raecker and wife attended the Chautauqua at Alexander Sunday afternoon.

Adam Kolb is the owner of a new Ford sedan.

Adam Kolb has charge of the mail route while M. A. Smith has his vacation.

Frank Ostendorf is the owner of a new Paige.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and baby of Klemme were Sunday evening callers in Meservey.

Mrs. Guy Stumph and daughter of Rowan were callers at the R. L. Robinson home Monday.

A. E. Strasburg was a Mason City caller Monday.

The Y. P. A. met Monday evening at the F. C. Sprau home. The number of 21 were present and the evening was spent by first having the monthly business meeting. The delegates chosen for the annual Y. P. A. convention at River View Park Cedar Falls were: Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and George Braiter as alternate. Refreshments were served and a very enjoyable time reported by those present.

Floyd Thayer and family who have been living in the Messelheser tenant house moved to Belmond last week where Mr. Thayer has accepted a position in the Sugar Factory.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Clarence Ruigh were callers at Mason City Tuesday.

A large number of the people of this vicinity attended the circus at Mason City Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nissen and children attended the Chautauqua at Alexander on Monday evening.

Word has ben received her from Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Hulsebus who are still in Germany. They have decided to sail back about the 18th of October.

Mr. and Mrs. Burg and little daughter of Sioux Falls, South Dakota were visitors at the L. Jones home last week. Mrs. Burg is a niece of Mrs Jones.

HOW WOULD YOU VOTE?

Some of our readers have received through the mail an individual secret ballot sent out by one of the leading literary magazines, in a nation wide poll, asking them whether they favor dry, moist or wet policy, and whether they are for or against the bonus.

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Millions of citizens are pondering and discussing these questions with intense feeling. And those who are not doing so, should be.

Here are two questions. How would you vote in regard to them?

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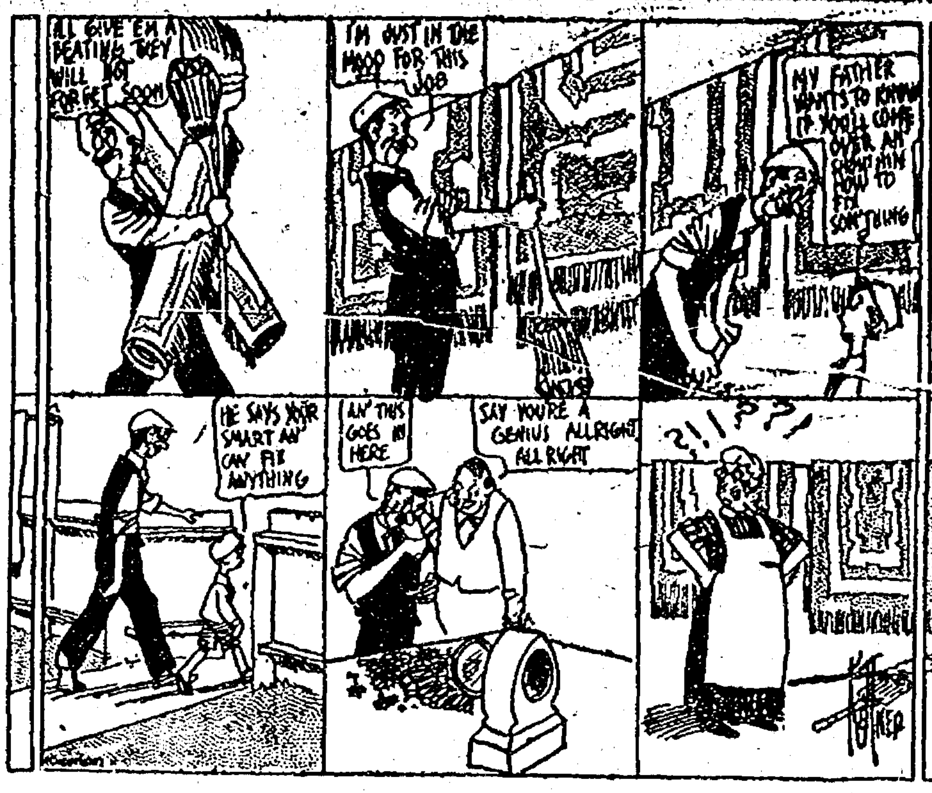
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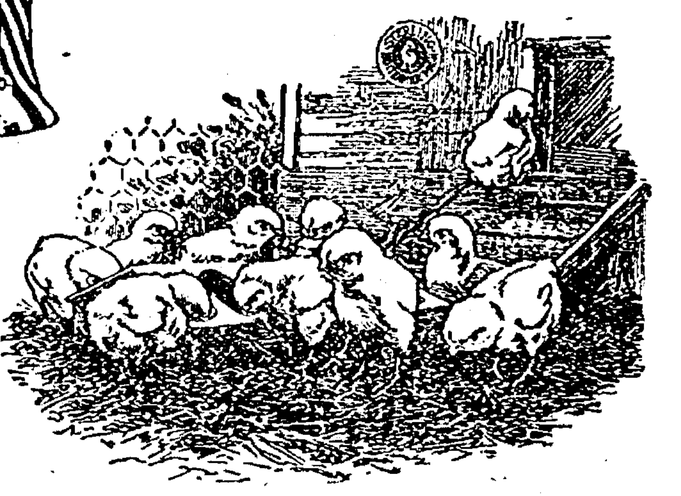

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HOTEL CLOSED

The Hotel Thornton, operated for several years past by Mrs. Archie McCallum, was closed last Friday and Mrs. McCallum is now visiting with relatives. We are not reliably advised, but it is reported that the family will reside at Mason City. It is to be hoped that the hotel is to be closed but temporarily. It is a public need that energetic effort should be made provide. Perhaps the Chamber of Commerce can help in this direction.—Enterprise.

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Alexander Local News

Mrs. E. E. Butler and two children Edwin and John of Hampton have spent the past week with relatives and friends at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine of Rowan were visitors at Alexander last Sunday.

Miss Lillie Cornwell of Hampton came last Friday for a visit with friends in this vicinity.

Jap Riis of Coulter was a business caller in town last Saturday.

Dick Blau has been visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Charles Nelson at Clarion for the past week.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer of Sheffield was a Sunday visitor at this place.

Miss Nettie Benson of Belmond came Sunday to keep house for the Foughty family during the summer.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Eldora is visiting with friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Kinseth of Belmond were Sunday visitors at the Clarence Bohlen home.

Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson of Latimer visiter at the Fred Greenfield home on Sunday.

Jim Siberts of Dows was a business caler in town on Monday.

Misses Anna Beenen and Gertrude Berninghausen were shoppers at Hampton Saturday.

Miss Carrie Baxter who has been teaching school at Milwaukee, Wis., for the past year has returned and is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen.

Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls was a Sunday visitor at Alexander.

Little Lewellyn Dunn the five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn who was seriously injured internally at Clear Lake on Independence day when the rear wheel of an auto ran across his body is reported to be improving rapidly, which their many friends are glad to hear.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Schultz of Latimer were callers in town last Sunday evening.

SNEAK THIEVES ENTER HOME AT GOLDFIELD

Miss Laura Whyte, of Goldfield, entered her home one afternoon recently, and found a man coolly taking a good view of the place. She asked him what he was doing there, and he asked her if he was in the home of Mr. George Miller. She told him that he was not, and that she never heard of a man by that name in Goldfield. The man excused himself and left, and an examination of the premises showed that he had taken some of the Whyte property with him. He could not be apprehended, and made his escape.—Republican.

GLOBE-GAZETTE WILL GIVE $100 REWARD

The theft of chickens both from the farm and the little plot of ground maintained by the thrifty housewife in town and city has become too prevalent and the only method left to make an example of a few of the marauders to put the fear of punishment in the hearts of the sneaks who would rob women of their means of earning spending money or in some cases of providing food for the family.

The farmer's wife who exercises a tenderly mother care over the broods of chickens from the time they are taken from the brooder or mother hen till they become spring fries, ought to have the protection of the law from the predatory gentlemen who, with the aid of the automobile, rob the hennery and make their getaway. A good many people who lose their fowls say little about it, while the loser of a big consignment has no clew to follow up the loss.

Farmers should organize an anti-chicken thief association, just as the pioneers did a vigilance council for detection and punishment of horse thieves, for the apprehension and conviction of chicken thieves. A few examples would save many a farmer's wife much solicitation and ofttimes grief over her flock of chicks.

In order to give hope and protection to poultry raisers, the Globe-Gazette proposes to offer a reward of $100 to any Globe-Gazette subscriber for the apprehension and conviction of any one guilty of the theft of poultry. This offer is in effect from July 4 for the first conviction and holds good in all Iowa territory where the Globe-Gazette circulates.

The punishment in Iowa for larceny of domestic fowl or poultry is very severe if the court wishes to enforce the maximum penalty and is as follows:

Sec. 4852-d Of Poultry. Any person guilty of larceny of domestic fowl or poultry from any building, shed, coop or enclosed premises shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not exceeding two years, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or both fine and imprisonment in the county jail, as above provided, at the discretion of the court.—Globe-Gazette.

SHOP CRAFTS WALK OUT TO GAIN RIGHTS

The shop crafts men employed by the railroads of the United States walked out Saturday morning, in order to establish what they claim is their rights and to cause the railroads and labor board to maintain the wage schedule which was in effect prior to July first. The men claim there is nothing in the present scale of living costs which justfies a reduction in pay; that living costs are actually increasing, rather than being lowered, and that the decision of the railroad labor board is not based on equity and justice.

The walk-out here was practically one hundred per cent strong. Some of the maintenance of way workman also quit their jobs. Rip track foreman, George Ziems, was made a general foreman in order to keep him on the job, and so was Foreman Thorpe at the roundhouse. The general forenmanship carries an advance of $20 per month pay.

The striking shop craftsmen have conducted the strike in an orderly manner. They are loafing around town, and feel confident they will tie up the railroads the country over within a month or so. They believe the time has come for a showdown; that the railroads are determined to destroy the unions and put the employees back on less than a living wage, and feel that the fight must be made sooner or later and one time is as good as another.

There was no work at the roundhouse Saturday afternoon or Sunday. It was as dead out there as a graveyard. The engineers and firemen have received their instructions as to what their duties are to be during the strike of the shop men, and it is thot few will go beyond the usual duties prescribed by the rules of their union and the contracts the unions hold with the roads.

The strikers believe that in a few days the engines will show the lack of attention which will naturally follow the strike. Local men do not believe the company will easily get men to take their place. It was reported two carloads of men had arrived Saturday night to man the roundhouse, but nothing was doing Sunday. The men, mostly colored, went to Oelwein. Locally, sentiment is generally with the men. The Great Western lost heavily in public confidence by puting the maintance of of way work under the Hecker contract. The maintance of way men are expected to strike in a week or two unless the railroads back up on the latest wage schedule.—News.

TOO MUCH SPEED

Trying to drive faster than the car was capable of going caused the new Buick roadster in which Frank E. Barry and John Schmeling was riding, to turn turtle three times near the W. J. Keefe farm east of town this morning about 9 o'clock.

According to reports Mr. Barry declared that they were going fifty-five miles an hour and struck a small patch of soft gravel which caused the car to turn over three times, finally landing ont its top at the side of the highway. Both men, were thrown clear of the machine, Barry over a fence and into an oat field. Schmeling struck his head against a telephone pole. The men, after picking themselves up, went to the Keefe home and succeeded in getting Mr. Keefe to take them to the Luthern hospital where their wounds were dressed. They received only slight injuries. The roadster is said to be a total wreck.—Hampton Recorder.

MYSTERY IN FIRE AT OLD GOODELL

The house in the old town occupied by the Floyd Ackerson family was burned to the ground while the Ackersons were at Fort Dodge, and no one was supposed to have been in it for three days.

William Lester, in driving past noticed smoke at one of the upstairs windows and investigating found the upstairs was on fire which appeared to have orignated from a bed. Neighbors saved most of the contents and the chemical fire engine from Goodell arrived and apparently put out the fire which however, broke out again an hour or so later and totally destroyed the building. The house was partly insured.—Globe Gazette.

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Best pork and beans 2 for	25c
Standard Corn 2 for	25c
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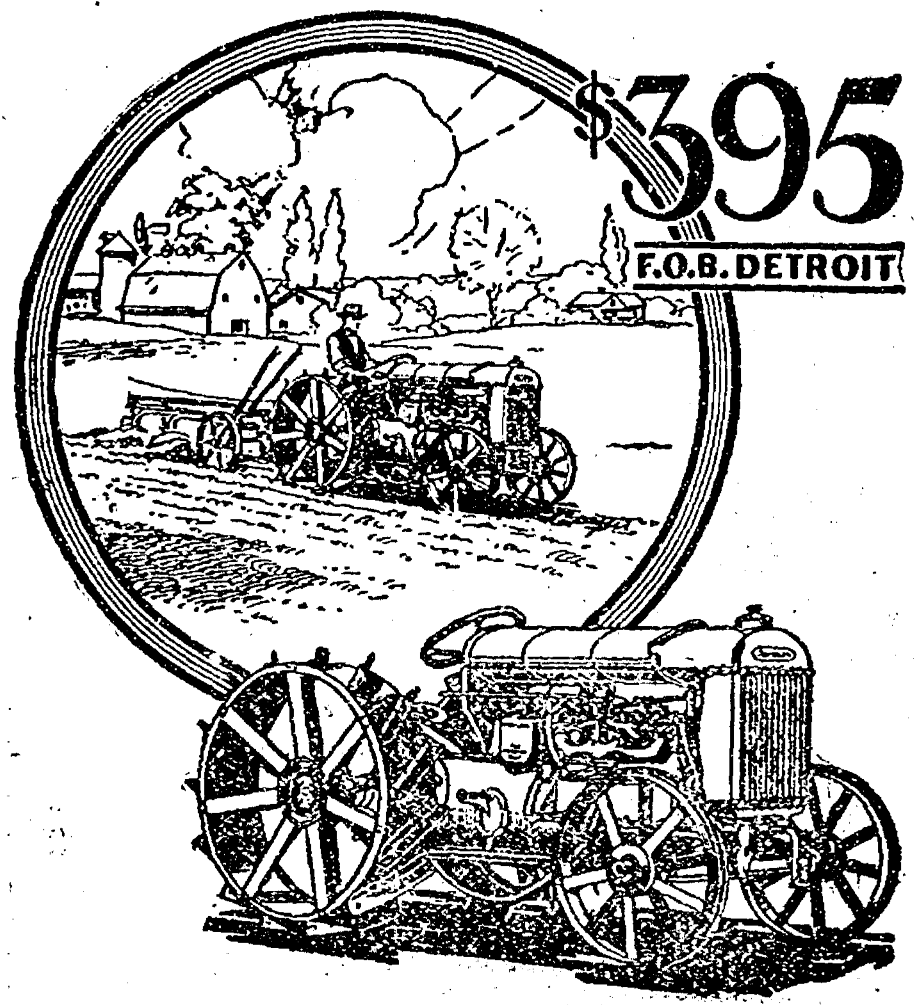

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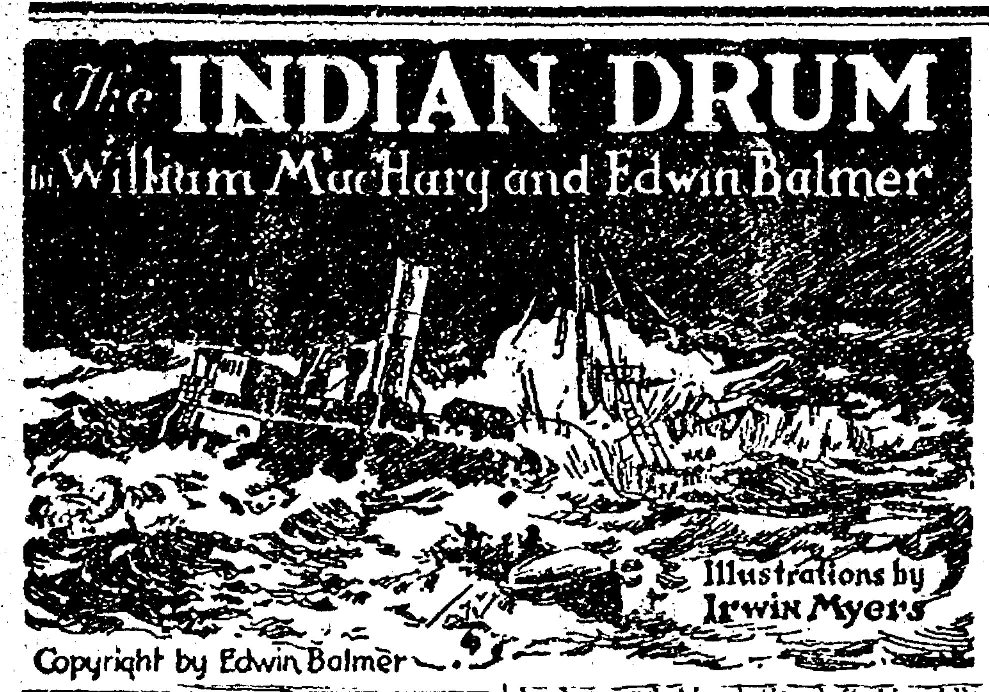

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

CHAPTER IX.—Conrad recovers, and the affair remains a mystery.

CHAPTER X.—Alan learns from Wassaquam that it was Corvet's habit to keep the sum of $1,000 in the house, apparently to meet the demands of a certain "Luke," who appeared periodically. In the absence of Wassaquam, "Luke" comes to the house demanding to see Corvet. He is evidently in a dying condition, due to alcohol and exposure. Conrad tries without avail to get him to explain his connection with Corvet. The man dies. Wassaquam gives Conrad a paper on which is a list of names.

CHAPTER XI.—From the document Alan thinks he may have a clue to the mystery surrounding Corvet's life and disappearance. He leaves Chicago to visit Lake Michigan ports in search of the persons whose names were on the list.

CHAPTER XII.—Constance receives a package wrapped in a muffler which she recognizes Corvet was wearing on the day he went away. It contains a few coins, a watch, and woman's wedding ring. She believes them to have been the property of Corvet, and accepts them as a proof of his death. Spearman urges Constance to marry him. She consents, but refuses his demand for an immediate ceremony.

CHAPTER XIII.—Inquiries show that the watch in the package had been the property of a Captain Stafford, commander of the Miwaka, who had gone down with his ship.

CHAPTER XIV

Old Burr of the Ferry.

It was in late November and while the coal carrier Pontiac, on which he was serving as lookout, was in Lake Superior that Alan first heard of Jim Burr. The name spoken among some other names in casual conversation by a member of the crew, stirred and excited him; the name James Burr, occurring on Benjamin Corvet's list, had borne opposite it the legend "All disappeared; no trace," and Alan, whose investigations had accounted for all others whom the list contained, had been able regarding Burr only to verify the fact that at the address given no one of this name was to be found.

He questioned the oiler who had mentioned Burr. The man had met Burr one night in Manitowoc with other men, and something about the old man had impressed both his name and image on him; he knew no more than that. At Manitowoc!—the place from which Captain Stafford's watch had been sent to Constance Sherrill and where Alan had sought for, but had failed to find, the sender! Had Alan stumbled by chance upon the one whom Benjamin Corvet had been unable to trace?

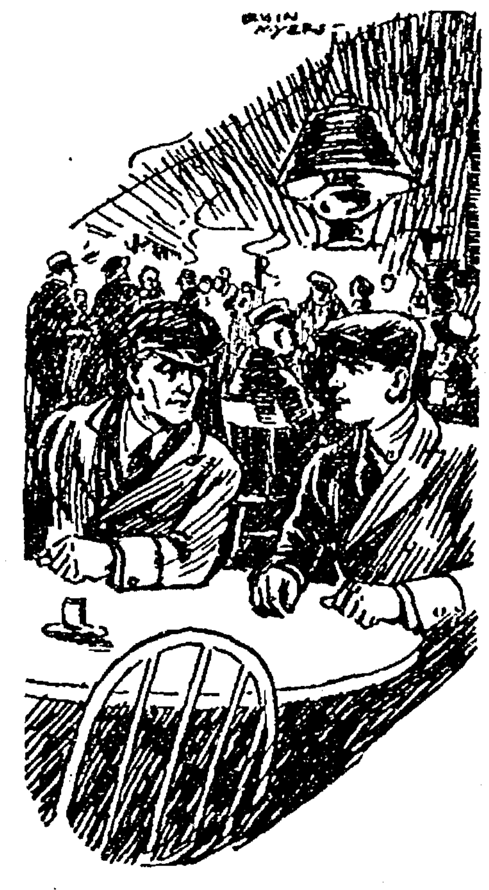
Alan could not leave the Pontiac and go at once to Manitowoc to seek Burr; for he was needed where he was. It was fully a week later and after the Pontiac had been laden again and had repassed the length of Lake Superior that Alan left the vessel at Sault Ste. Marie and took the train for Manitowoc.

The little lake port of Manitowoc, which he reached in the late afternoon, was turbulent with the lake season's approaching close. Alan inquired for the seamen's drinking place, where his informant had met Jim Burr; following the directions he received he made his way along the river bank until he found it.

The proprietor knew old Jim Burr—yes. Burr was a wheelsman on Carferry Number 25. He was a lakeman, experienced and capable; that fact, some months before, had served as introduction for him to the frequenters of this place. When the ferry was in harbor and his duties left him idle, Burr came up and waited there, occupying always the same chair. He never drank; he never spoke to others unless they spoke first to him, but then he talked freely about old days on the lakes, about ships which had been lost and about men long dead.

Alan decided that there could be no better place to interview old Burr than here; he waited therefore, and in the early evening the old man came in. He was a slender but muscularly built man seeming about sixty-five, but he might be considerably younger or older than that. His hair was completely white; his nose was thin and sensitive; his face was smoothly placid, emotionless, contented; his eyes were queerly clouded, deepset and intent.

Those whose names Alan had found on Corvet's list had been of all ages, young and old; but Burr might well have been a contemporary of Corvet on the lakes. Alan moved over and took a seat beside the old man.



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"You're from Number 25?" he asked, to draw him into conversation.

"Yes."

"I've been working on the carrier Pontiac as lookout. She's on her way to tie up at Cleveland, so I left her and came on here. You don't know whether there's a chance for me to get a place through the winter on Number 25?"

Old Burr reflected. "One of our boys has been talking of leaving. I don't know when he expects to go. You might ask."

"Thank you; I will. My name's Conrad—Alan Conrad."

He saw no recognition of the name in Burr's reception of it; but he had not expected that. None of those on Benjamin Corvet's list had had any knowledge of Alan Conrad or had heard the name before.

Alan was silent, watching the old man; Burr, silent too, seemed listening to the conversation which came to them from the tables near by, where men were talking of cargoes, and of ships and of men who worked and sailed upon them.

"How long have you been on the lakes?" Alan inquired.

"All my life."

"Do you remember the Miwaka?"

Old Burr turned abruptly and studied Alan with a slow scrutiny which seemed to look him through and through; yet while his eyes remained fixed on Alan suddenly they grew blank. He was not thinking now of Alan, but had turned his thoughts within himself.

"I remember her—yes. She was lost in '95," he said. "In '95," he repeated.

"Did you know Benjamin Corvet?" Alan asked.

Old Burr stared at him uncertainly. "I know who he is, of course."

"You never met him?"

"No."

"Did you receive a communication from him some time this year—a request to send some things to Miss Constance Sherrill at Harbor Point?"

"I never heard of Miss Constance Sherrill. To send what things?"

"Several things—among them a watch which had belonged to Captain Stafford of the Miwaka."

Old Burr got up suddenly and stood gazing down at Alan. "A watch of Captain Stafford's?—no," he said agitatedly. "No!"

He moved away and left the place; and Alan sprang up and followed him.

He was not, it seemed probable to Alan now, the James Burr of Corvet's list; at least Alan could not see how he could be that one. Among the names of the crew of the Miwaka Alan had found that of a Frank Burr, and his inquiries had informed him that this man was a nephew of the James Burr who had lived near Port Corbay and had "disappeared" with all his family. Old Burr had not lived at Port Corbay—at least, he claimed not to have lived there; he gave another address and assigned to himself quite different connections. For every member of the crew of the Miwaka there had been a corresponding, but different name upon Corvet's list—the name of a close relative. If old Burr was not related to the Burr on Corvet's list, what connection could he have with the Miwaka, and why should Alan's questions have agitated him so? Alan would not lose sight of old Burr until he had learned the reason for that.

He followed, as the old man crossed the bridge and turned to his left among the buildings on the river front. Burr's figure, vague in the dusk, crossed the railroad yards and made its way to where a huge black bulk, which Alan recognized as the ferry, loomed at the waterside. He disappeared aboard it. Alan, following him, gazed about.

A long, broad, black boat the ferry was, almost four hundred feet to the tall, bluff bow.

Alan thrilled a little at his inspection of the vessel. He had not seen close at hand before one of these great craft which, throughout the winter, brave ice and storm after all—or nearly all—other lake boats are tied up. He had not meant to apply there when he questioned old Burr about a berth on the ferry; he had used that merely as a means of getting into conversation with the old man. But now he meant to apply; for it would enable him to find out more about old Burr.

No berth on the ferry was vacant yet but one soon would be, and Alan was accepted in lieu of the man who was about to leave; his wages would not begin until the other man left, but in the meantime he could remain aboard.

All that was known definitely about old Burr on the ferry, it appeared, was that he had joined the vessel in the early spring. Before that—they did not know; he might be an old lakeman who, after spending years ashore, had returned to the lakes for a livelihood.

The next morning, Alan approached old Burr in the crew's quarters and tried to draw him into conversation again about himself; but Burr only stared at him with his intent and oddly introspective eyes and would not talk upon this subject. A week passed; Alan, established as a lookout now on Number 25 and carrying on his duties, saw Burr daily and almost every hour; his watch coincided with Burr's watch at the wheel—they went on duty and were relieved together. Yet better acquaintance did not make the old man more communicative; a score of times Alan attempted to get him to tell more about himself, but he evaded Alan's questions and, if Alan persisted, he avoided him.

On deck, one night, listening while old Burr talked, excitement suddenly seized Alan. Burr claimed to be an Englishman born in Liverpool. He had been, he said, a seaman in the British navy; he had been present at the shelling of Alexandria; later, because of some difficulty, which he glossed over, he had deserted and had come to "the States;" he had been first a deckhand, then the mate of a tramp schooner on the lakes. Alan, gazing at the old man, felt exultation leaping and throbbing within him. This life which old Burr was rehearsing to him as his own, was the actual life of Munro Burkhalter, one of the men on Corvet's list regarding whom Alan had been able to obtain full information!

Alan sped below, when he was relieved from watch, and got out the clippings left by Corvet and the notes of what he himself had learned in his visits to the homes of these people. His excitement grew greater as he pored over them; he found that he could account, with their aid, for all that old Burr had told him. Old Burr's stories were not, of course, true; yet neither were they fictitious. They—their incidents, at least—were actualities. They were woven from the lives of those upon Corvet's list! Alan felt his skin prickling and the blood beating fast in his temples. How could Burr have known these incidents? Who could he be to know them all? To what man, but one, could all of them be known? Was old Burr . . . Benjamin Corvet?

Alan telegraphed that day to Sherrill; but when the message had gone doubt seized him. Benjamin Corvet, when he went away, had tried to leave his place and power among lakemen to Alan; Alan, refusing to accept what Corvet had left until Corvet's reason should be known, had felt obliged also to refuse friendship with the Sherrills. When revelation came, would it make possible Alan's acceptance of the place Corvet had prepared for him, or would it leave him where he was? Would it bring him nearer to Constance Sherrill, or would it set him forever away from her?

CHAPTER XV.

A Ghost Ship.

Officially, and to chief extent in actuality, navigation now had "closed" for the winter. Further up the harbor, beyond Number 25, glowed the white lanterns marking two vessels moored and "laid up" till spring; another was still in the active process of "laying up." Marine insurance, as regards all ordinary craft, had ceased; and the government at sunrise, five days before, had taken the warning lights from the Straits of Mackinaw, from Ile-aux-Galets, from north Manitou, and the Fox Islands; and the light at Beaver Island had but five nights more to burn.

Having no particular duty when the boat was in dock, old Burr had gone toward the steamer "laying up," and now was standing watching with absorption the work going on. There was a tug a little farther along, with steam up and black smoke pouring from its short funnel. Old Burr observed this boat too and moved up a little nearer. Alan, following the wheelsman, came opposite the stern of the freighter.

"They're crossing," the wheelsman said aloud, but more to himself than to Alan. "They're laying her up here," he jerked his head toward the Stoughton. "Then they're crossing to Manitowoc on the tug."

"What's the matter with that?" Alan cried.

Burr drew up his shoulders and ducked his head down as a gust blew. It was cold, very cold indeed in that wind, but the old man had on a mackinaw and, out on the lake, Alan had seen him on deck coatless in weather almost as cold as this.

"It's a winter storm," Alan cried. "It's like it that way; but today's the 15th, not the 5th of December!"

"That's right," Burr argeed. "That's right."

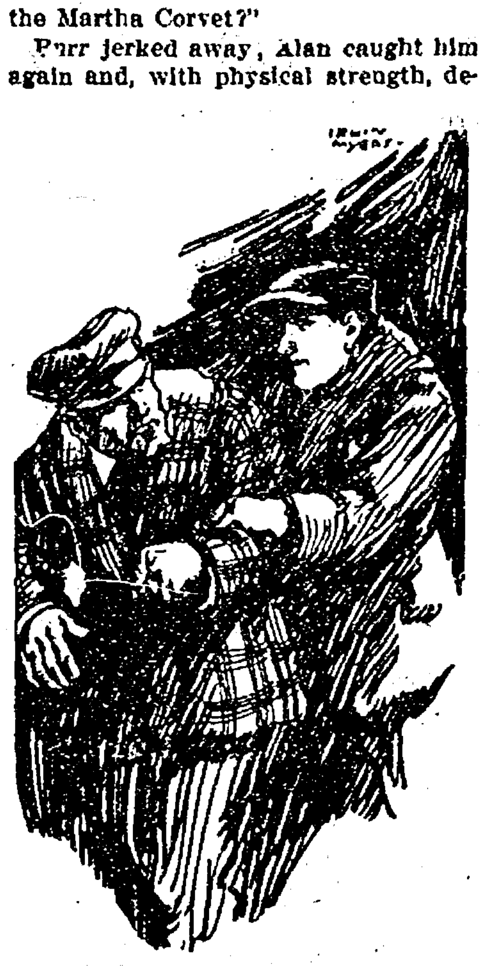
The reply was absent, as though Alan had stumbled upon what he was thinking and Burr had no thought yet to wonder at it.

"And it's the Stoughton they're laying up, not the—" he stopped and stared at Burr to let him supply the word and, when the old man did not, he repeated again—"not the—"

"No," Burr agreed again, as though the name had been given. "No."

"It was the Martha Corvet you laid up, wasn't it?" Alan cried quickly. "Tell me—that time on the 5th—it was the Martha Corvet?"

Burr jerked away, Alan caught him again and, with physical strength, detained him. "Wasn't it that?" he demanded. "Answer me; it was the Martha Corvet?"



"Answer Me; It Was the Martha Corvet?"

The wheelsman struggled; he seemed suddenly terrified with the terror which, instead of weakening, supplied infuriated strength. He threw Alan off for an instant and started to flee back toward the ferry; and Alan let him go, only following a few steps to make sure that the wheelsman returned to Number 25.

Because of the severe cold, the watches on the ferry had been shortened. Alan would be relieved from time to time to warm himself, and then he would return to duty again. Old Burr at the wheel would be relieved and would go on duty at the same hours as Alan himself. Benjamin Corvet! The fancy reiterated itself to him. Could he be mistaken? Was that man, whose eyes turned alternately from the compass to the bow of the ferry as it shifted and rose and fell, the same who had sat in that lonely chair turned toward the fireplace in the house on Astor street? Were those hands, which held the steamer to her course, the hands which had written to Alan in secret from the little room off his bedroom and which pasted so carefully the newspaper clippings concealed in the library?

Alan faced the wind with mackinaw buttoned about his throat; to make certain his hearing, his ears were unprotected. They numbed frequently, and he drew a hand out of the glove to rub them. The windows to protect the wheelsman had been dropped, as the snow had gathered on the glass; and at intervals, as he glanced back, he could see old Burr's face as he switched on a dim light to look at the compass. The strange placidity which usually characterized the old man's face had not returned to it since Alan had spoken with him on the dock; its look was intent and queerly drawn. Was old Burr beginning to remember that he was Benjamin Corvet? Alan did not believe it could be that; again and again he had spoken Corvet's name to him without effect. Yet there must have been times when, if he was actually Corvet, he had remembered who he was. He must have remembered that when he had written directions to some one to send those things to Constance Sherrill; or, a strange thought had come to Alan, had he written those instructions himself? This certainly would account for the package having been mailed at Manitowoc and for Alan's failure to find out by whom it had been mailed. It would account, too, for the unknown handwriting upon the wrapper, if some one on the ferry had addressed the package for the old man.

What could have brought back that moment of recollection to Corvet, Alan wondered; the finding of the things which he had sent? What might bring another such moment? Would his seeing the Sherrills again—or Spearman—act to restore him?

For half an hour Alan paced steadily at the bow. The storm was increasing noticeably in fierceness; the wind-driven snowflakes had changed to hard pellets which, like little bullets, cut and stung the face; and it was growing colder. From a cabin window came the blue flash of the wireless, which had been silent after notifying the shore stations of their departure. It had commenced again; this was unusual. Something still more unusual followed at once; the direction of the gale seemed slowly to shift, and with it the wash of the water; instead of the wind and the waves coming from dead ahead now, they moved to the port beam, and Number 25, still pitching with the thrust through the seas, also began to roll. This meant, of course, that the steamer had changed its course and was making almost due north. It seemed to Alan to force its engines faster; the deck vibrated more. Alan had not heard the orders for this change and could only speculate as to what it might mean.

His relief came after a few minutes more.

"Where are we heading?" Alan asked.

"Radio," the relief announced. "The H. O. Richardson calling; she's up by the Manitous."

"What sort of trouble?"

"She's not in trouble; it's another ship."

"What ship?"

"No word as to that."

Alan, not delaying to question further, went back to the cabins.

These stretched aft, behind the bridge, along the upper deck, some score on each side of the ship; they had accommodations for almost a hundred passengers; but on this crossing only a few were occupied. Alan had noticed some half-dozen men—business men, no doubt, forced to make the crossing, and one of them, a Catholic priest, returning probably to some mission in the north; he had seen no women among them. A little group of passengers were gathered now in the door of or just outside the wireless cabin, which was one of the row on the starboard side. Stewards stood with them and the cabin maid; within, and bending over the table with the radio instrument, was the operator with the second officer beside him. The violet spark was rasping, and the operator, his receivers strapped over his ears, strained to listen. He got no reply, evidently, and he struck his key again; now, as he listened, he wrote slowly on a pad.

"What is it?" Alan asked the officer.

"The Richardson heard four blasts of a steam whistle about an hour ago when she was opposite the Manitous. She answered with the whistle and turned toward the blasts. She couldn't find any ship." The officer's reply was interrupted by some of the others. "Then . . . that was a few minutes ago . . . they heard the four long again. . . . They'd tried to pick up the other ship with radio before. . . . Yes; we got that here. . . . Tried again and got no answer. . . . But they heard the blasts for half an hour. . . . They said they seemed to be almost beside the ship once. . . . But they didn't see anything. Then the blasts stopped . . . sudden, cut off short in the middle as though something happened. . . . She was blowing distress all right. . . . The Richardson's searching again now. . . . Yes, she's searching for boats."

"Anyone else answered?" Alan asked.

"Shore stations on both sides."

"Do they know what ship it is?"

"No."

"What ship might be there now?"

The officer could not answer that. He had known where the Richardson must be; he knew of no other likely to be there at this season. The spray from the waves had frozen upon Alan; ice gleamed and glinted from the rail and from the deck. Alan's shoulders drew up in a spasm. The Richardson, they said, was looking for boats; how long could men live in little boats exposed to that gale and cold?

He turned back to the others about the radio cabin; the glow from within showed him faces as gray as his; it lighted a face on the opposite side of the door—a face haggard with dreadful fright. Old Burr jerked about as Alan spoke to him and moved away alone; Alan followed him and seized his arm.

"What's the matter?" Alan demanded, holding to him.

"The four blasts!" the wheelsman repeated. "They heard the four blasts!" He iterated it once more.

"Yes," Alan urged. "Why not?"

"But where no ship ought to be; so they couldn't find the ship—they couldn't find the ship!" Terror, of awful abjectness, came over the old man. He freed himself from Alan and went forward.

Alan went aft to the car deck. The roar and echoing tumult of the ice against the hull here drowned all other sounds. The thirty-two freight cars, in their four long lines, stood wedged and chained and blocked in place; they tipped and tilted, rolled and swayed like the stanchions and sides of the ship, fixed and secure. Jacks on the steel deck under the edges of the cars, kept them from rocking on their trucks. Men paced watchfully between the tracks, observing the movement of the cars. The cars creaked and groaned, as they worked a little this way and that; the men sprang with sledges and drove the blocks tight again or took an additional turn upon the jacks.

Alan saw old Burr who, on his way to the wheelhouse, had halted to listen. For several minutes the old man stood motionless; he came on again and stopped to listen.

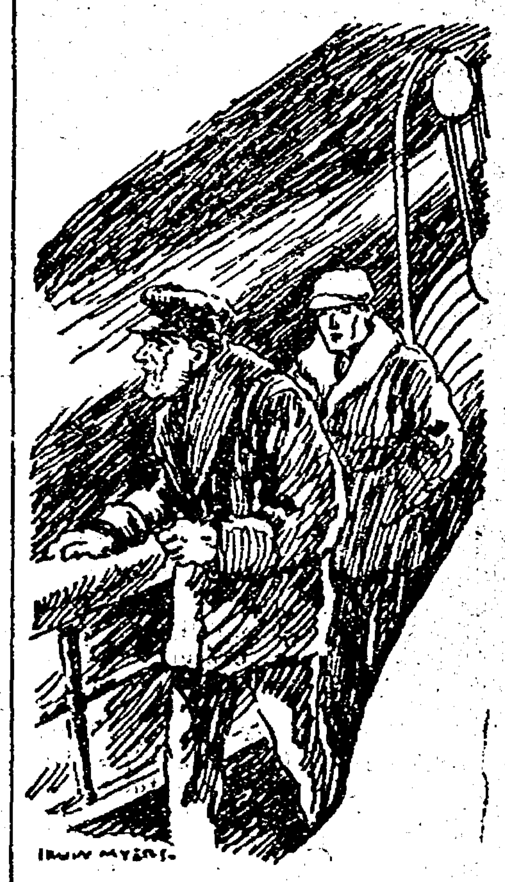
"You hear 'em?" Burr's voice quavered in Alan's ear. "You hear 'em?"

"What?" asked Alan.

"The four blasts! You hear 'em now? The four blasts!"

Burr was straining as he listened, and Alan stood still too; no sound came to him but the noise of the storm. "No," he replied. "I don't hear anything. Do you hear them now?"

Burr stood beside him without making reply; the searchlight, which had been pointed abeam, shot its glare forward, and Alan could see Burr's face in the dancing reflection of the flare. The man had never more plainly resembled the picture of Benjamin Corvet; that which had been in the picture, that strange sensation of something haunting him, was upon this man's face, a thousand times intensified; but instead of distorting the features away from all likeness to the picture, it made it grotesquely identical.



The Man Had Never More Plainly Resembled the Picture of Benjamin Corvet.

And Burr was hearing something—something distinct and terrifying; but he seemed not surprised, but rather satisfied that Alan had not heard. He nodded his head at Alan's denial, and, without reply to Alan's demand, he stood listening. Something bent him forward; he straightened; again the something came; again he straightened. Four times Alan counted the motions. Burr was hearing again the four long blasts of distress! But there was no noise but the gale. "The four blasts!" He recalled old Burr's terror outside the radio cabin. The old man was hearing blasts which were not blown!

He moved on and took the wheel. He was a good wheelsman; the vessel seemed to be steadier on her course and, somehow, to steer easier when the old man steered. His illusions of hearing could do no harm, Alan considered; they were of concern only to Burr and to him.

Alan fought to keep his thought all to his duty; they must be now very nearly at the position where the Richardson last had heard the four long blasts; searching for a ship or for boats, in that snow, was almost hopeless. With sight even along the searchlight's beam shortened to a few hundred yards, only accident could bring Number 25 up for rescue, only chance could carry the ship where the shouts—or the blasts of distress if the wreck still floated and had steam—would be heard.

They were meeting frequent and heavy floes, and Alan gave warning of these by hails to the bridge; the bridge answered and when possible the steamer avoided the floes; when it could not do that it cut through them. The windrowed ice beating and crushing under the bows took strange, distorted, glistening shapes. Now another such shape appeared before them; where the glare dissipated to a bare glow in the swirling snow, he saw a vague shadow. The man moving the searchlight failed to see it, for he swung the beam on. The shadow was so dim, so ghostly, that Alan sought for it again before he hailed; he could see nothing now, yet he was surer, somehow, that he had seen.

"Something dead ahead, sir!" he shouted back to the bridge.

The bridge answered the hail as the searchlight pointed forward again. A gust carried the snow in a fierce flurry which the light failed to pierce; from the flurry suddenly, silently, spar by spar, a shadow emerged—the shadow of a ship. It was a steamer, Alan saw, a long, low-lying old vessel without lights and without smoke from the funnel slanting up just forward of the after deckhouse; it rolled in the trough of the sea. The sides and all the lower works gleamed in ghostly phosphorescence, it was refraction of the searchlight beam from the ice sheathing all the ship, Alan's brain told him; but the sight of that soundless, shimmering ship materializing from behind the screen of snow struck a tremor through him.

"Ship!" he hailed. "Ahead! Dead ahead, sir! Ship!"

The shout of quick commands echoed to him from the bridge. Underfoot he could feel a new tumult of the deck; the engines, instantly stopped, were being set full speed astern. But Number 25, instead of sheering off to right or left to avoid the collision, steered straight on.

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AW, WHAT'S THE USE

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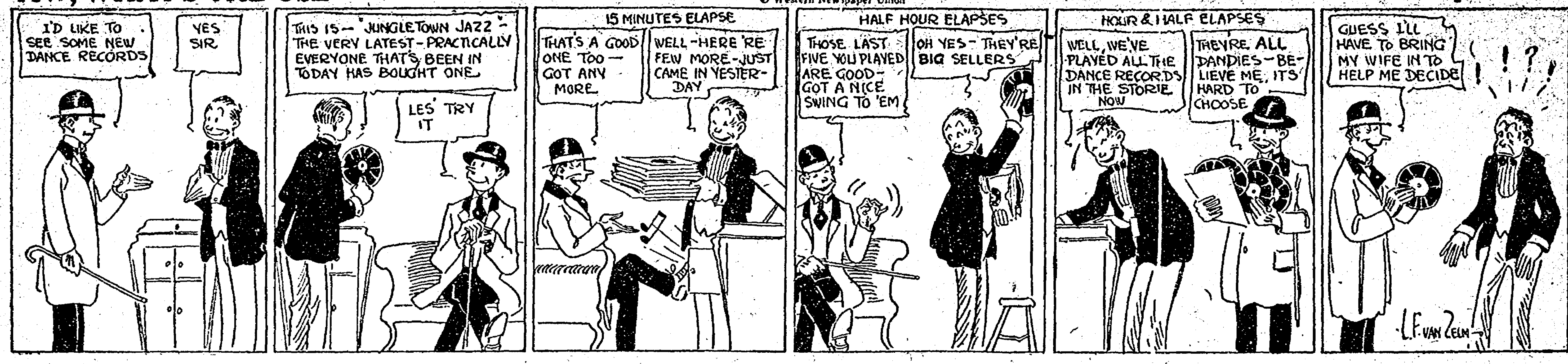
And He Looked Like Such a Good Prospect Too


I'D LIKE TO SEE SOME NEW DANCE RECORDS
YES SIR
THIS IS -- "JUNGLETOWN JAZZ" - THE VERY LATEST - PRACTICALLY EVERYONE THAT'S BEEN IN TODAY HAS BOUGHT ONE
LES' TRY IT
15 MINUTES ELAPSE
THAT'S A GOOD ONE TOO - GOT ANY MORE
WELL - HERE 'RE FEW MORE - JUST CAME IN YESTER-DAY
HALF HOUR ELAPSES
THOSE LAST FIVE YOU PLAYED ARE GOOD - GOT A NICE SWING TO 'EM
OH YES - THEY'RE BIG SELLERS
HOUR & HALF ELAPSES
WELL, WE'VE PLAYED ALL THE DANCE RECORDS IN THE STORIE NOW
THEY'RE ALL DANDIES - BELIEVE ME, ITS HARD TO CHOOSE
GUESS I'LL HAVE TO BRING MY WIFE IN TO HELP ME DECIDE
! ? !
L.F. VAN ZELM

Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bailey and the Misses Rhea Campbell and Doris Bailey enjoyed the concert at Clarion, Friday evening.

Mrs. Anderson of Huxley, Iowa, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Scott, and other relatives the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Tom McCauley of Des Moines who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh is spending a few days with friends in Fort Dodge.

Archie Rierson and Elliot Butterfield are at Okoboji for a few days vacation.

Miss Rena Purdy left last week for a visit with her brother in Chicago.

The Misses Dora and Emma Jacobs are spending a few days at the home of an uncle in Dennison, Iowa.

The Walter Schleifarth family accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Polhemus drove to Dows and Popejoy last Monday for a short visit with old friends.

Miss Zella Stapley of Chicago is a guest at the home of her uncle, Ernest Stapley.

Charles Cramer met with a slight accident in the cement plant last week.

The regular meeting of the Belmond Cemetery Association will be held at the home of Mrs. F. O. Fitts, on Friday evening July 14th. All members are requested to be present. By order of Secretary.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison continues in a very serious condition. She is not allowed to receive her friends.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Ole T. Rikansrud's son, Hjalmer, who is employed at Belmond, and Chester Hanson started, by auto, for the Harold Holm farm where a farm bureau social was to be held. While enroute, when it became necessary, Mr. Hanson turned on the lights of the car and a short circuit caused flames to jump up inside of the car. In the excitement Hjalmer jumped out and was thrown violently to the ground, face downward. He received a badly bruised face and a fractured collar bone. He was taken to Belmond and is at the home of his sister where he is recovering nicely. Mr. Hanson had had the same kind of trouble with the car before so did not try to get out of the auto and escaped injury.—Reporter.

RIDING IS POPULAR

Goldfield is one town in the country where a revival of riding is on in full blast. Credit for this may be given to Dr. Kelly, the Goldfield veterinarian, who is an enthusiastic horseman, and who was formerly an instructor in the United States army in the cavalry service. There are not less than forty people in Goldfield and vicinity who are taking riding lessons, and some of these are developing into mighty good riders. At the picnic, to be held in Goldfield this Friday, there will be a regular cavalry drill put on for the peasure of the picnickers. The od time horseman would enjoy this. But the automobile and the craze for speed has nearly done away with the riding horse, except among the people who have means to gratify their love for this sport.—News.

The law recognizes a man as the head of the family, but often the neighbors have a different story to tell.

Walter Ramsay of Des Moines was visiting his brother, Wallace Ramsay and family last week.

Betty Haven of Charles City was visiting friends in town over the week end.

Mrs. D. F. Finn and daughter, Lillian, of Goodell were in town Saturday, the former having dental work done.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum and Mrs. L. L. McCallum were shoppers here from Rowan, Saturday.

Mrs. Frank McGuire of Dubuque has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Justus for a couple of weeks.

J. N. Johnson has been in Colorado visiting his son, Frank, who is reported as improving in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Rowan and child visited at the Wm. Purdy home last week.

The roof of the City Hall has been repaired under the supervision of Johnson and Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Comb and two children of Des Moines visited at the L. Dorencamp home last week. Mrs. Comb will be remembered as Fray Doremcamp. They were enroute to Minneapolis.

Rev. and Mrs. Wipperman entertained the boys of the Lakeside Concert Company at their home over Sunday. Carl Wenger, one of the members of the company is a relative of Mrs. Wippermann.

Mrs. Morgan and two sons and Mr. Lyons of Des Moines visited at the L. Dorencamp home last week enroute to Minneapolis.

It is reported that the oat crop between here and Mason City was seriously damaged by the storm, Saturday night.

Mrs. Carrie Sheffield of Fort Dodge was in town Monday attending to matters of business.

Mrs. Bertha Lehman of Chicago, sister of Mrs. E. L. Haupt, Sr. left for a few days visit at the L. H. Johnson home in Olaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wolfe and children of Holmes spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kiplinger.

Margaret Dillon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Dillon, was quite severely burned about the face and mouth on the Fourth by biting a torpedo. She is recovering rapidly from the accident.

Any high school pupil desiring to take review work in a subject in which you have failed, see or phone me this week.—Hazel V. Thomas.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

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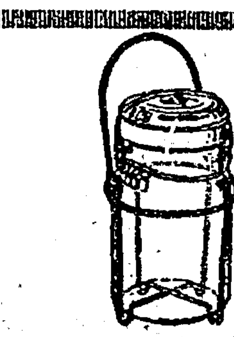
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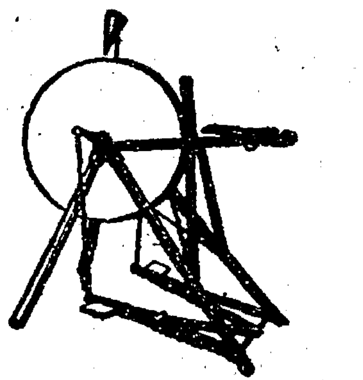
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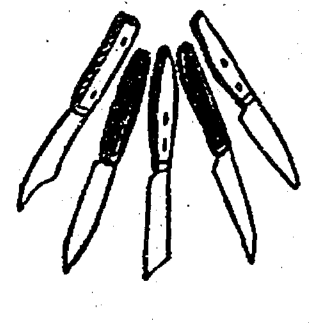
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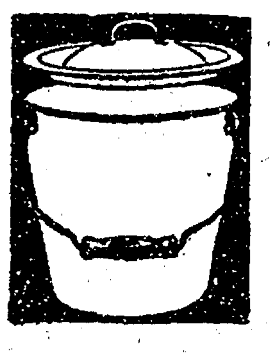
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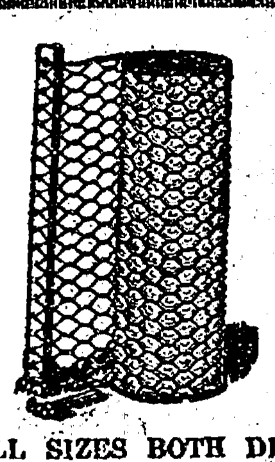
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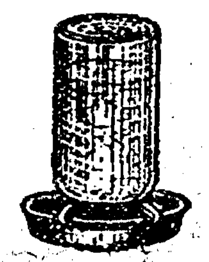
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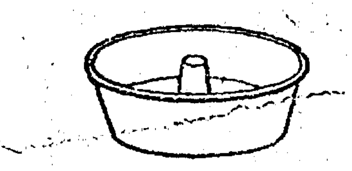
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COUNTY PICNIC FOR YOUNGSTERS JULY 27TH

Hold Tyrrell Park Dedication Tonight

Bring Dishes And Sandwiches And Enjoy A Fine Picnic Supper

PROGRAM AFTER SUPPER

The one great event of the summer will be the formal opening of Tyrrell Park this evening, Thursday July 20th.

The donor of the park, Capt. W. C. Tyrrell Sr., of Beaumont, Texas, will be present to witness the pleasure and enjoyment which his generous and beautiful gift will bring to all.

Those who are co-operating with Mr. Tyrrell in making this opening event a success, wish to impress upon the public the fact that the Park is now yours and it is hoped that there will be a large crowd to participate in this initial Park gathering.

Special invitations are extended to all old settlers and to friends of Mr. Tyrrell in the surrounding towns.

A picnic supper will be served at six o'clock with the ladies of the Community Club in charge. Members of the Community Club will be solicited for food. Others are requested to bring dishes and sandwiches for their family and a dish of the following: Salad, Cake, Baked Beans, or Cream Potatoes. Ice cream will be sold by the dish or in cones.

Cars will be on Main Street in front of the Public Library lawn at 5:30 o'clock and will furnish free transportation for those who have no other means of conveyance. The transportation committee are M. C. Barry, C. O. Fitts, E. Bock and W. T. Gfeller.

The following program will be given after the picnic supper.

I Prelude

Drill by School children, Grasshoppers, Fairies, Butterflies.

II "Our Appreciation of Tyrrell Park," W. R. Ramsay, Pres. of Chamber of Commerce.

III Response, W. C. Tyrrell, Sr.

IV Music by Male Quartette.

V Reading, Elizabeth Leinbach.

VI Solo, Bert Nelson.

VII Community Singing—Leader Beatrice Leinbach. Carol Tyrrell, Accompanist.

Mrs. W. [illegible] Rosecrans, Pres. of Community Club.

O YOU WATERMELLON

If early samples of melons are any indication of the kind we are to get here this summer, "We-all are suah gwine to eat watermillions."

They are appearing in our local markets and the price is cheaper than last year. The late summer melons will probobly go down to a quarter as there will be a larger crop of them.

Cantaloupes, too, are cheaper, selling for 10 cents while last year thay were 2 for 25.

Our local advertisers have been trying to tell you folks that fruit is cheaper than last year and still housewives say, "I can't afford to can anything. Fruit is so much higher." Not true, and this little report is written to convince you differently.

This is the last week for Bing cherries. They are a cheap fruit to can because they are large and there is practically no waste. Last year they were $5.00, this year $3.75. In fact, all fruits are 25 percent lower. The price on berries kept up because they were a local product but the fruit now in the market comes from states where there has been plenty of rain. The recent shipments include peaches, apricots, [illegible] with prices lower than [illegible] are not of a

BELMOND WINS FROM GARNER SUNDAY

The baseball game at West Lake, Kanawha, last Sunday, Belmond vs. Garner, was a decisife victory for Belmond to the tune of 12 to 4. The game as it was by innings:

FIRST INNING—

Belmond to bat—Thomas leads off with a safe hit to lelf field. Dillon out on fly to first. Packard hits to third, thrown out at first. Foss strikes out. Hits 1, runs 0.

Garner—Duncan hits to pitcher, thrown out at first. Highsmith hits to pitcher and thrown out at first. Lee hits to pitcher and is thrown out at first. No hits no runs.

SECOND INNING—

Belmond—Fulton hits over center field for three bases. Jones strikes out. Yepson gets base on balls. Nelson gets a one base hit and scores Fulton. Madsen gets a two base hit and scores Yepson and Nelson. Thomas base on balls. Packard comes up with a two base hit and scores Madsen. Dillon strikes out. Foss strikes out. Hits 4, runs 4.

Garner—Herst hits to third, error on third. Gilligan gets a one base hit. Zeismer gets a one base hit and scores Herst. Nessebit goes to first on Fulton's error. Livermore comes up with a hit and scores Gilligan. Becker strikes out. Duncan out on fly to first. Highsmith hit by pitcher. Lee strikes out. Hits 3, runs 3.

THIRD INNING—

Belmond—Fulton leads off with another three base hit over left field and scores on a wild throw to third. Jones gets a one base hit. Yepson out on fly to short. Nelson comes up with a hit and scores Jones. Madsen gets a two base hit. Thomas walks. Dillon hits to third, error on third and Madsen scores. Packard out on foul ball. Foss out on foul ball. Hits 4, runs 4.

Garner—Herst out on fly to short. Gilligan hits to second, thrown out at first. Zeismer gets a hit. Nessebit out on fly to third. No hits, no runs.

FOURTH INNING—

Belmond—Garner takes the famous Becker out and puts in Highsmith from Mason City. Fulton strikes out. Jones strikes out. Yepsen hits to third, thrown out at first. No hits no runs.

Garner—Livermore base on balls. Becker out on foul to first. Duncan hits to pitcher, thrown out at first. Highsmith hits to short, thrown out a firs. No hits, no runs.

FIFTH INNING—

Belmond—Nelson hits to pitcher, thrown out at first. Madsen gets a hit and steals second. Thomas up and gets a hit. Dillon strikes out. Packard gets a hit and scores Madsen. Foss gets his drive for a second base hit and scores Thomas. Fulton puts out another hit and scores Foss. Fulton put out on second. Hits 5, runs 4.

Garner—Lee stirkes out. Herst gets a hit. Gilligan hits to pitcher, thrown out at first. Zeismer hits to pitcher and is thrown out at first. No hits, no runs.

SIXTH INNING—

Belmond—Jones out on fly to left field. Yepsen hits to short, thrown out at first. Nelson out on fly to first. No hits, no runs.

Garner—Nessebit strikes out. Livermore hits to second, thrown out at first. Becker gets a hit. Duncan strikes out. Hits 1, runs 0.

SEVENTH INNING—

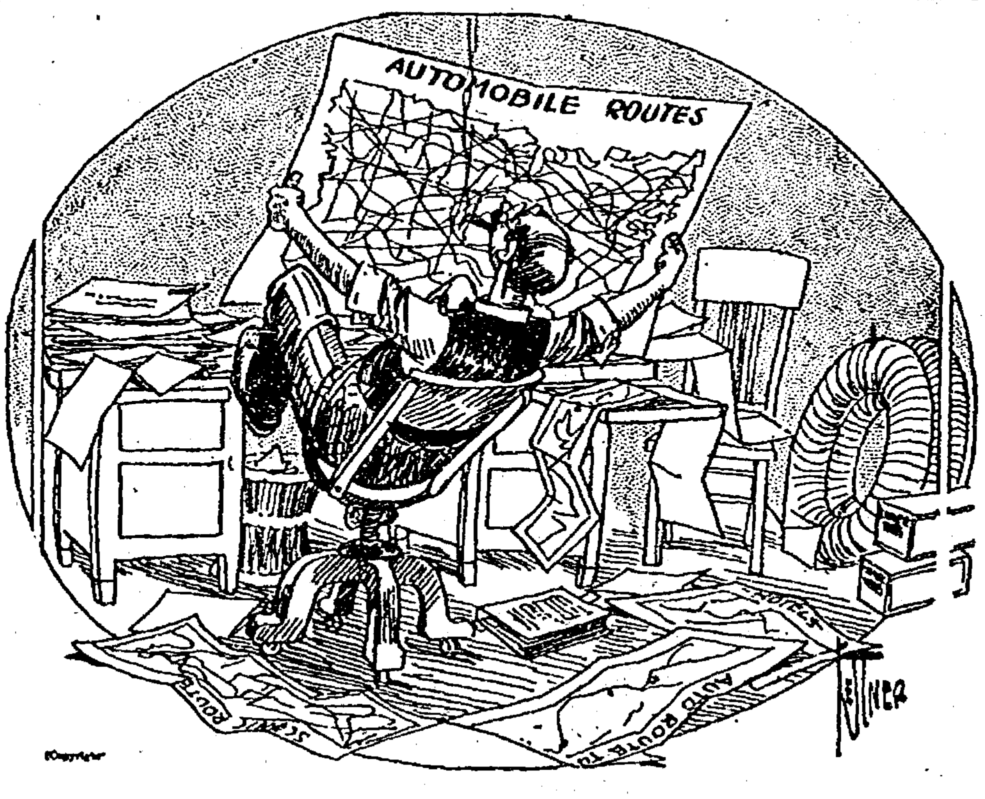
Belmond—Madsen gets a one base hit. Thomas bunts fly to pitcher, puts Madsen out on double at first. Dillon strikes out. Hits 1, runs 0.

Garner—Highsmith ot on foul to catcher. Lee gets one base hit. Herst hits to short. Lee thrown out on second. Gilligan gets a one base hit, Herst scores. Zeismer strikes out. Hits 2, runs 1.

EIGHTH INNING—

Belmond—Packard gets a walk. Foss strikes out. Fulton strikes out. Jones hits to second, error on second, and Packard scores. Yepsen hits to third, throws Jones out at second. [illegible] short, out

Planning the Summer Campaign



IOWA FALLS ELECTRIC CO. HAS PLENTY OF COAL

The Iowa Falls Electric Company will not be seriously handicapped by the coal shortage, is the opinion of C. E. Bowman, who is at present in charge of the local office of the company. They have a supply which will carry them until the first o the middle of October.

Other Iowa electric companies are not so fortunate as shown by an article in the last week's daily Register of Des Moines.

Thirty-one electric companies of Iowa, replying to the questionnaire sent out during the course of our recent survey, showed that they had on hand only enough coal on an average to last fifty-seven days.

This survey was made by the American Electric Railway Association, and the National Electric Light Association and the American Gas association.

Iowa is a few days better off than the rest of the country, according to the survey, having six days' gas coal supply more than the average for all the states and two days' more coal for electric lighting plants.

The Times-Republican, of Marshalltown, in a recent issue, warns its readers that publication probably will be suspended for lack of power.

NEW BOOKS IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The following list of new books has recently been added to the Public Library. Those marked with a star are the most read.

Luminous Face—Wells.
*If Winter Comes—Hutchinson.
To Him That Hath—Connor.
The Island—Rumkle.
*My Chinese Marriage— M. F. T.
Cavanaugh—Forest Ranger—Garland.
*The Great Prince Shan—Appenhiem.
Midnight—Cohen.
*Gentle Julia—Farhington.
*Covered Wagon—Hough.
Man in Gray—Dixon.
When Egypt Went Broke—Day.
Peter Binney—Marshall.
Fanny Crosby's Story of 94 years.
*Book of Etiquette—2 vols.—Eichler.
Enchanted Canyon—Willsie.
*Outline of History—Wells.
Master of Man—Caine.
Her Father's Daughter—Porter.
Flaming Forest—Curwood.
*Helen of the Old House—Wright.
Empty Sack—King.
Laramie Holds The Range—Spearman.
Quin—Rice.
Tish—Rinehart.
To The Last Man—Grey.
Quill's Widow—McCutcheon.
The Thing From the Lake—Ingram
My Maiden Effort—Biography.
Tradition—Van Vorst.

GOLF TOURNAMENT AT CLARMOND COUNTRY CLUB

The first handicap golf tournament of the season has just been played at the Clarmond Country Club.

On July 2nd, the playing of the qualifying rounds was commenced and the following qualified for medal play for eighteen holes; G. J. Meier, G. W. Young, Geo. Young, Jr., C. J. Birdsall, G. H. Steele, W. C. Tyrrell, Jr., L. R. Parsons, A. L. Luick.

On Tuesday July 4th those qualifying were paired off for the first round of the final piay which was a match play for eighteen holes, resulting as follows:

Meier defeated Birdsall, 7 up, Geo. Young, Jr., defeated Luick, 1 up Steele defeated Parsons, 4 up, Tyrrell defeated G. W. Young, 2up.

In the second round played in the afternoon, the results were as follows: Meier defeated Geo. Young, Jr. 4 up, Tyrrell defeated Steele, 2 up.

This left a match still to be payed between Meier and Tyrrell for the championship in handicap.

In this match Meier had a handicap of 18 and Tyrrell 10. The final was played last Wednesday evening, with Meier defeating Tyrrell 6 up.

The first event of the golf tournament for the Association of Country Clubs will take place at Eagle Grove, Sunday, July 23rd.

The Clarmond team to meet Eagle Grove consists of W. C. Tyrrell, Jr., Dr. G. H. Steele, Adolph Skovlin, A. L. Luick, Harry Tyrrell, Dr. Meier Mr. Hamilton and Geo. Young, Jr. The alternates are Mr. Birdsall and William Tyrrell.

WARNER—GROH

Miss Lucile Warner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warner, of Parent, Minnesota and Mr. Edmund P. Groh, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh of Belmond were united in marriage in Minneapolis, Minnesota by the Rev. Riley, on Friday, July 14th.

After the wedding they left for Bemidji, Minnesota where Mr. Groh has accepted a position in the Egbert Pharmacy.

The bride is a university graduate and formerly taught in Albert Lea, Minnesota. She is a charming and accomplished young woman.

Edmund is a young man whom all Belmond people honor because of his distinguished service in the late World War but, most of all, because he is a model of that type American manhood which we hold as an ideal before our sons.

He enlisted May 9, 1917 at Des Moines and was a pharamists mate, third class, in the navy, until October, when he was detached to the marine corps. He went overseas in April with the Sixth Regiment of the Second Division. For the service rendered his country he has received the Croix de Guerre, the naval Distingu[illegible] Medal, the "Pershing

STRIKEBREAKERS PERSUADED TO LEAVE WORK AT CLAION

Strikebreakers imported by the Great Western railroad to take the place of the shops craft men, who walked out some two weeks ago, were visited at the roundhouse Thursday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, and persuaded to relinquish their work as strikebreakers. The men were escorted to union headquarters in the cement shed west of the Great Western tracks and detained there until the nine o'clock passenger train came in, when most of them departed for Chicago.

Local Great Western officials furnished transportation to the men, some of whom expressed their relief at being out of the roundhouse and off the job.

The Ames college men, recently recruited and sent here, were also among the men working at the roundhouse and they went back to Ames.

So far not much machine work has been handled here or at and of the Great Western division points. The engines are getting in pretty bad condition, and are beginning to be source of alarm to the engineers and firemen.

Clarion wasn't very much excited yesterday. It was rumored around town that the roundhouse was to be visited by a large delegation of employees, and the hour was set at four o'clock. But no one paid much attention to the rumors, which have been flying thick and fast the past two weeks. But shortly after four o'clock it was evident that something was on, and by five o'clock is was generally known up town that the delegation had gone to the roundhouse and asked the men to quit the jobs, and escorted them to the cement shed. The unionists furnished the men their suppers and the railroad company paid them the wages they had coming to them, and things settled down to a normal calm.

Local business men are not curtailing credits because of the strike. They say that any man worthy of credit before the strike will continue to receive it so long as they can possibly furnish it.

Locally, the sentiment favors the men, and there is a feeling that the strike will continue to be conducted without violence. Supt. Fatherson is giving the strikers fair and courteous treatment and the men appreciate his attitude.

It is understood that special deputies appointed for guard duty in the yards, both here and at Eagle Grove, have lost their authority. Sheriff Lang, after learning of the deputizing of these men, found there was no legal basis for such and took up a collection of tin stars.

Today, Friday, local freights in and out of Clarion were annulled, indefinitely. The road will try to continue the thru freights and passenger and mail service, but admittedly the motive power situation is becoming serious. A couple of nights ago No. 6 pulled into Clarion with three engines, two of them having died on the way up. Naturally, trains are running late.

Freight service on the Rock Island has been curtailed to the extent that there is east bound service only every other day and west bound service every day.

Thursday morning around ten strikbreakers were brot to Clarion on No. 5. The train pulled in and passed the station, which was crowded with strikers and curious people, and stopped first near the roundhouse where the strikbreakers car was cut off. Picketing strikers then endeavoring to get in conversation with the strikebreakers, and asked them to come out and discuss the matter, but armed guards on each end of the car prevented the men from coming out. Some also said the strikebreakers were pretty well scared. They seemed to be afraid of being lynched. However, two of the men in the car finally came out and refused to work as strikebreakers.

A Great Western special detective went thru the [illegible] of the men in the car [illegible] one carrying a [illegible] took posses- [illegible] it over

County Picnic For Boys and Girls

First Picnic Of This Kind Ever Held In Wright County

RADIO PROGRAM GIVEN

Our heading reads, "Picnic for Wright County younsters, July 27th." County Agent Edwards says that means all you folks who feel young at heart and enjoy picnics. The picnic is planned for the boys and girls, but parents are most cordially welcomed and the Radio messages from Ames will interest all.

By R. M. Edwards

All boys and girls of any age, club members, and non-club members, are urged to be thinking about the county wide club rally-picnic, which is being planned for Thursday July 27th at the Goldfield park.

An interesting program, consisting of athletic stunts, club stunts, and demonstrations, and all sorts of supervised games for the smaller youngsters, is being arranged. An interesting list of speakers has been arranged including Paul C. Taff, state leader of boys and girls club work, Miss Hazel Spencer, and probably Miss Josephine Arnquist, state leader of girls club work, also Mr. J. L. Gordon, specialist in poultry club work. An interesting feature of the program will be radio messages received from Ames, given out at the picnic, through a receiving set and amplifier which will be set up on the picnic grounds. Arrangements have been made with the sending station at Ames to have president Pearson and director Bliss give short addresses to the boys and girls at this picnic. This part of the program will be interesting for the youngsters who have never had opportunity to hear radio messages and at the same time they will receive inspirational messages direct from the leaders of our great agricultural institution at Ames.

The program will begin at ten o'clock Thursday morning, July 27th and the day will be filled with loads of fun and good music for the youngsters. Everyone is asked to bring a lunch and come prepared to have a jolly good time. Parents are urged to see that the youngsters get to the picnic. This day may not mean much to the mothers and fathers, but it surely will be a red letter day in the lives of the boys and girls, the men and women, the fathers and mothers of tomorrow. Let us bring the youngsters and make this a real day of jollification for them.

SANDS MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

On account of the heavy rain of Saturday night and the muddy roads we were considerably below normal in our attendance for last Sunday at all of the services. However we were above the average attendance for the year before.

Next Sunday we hope to make a new high record and then we expect to have our annual picnic the week following. Everyone in his place at 10:00 o'clock next Sunday for Sabbath school and morning worship at 11:00.

The orchestra last Sunday night was greatly appreciated by all and we are going to look forward to our Sundy night services with ag reat deal of expectation from this on. There will be a musical treat in store for us every Sunday night, so come and enjoy the services with us.

The evening services begin at 7:30 and last for one hour and a half.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m.. We are keeping

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WHERE THERE'S A WILL

There comes a time in the experience of every high school graduate when he or she makes the decision for or against a college training. Some of our Belmond young people are pondering that question today, and, it is for the purpose of helping in that final judgment, that this article is written..

The value of college education has often been discussed and most intelligent people are agreed upon that question.

The one great problem which confronts the ambitious young person in these so-called hard times, is "Where shall I get the money?"

Did you know that three-fourths of our Belmond young people who attended college last year, earned all or part of their own expenses?

Then some folks try to tell us that the rising generation are "jazz-mad" and don't know how to work.

In a recent lecture by Dr. Mossman of Morning Side, he told of a young, green, country lad who appeared in his office with the introduction, "Well, I'm here." Dr. Mossman replied, "My boy, its a great thing to have arrived." The young man's having arrived showed some strong incentive behind that arrival and the discovery that he had no funds led the president to believe that he, at least, had "backbone."

After talking with the young man for some time it was found that he was truly in earnest about a college training and willing to do even the humblest work to provide means to realize that ambition.

Dr. Mossman wrote upon a slip of paper, "A man's worth is measured by the extent to which he believes in himself." Shoving the paper across the table he said, "Young man, do you believe that?" "Yes." "Then sign your name to it." Which was done. The president then announced to the astonished but delighted young student, "This slip of paper we will call a note and you may borrow money from the college to a certain amount. You must earn the rest. We shall not require any other security."

Several of the Belmond young people know this young man. He has just finished his second college year with a B plus in every subject and is earning his way by working in the stock yards.

There is a slang phrase, "The first hundred years are the hardest." We do not wish to lead anyone to believe that earning one's way through college is an easy task. But, "the first hundred years are the hardest."

Until the Ambitious One gets adjusted to the hard study, homesickness, and wage earning which will mark his first year, it is going to be hard, and mighty hard. The jolt when one leaves the protection of the home nest is always a hard one.

It has been with deepest of interest and genuine pleasure that we have listened to some of our Belmond boys and girls as we interviewed them upon the question, "How are you paying your college expenses?" They love to talk about it, proud of the fact they are making good. It would do your h[illegible] to see the glow on th[illegible]

house with twenty-seven boys who were earning all or part of their expenses. This particular one, from choice, worked in a printing office Saturdays and vacations. He has recently graduated and holds a responsible position with a company in which there are great possibilities in a business way. He was one of ten college boys who were selected by this company from sixty applicants for positions. Each boy was required to give in detail an account of how he had spent his vacations, the names of places where he had worked and the names of his employers during his entire high school and college life.

Would this not seem to indicate that a preference is given by the large corporation to the boy who has had to work his way?

Here is a record which would be hard to equal. A Belmond boy left for college last fall with fifty dollars in his pocket. He came back with more than he had when he started. He had worked in a drug store evenings for seven dollars a week. The other boys helped him a little by loaning him books.

It costs more for the boys to attend college than it does girls because there is the question of expense for entertaining the "best girl." Colleges are beginning to provide plans which will eliminate this expense so that boys do not need to possess a lot of money in order to be in the midst of the social life and to be able to "date." The All-College Party at Coe and several other colleges has proven a popular success in filling this need. Parties are held in the Women's Dormitory every three weeks on Friday night, this date being held open by the faculty on the college calendar.

A nominal admission fee of twenty-five cents is charged to cover the expense of light refreshments and for the orchestra.

Once each quarter a more formal party is given, each class of the college taking their turn at entertainment and decorations. The classes vie with each other in plans for entertainment.

At one of these parties a fine spirit is shown and through inexpensive and not requiring that the men provide flowers and taxis or that anyone should wear evening clothes, there has been a general increase in the companionship and fellowship among the students.

Of course, every student needs some money besides what they are able to earn. One girl says she has been able to get along with two-hundred dollars a year. A part of this she had when beginning her course and the remainder was borrowed.

Most people with money to loan are willing to help worthy students. "I have never lost a nickel of the money I have loaned to college students," says one person who has helped several to get an education.

Another line of work which proved intensely interesting was that done by one of our girls as a paid worker i the night school in the Wall Street Mission in the stock yards district. This was along the line of Americanization among foreign men and women who came to the Mission two nights each for study and classes. Industrial classes were held on Saturday afternoon for the little folks.

This girl also did volunteer work at the Mission on Sunday.

At one time she did mimeograph work in the college office. She also worked two hours each day in the Tea-Shop for her meals.

It seems that the girls must give much more time than the boys for the returns which they get but many girls are working for their board, room and laundry in private homes. They still have a reasonable amount of time left for social life although they do not expect to be able to be a society idol. One girl was very enthusiastic about the treatment she had received in one of the homes where she worked. She was given the married daughter's bed-room for her own, beautifully furnished in [illegible]

desire for a college course into an easy job or into marriage because there is nothing else to do. Where there's a will, there's a college education.—Maude Rankins Leonard.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

THE RESURRECTION: — Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.—John 11: 25.

Monday.

DEATH OR LIFE:—To be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.—Romans 8: 6.

Tuesday.

JOY FOR WEEPING:—His anger endureth but a moment: in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.—Psalm 30: 5.

Wednesday.

GIVE GOD THE BEST:—Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase.—Proverbs 3: 9.

Thursday.

HAVE ALL GOOD:—The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.—Psalm 34: 10.

Friday.

AN UNLIMITED SUPPLY:—If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.—John 15: 7.

Saturday.

THY KEEPER:—The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.—Psalm 121: 5.

Belmond Local News

Kill the worms before they get your pigs. Use O. K. Worm Capsules. Nothing better.—Schultz Drug Co.

Notice—Party who picked up auto crank at G. W. crossing please return to A. E. Martin.

D. L. Mallory is improving his residence property by putting in a new cement walk.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flynn and daughters and Miss Maye Tracy spent Sunday at Clear Lake.

W. C. Tyrrell, Jr. and wife spent the week end with Capt. W. C. Tyrell Sr. at Spirit Lake.

Miss Thomas and Miss Sharon are tutoring high school pupils who wish to make up un-finished studies. Mrs. Hogenson is helping those of the grade pupils who are doing similar work.

Helen Hildenbrand is working in the Library while Mrs. Case has a few day's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reed and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Polhemus are enjoying a few day's outing at Clear Lake.

Miss Amalia Hueneman of Garner is the Hancock County winner in the Register Beauty contest.

Dr. and Mrs. Missman and son, Byrnes of Klemme were Sunday visitors at the E. A. Ely home. They were accompined by Mrs. Ely who had been visiting at her daughter's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodman and son of Ida Grove, Iowa, were guests of the Misses Nell and Mary Barry, Sunday. They drove down from their Clear Lake cottage. Mrs. Goodman was formerly Miss Simon and will be remembered as a Latin teacher in our local high school.

Clare White and wife of Fort Dodge are visiting Mrs. Wm. White while Clare is having his vacation.

C. H. Wallace has recently returned from Iowa Falls where he has been assisting Raymond Walton in installing a Delco plant. Mr. Wallace expects to take up his electrical business in Belmond again.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nissen and Mrs. [illegible] were Mason City [illegible]

RADIO

MORE ABOUT VACUUM TUBE AS A DETECTOR

How a "Three-Electrode" Is Connected in a Simple Radio Receiving Circuit.

Obviously working the tube at a point on the upper bend of knee of the characteristic curve would produce the same symmetrical changes in the plate circuit by symmetrical changes in the grid potential as it will if the tube is worked at the lower end of knee of the curve. However, the alternating current applied to the grid would now produce a large decrease and a small increase of the plate current, the reverse of that shown in Fig. 9. The objection to working the tube on the upper bend of knee of the curve is that when no potential is applied to the grid a relatively large current would flow in the plate circuit and rapidly exhaust the "B" battery.

Should the tube, by means of the potential applied to the grid, be made to operate at a point on the characteristic curve midway between the upper and lower bends—that is, on the straight part of the curve, symmetrical variations in the grid potential would cause symmetrical change in the plate circuit current and the tube would not function as a detector.

Fig. 10 shows how a three-electrode vacuum tube is connected in a simple radio receiving circuit. The "B" battery furnishing the necessary plate potential is connected with its positive side through the phones to the plate. The filament is heated to the required temperature by the battery "A." The incoming radio frequency alternating current is applied to the grid and the negative side of the filament through the "C" battery. By connecting the negative side of the filament to the midpoint of the "C" battery a positive potential can be applied to the grid by moving the slider on the "C" battery potentiometer up, or the grid can be made negative with respect to the filament by moving the slider on the "C" battery potentiometer down.

In practice a "C" battery is not used to force a three-electrode vacuum tube to function as a detector. Fig. 11 shows how a so-called grid condenser and a grid leak resistance are used in conjunction with a three-element vacuum tube so that it will function as a detector in a radio receiving circuit.

The grid condenser is connected in series with the grid of the tube and shunted by the grid leak resistance. The grid condenser will allow alternating current to flow to the grid but will not allow any charge that might collect on the grid to flow through it to the filament. The only way a charge that might collect on the grid could flow to the filament would be through the high resistance of about 500,000 to 2,000,000 ohms and would allow the charge on the grid to leak off slowly.

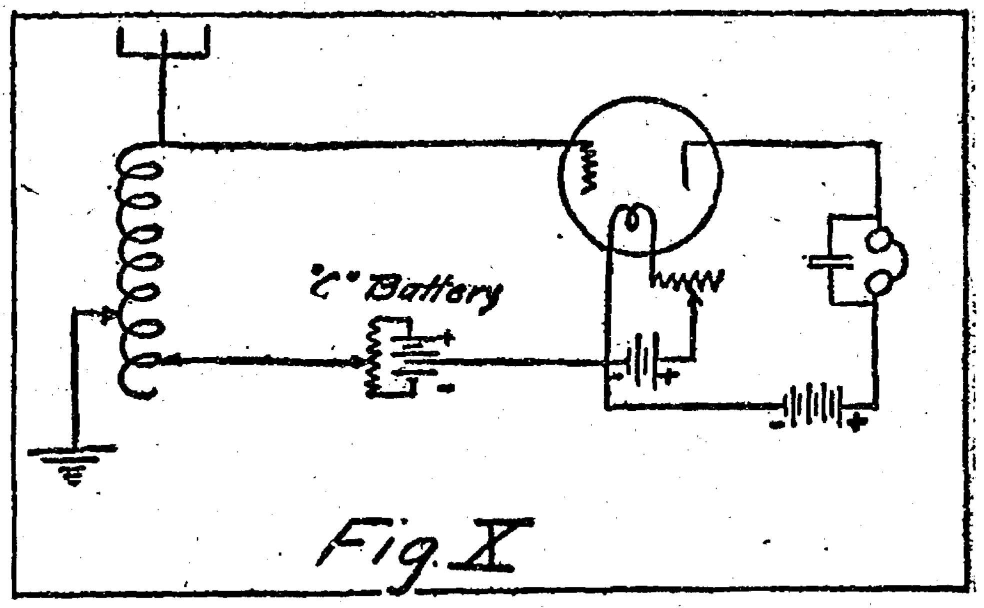


Fig. X

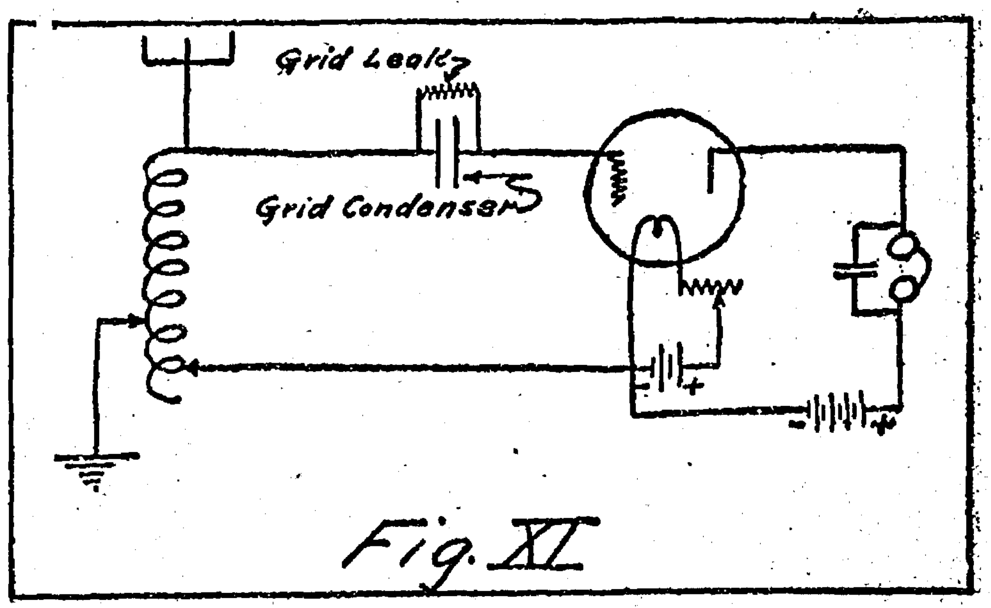


Fig. XI

The Misses Doris Bailey, Dorothy Purcell and Bernetas Wolle are at Lake Okiboji, attending the Epworth League Institute, which is in session from July 17th to July 20th.

S. Sarber had the misfortune to lose about three hundred fifty chickens last week by the burning of one of their brooders.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church met with Mrs. J. S. White last Wednesday afternoon.

James W. Pierce, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Pierce has recently graduated from the Electrical School at Mare Island, Calif. and is at present on the United States Ship Tennesse.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Furseth had a fine baby boy born July 1.

NOTICE—All weeds on parking and vacant lots must be cut.—B. J. Finn, Street Com.

Miss Hannah Tierney of Seattle, Washington spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin and family. Miss Tierney was for several years a teacher in Garner.

A fence has been placed around the excavation on the corner where the Sheffield building formerly stood. This affords a much [illegible] tion from [illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters, Jessie and Nellie, were business callers here Friday.

Fred Mennenga and family of North Dakota are visiting relatives in Belmond. They came by auto. Another brother, Titus Mennenga, of Illinois arrived Saturday for a short visit.

Mrs. Amy Peterson and daughter, Pauline are enjoying an outing with relatives at Lake Okiboji.

Jack and Geraldine Sharon of Buffalo Center were guests of their grandmother, Mrs. J. J. Sharon, last week.

Miss Margaret Mennenga and neice Miss Marie Mennenga who is visiting here, spent last Thursday with friends in Mason City.

Rev. J. M. Jensen of Belmond was elected vice president of the Waldorf College Association at their annual meeting held in Forest City Tuesday of last week.

Lee Stacy, Mrs. Wm. Leonrd and son, Ralph, and Miss Jennie Gealow visited Hampton friends last Wednesday and attended the circus. Mrs. Lee Stacy, who had [illegible] Hampton returned [illegible]

"111" cigarettes

They are GOOD!

10¢ plus Iowa State Tax

Buy this Cigarette and Save Money

Farm Bureau News

Woolstock and Pleasant Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Plesant township Farm Bureau, which was held at the E. Jenison home, 4 miles northeaast of Belmond was attended by about three hundred farmers of Pleasant township and the surrounding territory. Mr. A. J. Shinn representing the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, gave the address of the evening, and the report is that Mr. Shinn's address was not only very interesting but very instructive, from the standpoint of facts and figures concerning the present status of the farm bureau organization, both as a state and national organization.

Woolstock township farm bureau held their regular monthly meeting at the Geo. C. Kirstein home, eight and a half miles southeast of Clarion. From two hundred to three hundred Woolstock farmers were in attendance at this meeting to enjoy the interesting program which was put on entirely by local talent.

Mr. C. L. Liddle county agent of Monroe county, Wisconsin, who is visiting at the D. C. Hickox home, gave the address of the evening. Mr. Liddle gave an interesting account of general farm conditions in Wisconsin and drew a comparison between the methods of farming in Wisconsin and those in Iowa. He complimented the Iowa farmers upon their beautiful farm homes and and upon the bountiful fields of corn which we have this season. An interesting feature of this program was the presentation of the So-and-Sew club girls, by Mrs. J. E. Kirstein who has kindly volunteered to be their leader. Everyone comment-upon how nice the girls looked in their club uniforms, and the hope was expressed that the club work should continue for the boys and girls.

Iowa Shippers Support New Firm

Iowa livestock shippers appear to be favorably disposed toward the new cooperative selling agency recently opened at the Union stock yards, under the name Chicago Producers' Commission association. This is indicated by the steady increasing number of consignments of stock from Iowa feed yards from week to week. The record day, so far, was Monday, July 10, when the new firm handled a total of fifty-four cars of cattle and hogs from the Hawkeye state alone.

These producers' commission associations of which there are now five in operation at different terminal markets, representing the beginning of the fulfillment of the livestock marketing plans worked out by the Committee of Fifteen, appointed by the American Farm Bureau federation. They introduce a new and valueable element of competition at the selling end of the livestock industry, and furnish a new and satisfactory outlet for those who believe in cooperative marketing.

New Projects Endorsed

Two business projects of importance to Iowa livestock interests were officially endorsed by the Iowa farm bureau federation at a recent meeting of the executive committee of that organization. One was the "Eat More Meat" campaign that has been launched by the livestock interests of the country, the other the new cooperative selling agency, known as the Chicago Producers' Commission association, which was opened for business about the middle of June.

The "Eat More Meat" campaign has been undertaken for the purpose of combating the anti-meat propaganda so industriously circulated of late years and which has cut down the per capita consumption of meats to an alarming extent. The cam- [illegible] is under the management of [illegible] directors chosen from the [illegible]iations, live stock [illegible]men, pack-

president of the meat board and W. J. Carmichael of the National Swine Growers' association is the secretary. Other organizations representated are the Corn Belt Producers' association, National Wool Growers' association, Texas Cattle Growers' association, American National Live Stock association, National Society of Record associations and the various commission associations, packers and retailers as stated.

The Producers' Commission association recently opened for business in Chicago offers a long-looked-for opportunity demanded by Iowa stock shippers who believe in cooperative marketing. It is strictly cooperative in principles and management, and is one of a string of five such selling agencies that have been established by the National Live Stock Producers' association, the others located respectively at St. Louis, Indianapolis, Peori nd Sioux Falls. The resolution of endorsement reads as follows:

"Be it resolved: That we endorse the work of the National Live Stock Producers' association in establishing Live Stock Producers' Commission associations in St. Louis, Indianapolis, Peoria, Sioux Falls and Chicago, and we recommend that the live stock shipping associations and farmers of Iowa who believe in cooperative live stock marketing consign their shipments to the Producers' Commission firms now established at the various market centers."

Listen, Boy!

As someone has truthfully said—"one swallow does not make a summer." But one dinky little screech owl can wake up a whole township and one professional agitator can do more mischief in a week than forty good men can undo in six months. Turn one of these birds loose in a community and after two or three verbal eruptions half the people who listened to him will be "viewing with alarm" and listening nervously for the crack of doom.

The professional agitator is out for the coin. He is an adaptable guy and can agitate just as well on one subject as another—provided the coin is forthcoming. With a stock in trade made up mostly of misrepresentation, villification, superheated bunk and half-baked ballyhoo, he is the champion dissembler of modern times. The truth isn't in him, and he is full of lies and sophistry as a polecat is of perfumery.

Nothing suits this agitator person. Nothing is right. Everything needs fixing. Existing customs, laws and institutions are all on the blink. Business is crooked. Society is rotten. The courts are corrupt. The government is despotic, the people down trodden, and it's a helluva country anyhow—to hear this bird tell it.

He's down on everything and everybody. He dislikes the banks and railroads. He detests the highway commission, abominates the agricultural college, hates the farm bureau, despises the county agent, objects to the way the county nurse powders her nose, and insists that pretty much everybody—himself excepted—should take a five-year vacation. If he had the exclusive privilege of the Big Stick he would swat every institution on the earth and reach for the man in the moon.

Now, it is true things have been rather out of kilter since the big war. Our economic machine hasn't been functioning as smoothly as could be desired. The farm bureau isn't altogether infallible, and the county agent may have handled only nine hundred and eighty-seven thousand projects last year when everybody knows he ought to have disposed of a million. And, while we hate like the dickens to admit it, the county nurse doesn't always get her nose powder on straight.

Still, despite these drawbacks Iowa is a right good state to camp down in. You can tell the world it is. We've got a little more corn on hand than usual for the time of the year. Taxes are fierce, we've got a few debts, and we've got some of these darned agitators. Outside of that we're pretty much all right here in Iowa, and don't allow anybody else to persuade you to the contrary. We can take care of the surplus corn all right enough. What Mr. Hamilton and his Chambers of Commerce don't eat can easily be converted into beef and pork. The debts will be whacked up to the last dollar, and maybe, in the course of time, the professional agitator will talk himself to death.

Yes, Iowa is a great state. There is so much more to glory in and to brag about that it is a sin to waste time listening to the agitator bird. For every shortcomng there is a corresponding blessing to soften the sting. If we have the deepest mud it is because we have the richest land. If we carry the heaviest mortgage indebtness it is because we have the most valueable farms and are doing the biggest business. If taxes are high it is chiefly because we have the finest system of schools. And if our flappers wear the shortest skirts—there's even some kicking about that—it is because they can sport the prettiest stockings.

You bet, Iowa's a good place to live. Pass the optimism, please and everybody take a double helping.

Common Barberry Campaign

Four men representing the United States department of agriculture have been in Wright county during the past two weeks carrying on a campaign for the eradication of the common barberry, which causes the black stem rust. This work is being carried on by the United States department of agriculture in cooperation with the agricultural extension department at Ames.

Reports to the United States department of agriculture show that common barberry bushes throughout the northwest are now rusting. This rust on the common barberry is the parent of the rust which later in the year will be found on your wheat, oats, barley, and rye. The latter rust comes only from the barberry. Every common barberry bush destroyed during June, means a saving to the farmers of many dollars worth of grain when harvesting comes around.

MR. MERCHANT

You Need the Newspaper

The newspaper of today is the most powerful medium of advertising on earth. In the old days the merchant may have thought he was a benefactor and that he was contributing his bit "as a public-spirited citizen" when he carried a two-inch space in the village paper every week in the year and generally without change of copy. Possibly he was.

But that is changed now. A new order has arrived. People read advertisements. Many find their greatest interest in looking over the advertising pages to get news that will save them money, and, take it from John D. Rockefeller, the way to save your dollars is first to save your pennies.

Advertisements today are right up to the minute. They are as fresh as the news of the world or the latest baseball score. Live merchants cater to live people and they know they must not alone be up to the minute, but they must be some distance ahead. They must anticipate the wants of their customers.

And they do. Turn to the advertisements in this paper *right now*. Just read what the merchants are offering. Notice the invitations for you to do business with them. Notice how attractively the advertisements are set up and how inviting they are.

Do you know that some firms think so much of a style of type that they buy series of it just for their advertisement? You can never mistake B. Altman's advertisement. As soon as you see the open type you know it is Altman's advertisement without looking for the name. This is true of many firms.

Business men—that is the successful ones—know advertising pays big returns. Unsuccessful men don't advertise because they are unsuccessful. That's the answer. Look over your town right now and pick out the big firms. They're the advertisers. Advertising is the tonic that puts dividends in the banks.

Everybody reads advertisements today. Mr. Merchant, is your advertisement in this newspaper?

Griesy's Store News

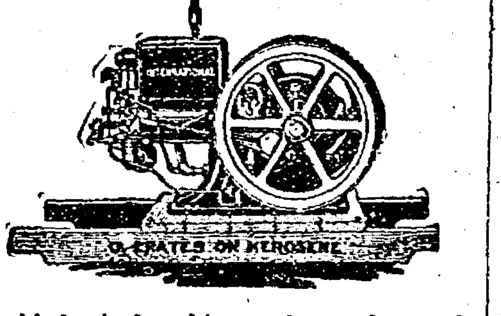
Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, JULY 20, 1922. NO. 20.

If one woman had all the clothes she wanted, more than likely the rest of them would have to go around in barrels.

Taking the line of least resistance is what makes rivers—and some men—so crooked.

A "Mother's" Helper

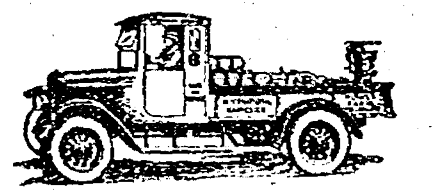
You believe in having up-to-date labor saving machinery on the farm. You know it pays. But does "Mother" have the means of lightening her daily work during this hot weather? Does she still use an old fashioned, nerve-wrecking washing machine, or perhaps even the old back breaking tub and washboard? Is she still using the old hand churn? "Mother" deserves something better and she would appreciate it if you would hitch a good washing machine together with other conveniences to a small International Kerosene Engine—an engine she can easily operate—a real "Mother's" helper. Try it, and watch her smile.



Character is what you are. Reputation is only what men think you are.

It Runs in the Family

Our "Red Baby" and all its Brothers are real Go-Getters. Take our "Red Baby" for instance, it's on the job every minute hustling around and doing honest-to-gosh work. You may not be in the same business we are in, but it's a ten to one shot that whatever your business one of "Red Baby's" Brothers would be just the candy for you. They are great trucks—these Internationals—and there's more honest-to-goodness service in them than in any other truck we've ever seen. Come in or stop our "Red Baby"—let's talk it over.



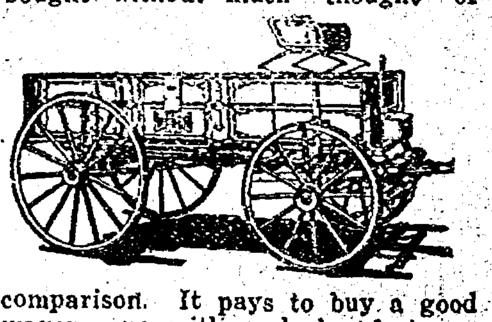
Did you ever catch the man who finds fault with his wife's cooking trying his hand at it himself? Hardly, he knows better.

Oats Down? Pipe This!

Automatic Grain Lifters will save that patch of down and tangled oats. They fit any binder and will more than pay for themselves in two or three rounds. Better come in and get yours now—they are going fast.

Weber—King of All

A wagon is something that is usually used a great deal, getting lots of abuse, yet many times it is bought without much thought or comparison. It pays to buy a good wagon—one with exclusive features, good workmanship, and high-grade materials. The Weber meets all these requirements. It is truly "The King of All Farm Wagons."



Nature's Smiling

Doesn't it make a fellow feel good to see how the corn has been growing the last week or two? It sure does. One just can't help feeling fine when all Nature is smiling and trying to outdo herself.

Give the Cow a Chance

A good cow and a Primrose cream separator will turn green grass into golden butter fat—producing a cash crop every day of the year. The Primrose gets ALL the cream.

The raising of a beard is about the only thing that the women can't or won't do nowadays.

Be a Banker Bookkeeping Shorthand Telegraphy

Positions are plentiful for those well trained. Students may work for board. Tuition low. Write for Catalog C. Boyles Business College, Omaha, Neb.

AJAX

BLACK TREAD TIRES

With New Features

CORD · ROAD KING (FABRIC) · PARAGON (FABRIC)

Supreme in Appearance, Mileage, and Non-Skid Security

Jones Harness Company

Belmond, Iowa

Place Your Money In

In Safe Hands

Where it will draw interest. This is a permanent institution. You always know just where your money is, and just how to get it. You know that its being taken excellent care of and that you [illegible] all the [illegible]

FOR REAL ECONOMY

In the Kitchen

USE

CALUMET

The Economy BAKING POWDER

A Big Time and Money Saver

NOT MADE BY A TRUST
CALUMET

When you bake with Calu[illegible] you know

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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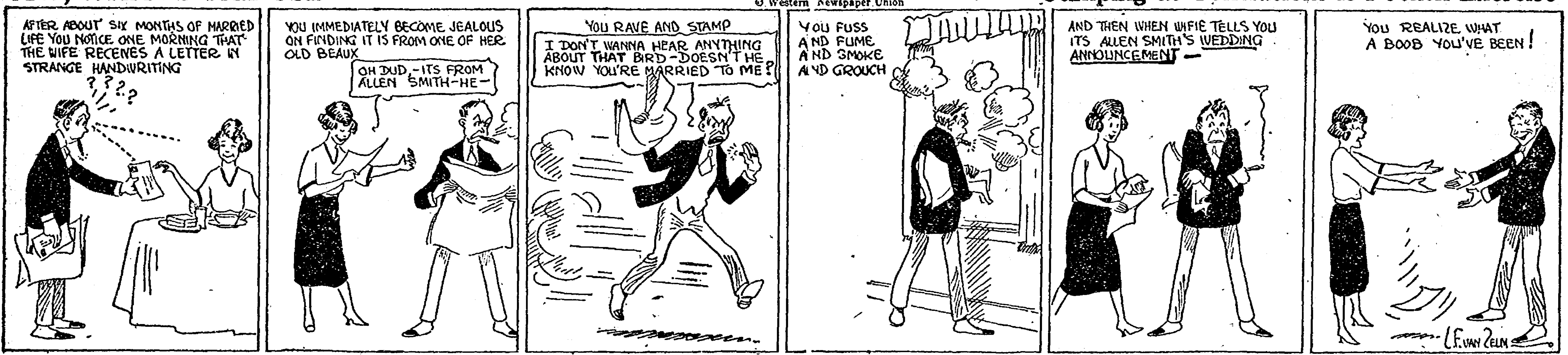
Jumping at Conclusions Is Foolish Exercise


AFTER ABOUT SIX MONTHS OF MARRIED LIFE YOU NOTICE ONE MORNING THAT THE WIFE RECEIVES A LETTER IN STRANGE HANDWRITING
? ? ? ?
YOU IMMEDIATELY BECOME JEALOUS ON FINDING IT IS FROM ONE OF HER OLD BEAUX
OH DUD,-ITS FROM ALLEN SMITH-HE-
YOU RAVE AND STAMP
I DON'T WANNA HEAR ANYTHING ABOUT THAT BIRD-DOESN'T HE KNOW YOU'RE MARRIED TO ME?
YOU FUSS AND FUME AND SMOKE AND GROUCH
AND THEN WHEN WIFIE TELLS YOU ITS ALLEN SMITH'S WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT-
YOU REALIZE WHAT A BOOB YOU'VE BEEN!
L.F. VAN ZELM

Good Job Printing
Is Essential To
Good Business

Good job printing and good business go hand in hand---and it is very necessary to the welfare of your business that your printing is given careful attention as to make-up, style, quality of stock used, ink and presswork---in fact everything that goes into a real job of printing.

* * *

Perhaps you need some letterheads, and envelopes to match, or maybe some statements. Try us on some of your printing. You'll say "That's fine."

* * *

And our prices are as low as you will find anywhere---considering quality. We will gladly quote you prices on request, and show you samples of our work.

THE STEADY SUBSCRIBER

From on old friend who encloses a year's subscription with a letter, comes the following psalm tune and words. All newspaper folks may rise and join in the chorus which is as follows:

"How dear to our heart is the steady shuscriber,
Who pays in advance of the birth of each year,
Who lays down the money and does it quite gladly,
And casts around the office a halo of cheer,
He never says, "Stop it; I cannot afford it,
I'm getting more papers now than I read;"
But always says, "Send it; our people all like it—
In fact we all think is a help and a need."
How welcome his check when it reaches our sanctum;
How it makes our pulse throb; how it makes our heart dance!
We outwardly thank him; we inwardly bless him—
The steady subscriber who pays in advance."

—Daily News.

Poultry Culling to Begin Soon

The poultry culling work in Wright county will be conducted this year by a poultry specialist from the extension department at Ames, the work will be done on a commercial basis at the rate of:

Two cents per bird, in flocks of 100 or more birds.

Three cents per bird, in flocks of less thn 100 birds.

Five cents per bird, for non-members of the farm bureau.

Those wishing their flocks culled according to the above schedule should write or call the county agent at once, in order that the schedule may be arranged so that the commercial culler may know definitely the schedule to be followed in culling the flocks. The applications are coming in fast and those who expect to have the culling work done should lose no time in sending in their applications.

Rev. Schlesselman and family left Tuesday in their car for Kelly's Island, Ohio where they will spend several weeks at the homes of relatives.

John D. Rockefeller

attributes his success to the fact that he always made the other fellow put his proposition down in *Black and White*.

That's what the merchants of this town are doing for **you.** Their advertisements speak for themselves in **black and white.** And what they put down in **black and white** they stand back of.

They want your business. Their advertisements are an invitation to do business with them.

That's why they advertise, and the wise housekeeper never does her shopping nowadays until she has read the advertisements and posted herself on prices.

Is there an easier or better way of saving money?

It only requires a few minutes of your time to scan the advertisements.

The Boy Scout's motto is "Be Prepared."

That's what every housewife should be when she goes out to market.

Read the advertisements and you will not alone save many times the cost of the subscription to this paper, but you will save many dollars to add to your bank account.

Reading advertisements in this paper is **profitable** reading.

Try it for a month and check up the pennies you will save.

That's another Rockefeller maxim: "Save your pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves."

There are hundreds of pennies to be saved by reading the advertisements in this paper every issue.

One of the largest crowds that ever visited Hampton on any one day attended the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus there last Wednesday. Officials of the show stated it was the largest day's business of the season although they had showed in several large cities including Mason City and Dubuque in Iowa. In the afternoon the crowd was so large that fully a 1,000 people sat on a canvas spread on the ground on the "speedway" between the seats and the performing rings of the circus. There were over 9,000 paid admissions in the afternoon at $1.75 a ticket which amounts to a small amount of money.

PATTON BROS. CO.
HALF-PRICE SALE

Starts Thursday Morning and Ends

Saturday Night

For these three days we will sell the Suits, Overcoats, Hats, Shirts and Other Goods which we have selected from our regular stock at

One-Half Our Regular Price

MORE HOGS STOLEN

Fred Gordon, 1020 First Street, had two good sized shoats stolen from his farm six miles southwest of this city last week. He had a large herd of hogs on the farm and more undoubtedly would have been stolen if they had not been so wild. Many framers in this section have been visited during the past several weeks and relieved of chickens, hogs or whatever young animals could be carried away in an automobile. The automobile tracks were plainly discernible on the Gordon farm, showing where the thieves had driven up and loaded in the hogs.—News.

CURES IVY POISON

The fear of poison ivy which has kept many a city dweller away from the woods and meadows a whole season through, is now an [illegible] fear. The [illegible] of the [illegible]

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Louie Tokman of Belmond was here on business matters Friday.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson left Friday for a week end visit with friends at Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bachman and children of near Klemme were callers at the Mrs. Wilkins home Thursday evening, Mrs. Wilkins and children returning home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Morris and children spent several days last week at the lake.

Mrs. Geo. Langlitz and children and Mrs. Paul Willer were callers at Mason City on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Geo. Wessel and children of Rowan were here visiting relatives the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Heming of Thornton were Sunday guests at the E. Foss home.

Rev. Pannkuk and wife and daughter, Lydia left Monday for a few day's visit with relatives and friends at Pella. They were accompanied by Mr. Peter Pals Sr., who also has relatives at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bohning and three children of Harold, So. Dak. were here visiting at the H. J. Groen home the first part of this week. Mrs. Bohning and Harm are brother and sister.

Ben Swalve and wife and daughter, Lena of Klemme spent the day last week Wednesday visiting at the B. Gruis home.

GOATS HERE MONDAY

Chroicle: B. T. Fuqua, national secretary for the Glacier Trail Association and forerunner of the goat-drawn wagon which is touring the train this this summer for publicity purposes, was in Hampton one day last week. He announced that the goat team with its cargo, which consists of Fred Oster and Dave Buringame students of the University of Minnesota, will arrive here next Monday, July 17th, without fail.

"Since leaving St. Louis three or four weeks ago, that goat team, hitched to cleverly designed wagon which imitates the old fashioned prairie schooner, has never failed to travel on schedule," said Mr. Fuqua. "They're averaging twenty-miles a day, or rather in half a day, for the boys stop over a half a day in every place."

The drivers of the great team haye with them 3,000 feet of moving picture film boosting for the highway. In most of the towns visited so far they have been entertained by the Commercial Clubs, and in one or two towns a contest has been staged by the Boy Scout troops of the city. Hampton's plans for receiving the schooner have not been announced yet.

The slogan of the Glacier Trail is "From Everglades to Glaciers." The road extends from Miami, Florida, to Portland, Oregan, beginning marked from St. Louis to the Glacier Park region. The remained will be marked this season, Mr. Fuqua announced. Thru Iowa highway comes up from Oskaloosa, Grinnell, Marshalltown, Eldora, Ackley and at Hampton it joins the Jefferson highway and runs over the same road between here and St. Paul. Last year the trail brought thousands of tourists into Hampton, principally from the south.

The boys are driving the goat team thru from St. Louis to the Glacier National Park, the purpose of the trip being to advertise the Glacier Highway.

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In order to stimulate interest among Iowa housewives in the making of cornbread, the editor of the Iowa Magazine section have secured the cooperation of the state fair board, the Iowa Bankers' Association and most of the county fairs in the state in statewide cornbread competitions. The State Bankers' Association is offering a special prize of $25 for the best corn bread entered at the 1922 Iowa State Fair. This newspaper through the Iowa Magazine section offers a special prize of $2 for the best corn bread entered at the county fairs, in addition to the prizes offered by the fair associations in each instance.

The possibilities of Chautauqua week are emphasized in the announcement from Clarinda, Page county, that the Twelfth Annual Camp of the Golden Maids and the thirteenth annual farm camp will be held August 8-17. The days will be filled with a regular camp program and the evening left free for full enjoyment of the chautauqua assembly. On farmers' night the entire camp will appear on the platform and stunt night will be made interesting by friendly rivalry of each tent competing for the best production. Taps will be sounded at 9:45 at which time all campers will promptly return to their tents. Total cost of this ten days' camp for boys and girls is $8.50, which encludes a chautauqua ticket. Medals will be awarded for proficiency in class work and merits in general camp spirit.

Mrs. Stinson of Hampton came the latter part of last week for a visit here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. Ralston.

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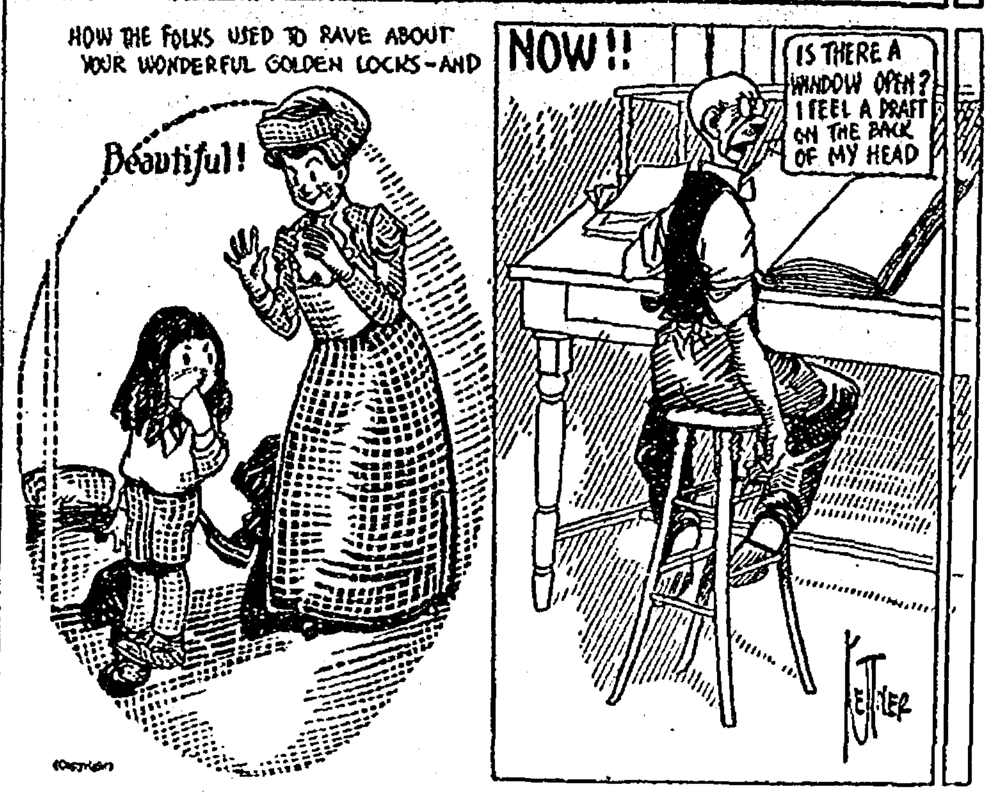
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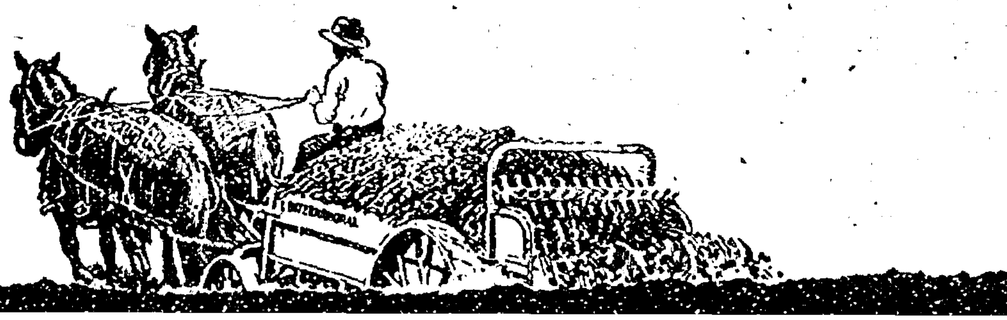

CHURCHES

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Mr. Gilman, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Mason City will have charge of the services Sunday. Services as follows:

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.

The weekly services will be the same as usual.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
Rev. H. Pannkuk, Pastr.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ruiter were visitors at the H. Koenen home at Latimer on Monday evening.

Don't forget to come and see the *free Movies* here Saturday evening. "It's free" be sure and come.

Mrs. Lawrence Young and son Robert of Mason City spent a few days here at the Luke Wessels home. On Tuesday she accompanied her mother, Mrs. G. Wessels to Rowan where she will spend a few days before returning to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals and children who have been visiting relatives and friends at Sioux Center last week returned home Saturday.

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ROWAN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Drury were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten Saturday. Mr. Drury is tending to the barber shop while L. W. McCallum is away.

Mrs. George Unger and daughters of Dows spent Friday at the home of Mrs. Mary Braden.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held their regular monthly business meeting and social hour at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden Friday night. A large crowd attended and a very pleasant evening is reported. Refreshments of lemonade and cake were served.

Kenneth Smith, of Clarion, spent last week here visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. M. M. Snyder and uncle, Fred Brooks and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bohnett, of Clarion spent Sunday at the H. J. C. Box home.

The Ben Fanselow and A. E. Emerson families spent several days the first of last week on a camping trip at Clear Lake.

Mr. Bine Wilder was gone a few days the past week on a business trip around Marshalltown.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mrs. Ed. Ballou spent Tuesday in Belmond.

Dr. George, of Dows was called in consultation with Dr. Maker last Thursday in regard to Mr. D. A. French's case. Mr. and Mrs. French left Friday for Iowa City where Mr. French will have a thoro medical examination. His ailment appears to be ulcers of the stomach. They expect his daughter, Mrs. Will O'Laughlin, of Kalona to meet them at Iowa City.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bingham returned Saturday evening from their auto trip thru So. Dak. and Neb. They visited relatives at Parker, Vibrog, Wessington Springs and Winner, So. Dak. and at Randolph and Homer Neb. They report a fine trip and didn't have to make any of it in the rain.

Mrs. William Steffens received the sad news of the death of her brother, Henry DeWald, at his home in Holly Colo., July 8th. He visited here last summer and was very spry in spite of his seventy odd years. A few weeks ago he began ailing and specialists decided that he was suffering from cancer of the bowels from which he died less than two weeks later.

Mrs. N. F. Easton of Belmond and Mrs. J. W. McConkie, of Nevada visited at the home of their niece, Mrs. Fred Kercheval and family last week. They were entertained Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval.

A large number of Rowan people attended the circus at Hampton Wednesday.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will serve home made ice cream and cake on the church lawn next Saturday evening. Every one is invited to attend and get your fill of good home made ice cream.

Mrs. Tice Steveler has been enjoying a visit from her sister, Miss Maude Nickless and a friend Miss Kaasch, of Schuyler, Neb. the past week.

Mrs. Esther Andrews was a Belmond caller Tuesday.

Mrs. L. W. McCallum and Lila Thomas were Dows shoppers Wednesday.

R. E. Lee Aldrich is driving a new Ford car.

Duane Wilder went to Iowa Falls Wednesday to spend a few days.

Harry Hadson spent the week end with Rowan relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Thomas, of Fort Dodge spent the week end with their cousin, Mrs. D. W. Whitten and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks, Thelma and Edgar Brooks, Chet Moellering and Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden motored to Des Moines Monday to shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder and family from Clarion spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Tresidder.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum and Rev. and Mrs. Harold Tomkinson left Monday by auto for Minneapolis where they will spend several days and then return to Clear Lake and camp and attend the institute which is being held at that place.

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Carr Sunday morning. This is their third girl.

Glen Liming, who has been at Corwith helping an uncle with the farm work, for several weeks, retruned home Sunday. He had the misfortune to break his arm while there.

Mrs. Floyd Whitten, of Thornton, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten while Floyd is absent from home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hackley and son, Albert and Guy Sheldon motored [illegible] Clarion Friday afternoon.

[illegible] a Dows caller

Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs, of Sioux Falls, So. Dak. former residents of Rowan, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hadley Wednesday.

Perle Yenter of Wenatchee, Wash., visited at the Amos Cowley, Mrs. Mary Braden, and Joe and Ollie Ingraham homes last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Ingraham, of Swaledale, visited relatives around Rowan the past week.

Mrs. B. F. Hackley and daughter, Zelda spent last week near Dows visiting her daughter and family.

F. B. Sheldon and D. W. Whitten were in Minnesota last Thursday and Friday looking after business interests.

Fred State, of Santa Anna Calif. spent part of last week here. He went from here to Manchester Iowa, Thursday.

Last Wednesday evening from five to eight, Mrs. Roy Hyde entertained a few little friends of her daughter May in honor of May's eighth birthday. The children were served to a delicious supper and enjoyed their play very much. May was the recipient of several nice gifts.

Mesdames R. H. Kieth, W. R. McCallum and Earl Sellers and Kenneth and Margaret Kieth were Clarion visitors last Wednesday. They attended a W. C. T. U. meeting where plans were made for a county convention.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Azeltine were Fort Dodge shoppers Thursday.

Mrs. Jennie Rowen has been spending some little time in Clarion visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cady Templeton. She was quite ill while there.

Mrs. M. J. McCormick, of near Latimer, is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Azeltine.

The Congregational Ladies Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Jake Aldinger last Thursday. A large crowd attended. The hostess served refreshments in the form of a weiner roast down by the river. After the lunch the afternoon was spent in races and a good time generally.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson returned Monday from Blairsburg where she had been spending the week end with her son Will and wife.

Mr. A. J. Azeltine and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Azeltine and family were at Iowa Falls Sunday at the L. D. Bingham home.

A large number of Rowan people took in the Chautauqua at Alexander and were delighted with the programs particularly the last which was given by the Scotch Highland Lassies. Rowan was also represented at the circus gathering at Hampton.

The Legion Auxiliary held their monthly meeting in the Hall last Thursday evening with a large attendance. The Auxiliary has met with splendid success in their drive for new members, many of which were initiated at the meeting. There is a large enthusiastic interest being taken in this new organization which promises to do useful work.

The members of the American Legion and Auxiliary with their friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Rowen last Wednesday evening, for a post nuptial shower and sociable. During the evening in behalf of the of the Legion, of which the groom is an honored member, Post Commander Tomkinson made a brief speech and presented the happy couple with a beautiful chair of Colonial style. Both the bride and groom are actively related to the Legion and have made a contribution to its organization and work.

Methodist Episcopal Church
Pastor, Rev. H. Tomkinson
10:30 a. m. Worship.
11:30 a. m. Sunday school.
7:00 p. m. Epworth League.
8:00 p. m. Evensong.

The pulpit will be supplied on the 23rd by Rev Isenberger, and on July 30th by the Rev. Hardy, of Hampton.

Mrs. Will Azeltine entertained the members of the Ladies Aid Society last Thursday, there being a large number present. Refreshments were served at the close.

Mrs. Stout entertained the members of the M. E. Woman's Foreign Missionary society last Friday evening. A splendid program was given, and all were delighted with the meeting and social treat.

The Business Men's tennis tournament is about completed. Bill Reitz and Charles Emerson are the finals. An exciting finish is anticipated.

Several of the Rowan players are looking forward to the County Tennis Tournament which is to be played at Clairmond Country Club. Contestants from Eagle Grove, Clarion, Rowan, and Belmond have already expressed their intention to take part. Our boys hope to carry off some of the honors this year.

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Alexander Department

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Alexander Local News

Fred Greenfield was a business caller at Hampton last Thursday.

Earl Hall, Arthur Peters, John Bohlen and Will Kew were visitors at Clear Lake on Sunday evening.

C. I. McCallum of Rowan, visited at the home of his son Bernard McCallum several days the past week.

Miss Edna Arends was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters, Jessie and Nellie were Belmond shoppers last Friday afternoon.

A fine baby boy of standard weight came to make its home with the George Ammerman family ek

Rev. Herman Humphey of Rush City, Minnesota and three brothers from Ackley were vsitors at the J. C. Arends home one day last week.

Miss Gladys Brewbaker of Dallas Center who has been visiting at the Roman Butterbaugh home returned to her home Saturday.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer is visiting friends at Alexander this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Upperdohl and daughter were Belmond callers last Friday.

Dr. George of Dows was a professional caller in town last week.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer of Sheffield visited with friends here on Thursday and Saturday.

Miss Mary Westaby has been on the sick list for the past week.

Roman Butterbaugh was a caller at Rowan last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son, Frederick were Belmond visitors last Friday.

The Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson of Latimer entertained Miss Lillie Cornwell of Hazelton, Iowa, Miss Emma Eickmeyer of Sheffield Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Eldora, Bert Kieslich, Theodore Beenen, Merle Hansen, Clifford Hansen, and Norman Bohlen of Alexander at a lovely 6:30 o'clock dinner at the Johnson home Tuesday evening. Following the dinner a Movie was enjoyed by the bunch at Hampton.

Mrs. Aldrich Beenen and little son Gerald were callers at Iowa City a few days last week.

Mrs. Henry Stoffer and daughter Viola Ruth visited with relatives at Belmond Friday evening.

Carl Grieman visited with friends at Hampton on Saturday and Sunday.

Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls visited with relatives at Alexander on Sunday.

John Bell transacted business at Belmond last Tuesday.

Mrs. Leslie Borne, returned home after a two weeks visit with her parents at Spirit Lake.

Mrs. Butler and son, A. M. Butler visited with relatives at Beamen, Iowa the first of the week.

Mrs. Inez Whitten of Thornton spent Saturday at the Clay Klinefelter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter, June, were visitors at Belmond Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were Dows callers last Friday afternoon.

RETIRING TO RUN A NEWSPAPER

NOTE BOOK HABIT GREAT HELP IN HOME MAKING

By H. J. Metcalf

Farm women in every county in Iowa are awakening to the fact that they can be of great service in bringing about better conditions on the farm. The fact that they are being recognized as a most important factor in the success of the farm bureau movement, which has so successfully swept the country of recent years and their ready response in meeting the conditions imposed on them, augurs well for their future success in that great organization.

There never has been a time when the woman on the farm has had a greater opportunity to take her place in the great progressive movements which are at this time stirring the agricultural world. She has the strength, and better yet, there is the great need for her refining influence on the great problems which confront agriculture today.

Harrison county, like many other counties in Iowa, has a wealth of farm women talent. All it needs is cultivation and a little coaxing to bring it out. At a recent meeting of the farm bureau in Harrison county, Mrs. Curtis Reeve of Jefferson township, was called on to deliver a talk on the value of the note book in home making. Her talk was a most helpful one and is given herewith:

"When suggesting at the women's meeting last fall that note book keeping was a great help in home making, there was no thought that the suggestion would go any further. So it was with a feeling of dismay that I heard our Chairman announce later on that a talk would be given by myself on the note book habit. It is one thing to make a suggestion and an entirely different matter to enlarge on it. But I feel the only way our farm bureau can be a success is for all members to do their best with the mork their leaders assign them. So going about my work I kept thinking the subject over and finally decided to tell you some of the different ways in which note books and scrap books have proven useful to me.

Many people have the habit of collecting poems and receipts for cooking. I myself began to do that when a mere girl. There are many more far-reaching ways of using a note book. It is a great help at Christmas time. Each year just after the holidays, I make out two lists, one of the gifts received, with the donor's name after each gift, the other of the pesents given and the names of those who received them. Often below these lists a note is made of some little gift which would be nice to give some friend the next Christmas. In this way I am not so apt to send someone a handkerchief for three years in succession.

You will find shopping for a family of growing children much easier if you keep a list of the sizes of shoes, stockings, caps, etc. that each one wears. You will be pretty safe in buying John No. 6½ shoes if the last ones he had were 6's, at least the list will give you a pretty good idea what sizes to call for.

Mothers can often be of more help to their children in their school work if they have a supply of interesting short stories, historical anecdotes and good current events on hand. The more the home can supplement the school the stronger the school work will be.

The advertisments in our magazines and newspapers are often a source of eduction along many lines if we will make a study of them. I sometimes think I get nearly as much good out of the ideas from the editorials. We may get just the idea we want for placing a piece of furniture to the best advantage or the artictic hanging of some picture or the proper treatment of a window, by clipping out an artistic furniture advertisement.

I often clip out ads for books and pictures which I may wish to buy some time and file them away for future use. I remember years ago when my older boy was a baby my husband read and called my attention to an article in one of our magazines on child culture. The author mentioned a book on the care and feeding of children by a noted child doctor and gave the publisher's address. Thinking the book might be needed some time, I copied the name in my note book. A few months later, finding that our baby had unusually weak digestion, I looked up the address and sent for the book. It was one of the greatest helps I had in raising my children and I have since noticed that this same little volume is on the book shelves of several of our doctors."—Times.

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ELEPHANTS ESCAPE AT MASON CITY

Seven of the twelve elephants in the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus escaped from their cars Tuesday morning when the circus train, southbound on the Milwaukee short line between Mason City and Austin, Minnesota, crashed into a north bound Rock Island passenger train at Plymouth Junction, nine miles orth of Mason City at 3:00 o'clock.

After roaming in the corn fields for an hour or so they were rounded up by their keepers and put to practical use in restoring three sleeping cars to the tracks.

"Chopsey," billed as the largest elephant in captivity, rendered especially valiant service.

Seven persons were reported injured slightly in early reports, but their names could not be procured. They were taken to Manly for treatment. A dense fog is blamed by the engineer on the circus train for the mishap. Both trains were crawling along or the casualties would have been high. The Milwaukee engine crashed into the rear sleeper of the Rock Island train, however, shoving it and the two cars ahead of it off the rails. The jolt of the circus train was sufficient to open the doors into the elephants cars and in their fright the animals leaped out and scampered away. Some of the trained horses are reported to have sustained slight injuries.—Globe-Gazette.

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It is the general opinion among poultry dealers that the price of all kinds of poultry will be much lower this fall than last season. We have interviewed the local poultry men, and, although they have no official reports to that effect, it is their general opinion that the over supply cannot fail to create a lower price later on.

There is a stupendous amount of poultry being raised this year. One reason is the fact that farmers are beginning to realize that this crop is a real money-maker and not just a side-line, also, because of the dry season, it has been an exceptional summer in which to raise chicks without loss.

Where the farmer's wife formerly raised two or three hundred chicks, she, this year, has from five to eight hundred. In fact, flocks from eight hundred to eleven hundred are quite common.

The town people, too have taken up the business and we see double the number of city chicken yards as formerly. One dealer says he bought most of his springs this year from town people.

It seems to be the general opinion that now is the time to sell if your springs weigh two pounds or more.

Don't try to sell them too small. One dealer had some so small today he couldn't keep them in the crate.

There seems no reason for the fact but hens are keeping up in price being about the same as they were before the Fourth.

There was an oversupply of springs before the Fourth but the price reacted last week.

The price of eggs is exceptionally good for this time of the year. The department of agriculture reported an increase of 2,046,000 cases of eggs in storage compared with the report of July 1st last year. Dealers predicted a drop to 10 or 12 cents but the price still holds up.

By holding the springs, one runs the risk of loss by animals, disease and thieves.

The chicken thief is already beginning his annual raids, one widow woman between here and Alexander missing forty-five hens last week and a party south of town lost forty.

Sell now while the price is good.

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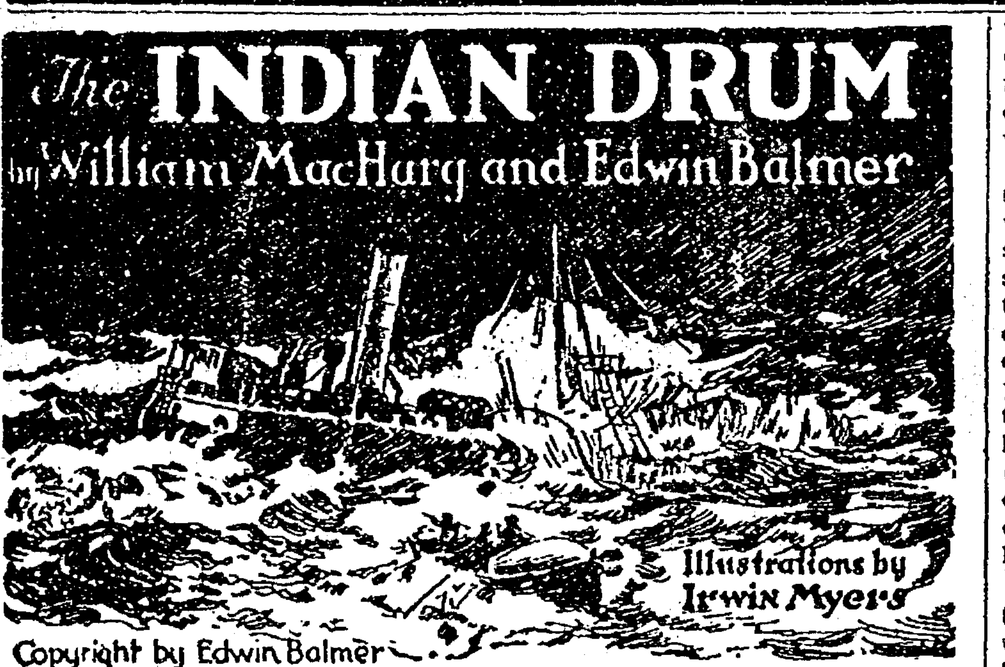

The INDIAN DRUM

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

CHAPTER IX.—Conrad recovers, and the affair remains a mystery.

CHAPTER X.—Alan learns from Wassaquam that it was Corvet's habit to keep the sum of [illegible] in the house, apparently to meet the demands of a certain "Luke," who appeared periodically. In the absence of Wassaquam, "Luke" comes to the house demanding to see Corvet. He is evidently in a dying condition, due to alcohol and exposure. Conrad tries without avail to get him to explain his connection with Corvet. The man dies. Wassaquam gives Conrad a paper on which is a list of names.

CHAPTER XI.—From the document Alan thinks he may have a clue to the mystery surrounding Corvet's life and disappearance. He leaves Chicago to visit Lake Michigan ports in search of the persons whose names were on the list.

CHAPTER XII.—Constance receives a package wrapped in a muffler which she recognises Corvet was wearing on the day he went away. It contains a few coins, a watch, and woman's wedding ring. She believes them to have been the property of Corvet, and accepts them as a proof of his death. Spearman urges Constance to marry him. She consents, but refuses his demand for an immediate ceremony.

CHAPTER XIII.—Inquiries show that the watch in the package had been the property of a Captain Stafford, commander of the Miwaka, who had gone down with his ship.

CHAPTER XIV.—Working on a lake freighter, Alan becomes acquainted with an elderly man known as "Jim Burr," who seems to be possessed of information which Alan believes would only be known to Corvet.

CHAPTER XV.—Alan secures a position on the freighter of which "Burr" is wheelsman. He is satisfied he has found the man he believes to be his father. "Burr," at the wheel of the freighter, apparently in dementia, refuses to obey orders to change the vessel's course, and the ship collides with a derelict. In almost sinking condition they attempt to reach port. The loaded freight cars which the vessel is carrying break loose.

The struggle of the engines against the momentum of the ferry told that others had seen the gleaming ship, or, at least, had heard the hail. The skipper's instant decision had been to put to starboard; he had bawled that to the wheelsman, "Hard over!" But, though the screws turned full astern, Number 25 steered straight on. The flurry was blowing before the bow again; back through the snow the ice-shrouded shimmer ahead retreated. Alan leaped away and up to the wheelhouse.

Men were struggling there—the skipper, a mate, and old Burr, who had held the wheel. He clung to it yet, as [illegible] trance, fixed, staring ahead; [illegible] been holding Num- [illegible] skipper threw all who had nothing to hold by, flat upon the deck; then Number 25 moved by; astern her now the silent steamer vanished in the snow.

Gongs boomed below; through the new confusion and the cries of men, orders began to become audible. Alan, scrambling to his knees, put an arm under old Burr, half raising him; the form encircled by his arm struggled up. The skipper, who had knocked Burr away from the wheel, ignored him now. The old man, dragging himself up and holding to Alan, was staring with terror at the snow screen behind which the vessel had disappeared. His lips moved.

"It was a ship!" he said; he seemed speaking more to himself than to Alan.

"Yes," Alan said. "It was a ship; and you thought—"

"It wasn't there!" the wheelsman cried. "It's—it's been there all the time all night, and I'd—I'd steered through it ten times, twenty times, every few minutes; and then—that time it was a ship!"

Alan's excitement grew greater; he seized the old man again. "You thought it was the Miwaka!" Alan exclaimed. "The Miwaka! And you tried to steer through it again."

"The Miwaka!" old Burr's lips reiterated the word. "Yes; yes—the Miwaka!"

He struggled, writhing with some agony not physical. Alan tried to hold him, but now the old man was beside himself with dismay. He broke away and started aft. The captain's voice recalled Alan to himself, as he was about to follow, and he turned back to the wheelhouse.

The second officer, who had gone below to ascertain the damage done to the ferry, came up to report. Two of the compartments, those which had taken the crush of the collision, had flooded instantly; the bulkheads were holding—only leaking a little, the officer declared. Water was coming into a third compartment, that at the stern; the pumps were fighting this water. The shock had sprung seams elsewhere; but if the after compartment did not fill, the pumps might handle the rest.

Alan was at the bow again on lookout duty, ordered to listen and to look for the little boats. He gave to that duty all his conscious attention; but through his thought, whether he willed it or not, ran a riotous exultation. As he paced from side to side and hailed and answered hails from the bridge, and while he strained for sight and hearing through the gale-swept snow, the leaping pulse within repeated, "I've found him! I've found him!" Alan held no longer possibility of doubt of old Burr's identity with Benjamin Corvet, since the old man had made plain to him that he was haunted by the Miwaka. Since that night in the house on Astor street, when Spearman shouted to Alan that name, everything having to do with the secret of Benjamin Corvet's life had led, so far as Alan could follow it, to the Miwaka; all the change, which Sherrill described but could not account for, Alan had laid to that. Corvet only could have been so haunted by that ghostly ship, and there had been guilt of some awful sort in the old man's cry. Alan had found the man who had sent him away to Kansas when he was a child, who had supported him there and then, at last, sent for him; who had disappeared at his coming and left him all his possessions and his heritage of disgrace, who had paid blackmail to Luke, and who had sent, last, Captain Stafford's watch and the ring which came with it—the wedding ring.

Alan pulled his hand from his glove and felt in his pocket for the little band of gold. What would that mean to him now; what of that was he to learn? And, as he thought of that, Constance Sherrill came more insistently before him. What was he to learn for her, for his friend and Benjamin Corvet's friend, whom he, Uncle Benny, had warned not to care for Henry Spearman, and then had gone

was numbed now; ice from the spray crackled upon his clothing when he moved, and it fell in flakes upon the deck. The stark figure on the bridge was that of the second officer; so the thing which was happening below—the thing which was sending strange, violent, wanton tremors through the ship—was serious enough to call the skipper below, to make him abandon the bridge at this time! The tremors, quite distinct from the steady tremble of the engines and the thudding of the pumps, came again. Alan, feeling them, jerked up and stamped and beat his arms to regain sensation. Some one stumbled toward him from the cabins now, a short figure in a great coat. It was a woman, he saw as she hailed him—the cabin maid.

"I'm taking your place!" she shouted to Alan. "You're wanted—every one's wanted on the car deck! The cars—" The gale and her fright stopped her voice as she struggled for speech. "The cars—the cars are loose!"

CHAPTER XVI

"He Killed Your Father."

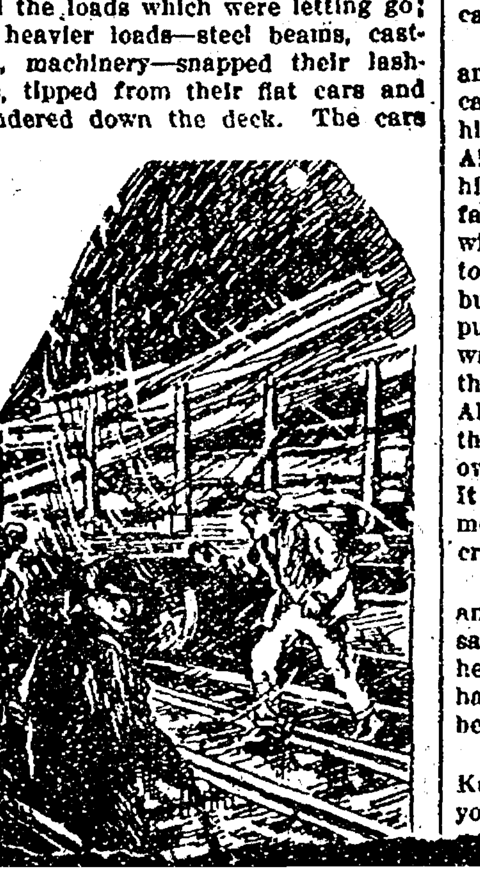
Alan ran aft along the starboard side, catching at the rail as the deck tilted; the sounds within the hull and the tremors following each sound came to him more distinctly as he advanced. Taking the shortest way to the car deck, he turned into the cabins to reach the passengers' companionway. The noises from the car deck, no longer muffled by the cabins, clanged and resounded in terrible tumult; with the clang and rumble of metal rose shouts and roars of men.

To liberate and throw overboard heavily loaded cars from an endangered ship was so desperate an undertaking and so certain to cost life that men attempted it only in final extremities, when the ship must be lightened at any cost. Alan had never seen the effect of such an attempt, but he had heard of it as the fear which sat always on the hearts of the men who navigate the ferries—the cars loose on a rolling, lurching ship! He was going to that now. The car deck was a pitching, swaying slope; the cars nearest him were still upon their tracks, but they tilted and swayed uglily from side to side; the jacks were gone from under them; the next cars already were hurled from the rails, their wheels screaming on the steel deck, clanging and thudding together in their couplings.

Alan ran aft between them. All the crew who could be called from deck and engine room and firehold were struggling at the fantail, under the direction of the captain, to throw off the cars. The mate was working as one of the men, and with him was Benjamin Corvet. The crew already must have loosened and thrown over the stern three cars from the two tracks on the port side; for there was a space vacant; and as a car charged into that space and the men threw themselves upon it, Alan leaped with them.

It was a flat car laden with steel beams. At Corvet's command, the crew ranged themselves beside it with bars. The bow of the ferry rose to some great wave and, with a cry to the men, Corvet pulled the pin. The others thrust with their bars, and the car slid down the sloping track; and Corvet, caught by some lashing of the beams, came with it. Alan leaped upon it and, catching Corvet, freed him and flung him down to the deck, and dropped with him. A cheer rose as the car cleared the fantail, dove and disappeared.

Alan clambered to his feet. Corvet already was back among the cars again, shouting orders; the mate and the men who had followed him before leaped at his yells. Corvet called to them to throw ropes and chains to bind the loads which were letting go; the heavier loads—steel beams, castings, machinery—snapped their lashings, tipped from their flat cars and thundered down the deck. The cars



The fore trucks fell and, before the rear trucks reached the edge, the stern lifted and caught the car in the middle; it balanced, half over the water, half over the deck. Corvet crouched under the car with a crowbar; Alan and two others went with him; they worked the car on until the weight of the end over the water tipped it down; the balance broke, and the car tumbled and dived. Corvet, having cleared another hundred tons, leaped back, calling to the crew.

They followed him again, unquestioning, obedient. Alan followed close to him. It was not pity which stirred him now for Benjamin Corvet; nor was it bitterness; but it certainly was not contempt. Of all the ways in which he had fancied finding Benjamin Corvet, he had never thought of seeing him like this!

It was, probably, only for a flash; but the great quality of leadership which he had once possessed, which Sherrill had described to Alan and which had been destroyed by the threat over him, had returned to him in this desperate emergency which he had created. How much or how little of his own condition Corvet understood, Alan could not tell; it was plain only that he comprehended that he had been the cause of the catastrophe, and in his fierce will to repair it he not only disregarded all risk to himself; he also had summoned up from within him and was spending the last strength of his spirit. But he was spending it in a losing fight.

He got off two more cars; yet the deck only dipped lower, and water washed farther and farther up over the fantail. Men, leaping from before the charging cars, got caught in the murderous melee of iron and steel and wheels; men's shrill cries came amid the scream of metal. Alan, tugging at a crate which had struck down a man, felt aid beside him and, turning, he saw the priest whom he had passed on the stairs. The priest was bruised and bloody; this was not his first effort to aid. Together they lifted an end of the crate; they bent—Alan stepped back, and the priest knelt alone, his lips repeating the prayer for absolution. Screams of men came from behind; and the priest rose and turned. He saw men caught between two wrecks of cars crushing together; there was no moment to reach them; he stood and raised his arms to them, his head thrown back, his voice calling to them, as they died, the words of absolution.

Three more cars at the cost of two lives the crew cleared, while the sheathing of ice spread over the steel inboard, and dissolution of all the cargo became complete. Cut stone and motor parts, chasses and castings, furniture and beams, swept back and forth, while the cars, burst and splintered, became monstrous missiles hurtling forward, sidewise, aslant, recoiling. Yet men, though scattered singly, tried to stay them by ropes and chains while the water washed higher and higher. Dimly, far away, deafened out by the clangor, the steam whistle of Number 25 was blowing the four long blasts of distress; Alan heard the sound now and then with indifferent wonder. All destruction had come for him to be contained within this car deck; here the ship loosed on itself all elements of annihilation; who could aid it from without? Alan caught the end of a chain which Corvet flung him and, though he knew it was useless, he carried it across from one stanchion to the next. Something, sweeping across the deck, caught him and carried him with it; it brought him before the coupled line of trucks which hurtled back and forth where the rails of track three had been. He was hurled before them and rolled over; something cold and heavy pinned him down; and upon him, the car trucks came.

But, before them, something warm and living—a hand and bare arm catching him quickly and pulling at him, tugged him a little farther on. Alan, looking up, saw Corvet beside him; Corvet, unable to move him farther, was crouching down there with him. Alan yelled to him to leap, to twist aside and get out of the way; but Corvet only crouched closer and put his arms over Alan; then the wreckage came upon them, driving them apart. As the movement stopped, Alan still could see Corvet dimly by the glow of the incandescent lamps overhead; the truck separated them. It bore down upon Alan, holding him motionless and, on the other side, it crushed upon Corvet's legs.

He turned over, as far as he could, and spoke to Alan. "You have been saving me, so now I tried to save you," he said simply. "What reason did you have for doing that? Why have you been keeping by me?"

"I'm Alan Conrad of Blue Rapids, Kansas," Alan cried to him. "And you're Benjamin Corvet! You know

ids. You know about me; are you my father, Ben Corvet? Are you my father or what—what are you to me?"

"Your father?" Corvet repeated. "Did he tell you that? He killed your father."

"Killed him? Killed him, how?"

"Of course. He killed them all—all. But your father—he shot him; he shot him through the head!"

Alan twinged. Sight of Spearman came before him as he had first seen Spearman, cowering in Corvet's library in terror at an apparition. "And the bullet hole above the eye!" So that was the hole made by the shot Spearman fired which had killed Alan's father—which shot him through the head! Alan peered at Corvet and called to him.

"Father Benitot!" Corvet called in response, not directly in reply to Alan's question, rather in response to what those questions stirred. "Father Benitot!"

Some one, drawn by the cry, was moving wreckage near them. A hand and arm with a torn sleeve showed; Alan could not see the rest of the figure, but by the sleeve he recognized that it was the mate.

"Who's caught here?" he called down.

"Benjamin Corvet of Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman, ship owners of Chicago," Corvet's voice replied deeply, fully; there was authority in it and wonder too—the wonder of a man finding himself in a situation which his recollection cannot explain.

"Ben Corvet!" the mate shouted in surprise; he cried it to the others, those who had followed Corvet and obeyed him during the hour before and had not known why. The mate tried to pull the wreckage aside and make his way to Corvet; but the old man stopped him. "The priest, Father Benitot! Send him to me. I shall never leave here; send Father Benitot!"

The word was passed without the mate moving away. The mate, after a minute, made no further attempt to free Corvet; that indeed was useless, and Corvet demanded his right of sacrament from the priest who came and crouched under the wreckage beside him.

"Father Benitot!"

"I am not Father Benitot. I am Father Perron of L'Anse."

"It was to Father Benitot of St. Ignace I should have gone, Father! . . .

The priest got a little closer as Corvet spoke, and Alan heard only voices now and then through the sounds of clanging metal and the drum of ice against the hull. The mate and his helpers were working to get him free. They had abandoned all effort to save the ship; it was settling. And with the settling, the movement of the wreckage imprisoning Alan was increasing. This movement made useless the efforts of the mate; it would free Alan of itself in a moment, if it did not kill him; it would free or finish Corvet too. But he, as Alan saw him, was wholly oblivious of that now. His lips moved quietly, firmly; and his eyes were fixed steadily on the eyes of the priest.

CHAPTER XVII

Mr. Spearman Goes North.

The message, in blurred lettering and upon the flimsy tissue paper of a carbon copy—that message which had brought tension to the offices of Corvet, Sherrill and Spearman and had called Constance Sherrill and her mother downtown where further information could be more quickly obtained—was handed to Constance by a clerk as soon as she entered her father's office. She reread it; it already had been repeated to her over the telephone.

"4:05 a. m. Frankfort Wireless station has received following message from Number 25: 'We have Benjamin Corvet, of Chicago, aboard.'"

"You've received nothing later than this?" she asked.

"Nothing regarding Mr. Corvet, Miss Sherrill," the clerk replied.

"The crew?"

"Yes; we have just got the names of the crew." He took another copied sheet from among the pages and handed it to her, and she looked swiftly down the list of names until she found that of Alan Conrad.

Her eyes filled, blinding her, as she put the paper down, and began to take off her things. She had been clinging determinedly in her thought to the belief that Alan might not have been aboard the ferry. Alan's message, which had sent her father north to meet the ship, had implied plainly that some one whom Alan believed might be Uncle Benny was on Number 25; she had been fighting, these last few hours, against conviction that therefore Alan must be on the ferry, too.

She stood by the d[illegible]

Constance had not realized, until the reports of the wireless messages told her that he was gone, what companionship with Alan had come to mean to her. She had accepted it as always to be existent, somehow—a companionship which might be interrupted often but always to be formed again. It amazed her to find how firm a place he had found in her world of those close to her with whom she must always be intimately concerned.

The telephone switchboard beside Constance suddenly buzzed, and the operator, plugging in a connection, said: "Yes, sir; at once," and through the partitions of the private office on the other side, a man's heavy tones came to Constance. That was Henry's office, and in timbre, the voice was his, but it was so strange in other characteristics of expression that she waited an instant before saying to the clerk,

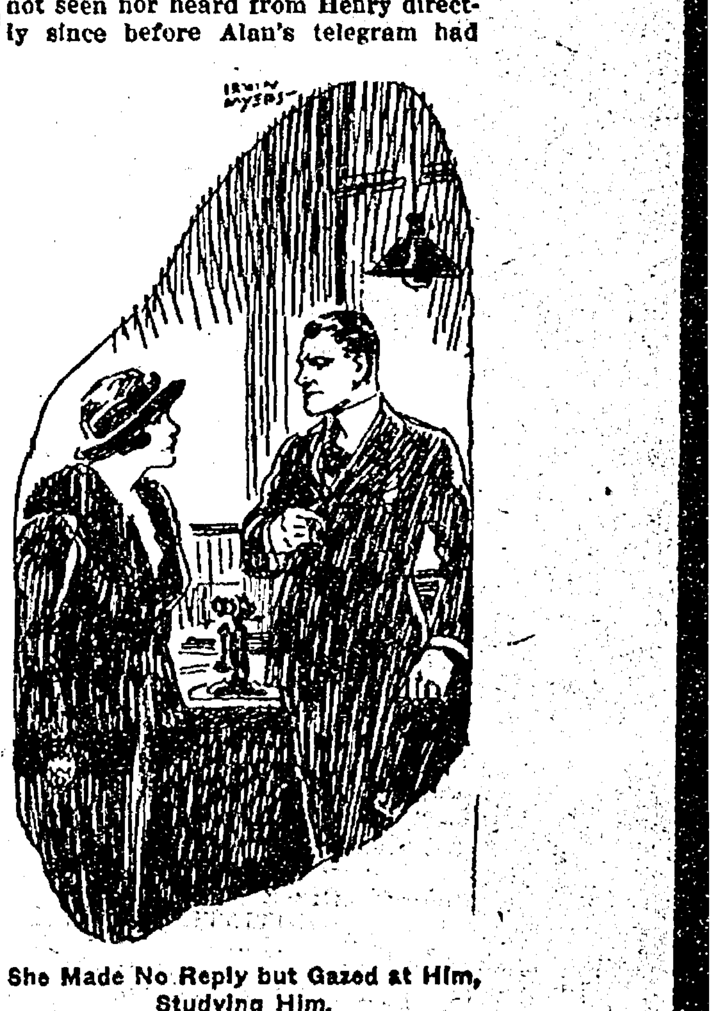
"Mr. Spearman has come in?"

The clerk hesitated, but the continuance of the tone from the other side of the partition made reply superfluous. "Yes, Miss Sherrill."

Constance went to Henry's door and rapped. He made no answer and no move to open the door; so, after waiting a moment, she turned the knob and went in.

Henry was seated at his desk, facing her, his big hands before him; one of them held the telephone receiver. He lifted it slowly and put it upon the hook beside the transmitter as he watched her with steady, silent, aggressive scrutiny. He did not rise; only after a moment he recollected that he had not done so and came to his feet. "Good morning, Connie," he said. "Come in. What's the news?"

The impulse which had brought her into his office went from her. She had not seen nor heard from Henry directly since before Alan's telegram had



She Made No Reply but Gazed at Him, Studying Him.

come late yesterday afternoon; she had heard from her father only that he had informed Henry; that was all.

"I've no news, Henry," she said. "Have you?" She closed the door behind her, moving closer to him.

"How did you happen to be here, Connie?" he asked.

She made no reply but gazed at him, studying him. The agitation which he was trying to conceal was not entirely consequent to her coming in upon him; it had been ruling him before. It had underlain the loudness and abuse of his words which she had overheard. That was no capricious outburst of temper or irritation; it had come from something which had seized and held him in suspense, in dread—in dread; there was no other way to define her impression to herself. When she had opened the door and come in, he had looked up in dread, as though preparing himself for whatever she might announce. Now that the door shut them in alone, he approached her with arms offered. She stepped back, instinctively avoiding his embrace; and he stopped at once, but he had come quite close to her now.

As she stared at him, the clerk's voice came to her suddenly over the partition which separated the office from the larger room where the clerk was receiving some message over the telephone. Henry straightened, listened; as the voice stopped, his great, finely-shaped head sank between his shoulders; he fumbled in his pocket for a cigar, and his big hands shook as he lighted it, without word of excuse to her. A strange feeling came to her that he felt what he dreaded approaching and was no longer conscious [illegible] her presence.

She heard footsteps in the larger room coming toward the office door. Henry was in [illegible]

Belmond Local News

WE MAY LEARN FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

We notice in one our exchanges, the Goldfield Chronicle a program of the Goldfield Independent Chautauqua. Their program is an unusually fine one with ten concerts, seven lectures of a varied character and a Medical Round Table conducted by two doctors. One of our friends has served on the Chautauqua board at Goldfield for several years and has given us several reasons why they have made a success of the project while other towns have failed. They have a permanent board which has been in existence many years. Their Chautauqua is independent, as their name would indicate, and they do not make contracts with the various bureaus of entertainment. The board selects their own talent, sometimes sending a committe in to Chicago for that purpose. In this way they get all good numbers, while the lecture bureaus give a few good numbers and several poor ones for a sort of padding. Their band furnishes street concerts to attrart the crowds. Their programs are held in the beautiful Goldfield park where tents are provided for the farmers who wish to camp during the entire time of the Chautauqua. Many of the town people also take this time for a little outing and camp in the park for several days.

One of the most interesting and unusual facts of the plan, is that they made a financial success of it.

Now, that Belmond is to have a large park, why can we not try a similar plan and have a good Chautauqua every summer without running in debt on expenses?

NOTICE TO TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS

Please add the following names and numbers to your Telephone Directory in their proper places:

108—Belmond Auto Co.
258—Belmond Auto Co.
1207—Braun Bros ....Rural
112—Champlin, Ole.. ....Residence
184—Foster's Cafe.
108—Heginger, Geo. ....Garage
258—Heginger, Geo. ....Garage
2613—Holverson, Garfield .... Rural
343—Myers, J. E. ....Residence
162—Pierce, E. A. ....Residence
59—Ramsay, W. R. ......Residence
223—Thayer, Floyd ....Residence
268—Thiltgen, Chas. ......Residence
108—Tokman, Louie ....Garage
258—Tokman, Louie . ...Garage

REBEKAH LODGE WILL INITIATE FIFTEEN

The Rebekah Lodge are planning an intiation of fifteen candidates on August 9. They are expecting to have the degree work done in charge of the Clarion degree staff and will probably use the Library basement as their own hall will not be large enough to accommodate the visitors and the local lodge. Some of the members who attended a recent convention were impressed with the fact that neighboring lodges had a large membership of young women. They extended the invitation to become Rebekahs to several young ladies and as a result, fifteen will be initiated. at their August meeting.

Mrs. Edward Sands and child of Des Moines are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ahlstrom and other relatives.

Thayne Bailey was a business caller at Garner Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Bailey of St. Paul, and Mr. J. S. Brewer and the Misses Ida and Belle Brewer of Albert Lea, Minnesota, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brewer.

Miss Sharon, instructor in the Belmond High School has been taking a special course at the State University at Iowa City. She will return Friday and begin her work of tutoring high school students.

The Dorcas Society of the Trinity Luthern church held a candy sale last Saturday evening from booths in front of C. G. Johnson and Carlson & Skovlin's stores. They did a very successful business.

Mrs. J. S. Buggy of Buffalo Center is the guest of relatives here. Mrs. Buggy is a sister of Mrs. Sharon and C. C. McGuire.

Pink Trees' little daughter had broken arm set at the local hospi[illegible] Monday evening.

COUNTRY CLUB PICNIC

The Clarmond Country Club was the scene of a jolly picnic last Wednesday afternoon and evenig.

The afternoon was spent in bridge, golf or fancywork as the ladies felt inclined and a picnic supper was served at seven, after the men had arrived from business. The evening was spent in golf and dancing. Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell, Jr. and Mrs. L. R. Parsons of Belmond served on the entertainment committee. Mrs. M. C. Barry and Mrs. C. M. Morse of Belmond with Mrs. Barnard and Mrs. Rosevelt of Clarion had charge of the refreshments.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The St. Olaf Lutner League will hold on ice cream social on the H. O. Emerson lawn ½ mile east of the St. Olaf Church, Wednesday evening July 26th. A good program is being prepared, including both instrumental and vocal numbers, readings, and a speaker is expected to deliver an address that evening. Program starts promptly at 8:00 p. m. Everybody come.

THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO DESTROY ABNOXIOUS WEEDS

There are quite a number of vacant lots and a few street edges about town as well as on the business street where weeds are getting quite large and reaching the seed stage. Belmond is noted among her neighbors for her well-kept lawns and streets. Let us keep this reputation by moving thes before the seed matures sufficiently to germinate for another crop. There will probably be an official notice issued for the destruction of weeds but let us take pride enough to do it now, before being told.

The Misses Ethel and Emma Luick and Ruth Hill were in Hampton at the circus last week.

The Misses Rhea Campbell and Doris Bailey were shopping in Mason City last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragn were Hampton visitors Wednesday of last week.

Rev. Wilkinson leaves this week to attend the Epworth League Institute at Crawford, Neb. He is one of the speakers on their program.

Walter Schleiffarth and family are enjoying a camping trip at Clear Lake this week.

Rev. Bushnell, Dist. Supt. will occupy the M. E. pulpit during the absence of the pastor.

B. K. Kinseth was a business caller at Mason City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartshorn were guests of Belmond friends last Thursday.

Roy Klemme and sons, Hoyt and Randall returned Saturday evening from their camping trip in Minnesota.

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Small Prunes, 2 lbs.	25c
Large Prunes, 1 lb.	30c
Peaches, per lb.	25c
Raisins, seeded, lb.	25c
Rolled Oats, 5 lbs.	25c
Macaroni and Spaghetti, 3 pkgs.	25c
Macaroni and Spaghetti, bulk, lb.	10c
Bacon, per lb.	25c
Summer Sausage, lb.	25c
Black Tea, bulk, lb.	40c
Japan Tea, bulk, lb.	50c
Gunpowder Tea, lb.	40c
Peaberry Coffee, lb.	30c
Rio Coffee, lb.	25c
Other Coffee, lb.	35c, 40c, 45c
Soap Chips, 2 lbs.	25c
P. & G. Soap, 4 bars for	25c
[illegible] White Laundry Soap,	25c

LARGE FLOUR TRUCK VISITS BELMOND

One of the largest trucks ever seen on our streets passed through town Friday. It was driven by Mr. C. W. Greer, of Mason City, manager of the branch office of the Russell-Miller Milling Company of Minneapolis. They have established a distributing route for Occident flour among the smaller towns around Mason City, making the trip every two weeks. This was their first trip through Belmond and wherever the truck stopped a crowd gathered like they do around the elephant at the circus. It was a forty horse-power White truck, weighing three and a half tons. Its capacity is fifty barrels or one-fourth carload of flour. When loaded it weighs ten tons.

Miss Ruth Ramsay was hostess to a party of her friends at a slumber party last Wednesday evening. A marshmallow roast and moonlight serenade were enjoyable features of the evening.

Miss Celia Finn is employed in Foster's Cafe during the absence of Miss Dorothy Purcell.

Orville Smith and family were visitors at the Harold Smith home last week.

Mrs. Garton spent the latter part of last week with relatives in Iowa Falls.

Andrew Purcell is expected home from Sioux City where he recently had an operation at the M. E. hospital of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Berry are the happy parents of a baby daughter, born Monday July 17th.

Miss Beatrice Leavy is traveling in northern Wisconsin with a party of five girls who have a magazine agency. They young ladies are making their canvas by auto and report good success with their business.

Mrs. Martin Lewis of Mason City came down Sunday to visit at the Gene Sullivan home. Mrs. Lewis took the little Sullivan children home with her while their parents are away on a vacation.

Miss Anna Beenen and Mrs. Bonte of Alexander were Belmond callers last Saturday.

AUCTION SALE OF REAL ESTATE

August 17th, 1922, 2 o'clock p. m.

Sale on Chas B. Smith Estate Premises to close up the estate of Chas. B. Smith, deceased. The undersigned excutor, Corwin L. Smith, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder the 300 acres lying northeast of Belmond, Iowa, known as the Chas. B. Smith farm. Land located 6 miles northesat of Belmond. The land is situated in Section 4 in Pleasant Township, Wright County, Iowa. There are two sets improvements upon this farm and the 300 acres can be sold in two separate parcels or purchased as one tract of land. Good terms will be made. Settlement to be made March 1st, 1923 and possession given purchaser.

Corwin L. Smith, Executor.
E. D. Smith, Auctioneer.
J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

The Belmond High School Class of 1920 will hold a reunion and class picnic in Franklin Grove Sunday, July 24.

Mr. C. W. Lamer, druggist in Goodell, was a caller at the Independent office, Tuesday. Mr. Lamer was interested in our Radio outfit.

LOST—Pair roller skates. Please return to Ruth Leavy.

WANTED—A place to do housework in private home.—Inquire at Independent.

Rev. Waalkes' little girl is recovering nicely from a tonsil operation, Tuesday.

Mrs. E. R. Ballou of Rowan was a caller at the Independent office yesterday, to leave us an order for stationary for "Bluholm Farm."

Harry Webb visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Webb, Tuesday and Wednesday. He is preaching at Ottoson, Iowa.

A fine sample of the beet crop was brought in from the Tyrrell farm this week and is on exhibit at the State Bank. The beets are certainly doing well since the rain.

Miss Jennie Stadtlander returned home after a three week's visit with her sister, Mrs. Jake Myers and family in Titonka.

Mrs. Brummond, of Kanawha had an operation for tonsils at the Steele Hospital, Tuesday.

C. H. Wallace visited his father in Goldfield, Iowa last Friday.

Clarence Hildenbrand was a Klemme caller last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sullivan left Sunday for an auto trip to Minneapolis.

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THE OYMPIA

J. J. Manusos, Prop.

Across from Park Mason City, Iowa

The editor, R. A. Rankins, leaves Caldwell, Kansas, today for the homeward journey and will be in his office again Monday. Like a lot of folks who are now returning from their summer vacations, he will be able to resume work—after he rests up a bit. He is enjoying the land of wheat fields, chiggers and darkies in his usual enthusiastic manner.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Fertilizer 2-8-7 for all crops, $34 per ton.—Farmers Elevator. 24tfc

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. tf

For Sale—Fall Poland China boars wt. about 200. Papers furnished.—Ralph Jenison, Belmond. 30tfc

A fine steer calf for sale, cheap. Phone 318.

Lost—Bunch of keys, two bunches fastened together. Name plate on key ring.—W. O. Eaton. 331*

WANTED TO BUY: Your poultry, Eggs and Cream.—Joe. S. White, Phone 272.

Gravel and sand for sale; gravel 50 cents a load, sand 75. Pit located 1 1-2 miles north of town on the old Wendell place.—A. J. Dorr. 332*

When you have some chickens to sell, sell them to Joe S. White. Phone 272.

For Sale—Second hand electric washing machine. Bargain if taken at once.—Townsan Hardware.

For Sale or Trade—One Sampson tractor and tractor plow, also one Jenny silo filler and husker. Inquire at Griesy's store. 333c

Kinseth's Store News

PICNIC TO-NIGHT

Everybody seems in the picinc mood. Let't go. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

A few suggestions for the picnic supper: Fruit, cookies, olives and pickles.

Who says you can't buy baked beans for 10c? We have them.

How about a veal loaf, potted meats, or vienna sausage for your sandwiches.

What's a picnic without a good salad? We have thousand island and mayonnaise salad dressing.

Try our Gunpowder Tea at 25c a lb.

Sugar and Mason jars are cheaper than last year. Let us deliver some to you. There's a motto, "Get all you can and can all you get," which refers to your savings account at the bank, but use the same plan when filling your shelves for winter. Don't forget the plums and apricots we have for canning. Leave your orders early for the demand is great.

Be one of the satisfied customers who trade at The Store on the Corner.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

William, the youngest son of Mr. anl Mrs. Ernest Stadtlander was very pleasantly surprised last Friday evening, July 14th, when a few of his neighbors gathered at his home in honor of his birthday. William was only six and such surprises were few in his short life, so when the ice cream and cake appeared, his joy was complete.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tyrrell are spending the summer in Belmond while Mr. Tyrrell is employed in the State Bank.

City Meat Market

Pork, Beef, Veal

Fresh
Homemade Bologna
Every Saturday

We Deliver

Nissen & Harbison, Props.
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Delicious
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Phone 65

ALWAYS DEPENDABLE

"LIFE, LIBERTY and the Pursuit of Happiness"

Is an idle phrase without saving and investing. Hold down your expenses. The man whose expenses exceed his income is sure to live sooner or later a most miserable life. While in pursuit of happiness learn to curtail your expenses.

We invite

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CREAMERY DAY CELEBRATED HERE AUG. 23

Tyrrell Park Opening Is Largely Attended

Splendid Time Is Enjoyed By Big Audience And Affair Proves Success.

OVER 1,500 PEOPLE THERE

For many years intimate friends and relatives of Capt. W. C. Tyrrell, Sr., have been the recipients of beautiful gifts upon special occasions or of mementos which recall his visits. But, Thursday, July 20th will long be remembered as the day when, to friends, acquaintances and strangers, alike, he gave that beautiful gift of Tyrrell Park which crowns the generosity of a lifetime.

The keynote of modern education is, that too long have we emphasized the idea of getting things and that now we must teach the giving of service and means.

The fact that the park is a gift seemed to have made a deep impression upon the minds of the children and young people present, to judge by the casual remarks that were heard. One little lad asked, "Mother, did he actually give all those acres of beautiful trees?" The giving of Tyrrell Park taught a lesson which cannot be equalled by many lectures upon the subject of generosity.

The following private conversation with the donor shows this characteristic of the man: "No one asked me to give a park no one told me to do so and not even my son knew the land was bought for several days. I just wanted to do it."

We believe the celebration of the park opening was marked by at least four features which have never been equalled upon the occasion of a public gathering in Belmond.

There was a large crowd, estimated at about fifteen hundred people. Every one of the surrounding towns was represented, the largest numbers coming from Clarion, Rowan, Alexander and Garner. Belmond has had large crowds before, but there has never been upon any public occasion such a home-coming of former residents and old neighbors as last Thursday.

We believe, too, that the feeling of friendship and kindliness and the manifestation of a democratic spirit has never been equalled in a Belmond gathering.

There have been auto parades also in our history but never before have we had a parade of lighted autos and the sight of hundreds of illuminated cars was truly beautiful as they sped homeward along the road which old settlers know as Luick's Lane.

Another feature which deserves special mention is the effort of various committeees of the Community Club and their president to ensure the success of the evening. Only those who have served on similar committees realize the work, though and self sacrifice which made such an event possible. Thespirit in which the ladies served the thousand or more people who passed the picnic table reminded one of the self-forgetful devotion of the mother who serves her hungry brood and rejoices in the fact that they are well-cared for and content.

This account of the evening's celebration may appear somewhat informal to the stranger who reads our columns. That is the note we have tried to strike, as that friend to friend spirit seemed to be the keynote of the entire program and added much to Mr. Tyrrell's pleasure as he realized the keen appreciation of his gift.

The ladies of the Community Club very much regret that the darkness came too soon the evening of the picnic and prevented them having the entire program. There were several musical numbers which had to be omitted. The various committees had their work very carefully planned and lights would have been provided had they thought the program would continue so late. No one anticipated that there would be so large a crowd, so the serving occupied more time than was expected, thus putting the program at a later hour.

The Community Club wishes to extend their thanks to Messrs. J. J. Flynn, Strieby, C. J. Jones and D. Bishop for the assistance they rendered durin- the day, and to all of those who so willingly took part in the day's activities.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN

The St. John's Lutheran church will celebrate its annual Mission Festival next Sunday, July 30th.

German services at 10:30 a. m.

English-German services at 2:30 p. m.

English services at 8:00 p. m.

Rev. Wm. Meier of Manson, Rev. A. Kilian of Woden, and Rev. E. Holz will be the speakers. This Sunday will be devoted entirely to the discussion of Missions.

Rev. Wippermann, Pastor.

MRS. ROSECRANS BUYS MILLINERY SHOP HERE

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans last week purchased the Dorenkamp & Greenfield millinery shop, and is now conducting the business under the name of "The Hat Shoppe," possession of the shop having been taken immediately. The new proprietor is having a reduction sale to reduce the stock on hand this week, and next week expects to go in to the wholesale houses to purchase a new line of fall and winter goods. Mrs. Rosecrans has a host of friends who will unite -shing her the best of luck in her new venture, and knowing her capabilities are assured of her success. We have not learned what the future plans of the old proprietors are.

HELPING THE BOY TO FIND HIMSELF

Mason City's sons will be among the great and near-great in the next generation, says the Globe-Gagette, if the members of the Rotary club realize their hopes in the boy's work drive about to be started in the city. More than 500 boys will be interviewed by the Rotarians to obtain information about their present status and what they are ambitious to become in the future. The club then plans to aid the boys in gaining their objectives.

Every high school boy, every boy who has been graduated from the grammer school and every boy of corresponding age whether or not he is attending school, will be visited by a Rotarian.

The vital imporance of attending school will be stressed by the Rotarians. They will show the boys how much more easily they may gain success if they attend high school than if they drop out after the eighth grde. They will explain the meaning and benefit of college to the boy who hopes to succeed. "Back to School" will be the motto set up for the boys who have dropped out.

Questionnaires are being placed in the hands of Rotarians this week by Dr. W. J. Egloff, chairman of the project. When they have been filled out, the cards will make a catalogue of the boys of the city and will simplify greatly the work undertaken by the Rotarians.

Why would not the above plan be a worth while work for our Belmond Good Fellowship club? Who will take enough interest in our boys to push the plan? Why not write to Dr. Egloff or interview him regarding the questionnaires being used in Mason City? Read this article twice and then do some serious thinking about the possibilities which the plan suggests. It will also require action and plenty of it.

1917 CLASS PICNIC

Tyrrell Park was the scene of a jolly picnic and reunion, last Sunday, July 23rd when the High school class of 1917 responded to another roll call. Although many of the class were scattered to far distant states and could not be present, twelve of the old crowd attended. A few were accompanied by Friend Wife or Friend Husband.

After an enjoyable afternoon spent in visiting, a fine picnic supper was served.

This was the first gathering of the class since the good old days in Belmond High and everyone hopes these picnics may be an annual affair. Harold Hembd sent his greetings to the class, as he could not be present in person. Those present were: Gladys Skouge, Lois Morse, Ialeen Flynn, Cloe Jenison, Ruth Brooks, Esther Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kragh and daughter, Marian, Fred Bohning, Wilma Trumbell and Merle Hanson, of Alexander.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Fred Walters, who, for the past 28 years has made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Blau, died last Thursday evening at the age of 86 years. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Immanuel church. We express our sympathy to the relatives in their bereavement.

Mrs. Fred Ruiter is reported as being very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hero Goeman and two daughters from Blue Earth, Minnesota, were here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Goeman's father, Mr. Wolters, last Sunday.

Fannie Bruns had her tonsils removed at the local hospital last week.

Mr and Mrs. Edward Foss and Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Raecker and their daughter Janette, were Sunday callers at the Jake Smidt home.

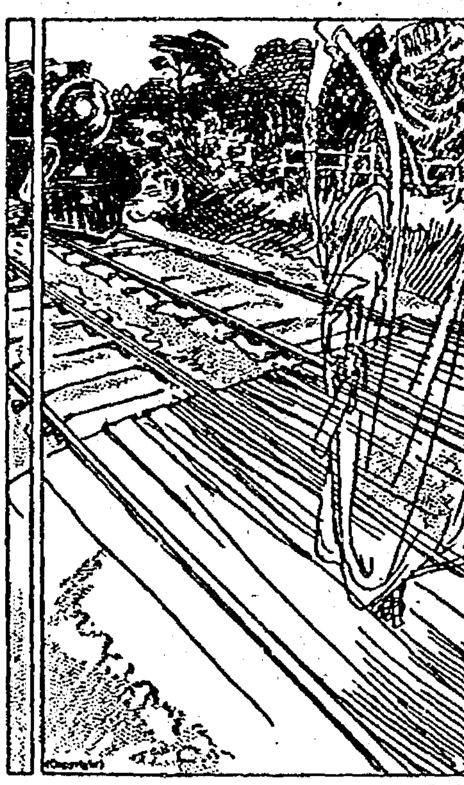
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pals were visitors at the Fol Mennenga home on Sunday afternoon

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halfpop spent Sunday at the parental W. A. Gartz home.

Mr and Mrs. George Richardson and family from near Forest City were Sunday visitors at the Fred Loats home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mennenga and family of North Dakota, who have been visiting relatives here the past three weeks, returned home this week.

Come on, Take a Chance



BELMOND TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU MEETS AUGUST 3

A meeting of the Belmond Township Farm Bureau will be held at the A. C. Hinman farm on Thursday, August 3, the meeting commencing at 8 o'clock in the evening. The affair will be staged on the lawn. Rev. S. U. Leinbach of the Congregational church will deliver an address, his topic being "How to Keep the Boys on the Farm." The Luick orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, which means a good concert for those who attend. The finance committee will sell ice cream at ten cents a dish. Everybody is invited to attend and have a good time.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

The Luther League will give an ice cream social at the H. O. Emerson home Wednesday evening. A fine program is being prepared to be given in connection with the social.

Mabel Johnson, who has been having a three weeks vacation from her work, will return to Mason City this week to again take up her work in the hospital.

Clarence Scott and wife attended the opening of the Tyrrell Park at Belmond last Thursday evening.

Nora and Mamie Nelson of Belmond visited at the Henry Lien home Friday and Saturday. Mamie returned home Saturday evening but Nora will visit at the E. W. Erickson home.

S. O. Windecker and wife spent Sunday at the H. Windecker home near Alden.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baxter and Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson drove to West Bend Sunday to see the Grotto made by the famous priest.

G. Halverson and family and Miss Margaret Jacobson spent Sunday at Clear Lake.

E. O. Munson droye to Roland Sunday, to make arrangements to move his family from there to his home at this place.

Golda Hall returned to her home at Iowa Falls Sunday.

COUNTY CLUB RALLY PICNIC

For all boys and girls of any age, their parents, friends, neighbors and all others interested. Members of the Garment and Poultry clubs of Wright County, are inviting all boys and girls and their parents to meet with them at the Goldfield Park Thursday July 27th.

THE PROGRAM

10:00 A. M. Address of Welcome—Representative of Farm Bureau.

10:30 A. M. Club Songs & Club Yells —All Clubs lead by Miss Hazel Spencer.

10:45 A. M. "Bungalow Apron Demonstration"—Tri-G Club, Mrs. J. F. Dorr—Leader.

11:00 A. M. "Mock Business Meeting"—Dayton Live Wires, Mrs. Harry Sumners—Leader.

11:30 A. M. "Us Young Folks"—Miss Hazel Spencer, Asst. State Leader for Girls Clubs.

12:00 A. M. Basket Dinner—By club groups with parents.

1:P. M. Club Songs & Club Yells Miss Hazel Spencer—Leader.

1:30 P. M. Radio Messages—Short Addresses, by R. A. Pearson, Pres. Iowa State College and Director R. K. Bliss of the Agricultural Extension Department, will be given at Ames, and will be heard by the boys and girls, at this picnic.

2:00 P. M. Poultry Clubs in Iowa" —Prof. J. L. Gordon.

2:30 P. M. "The Approved Shoe"—Lincoln Learning Lassies, Miss Edith Waddell—Leader.

3:00 P. M. "Boys' and Girls' Clubs and the Farm Bureau, Paul C. Taff—State Club Leader.

3:15 P. M. "Club Stunts"

3:30 P. M. Recreation Hour—Base Ball and Athletic Stunts.

Commencing at 10:00 A. M. Lasts all day, Thursday July 27th.

Bring a well filled basket and a smile.

Bring your parents.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF PICNIC CELEBRATION JULY 4TH

The following statement gives a complete report of all receipts and disbursements of funds contributed toward the county wide picnic celebration July 4th.

Receipts

Contributions by townships—	
Liberty	$25.00
Norway	25.00
Belmond	25.00
Troy	25.00
Boone	25.00
Pleasant	25.00
Lincoln	25.00
Grant	25.00
Wall Lake	25.00
Dayton	25.00
Lake	25.00
Iowa	22.00
Blaine	16.00
Woolstock	13.00
Eagle Grove	5.00
Contributions by towns—	
Clarion Commercial Club	$125.00
Eagle Grove Com. Club	125.00
Goldfield Com. Club	65.00
Belmond Business men	50.00
Rowan	15.00
Receipts from Concessions	98.00
Total Receipts	$809.00

Belmond Business men contributing toward this picnic are as follows:

Belmond Savings Bank
State Bank of Belmond
Belmond Candy Kitchen
Belmond Lumber Co.
Adams Pharmacy
W. W. Goetz
C. J. Jones
B. K. Kinseth
Herald Press
P. Barban
J. E. Pfaltzgraff
Carlston & Skovlin
C. S. Robinson.
Townsan Hardware
Belmond Independent
Ray P. Morris
H. G. Nordschow
John Zook
W. H. Wolle
George Brady
Johnson &Wright
Cato C. Griesy
Bohning & Co.
C. C. McGuire
C. J. Johnson
Schultz Co.
Johnson Auto Co.
Belmond Auto Co.

Disbursements

Goldfield Band	$150.00
Eagle Grove Baseball	75.00
Humboldt Baseball	50.00
Joe Lukens Ground rent	65.00
Prizes	102.00
Misscellaneous Expenses	367.00
Total Disbursements	$809.00

Signed By
Will Tillman
Chairman Finance Committee.

FREDERICK WOLTERS

Frederick Wolters was born in Eastfriesland, Germany, January 9, 1836, and died at the home of his daughter near Belmond on Thursday, July 20, 1922, at the age of 86 years, six months and 11 days.

In 1880 he came with the family to America, settling first at Ackley, and later moving to Iowa Falls. At a later date they moved to near the town of Goodell, where they farmed. Meeting with reverses about 28 years ago they moved to the home of their eldest daughter, Mrs. Wm. Blau. Mr. Wolters had been failing fast the past month, and death was due to old age with a complication of diseases. His wife died about eight years ago. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Immanuel church, Rev. A. H. Waalkes officiating, and interment was made in the Immanuel cemetery. Those who mourn his loss are Mrs. Wm. Blau, Mrs. Hero Goeman, Harry Wolters, Mrs. Peter Pals, the grandchildren and many friends, who have the sympathy of the community.

LANDMARK HOTEL BURNED

The Oaks Hotel at Clear Lake was totally destroyed by fire, Thursday, July 20 th. The guests were at dinner and the hotel was soon a scene of commotion with guests running about to save individual belongings.

A few were able to drag out their trunks but many of the guests lost all or part of their wardrobes. The fire started in the roof from an unknown cause. The hotel has been a landmark for almost fifty years.

It was a huge frame building and a veritable fire trap. The loss is estimted at $75,000. Opportune arrival of the fire department from Mason City assisted in saving the summer cottages nearby.

Many of the guests were able to secure accommodations at the Lake Shore hotel and others were forced to seek the hospitatality of cottages.

REUNION OF CLASS OF 1920

Fourteen members of the High School class of 1920 held a reunion at Tyrrell Park, Sunday, July 23. They met on library lawn at 2 o'clock and autoed to the scene of the picnic. The afternoon was spent pleasantly in recalling old school days and the old jokes and stunts of those days again brought the care-free laugh.

After a fine picnic supper, a business meeting was held. Carl Wenzel, the former president of the class was not able to be present as he had an engagement with the ball team.

It was voted to form a permanent organization of the class, to hold an annual picnic and to promote other social gatherings. Elizabeth Leinbach, president, and Shirley Thompson secretary-treasurer, were the officers elected for this organization. A motion was carried to have annual dues, payable in June, in order to have a small amount of funds to use for the benefit of the club.

After the business meeting, Herbert Nelson gave a short commemoration speech in honor of Howard Luick who was class president for two years but has now gone to join the class of the Great Teachers above.

Herbert spoke of Howard's sturdy manhood and kindly spirit to all. How, as president of the class, he put his own interests in the background and worked always for the interests of his class.

The singing of old high school songs closed a day long to be remembered by those privileged to attend.

The following members of the class answered "present:" Violet Starnes, Lelah Brooks, Lena Steenblock, Vida Jenison, Esther Hardwick, Elizabeth Leinbach, Myrtle Hawley, Luella Christie, Ray Hawley, Herbert Nelson, Preston Tyrrell, Marjorie Purcell, Shirley Thompson and Clara Johnson.

The other members, who could not attend, are: Carl Wenzel, Agnes Reed (Mrs. Roy Guest), Mildred Wendel, Colorado, Bert Trumbell, Des Moines, Iowa, Bessie Quigley, Cedar Falls, Iowa, Harry Webb, Ottosen, Iowa, Creonica Finn, Goodell, Iowa, Laura Maitland, Esther Thorman and Cornelia Allison.

A letter from Harry Webb was read voicing his appreciation of the invitation and his regret in not being able to enjoy the fun.

GEO. POND VISITS OLD HOME

Geo. R. Pond and family of San Diego, California stopped for a few hours in Belmond, Friday and greeted some of the older residents of the town. Mr. Pond is the eldest grandson of the late G. H. Richardson but left Belmond when a child. They are making the trip across the continent by auto and are enroute to Boston, Mass., having been on the road four weeks when reaching here. They related an interesting experience at Gallup, New Mexico. Passing over a very muddy road they came upon a car fast in the mud and experienced considerable difficulty in getting around them. After this was accomplished, Mr. Pond went back to give the driver his opinion of people who block the highway and discovered to his surprise, Mr. H. J. Klemme and Ruth. The latter were on their way to Silverton, Colo., where Mr. Klemme has mining interests.

Mr. Pond wished the Independent to extend his greetings to all those old friends whom he did not have the opportunity to meet. They left for Forest City to visit Dr. Thompson and will continue their journey by way of Chicago, Niagara Falls and the Berkshire Hills in New Hampshire and on to Boston. Later, Mr. Pond, will report in Washington, D. C. for duty in the Navy Department.

AMATEUR ROBBERY

The garage and harness shop at Rowan were the scene of an amateur job of robbery last week. The door was broken in and small change hardly worth carrying away was taken from the McCaskey register. Nothing else seemed to be missing.

There will be a special meeting of the Community Club Friday afternoon at 2:30 sharp. It is for the purpose of voting on and revising the constitution and by-laws.

Big Celebration Is Now Being Planned

August 23rd Is Set As Day For Belmond's Big Celebration Of The Summer.

BIG TIME BEING PLANNED

Plans have been made and are now in the course of completion for holding a rousing big celebration here on Wednesday, August 23, the day to be known as Creamery Day, and to be a day of boostng for the local creamery.

But the affair is to be not only a creamery day, but Belmond's one Big Day of the summer. It is to be an all-day celebration, along the lines of a Fourth of July celebration with the exception of fireworks. A good band is to be secured, probaby one from the neighboring towns, a real live ball game is to be one of the main attractions, and races, sports of all knds, concessions, prizes and similar events are being planned. The committees in charge of the various plans are as follows:

Finance: J. F. Barry, W. T. Gfeller, C. O. Fitts, A. E Martin and Cato C. Griesy.

Speaker: H. F. Luick.

Band: A. C. Hinman.

Sports: O. D. Jenison, Wm. Boelman, Win Dziewanowski, M. C. Barry D. L. Rankins, and C C. McGuire.

Grounds: Fred Loats, E. G. Reed, Adolph Meinders.

Concessions: G. J. Byers, J. H. Nourse, C. H. Jennings.

Program and Advertising: Mrs. A. E. Martin, Mrs. O. D. Jenison, A. C Hinman.

Marshal of the Day: J. F. Barry.

Some good addresses are to be a part of the program for the day, with a good speaker on agricultural work and products, probably from Ames or some prominent speaker from the Farm Bureau.

The celebration is being financed by the business men of Belmond, the finance committee soliciting them yesterday. At noon they had about $400 raised, and expected to raise in the neighborhood of $600, which will assure plenty of real entertainment for August 23. Kanawha holds a day similar to the one planned here, and it is big success. Belmond's day should be one also, and it is hoped that everybody will join in and help make it so. It will be our one big day—let's make it a real one and put some life in the old town.

The details of the celebration have not been worked out at this writing, but will be announced thru the Independent as soon as completed. In the meantime, get ready for a good time and plan to spend Wednesday, August 23, in Belmond.

FAMILY REUNION AT E. G. REED HOME

About 29 friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reed gathered at their home Sunday, July 23, to help celebrate Mrs. Reed's birthday. The guests were the children and grandchildren, and Miss Grace Boughton, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schlieffarth and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Polhemus of Colorado. A bountiful dinner was served and all joined in wishing Mrs. Reed many more birthdays.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

We were glad to see so many at Sabbath school last Sunday, altho we were just a little below our mark. Many are away on their vacations or we would have had a banner attendance. There was the largest Sunday evening attendance that we have had for a long time. All enjoyed the music furnished by the orchestra.

We have a full program for this week. The Missionary society will meet at the home of Mrs. Leinbach and the ladies of the Methodist Missionary society are to be the guests at this meeting.

Sabbath school next Sunday at 10:00, and the morning worship at 11:00. The young people's service at 7:30 in the evening and at 8:00 Prof. F. G. Pattison, of Coe College, will speak in the interests of the Anti-Saloon League. Help to make next Sabbath a great day by being in your place at all of the services. The orchestra will lead the music at the evening services.

A. J. Williams went to Kansas City last week, where he purchased and brought home a carload of cattle to feed. Mr. Williams is one of this vicinity's most successful feeders, and after he has put some good Iowa corn into his purchase he should have a market-topper.

Friends of Mayor Morse will regret to learn that he is not improving as fast as was hoped. We hope to soon see him about again.

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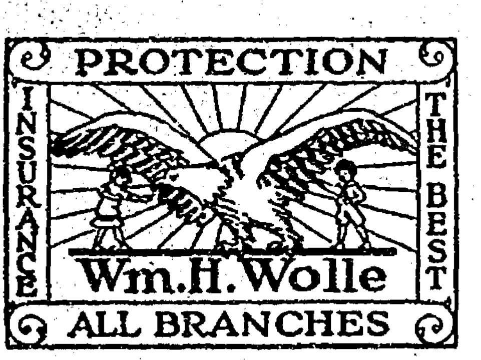

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VACATION EDITORIAL

This editorial applies to older folks, the young ones don't need to be urged to take a vacation.

When the days are long get ready to shake off the burden of petty cares and responsibilities. No matter where you are, go somewhere else. Only the oyster clings to the old homestead and refuses to investigate the sights of neighboring pools.

It was never intended that human beings should look out of the same windows all their lives, and, oh, the pity of the narrow mental views some of us get looking through those little narrow panes. Get out where the view is broad and unconfined and see how your mind will expand to correspond.

It is true that a rolling stone gathers no mass, but it gets rid of rough corners and the sharp points that offend, and takes on a lovely polish. Who wants to be covered with mass?

The moss-covered bucket was picturesque in story and song, but give us a little ice water or lemonade.

If you have earned a vacation, take it. Don't wait till that indefinite time in the future.

Go traveling now while you are sure of a return ticket. You are to accept a reward for all the years of sacrifice and denial. Stay at home, and twenty years hence the children will be spending your money in their cottage at the lake and remarking, "Poor dear mother never cared for outings, she was such a home-body, you know."

Of course you have made your will and it reads just like all wills have read for hundreds of years. Have you courage to change it and make a will reading as follows, "Dear Offspring: A little money to enjoy is a might fine thing. Go out and get some the same as I did."

Think of the thousands of worthy old people holding on to the nickels who ought to be riding about in Henry's and lake steamers and Pullman cars, rounding the long day of toil with the late afternoon of gleeful enjoyment. It wouldn't cost them a cent, their heirs would pay all the bills.

Here's to the rights and privileges of the passing generation. The world and the fullness thereof do not belong entirely to the young generation.

Take your vacations while you can get them. Eventually you may not be able to make a choice of the highway you will take and certain places are not marked on auto road maps.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

THE LOVE THAT SAVES:—For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John 3: 16.

Monday.

RULES FOR RIGHT LIVING:—He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?—Micah 6: 8.

Tuesday.

THE GLAD AWAKENING:—As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.—Psalm 17: 15.

Wednesday.

GREAT THINGS:—Fear the Lord, and serve him in truth: for consider how great things he hath done for you.—1 Samuel 12: 24.

Thursday.

TRUST HIM ALWAYS:—Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him.—Psalm 37: 5.

Friday.

THE HIGH CALLING:—Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.—Matthew 5: 48.

Saturday.

GOD IS LOVE:—Behold, let us love one another. for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.—1 John 4: 7.

CLIPPINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kemp of Belmond, visited at the John Heginger home Sunday.—Leader.

Miss Amy Scheppler and Mrs. R. R. Jones autoed up to Belmond one day last week, where they spent the day visiting the Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Sheffield home, the latter being a sister of Miss Scheppler.—Eagle.

Alfalfa Alf says: "When it comese to boosting the old home town, there's gennerally mighty few can be listed ahead of the editor. A little recognition of this while he's still alive will do no harm."

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baldridge Mrs. A. L. Deibler and little Audrey and Winifred Reese were Belmond callers Monday. Miss Winifred remained in Belmond for a visit before returning home at Waterloo.—Reporter.

Mrs. Ethel Papousek returned to her home at Belmond Saturday last. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jacobs, accompanied her, and Mrs. Jacobs will remain there for a week. Chris returned early Monday morning. Mrs. Papousek has been in Garner for several weeks or since her operation at Mason City hospital. She is quite herself again, and with a few more weeks of quiet, she will be entirely well.—Leader.

Theo. Jensen of Alexander, who for a number of years lived in Garner, was seriously injured yesterday at Albert Lea, when a car in which he was riding was struck by a train. His wife passed through here in an auto last evening on her way to Albert Lea. She did not know how seriously her husband was hurt, but had been notified that he was in a hospital at Albert Lea, and for her to come at once. Mr. Jensen lived here for several years and was a tiler.—Signal.

Dave Finn, of Belmond, who received a partially dislocated neck in an auto accident south of town the night of Kanawha's Creamery celebration on July 29th and has since been here in the Judd hospital, was able to return to his home last Friday. He will return about twice a week for treatments. Mr. Finn suffered considerable pain from his injury for a couple of weeks but is now recovering nicely.—Reporter.

Dr. Sharon reported a peculiar accident on Monday of this week While Elmer Kalvig was assisting with cleaning out the lime house at the Lampert Lumber company yard, in lifting a sack of lime the sack broke and the lime flew up and filled both Mr. Kalvig's eyes. It took considerable time to remove the lime from his eyes and the pain was very severe. Although still suffering some pain Mr. Kalvig is recovering from the accident and it is not thought the sight in either eye is hurt.—Reporter.

The Emmetsburg Democrat reports that Father Dobberstein, of West Bend, has begun work on an Immaculate Conception grotto for St. Angela's Institute at Carroll. He has a sister who is connected with that institution, and two of his nieces are in the institute. The grotto will be smaller than the one at West Bend. The Democrat remarks in that connection that some time ago Father Dobberstein refused a commission to build at Humboldt on the property of t Chicaga million-on the property of a Chicago millionhis services.

Garner chapter D. A. R. held open meeting at their hall Wednesday evening of this week as a compliment to Hanna A. Tierney of Seattle, Washington, who is spending her summer vacation here. A short program was given in which Miss Betty Pritchard gave a splendid reading, Mrs. C. E. Barnes sang a solo in her always acceptable manner. Miss Tierney spoke on the advantages of organization and in the line with this thought, a few words on good citizenship. Miss Hanna fully appreciates the honor the D. A. R. ladies confered upon her. Delightful refreshments were served.—Leader.

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Macaroni and Spaghetti, bulk, lb.	10c
Bacon, per lb.	25c
Summer Sausage, lb.	25c
Black Tea, bulk, lb.	40c
Japan Tea, bulk, lb.	50c
Gunpowder Tea, lb.	40c
Peaberry Coffee, lb.	30c
Rio Coffee, lb.	25c
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RADIO

CIRCUIT WITH GRID LEAK RESISTANCE

Takes Place of "C" Battery—How Impedance of Flow Is Determined.

Fig. 18 shows a set of curves for a three-electrode vacuum tube circuit containing a grid leak resistance as shown in Fig. 11 instead of a "C" battery with the same symmetrical alternating difference of potential applied to the grid circuit.

There being no "C" battery potential applied to the grid, the grid in Fig. 11 is normally at zero potential with respect to the filament. As the positive half of the first cycle of the alternating difference of potential is impressed upon the grid circuit—see Fig. 13—the grid is made positive with respect to the filament. Being positive with respect to the filament, causes a certain number of electrons, which are negative charges, to be attracted and caused to give up their negative charges to the grid. During the next or negative half of the cycle of the applied grid potential the grid is made negative with respect to the filament but does not lose the electrons again. Thus a negative charge is built up on a grid during the positive portion of each cycle, the cumulative effect of which is to produce a decrease of the plate current, during the period that the alternating difference of potential called a wave train is applied to the grid.

After the alternating difference of potential applied to the grid has ceased, the grid does not immediately lose its negative charge. The grid leak forms a high resistance path for the negative charge of the grid to leak off down to the filament slowly. If no grid leak were used, the grid would soon collect a sufficient negative charge to reduce the plate current to zero and the tube would cease to function.

A grid leak having too low resistance will not allow a sufficiently high negative charge to collect on the grid, resulting in a very small plate current reduction and weak response in the telephone receivers.

On the other hand, if the grid leak is of too high resistance, too high negative charge will collect on the grid and the condition of no grid leak will be approached.

In any electrical circuit that has a difference of potential applied to it, the current that will flow depends upon the "impedance" of that circuit; just as in the flow of water through a pipe, the quantity of water that will flow when any given pressure is applied depends upon how much the flow through the pipe is impeded by the friction of the particles of water against the sides of the pipe and against one another.

In the electrical circuit, the relation between these three quantities is that the current which will flow is equal to the applied differences of potential divided by the impedance, where the current is in amperes, the applied difference of potential is in volts and the impedance in ohms. On transposing this equation the impedance is equal to the applied voltage divided by the current. The impedance of a vacuum tube plate circuit, internally between the filament and the plate, when the grid is at zero potential, is an important constant of a vacuum tube and is called the internal plate impedance.

The internal grid impedance of a vacuum tube used in a radio set as a detector determines the impedance of the telephones that will give best results when connected in the plate circuit of that particular tube.

It is then not only the resistance of a pair of telephones, but also the inductance and the distributed capacity of the winding that cause the maximum current to flow in the telephones for a given change in grid potential. The internal plate impedance of a vacuum tube varies only slightly with different plate voltage. It is more an inherent characteristic of the tube which is determined by the design.

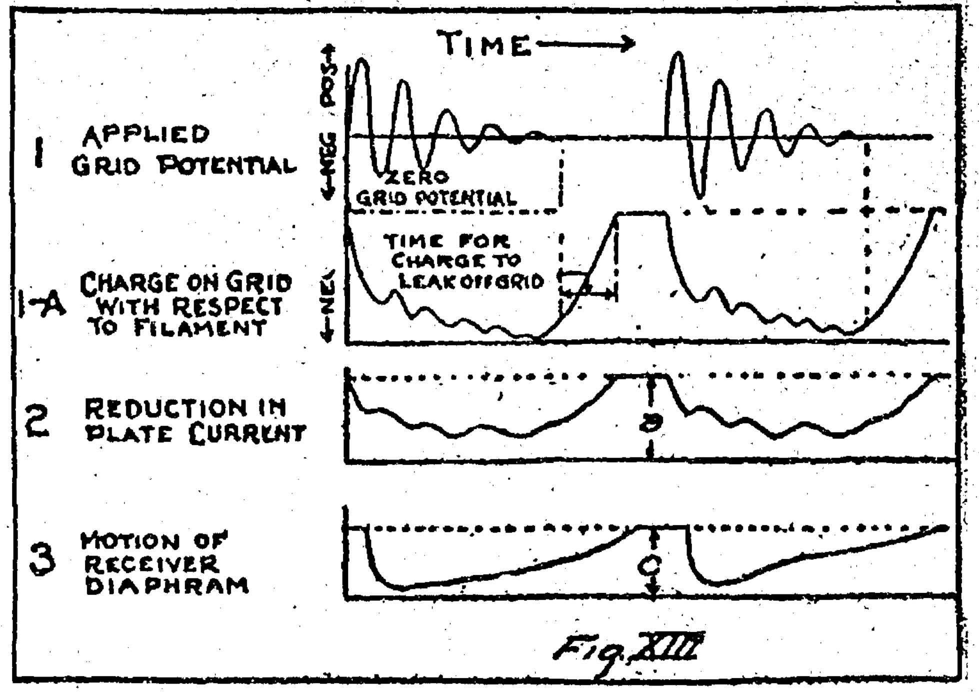

Fig. XIII

Belmond Local News

Mrs. C. E. Barnes and children and Mrs. Walter Pritchard visited at the A. E. Martin home, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Leonard of Clarion were among the picnic visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. August Reitz, Mrs. Wm. Reitz, and daughter, Mrs. Pelly, of Rowan were at the Park opening, Thursday.

Mrs. Boyington of Rowan was a business caller here Saturday.

The Misses Alma Greenfield, Theoline Johnson, Eveline Johnson, Minnie Johnson and Sofie Johnson left Sunday afternoon for an extended vacation trip through Colorado. They expect to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. Anna Nagle of Clarion was the guest of friends here Thursday and attended the picnic.

Miss Edna Arends of Alexander visited Miss Celia Barry, Saturday.

Capt. W. C. Tyrrell, Sr. left Saturday for Cedar Rapids, Oxford Junction and Chicago and will then return to his home in Beaumont, Texas.

Mrs. A. J. Cleaves of Mason City, and daughters, Mrs. Nora Rhoades of Garner and Mrs. Marie Wilson of Mason City were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bullard last week. These ladies were former residents of Belmond. The late A. J. Cleaves and family at one time conducted the Kern Hotel which stood on the corner of River and Main Streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart of Clarion and Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler of Wisconsin were callers at the Tyrrell home, Thursday.

The interior of the Belmond Savings Bank is being re-decorated this week and presents a very attractive appearance.

Albert Erickson and Miss Mary Whitten of Rowan and Mrs. Fred Aldrich enjoyed an auto trip to Klemme, Sunday.

Claude Benson is improving his residence property by raising the house and adding a basement for a furnace.

Oscar Jacobson had a new roof and other repairs put on his store building last week.

SPARKS

When our concerts come over the "wired-wireless" and we plug into the lamp socket, light music will be given added popularity.

The railroads recently broadcasted a safety message from stations in Pittsburgh, Chicago, Newark and Springfield, Mass., calling attention to the fact that 84,000 people have been killed or injured the last year in this country while trespassing on railroad property.

If you do not know the code and wish to receive messages, there is a device on the market at the present time which records the incoming signals on a piece of paper. The paper may be then read at the will of the operator. This method gives the person unacquainted with the code the privilege of hearing from stations which would otherwise pass over in the usual "buzz, buzz," style so unintelligible to the radiophone fans.

While lying in the harbor of Iquique, Chile, on the west coast of South America, the radio operator of the steamship Santa Luisa clearly heard the entire broadcast program of Station WJZ. The distance separating Newark's station from the steamship in an air line was 4,000 miles.

As a result of the widespread interest in wireless telephony one manufacturer has brought out a set of six double-faced records for teaching the telegraph code. Many persons, after listening to the radio-telephone concerns, have tuned in and heard the familiar "buzz, buzz" of the wireless telegraph messages being sent. Curious to know the meaning of the sounds they have cast about for some means of learning the code phonograph records.

The Canadian government is considering the question of the amateur radio field. Present plans are to allow the amateur using spark transmission a wave length up to 200 meters, while those using continuous wave transmission would be permitted a wave length up to 250 meters.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards.

Free Camp at State Fair

Farm Bureau members, who are planning a vacation of some sort this summer, should plan on taking advantage of the splendid camping site offered state fair week. Several of our members went down last year and enjoyed it very much. The fair offers not only a splendid outing, but is in addition, a great educational event. There is no better way to see the fair than to drive down and camp on the grounds for a week or so.

A special feature of the week will be farm bureau day, August 28. Our state farm bureau federation officers are arranging a splendid program for this day.

Anyone wishing further information on this should write the county agent at Clarion.

Why Not Folllow Their Example

Didjaever try to kid a union laborer about his organization? Didjaever notice that you didn't get far when you tried to tell him his union was not worth a bag of beans. No siree—Just try it once. You will find every labor union man loyal to the core. Just try to tell a railroader, a coal miner or a packing house worker, that the organization is all wrong and you will be proclaimed a traitor, a Benedict Arnold a traducer of rights, from the housetops. You will be watched as an enemy, scorned as a neighbor, branded as a curse to your community.

It has taken thirty-seven years for organized labor to win some of its, organized labor to win some of its fighting. A traitor to their cause receives little more consideration than a deserter in the United States army.

How about the farmers? Are they loyal? Will they allow an outsider to poison them against their organization, their leadership? When someone tells them that they are unable to work together, co-operate, to have patience, what happens. Do we jump up and down in indignation, show this intruder the door, maintain that our organization is doing something for us? Or do we pass it off with a joke, change the subject, or even worse agree with this would be wrecker.

Before you can realize the greatest good from our farm bureau, we must be loyal. We must insist that others respect our organization; we must have a vision of the future and forever proclaim that we are farm bureau members, proud of it and defy unjust criticism.

Control of Insects and Plant Lice

Inquiries are coming in daily to the farm bureau office for information in regard to spraying for plant lice which are prevalent this year in the country. The only satisfactory spray for the plant lice is Black Leaf 40. This should be mixed at the rate of a teaspoonful to a gallon of water, or one pound to fifty gallons of water. If your potatoes are blighting or affected with tipburn an application of bordeaux mixture has proven successful. In mixing bordeaux, use four pounds of copper sulphate, four gallons of lime unslaked to fifty gallons of water. Dissolve the copper sulphate and dilute to twenty-five gallons of water and pour the two mixtures together.

In all sprays be sure that the entire leaf is thoroughly covered as thoroughness means success or failure in control of insects or disease

A satisfactory dust for use on cucumbers, melons and squashes has been twenty parts of gypsum or land plaster, (this can be obtained at a lumber yard) to one part calcium arsenate.

Junior Judging Team

The county agent is spending considerable time in organizing a junior judging team, consisting of boys between the ages of fifteen and twenty-one, who are particularly interested in learning to judge live stock and grain.

Boys who are interested in joining this judging team, so as to learn more about the points in judging live stock and grain are urged to get in touch with the county agent at once.

Arrangements are being made to take a judging team, composed of Wright county boys to Ames, on August 12th, for a preliminary judging contest. The winners in this contest will probably be taken to the Mason City and Fort Dodge fairs, and possibly to the state fair at Des Moines.

NEW STORY SOON

At the conclusion of the serial story which is now running in our columns we expect to present to our readers, "Miss Lulu Bett" by Zona Gale, the most talked about story of American small town life. The book is as popular as the much-read "Main Street" but portrays more of the pleasant side of small town life.

The immense popularity and extensive publicity gained by the book cause it to be followed by a dramatized verson which won the much coveted Pulitzer prize as the best American play of the year 1921. It has also recently been filmed and placed upon the screen.

We endeavor to cater to the various tastes of our readers in selecting stories and believe we have succeeded in giving some of the best stories in each class. "Miss Lulu Bett" is a story that is certain to appeal to every reader who enjoys real human beings in the pages of a novel. Throughout the story runs a shining line of humor, warming the whole book.

Reader, have you ever estimated that we run four or five stories a year. The price of one story in book form would be the same as the price of one subscription. So you are getting four or five times your money's worth in stories alone.

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Belmond Local News

All persons owing us on book account are requested to make settlement before September 1st, 1922 as we are placing our retail business on a cash basis.—Farmers Co-Operative Elevator Co. A O. Hinman, Pres. 362c

Two years ago the price of board in Belmond was from $10 to $12 per week. At present the boarding houses are charging $7 or $8 which may increase somewhat as the demand becomes greater when the sugar Factory opens.

Mrs. John Lowenberg and daughter Leoda, of Meservey were visitors with Mrs. Dan Wenzel last week.

Mrs. Geo. Cutler of Clarion visited her brother, Rufus Morse and family last week.

There will be a special meeting of the Community Club Friday afternoon at 2:30 sharp. It is for the purpose of voting on and revising the constitution and by-laws.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham of California who are at present visiting in Rowan were in Belmond, Thursday, greeting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Kepford of Waterloo, Iowa are visiting relatives in Rowan. Mrs. Kepford has many Belmond friends who know her as Miss Stella Brooks.

Mrs. F. S. Box of Rowan and friends, Miss Florence Lynk of Joliet, Ill. were shoppers in Belmond last week.

John Wenzel of Kanawha visited his mother, Mrs. Dan Wenzel one day last week.

Dr. George of Dows was a business caller here last Wednesday.

Mrs. Susie Lockwood, and grandchildren and Miss Marion Lockwood, of Clarion were guests at the Rufus Morse home, Thursday.

Dr. Sharon of Kanawha was a business caller in town Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolle were at Eldora Iowa last week visiting Mrs. Wolle's mother who is seriously ill and eighty years of age.

Otto Rick and son Allen, of Numa, Iowa, returned to their home last week after several weeks visit with Mrs. W. H. White.

W. A. Connor of Hampton, was in town last week transacting business.

Miss Hazel Jackson visited relatives and friends in Clarion, Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Home grown sweet corn appeared in the market last week. A dozen ears for a quarter seems a little expensive but they were well worth the price.

Miss Hazel Jackson went to Cedar Rapids, Thursday, to visit her brother, Edward Jackson and wife for several days.

Mrs. W. H. White returned Saturday from Fort Dodge where she had been visiting her son, Clare White and wife.

Mrs. Andrew [illegible] of Alexander came over Thursday to visit relatives and attend the picnic.

Mrs. J. B. Sheffield and children and Miss Lillian Gealow went to Clarion, Thursday. Miss Lulu Strait, who has been visiting at the Sheffield home, accompanied them.

Miss Neva Kimmel of Manly, Iowa is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eaton and family.

Kinseth's Store News

"Get all you can and can all you get," you've heard the saying. Good idea too, and with the recent rains we have had lately there should be some good garden truck to can. But when it comes to fruits we are a little out of luck in this part of the country, except on apples; ought to have quite a few of those. However, we can help you out on the fruits, and take pleasure in announcing that we are taking orders this week for peaches by the bushel to be delivered this week. Real ones, just right for canning. Call us up and have a bushel saved for you; or if you can't can a bushel, get your neighbor over the way to take half.

Already-canned fruits that we can please you on are strawberries in syrup at 30c, plums in syrup at 18c, and a host of others equally as low in price.

Every-day stuff such as P & G soap 5-for-25, brooms for 39c, and the like are here regularly. And we are making a special offering on a high grade men's dress shoe, a $6 value, for $3.65, and work overalls and pants for $1.65, while they both last. Get a pair for the harvest field.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gruetzmacher were in Belmond, Saturday, greeting old friends. Mrs. Gruetzmacher has recently returned from summer school at Ellsworth College, Iowa Falls and Mr. Gruetzmacher has been at the Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. They were on their way to Klemme.

Miss Frances Anderson, who is employed in Chester Johnson's store is having her vacation. She left this week for a visit to Devils Lake, North Dakota and also expects to visit a friend at Aneta, North Dakota.

Mrs. T. B. McCauley who has been at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh, leaves Saturday for Cambridge, Iowa to spend the week end with an old school mate. She will then return to her home in Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Joonson left Saturday for a visit with their son, Albert, at Huxley, Iowa.

Mr. J. H. Adams and daughter, Mable, of Havelock, Iowa arrived last week for a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Johnson and the Misses Julia and Amanda Johnson enjoyed an auto trip to Mason City and Clear Lake, Sunday.

Mrs. L. R. Parsons autoed to Grinnell, Iowa, Saturday for a visit with relatives.

NOTICE

Commencing August 1, 1922 we will sell for cash only, which will enable us to make you a better price on all articles handled by us.—Farmers Co-Operative Elevator Co. A. C. Hinman, Pres. 362c

Miss Rena Purdy returned last week from a visit with her brother, Burt Rowan and family, in Chicago.

An ounce of good humor on the warmest day is worth a pound of literature on "how to keep cool."

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Griesy's Store News

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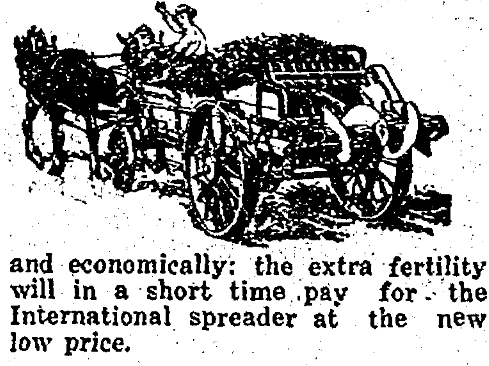

It is said that the American hen could pay off the whole war debt—and some people seem willing to stand idle and let her do it.

Meservey Farmers take Titan

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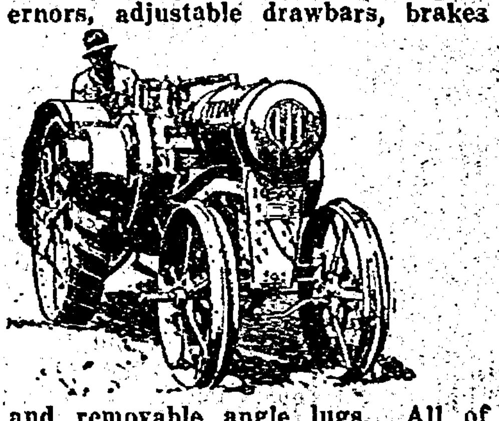

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eaton and family returned last week from two week's auto trip to Tracy, Minn., and La Crosse Wisconsin.

Mrs. J. S. White was a Mason City visitor, Friday.

Children's
MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 1922

STATE FAIR ONLY A MONTH DISTANT

With the opening date of the Iowa State Fair only a month distant, authorities here are beginning to look toward this great barometer for signs of Iowa's returning prosperity.

Indications were that they would not look in vain. State Fair officials said that the bettering of conditions among farmers of the state was being reflected materially in the great increases in entries in almost all of the agricultural and live stock departments of the exposition. Final entries do not close for live stock until August 1, but they now bid fair to go over the marks set last year in almost all departments.

Grain and farm produce exhibits also show marked gains, promising for state fair visitors this season one of the greatest showings of Iowa's farm wealth that has been seen in recent years.

Throughout their plans, fair officers are making preparations for larger crowds than they have entertained in a long time. Admission to the fair has been reduced to 50 cents, as compared with 75 cents for the last several years. Railroads have given additional inducements to state fair visitors by reducing rates to fare and one third for round trip instead of fare and one half.

"If the state fair is any indication, this is going to be a great year for Iowa," Secretary Corey said.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Last Thursday E. Wilkins returned from Marshalltown.

Dr. Snearly took Mrs. Dan Miller to the hospital at Hampton last Friday, where she was operated on the next day for appendicitis.

Frank Clark and Dan Miller drove to Hampton Sunday to see their wives.

Sunday O. Sandberg and family drove to Lake Mills to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beier came down from Manson to spend Sunday with his parents.

Rev. Caswell of Eagle Lake, Minn., is visiting Fred Bachman. He and his wife came to attend the funeral of his wife's sister who died at Mason City last Thursday night.

O. Nelson and family drove to Huxley Saturday to be present at the ordination of a school friend.

Mrs. John Ahrenkeil and Mrs. John Savogue visited at the home of the former's son Ted last week.

Julius Ahrenkeil was fishing at Clear Lake last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood of Marshalltown visited at the home of Mrs. Africa Thursday and Friday.

The Twin Lake Farm Bureau met at the home of Mrs. A. C. Carpenter last Friday. The ladies that attended report an enjoyable time.

Threshing has begun. Last Friday Curtis Luick threshed. Oats are of good quality.

Mr. and Mrs. Reader

When you pick up a copy of your home paper, do you give any thought how it was produced, or the money that is spent to print it and deliver it at your home?

The newspaper of today, no matter if 25 cents a copy was charged, would be the cheapest thing you bought.

In the first place it represents an investment in plant and equipment of many thousands of dollars.

Its editor and staff work diligently day in and day out to gather all the news and present it to you in readable fashion. It aims to keep you informed on all the news that's "fit for ink."

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BRILLIANT ATTORNEY COMMITTED TO HOSPITAL

The distressing news reached this city this morning from Fort Dodge, that Robert Healy, one of the most brilliant and widely known attorneys in the state, and a resident of that city, was taken violently insane last week and upon hearing before the board of insanity commissioners of Webster county, was last Thursday removed to the state hospital at Cherokee.

Robert Healy was a man of about forty-eight years, with mental attainments of unusual power, and a successful attorney, was great in demand for addresses and speeches all over the state. When Robert Healy pleaded a case, the court room was packed with people to hear his plea. The sause of his great mental disorder is possibly helped along by too strenuous exertions in his work as a lawyer.

Mr. Healy has a wife and three children, all residents of Ft. Dodge and it was not until he became dangerous to the safety of the family, that he was taken to the state hospital.

Mr. Healy was in attendance at the judicial convention at Hampton and was also recently attending the meeting of the state bar association at Sioux City, giving there a very strong address against Capital Punishment. His physical and mental strength there, seemed as great as usual. He was the attorney for Olandor, of Fort Dodge in the recent case which came before the Supreme Court in Des Moines, and there made an oral plea which was a masterpiece.

Legal men all over the state will be saddened to hear of Mr. Healy's mental illness and it will be hoped that care and treatment will minister to the diseased mind with beneficial results.—Daily News.

PICK CHAMPION SPELLER

Iowa's champion boy or girl speller will be decided this year at the Iowa State Fair.

The annual state spelling contest will be held at the fair on the morning of Wednesday, August 30th. Each county in Iowa is to enter its champion speller to compete for the honors. The contest will be open to the general public. The fair offers $160 in this contest.

GOVERNOR KENDALL'S TELEGRAM TO PRES. HARDING:

"As Chief Executive of Iowa I pledge every recource of the State to the support of the program you have inaugurated for the relief of the fuel situation."

N. E. KENDALL, Governor.

Governor Kendall's statement to operators and miners:

"The mining industry in Iowa and largely throughout the country has suspended for nearly four months because of the inability of operators and miners to agree upon a contract. As a consequence, all productive industry has suffered acutely and a nationwide fuel famine is imminently threatened. Railroads and all other utilities have curtailed their service and are confronting a complete abandonment of operation. The institutions of public philanthropy and private benevolences such as hospitals for the sick, injured and insane, are facing the disaster of *closing their doors to unfortunate* humanity. The farmer, after producing with infinite toil a satisfactory harvest, sees his season's labor jeopardized and his grain rotting in the field because no coal is available for the summer's threshing. Almost every legitimate activity in the land has felt the fatal paralysis.

The President, as chief Executive of the United States, has invited you to resume operations at once under the wage scales and working conditions prevailing on April 1st. As Chief Executive of the State of Iowa, I earnestly unite in his invitation. The general welfare transcends in importance all group disputes, and the patriotic duty of every citizen is to contribute what he can to relieve a situation which has become intolerable. In this emergency no man will be compelled to work if he prefers to remain idle, but equally no man shall be prevented from working if he desires to do so. No interference with the reopening of the mines can be reasonably anticipated, but the ample protection of the State and of the government is assured in any event to all who will cooperate to establish and maintain a continuous fuel supply adequate to the necessities of the people."

N. E. KENDALL, Governor.

ATTEMPT TO ROB BANK AT HOLMES

Proffessional cracksman made a bold attempt Friday night to burglarize the Bank of Holmes, but were evidently frightened away before they could secure the cash in the bank. The yeggs used nitroglycerin to blow the combination lock on the vault and twisted off the handle in an attempt to work the bolts that fasten the door. The lock was evidently well muffled for no one can be found in town who heard the disturbance.

The plans of the robbers had been carefully laid for telegraph and telephone wires leading into the town had been cut, but the bandits were probably frightened away for they left their tools near the vault and made no attempt to now the door of the vault itself and secure the bank's cash.

The bank of Holmes, while one of the smaller banking institutions of the county, carries the usual deposit of Liberty bonds and other valueable negotiable paper and on Friday night had about two thousand dollars in cash in the vault. The band does not have a burglar alarm system so that the yeggs would have had little difficulty in rifling the vault if they had not been frightened away.

This is the first attempt which has been made to rob a bank in Wright county for a number of years. About a year ago it was discovered that plans had been made to rob the bank at Dows, but this attempt was frustrated when a gang of burglars was rounded up and taken into custody at Mason City.

The Holmes bank is a member of the Wright County Bankers' Association which offers a liberal reward for the apprehension of any bank robber operating in the county. A vigilance committee has also been formed which operates in each community in the county and probably for these reasons the banks in Wright county have not been molested. The attemped robbery of the Bank of Holmes was discovered on Saturday morning when Cashier Stroup opened the bank. The sheriff was immediately notified but there were few clues to work on and it is doubtful if the yeggs can be apprehended. —Times.

THE MYSTERY

One of the unexplained mysteries that is hard to understand is why will people buy goods from a peddler just because he claims that they are better than the local merchant or dealer has to offer? And pay 97c cents for an item plus freight, when a better product can be purchased for 65 cents from the local dealer.

A farmer was in town the other day and told the story, and took out some goods to take the place of some of the peddler product. He said never the farmers would combine and offer again, but did not raise his right hand, so he has a perfect right to experiment further along this line at some future date.

CHICKEN THIEVES THE FARMER'S WORST ENEMY

Chicken thieves are becoming more plentiful, at leest they are getting away with a good many chickens lately.

The bankers of the different counties are offering $1000 reward for the capture of each burglar—no mention is made whether they be dead or alive. It would be a good plan if the farmers would combine andoffer a like reward for their worst enemy. As a rule, the good wife takes care of the poultry, and it takes many a step to watch over the chicks until they become ready for market.

Our law makers now have under consideration a law which will make it unlawful to be on the public highway between sunrise and sunset with any of the different kinds of poultry in one's possession.

TRIMMING THE TREES

Some of the City Fathers over on Second street are giving the trees along the street a good trimming. Won't some please take up the habit on Main street just north of the Meat Market?

BAILEY'S CONTRACT DECLARED INVALID

After having awarded the Clarion strom sewer contract to the Belmond Construction Co., of Belmond, and the Baileys having signed the contract with the Board of Supervisors, and George Grattidge, as chairman of the Board having signed the contract, the Supervisors, at a meeting held Friday, re-opened the matter and recinded the award to the Belmond firm and at a hearing Monday, let the labor contract to Blackmore & Jenson, of Nevada, and the material contract to the Belmond Cement Mfg. Co. The saving over the original contract is now said to be approximately $3,700 instead of the $2,600 which the Board originally figured the joint bid represented.

The rescinding of the contract awarded the Bailey company probably means of a lawsuit. The senior member of the firm stated Monday evening he would not ask for injunction proceedings to protect his contract because he did not desire to delay the work here. But he believes he has a valid contract with the county for the ditch, and says he will probably sue to recover damages done his firm by the revocation of the contract.

After the Supervisors opened the bids a month ago it was found the Belmond Cement Mfg. Co. was low bid for material, and the Blackmore & Jensen company was low bid on labor. The bid, however, appeared rather vague, and the city council, sitting in the matter with the board, filed a written recommendation, urging that the Belmond firm's bid be accepted. The Supervisors have made this recommendation a part of the proceedings.

On the morning the bids were opened Supervisor Harris moved that the Belmond firm be given the contract. There was no second to this motion. It is thot that there were three members of the Board who did not favor the high bid, and they were asked if they would vote for the Bailey Co. contract if the city council would recommend it, and to this they agreed.

After the contract had been let, the Blackmore & Jenson company sent a lawyer here and threatened a suit against the Board to compell the award of the contract. This was after the Baileys had started work on the job. Judge Lee was here Friday and told the Board that under the law it had no authority to let a contract to a high bidder, and that his clients had instructed him to go to the limit to secure for them the contract to which they felt they were entitled. Then the Board consulted its attorneys in the matter, and the advice was that Judge Lee was probably right.

At the meeting yesterday, the Board's attorney, Mr. Birdsall, said that from the looks of things either way the Board acted it might mean a lawsuit, and it was up to them to decide upon a course of action. An executive session was called, and it was decided to let the bid of Blackmore & Jensen have the prefrence.

If the case goes to trial, the district will have to stand the legal expense involved, and that there will be no further litigation is too much to hope for.

One angle of the case is the claim that the contract with the Baileys is not legal, because Auditor Walker never attested to the signature of the Chairman of the Board. The bond filed had also not been accepted and approved.—Clarion News.

BOYS AND GIRLS TAKE NOTICE

C. W. Walker, state secretary of the American White Orpington association, announces that boys and girls of the state will be able to get settings of eggs from Orpington breeders free of charge. The only requirement is that the boy or girl raise a trio of the birds which are raised and show them at a fair advertising the name of the donor. He says that a number of breeders have already pledged eggs for next spring, and urges boys and girls of the state to get in touch with him. Take notice, boys and girls, send in your name and get ready for next spring. The address is C. W. Walker, Osage, Iowa.

GAS TAKES A DROP

All automobile owners were surprised with good news last week when they paid their gasoline bills. Gas rates were lowered two cents per gallon, and kerosense one cent a gallon.

Gasoline is now 24.1 cents at all oil stations and 22.1 cents off the wagons. Kerosene is now 12.4 cents from the wagons. The cause for lowering of rates as given out at the oil *stations*, is that the independent oil companies want another one cent per gallon, so the Standard Oil Company lowers rate.

BUILDINGS COMPLETED FOR OIL WAGON STATION

The Standard Oil Co. has the buildings completed for the tank wagon station here, and are now waiting for the big tanks to arrive. Evidently John D. has confidence in the future of Meservey.

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C. G. W. DEPOT BEING NICELY FIXED UP

Bert Gaetzke and his crew of repair men gave the Chicago Great Western depot a general overhauling last week, and after the painters and plasterers hve completed their work the depot will look pretty much as it did 35 years ago. A good improvement.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nelson, of Klemme, and Mrs. Meinderts and Mrs. Wilkins and children spent the day Sunday at the B. Stadtlander home near Latimer.

Walter Witt left Saturday for Bloomfield, Iowa, for a visit with friends.

Miss Alma Ralston and three of her chums from Iowa Falls spent the week end here at the F. Ralston home.

Miss Nina Walton of Thornton, spent Sunday here at the home of her sister, Mrs. B. Jones.

Mrs. Norva Alison and daughter of Crane, Mo., and Mrs. Charlie Luick, of Clear Lake, spent last Wednesday here at the home of their friend, Mrs. C. E. Brogan.

Mr. and Mrs. George Watermiller of near Kanawha spent Sunday at the H. Gerdes home.

The. A. J. Nissen family and A. E. Muller family motored to Nashua on Sunday to attend the services at the Little Brown Church. On their way home they called at the Sam Williams home at Charles City.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Loats of Belmond and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Neninga of Watford City, North Dak., called at the A. E. Muller home on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Nenenga will be remembered as old time residents of this place.

The Sunday guests at the J. P. Ruiter home were Mr. and Mrs. H. Koenen, and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Konen and children from Latimer.

NEW RADIO FILTER A MARVEL

Campbell Device That Separates Telephone and Telegraph Messages.

Although much has been said and written about the remarkable filters employed by the telephone lines and by advanced radio workers for the separation of telephone and telegraph messages, says the Scientific American, it remained for Dr. Frank B. Jewett, chief engineer of the Western Electric company, to demonstrate how the filter permits of transmitting radio telephone and telegraph messages simultaneously, and of separating these messages at the receiving end, at a meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

The present electrical filter is the invention of Dr. G. A. Campbell, a telephone engineer, and makes it possible to separate the various frequencies at which the individual telephone and telegraph messages are carried. The detected electrical current in a radio receiving set is passed through the filter which separates the frequencies of the telegraph message from those of the telephone.

The filter differs materially from the ordinary tuned circuits familiar to the radio enthusiast, since it separates not single frequencies but bands of frequencies of any predetermined width.

The filter makes it possible to separate the band of frequencies comprising the telephone message from the band comprising the telegraph message. It can also separate one telephone message from another.

"Ground Antennae."

Some relief from bothersome radio "strays" in summertime can be obtained with sets having good amplifiers by using a "ground antennae." This is a long insulated wire run in a shallow trench or on the surface of the ground. The ground wire should be run in the direction of the station from which the most signals are to be received, and should preferably be several hundred feet long.

To Regulate Wave Lengths.

A variable condenser when properly connected in the antenna circuit may be used either to lengthen or shorten the wave length range. Besides this, the degree of regulation is much finer, for at best the loading coil can tune in only to within a single turn, if a loading coil of the tuning coil type is used.

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Checked and striped Crepe de Chine Shirting of very good quality. Sold early in the season for $3.00. The silk market is just as high and patterns are always good but the July price is only	$2
A good quality of non-pull Georgette Crepe, 40 inches wide. Over 20 light and dark shades to choose from. Not special sale merchandise but our regular stock, a yard	$1
Silk Messaline in nearly all of the good staple shades, a very good weight. Our July price	$1
Some pure silk, mostly part silk shirting, all 32 inches wide in beautiful patterns from some of America's best weavers, a yard	$1
Part silk poplin 26 inches wide in nearly all the staple shades, a very good value at	$1
A black silk satin with a fine high lustre, a leader in its class. It is 36 inches wide and sells for July	$2

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Ladies white reignskin two strap slippers, military heel, welt sole, the pair	$3.85
Ladies white reignskin one strap, flat heel, broad toe, the pair	$3.50
Ladies white reignskin two strap, flat heel. Cut out pattern, the pair	$3.85
Ladies white reignskin oxford, trimmed with patent leather, flat heel, nice sport shoe, the pair	$5.50
Soft sole slippers for the baby, white trimmed with pink and blue and patent, the price	70c
Odds and ends in ladies slippers, not all sizes, the pair	$3.95

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

H. Fischer and children returned home last Wednesday from a several week's visit with relatives and friends at different points in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brogan were shoppers at the county seat on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schroeder of Britt visited at the Hiko Kuhlers and Mrs. Meinderts homes last week, while enroute to Aplington for an over Sunday visit at the home of Mrs. Schroeder's sister, Mrs. John Meyers and family. Mrs. Schroeder is also a sister of Mrs. Meinderts and Mrs. Kuhlers.

Rev. Pannkuk and family and Peter Pals who have been visiting relatives in Pella returned home last week.

H. F. Rief was a business caller at the county seat one day last week.

L. B. Hulsebus, A. J. Nissen and H. F. Rief were business callers at Mason City Tuesday of last week.

E. A. Strasburg and A. E. Muller and son, Norman were Mason City callers last Thursday.

Helping Hand Society

The Helping Hand Society met last Thursday p. m. at the Mrs. C. J. Janssen home. A goodly number were present. Refreshments were served and a good time reported by all.

Erwin Langlitz, accompanied by his mother, spent Sunday with some friends at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith, from Belmond, spent Sunday at the H. F. Reif home.

Mr and Mrs. W. F. Butz, accompanied by Mrs. Mary Butz, and Mrs. H. F. Reif, were Mason City visitors on Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Joe West are the happy parents of a baby boy, born July 12.

REV. SCHLESSELMAN SAYS

Sandusky, Ohio, 7-22-22.

Dear Meservey Friends:

We arrived at Sandusky at 3:15 Friday p. m. The first three days we covered 718 miles. Stayed with my uncles, 40 miles from here, last night. Are visiting at wife's sister, waiting for a boat. Will leave here at 5 p. m. and arrive at Kelly's Island at 5:45. Had a wonderful trip and everybody feeling fine.

Rev. A. W. Schlesselman and family.

Alma and Herman Witt held a surprise party at the home of their sister, Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus, last Monday night, in honor of Babe Sloss of Ames. Games were played and delicious refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Koenen and family were Sunday visitors at the Ralph Smith home near Alexander.

Thelma Thomas was numbered on the sick list last weew.

FORM W. C. T. U.

A meeting was held at the school house last Wednesday p. m. July 19 for the purpose of organizing a W. C. T. U. Mrs. Jennie Foster, county president, of Clear Lake, was in charge of the meeting. The organization was started with an enrollment of 14 active members and two honorary members. The following officers were elected:

Mrs. H. K. Pals—Pres.
Mrs. A. E. Muller—vice pres
Mrs. Raecker—Sec
Mrs. A. Nissen—Tres.

AUCTION SALE OF REAL ESTATE

August 17th, 1922, 2 o'clock p. m.

Sale on Chas B. Smith Estate Premises to close up the estate of Chas. B. Smith, deceased. The undersigned excutor, Corwin L. Smith, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder the 300 acres lying northeast of Belmond, Iowa, known as the Chas. B. Smith farm. Land located 6 miles northesat of Belmond. The land is situated in Section 4 in Pleasant Township, Wright County, Iowa. There are two sets improvements upon this farm and the 300 acres can be sold in two separate parcels or purchased as one tract of land. Good terms will be made. Settlement to be made March 1st, 1923 and possession given purchaser.

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J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sloss, and Thomas and Margurite Sloss of Ames, T. Campbell also of Ames, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wright and child of Brookings, South Dakota, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen.

Miss Wilhelmina Loats spent Sunday at the parental home near Belmond. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Grace Pals.

Doctor Zinn of Klemme was a business caller here last week.

Louie Mufers is the owner of a new Chevrolet car.

Word received by friends from the Rev. Schlesselman family is that they made their trip without any trouble, arriving at Kelly's Island Friday evening.

R. L. Robinson and family have moved into the C. Bier house.

Many say that our gravel on Main street beat a mile paving, when cost is taken into consideration.

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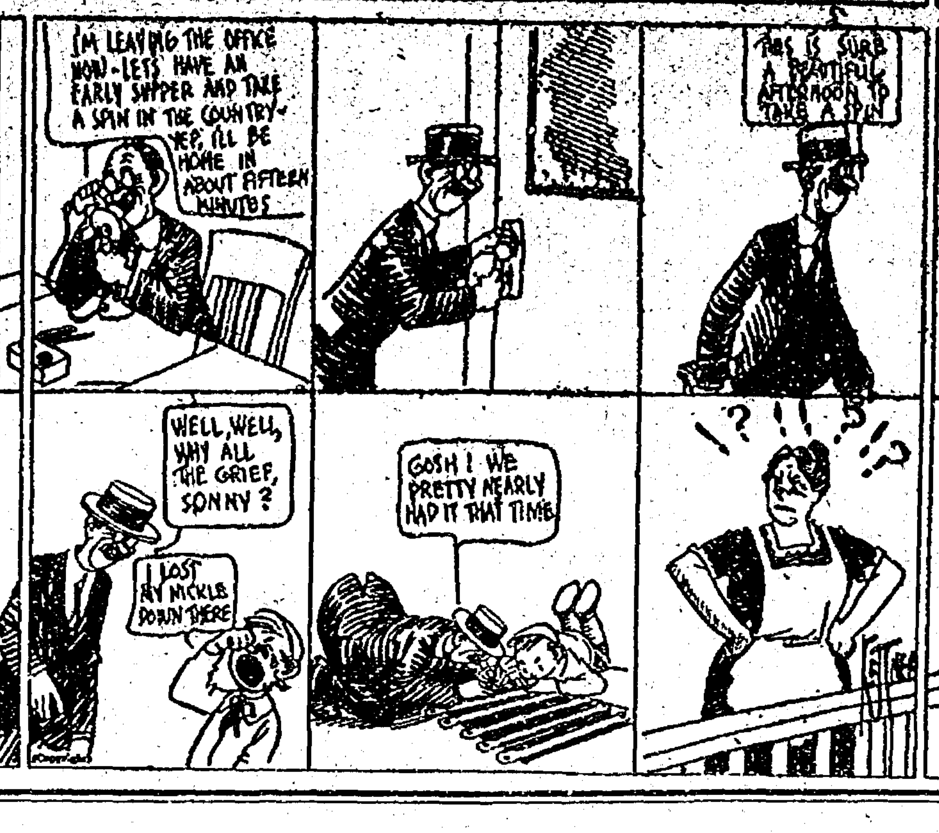
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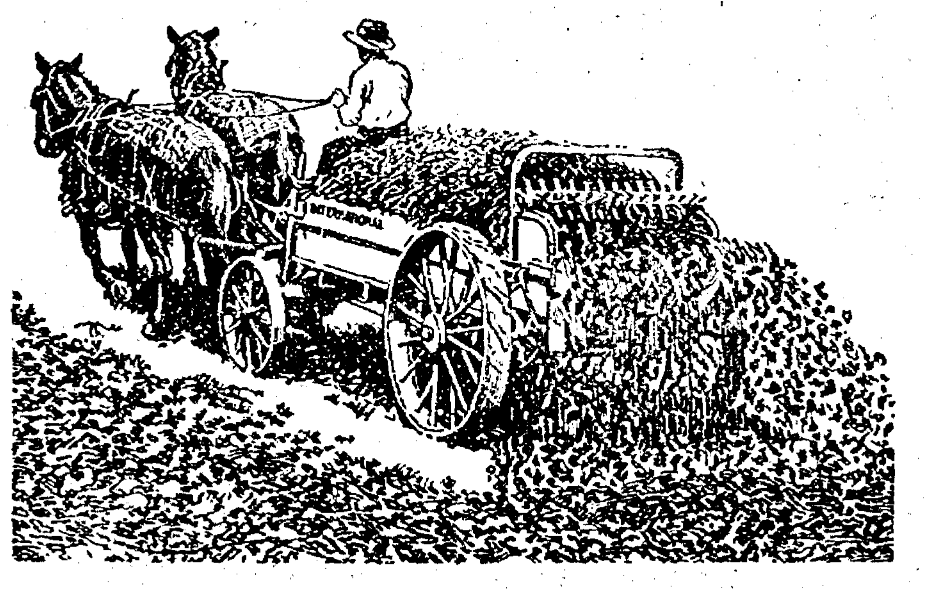

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Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.
The weekly services will be the same as usual.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
Rev. H. Pannkuk, Pastr.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Boke, from Grundy Center, came Sunday for a visit at the B. Gruis home. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Gruis, accompanied by Mr. Boke and wife, left for a visit with relatives and friends at Clare Cty, Minn.

A. E. Muller was a Mason City visitor last Thursday.

Miss Mildred Gealow, mother, two sisters and brother departed for La Salle, Illinois, the first of the week where they will spend two weeks visiting relatives. They went by auto.

Lost—Package containing shawl. Finder please leave at barber shop for reward.—Wm. Messelheiser, Meserve,y Iowa. 361c

Mr. and Mrs. John Riekens and children of Kanawha spent Sunday at the E. Ruiter home.

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ROWAN NEWS

TENNIS TOURNAMENTS OF MUCH INTEREST

The tennis tournaments at Rowan are progressing nicely.

In the boys under 18 tournament, Dale Farran, Ty Azeltine, and Douglas Farran were contenders in the final brackets for the medal. Dale Farran beat Ty Azeltine in the semi-finals, and played Douglas Farran in the final, winning 6-1. The medal given in the tournament is of a different type than those given in other tournaments. It is known as a "Traveling" medal, and must be won two years in succession to become the permanent property of the winner.

The Business Men's Tournament, singles, was completed Tuesday evening. Bill Rietz, Charles Emerson, and Guy Sheldon were contenders in the final brackets of this tournament. Rietz defeated Sheldon 7-5, 7-5. Rietz also defeated Emerson 6-0, 6-0, making him winner of the gold medal.

The medals are on display at the Hackley drug store. The medals for the Ladies Open Tournament will arrive in a few days. It is hoped that all of those ladies in and near Rowan who have played any tennis will enter this tournament and try for these gold and bronze medals.

The Mens Open Tournament will probably start sometime this week, but will be held up to some extent by the absence of the Rev. Tomkinson and Guy Sheldon. The former was unable to play in the Business mens Tournament. But both he and D. W. Farran expect to enter the Open Tournament. Anyone is eligible to enter this tournament, and now would be a very good time to get in shape for the Wright County Tournament to be held at the Clarmond Country Club some time in the first part of August.

These tournaments, if they have done nothing more, have developed a spirit of clean sportsmanship among the many contenders for the medals. It is hoped that such tournaments may be made an annual affair at Rowan.

STAR THEATRE

JULY 28 & 29

"HUMORESQUE"

The Kantors live on the East Side of New York in the poorest quarter. They consist of Abraham Kantor, his wife, and eight children. The elder Kantor takes his little son Leon to a toy shop to buy him a present on his seventh birthday. Leon falls in love with a violin in the shop. It costs too much and Mr. Kantor will not buy it. Leon screams so with disappointment that his father yanks him home and tells Mamma Kantor about it.

She is wild with joy, believing that her life-long dream of having a son become a famous musician has come true. She steals out and buys Leon the fiddle.

Fifteen years later, he is recognized genius of the violin. On the night he gives a monster concert for the poor people of the East Side, he also announces that he has enlisted for the great war. He becomes engaged to Gina Ginsberg, a playmate of his childhood, on the eve of his departure.

Leon returns with a wounded shoulder. The doctors say he will never be able to play the violin again. Music is his whole life and he becomes a morose recluse. He tells Gina that he—a cripple—can never marry her. The shock is too much for Gina, who loves him dearly. She faints and Leon picks her up in his arms. He suddenly discovers that he has used his supposedly useless left arm. Fearfully he takes his violin. He can play! Wild joy seizes Leon, his faithful mother, and Gina.

Mrs. George Pritchett has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bingham were Dows callers Thursday.

Several friends of Mrs. Charley Huber and Miss Cilia Azeltine met Friday and made dress forms for them.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham spent Thursday in Belmond at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes were motoring thru from Mich. to Colo. and stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Mossman last Tuesday. Mrs. Hughes is a sister of Mrs. Mossman. They arrived about twelve o'clock and that evening about seven o'clock Mr. Hughes dropped dead. The remains were taken to Webster City for burial, where he has a brother living.

Mesdames Low Bridges and John McBurney, of Dows spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell. They motored, with the Howell family, to Humboldt to spend Sunday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Howell. They visited Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hackley returning to their homes Monday evening.

Ed Drury, of Highmore, So. Dak. spent a part of last week at the home of his son, Frank and family and their daughter, Mrs. Herb Hadley and family.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow, of Goldfield spent Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Whitten. Gladys Whitten went home with them returning Monday evening.

Mr. R. H. Virden, the Misses Frances and Mae Virden and Maude Cowley autoed to Clear Lake Monday. The Misses Maude and Mae are delegates from the M. E. Epworth League to the Institute at that place.

Miss Laura McCallum came from Cedar Falls to spend the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum.

Mrs. Chris Klemensen and baby, of Latimer visited in Rowan several days the first of the week.

Mesdames Viola Tibbets and Hattie Ballou returned Saturday from California where they have been the past winter.

Clarence and Kenneth Whitten spent Sunday at the Peter Schreck home near Hayfield.

Mrs. O. Christian and little daughter, Celeste, went to Story City Sunday to visit at the home of Jonas Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. George Liming and son, Glenn went to Corwith Sunday to visit at the home of his brother. Glenn stayed to assist his uncle with the harvesting.

Mr. R. H. Kieth and son were Belmond callers Saturday.

Mrs. Jens Kjar has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, went to Webster City Tuesday. Mr. George Diltz, Mrs. Bingham's father, returned home with them and spent a few days. They motored back with him to his home Friday.

Mr. Bine Wilder expects to finish his job of road work here this week. He has contracted 22 miles of road near Parkersburg and expects to get on the job in the near future. He has purchased a new Fordson, a new gravel truck and a gravel elevator. W. A. Hoke, John Riker and Frank Drury have also purchased new gravel trucks. He expects to run 25 trucks on their new job.

Ray Halbrook stepped on a rusty nail the first of the week and had a very sore foot for a few days. It is getting along nicely now.

Mr. A. J. Azeltine and sons Ed, Will and Henry went to Iowa Falls Tuesday to see Mrs. L. D. Bingham. Mr. and Mrs. Florence Fowler and Mrs. A. C. Rietz motored down Wednesday. Mrs. Bingham stays about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden were Popejoy callers Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris and son, Leland of Thornton, spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson. Leland remained for a short visit with his grand parents.

Mrs. Ben Hackley and daughter, Zelda, returned Tuesday from a visit at Sioux Falls So. Dak. Her daughter Eva and a lady friend accompanied them home. Eva and her friend went to Dows Saturday evening to spend a short time at the home of her sister, Mrs. Elmer Gaulkie.

The Misses Irene and Grace Ludwig, of Leland Ill., spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Haupt, returning to their home Friday.

Miss Blanche McCallum went to Thornton to spend the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stout and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Ashpole, of Thornton, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stout.

Mrs. John Burt had the misfortune to fall last Tuesday and throw her arm out of joint. Dr. Potter is caring for her.

Mrs. Ida Ryder returned from Grundy Center last week, where she has been visiting at the home of her son, Ralph and wife and her daughter, Mrs. Pearl Fuller and family.

Dr. Maker spent a few days in Des Moines the first of the week where he completed the purchasing of his office fixtures.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter, LaVonne, Mrs. J. S. Harrigan and Miss Florence Lynk and Mrs. Fred Kercheval were Clarion callers Wednesday. From there they went to Lake Cornelia where they enjoyed a picnic supper.

Rev. and Mrs. George Stevens and family, of Deloit, came last Wednesday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rietz. From here they plan to attend the M. E. Camp meeting at Okoboji.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rietz, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham and others from Rowan attended the picnic supper and opening of the Tyrrell Park at Belmond last Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Williams has been unable to attend to her duties at the Whitten store on account of infection in her hand.

Mrs. Fred Weber and daughter, Irene are at Iowa City in the hospital. They visited at Cedar Rapids enroute at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Reed.

Mrs. Will Bingham has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Guy Stumph has been suffering with blood poisoning in her hand. She went to Clarion Monday to have it attended to.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Brocks and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle and George Utz spent Sunday at Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow and Mr. and Mrs. Will Whitten and daughter Gladys went to Reinbeck Tuesday to attend the funeral of an uncle John Harrison who died in Mich. and was brought back to Reinbeck for burial.

Mrs. R. H. Kieth was elected as a delegate to the State Republican Convention to be held at Des Moines August 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, and Mr. George Diltz were Clarion callers Wednesday.

The Congregational Ladies will serve a supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fanselow Thursday afternoon. All are invited to be present.

The ice cream social which was to have been held on the church lawn Saturday evening was postponed on account of the rainy weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Fletcher and baby visited Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitz, in Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Zeigler and baby and Mrs. Tobey, of Sioux City visited several days the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitten.

Mrs. Roy Hyde was on the sick list the past week.

Word has been received of the arrival of a fine baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Ratliff, of Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Ratliff will be remembered by Rowan friends as Miss Wilma Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Underdahl returned last week from a three weeks vacation which they spent visiting relatives in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jennings, of near Williams, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas.

Mr. Jake Steffens and Miss Hattie Steffens of Milledgeville, Ill., and Mrs. Emma Searles and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomson and daughter, of Spring Valley, Minn., spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Steffens.

Mrs. J. K. Johnson, of Allison arrived Tuesday for an extended visit at the home of her son, C. E. Johnson to help care for a new ten pound son which arrived at their home Thursday July 20th, 1922. Mother and baby are doing nicely now.

Bon Jennings, of Hampton, visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. Carl Steffens Sunday. Mrs. Steffens has been quite ill but is improving slowly.

Mrs. W. A. Hoke left Tuesday for Bruce, Wis., where she will visit her sons, George and Earl Hartinger and her brother, Dan Felton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers, who have been spending the past two months at Jenkins, Minn., returned home Tuesday. They report a very pleasant vacation.

Mrs. Mullins of Aberdeen So. Dak. visited at the home of her brother, R. Virden the past week.

Mrs. L. Young, of Mason City, spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wessels. She was accompanied by her sister-in-law, Miss Mattie Young. They returned home Thursday.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver spent the week end in Clarion at the home of her mother, Mrs. Heathershaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder and daughter, Ruth, of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder.

Mr. and Mrs. Olliver, of Independence, Iowa and Mrs. Jackett, of Chicago visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stout the first of the week. The two ladies are aunts of Mr. Stout. They returned home Friday.

Mrs. Freeman, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, H. J. C. Box and with other relatives for the past five weeks returned to her home in Earlville, Iowa Friday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett and daughters, Mrs. O. F. Braden and Mrs. Ray Williams motored to Iowa Falls Sunday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bingham.

Mrs. Otto Christian, of Aberdeen, So. Dak., who is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden, went to Mason City Thursday to spend a couple of days at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Harry Robinson.

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Elmer Burt Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. F. B. Sheldon as leader. The topic was Citizenship. There were about twenty present. A very good meeting is reported.

The Mission Study Club met at the home of Mrs. Edgar Mantle Thursday afternoon, with Miss Faye Bingham as leader. The topic was the needs of small community churches. There were sixteen present with four visitors. After the lesson a picnic supper was served which was very much enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kieth and family were Eagle Grove and Goldfield callers Sunday.

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Carl Greenfield was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Miss Anna Beenen left Friday for Colorado Springs where she will make an indifinite visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were Sunday visitors at the Wm. Dreyer home at Alden.

Mr. and Mrs. George Blau, Mrs. John Blau and Miss Reka Gerdes were among the callers at Dows last Saturday.

Carl Grieman has purchased a new Ford touring car. Now girls be on the lookout for a ride.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and children, Erma Eldon and Inez were Sunday visitors with relatives at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Greenfield and son, Frederick, Miss Gertrude Berninghausen, Miss Jessie Bell and Mrs. John Bell were shoppers at Dows last Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Frohling of Belmond visited with relatives at Alexander the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Byrant of Hazel Green, Wis., has spent the past week at the Otto Kieslich home.

A fine baby girl of standard weight came to make its home with the Elias Klinefelter family last Thursday July 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Hannas Pals were callers at Hampton last Thursday.

Miss Alice Barkema visited with relatives at Hampton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed and two children were Belmond callers Sunday evening.

R. L. Carlock who has spent the past three weeks at Fargo N. Dak., returned to Alexander last Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Liekweg and Mrs. and Mrs. Timmerman of Sheffield were Sunday visitors at the John Bell home.

Miss Addie Larsen is spending the week with relatives at Hampton.

Carl Grieman was a Sunday visitor at Hampton.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen returned to her home at Eldora Sunday after a three weeks visit with friends at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Larsen and sons, Elmer and Wilbur were Sunday visitors at the Vern Finkle home at Hampton.

Miss Lillie Cornwell who has been visiting in this vicinity left Thursday for her home at Hazelton.

Mrs. C. Symens and Mrs. Hlko Pals were shoppers at Dows on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Frederick visited relatives at Belmond Sunday evening.

Mrs. Archie McCallum and children of Thornton are visiting at the Bernard McCallum home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dirksen and daughter of Hampton were callers in town last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and family visited at the John Douglas home near Clarion last Sunday.

Miss Edna Arends was a caller at Belmond Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son and Miss Nellie Bell were Hampton visitors last Sunday afternoon.

Harold Aigley was a caller at Belmnd Saturday evening.

Harvey Armstrong, the piano tuner of Clarion is working in this vicinity this week.

Theodore Beenen was a caller at Eldora last Sunday.

Rev. Bushnell, district Supt. delivered a very interesting sermnn at the Methodist church last Sunday morning.

Miss Marie Blau returned home Monday after a visit with her sister Mrs. Nelson at Clarion.

Miss Theresa Mors returned home Sunday from Lincoln, Neb., where she has been the past six weeks attending the Lincoln Conservatory of Music and specializing in dramatic Art. Miss Mors is a ambitious young lady who has made good in educational work and is adding the accomplishments mentioned to her talents. On the way home Miss Mors visited over night with Helen Abernathy at Council Bluffs.—Thornton Enterprise

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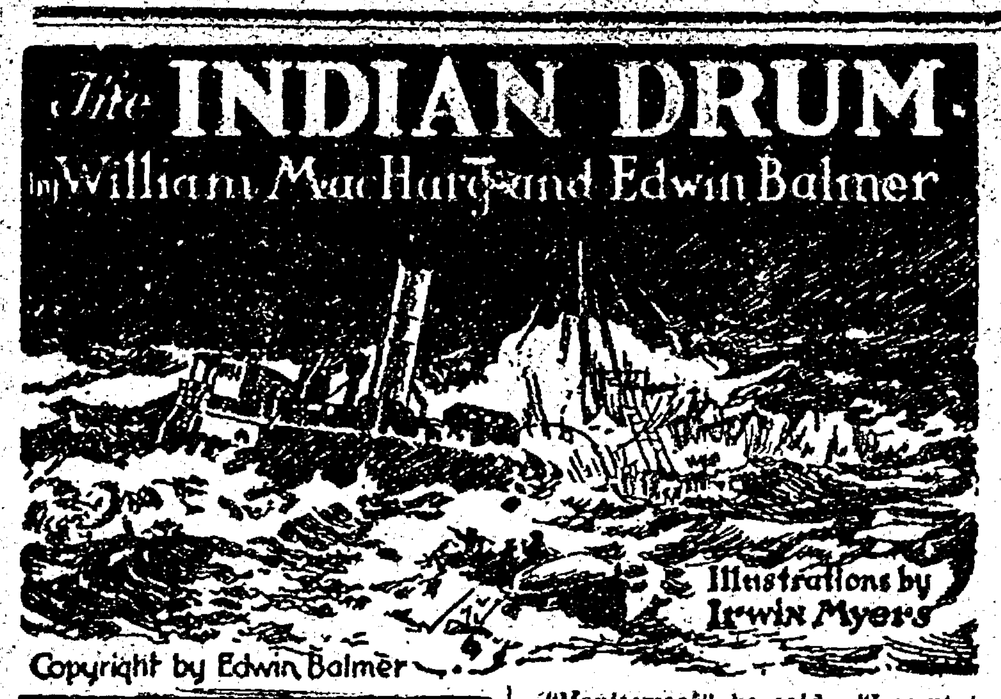

The INDIAN DRUM

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Wealthy and highly placed in the Chicago business world, Benjamin Corvet is something of a recluse and a mystery to his associates. After a stormy interview with his partner, Henry Spearman, Corvet seeks Constance Sherrill, daughter of his other business partner, Lawrence Sherrill, and secures from her a promise not to marry Spearman. He then disappears. Sherrill learns Corvet has written to a certain Alan Conrad, in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and exhibited strange agitation over the matter.

CHAPTER II.—Corvet's letter summons Conrad, a youth of unknown parentage, to Chicago.

CHAPTER III.—From a statement of Sherrill it seems probable Conrad is Corvet's illegitimate son. Corvet has deeded his house and its contents to Alan.

CHAPTER IV.—Alan takes possession of his new home.

CHAPTER V.—That night Alan discovers a man ransacking the desks and bureau drawers in Corvet's apartments. The appearance of Alan tremendously agitates the intruder, who appears to think him a ghost and raves of "the Miwaka." After a struggle the man escapes.

CHAPTER VI.—Next day Alan learns from Sherrill that Corvet has deeded his entire property to him. Introduced to Spearman, Alan is astounded at the discovery that he is the man whom he had found in his house the night before.

CHAPTER VII.—Alan tells no one of his strange encounter, but in a private interview taxes Spearman with the fact. Spearman laughs at and defies him.

CHAPTER VIII.—Corvet's Indian servant, Wassaquam, tells Alan he believes his employer is dead. He also tells him the legend of the Indian Drum, which according to old superstition beats once for every life lost on the Great Lakes. Twenty years before, the great freighter Miwaka had gone down with twenty-five on board, but the Drum had sounded for only twenty-four, leaving the inference that one person had been saved, since it was general belief that the drum never erred. Pursuing a stranger who had made a disturbance at his house, Alan is slugged and rendered unconscious.

CHAPTER IX.—Conrad recovers, and the affair remains a mystery.

CHAPTER X.—Alan learns from Wassaquam that it was Corvet's habit to keep the sum of $1,000 in the house, apparently to meet the demands of a certain "Luke," who appeared periodically. In the absence of Wassaquam, "Luke" comes to the house demanding to see Corvet. He is evidently in a dying condition, due to alcohol and exposure. Conrad tries without avail to get him to explain his connection with Corvet. The man dies. Wassaquam gives Conrad a paper on which is a list of names.

CHAPTER XI.—From the document Alan thinks he may have a clue to the mystery surrounding Corvet's life and disappearance. He leaves Chicago to visit Lake Michigan ports in search of the persons whose names were on the list.

CHAPTER XII.—Constance receives a package wrapped in a muffler which she recognizes Corvet was wearing on the day he went away. It contains a few coins, a watch, and woman's wedding ring. She believes them to have been the property of Corvet, and accepts them as a proof of his death. Spearman urges Constance to marry him. She consents, but refuses his demand for an immediate ceremony.

CHAPTER XIII.—Inquiries show that the watch in the package had been the property of a Captain Stafford, commander of the Miwaka, who had gone down with his ship.

CHAPTER XIV.—Working on a lake freighter, Alan becomes acquainted with an elderly man known as "Jim Burr," who seems to be possessed of information which Alan believes would only be known to Corvet.

CHAPTER XV.—Alan secures a position on the freighter of which "Burr" is wheelsman. He is satisfied he has found the man he believes to be his father. "Burr," at the wheel of the freighter, apparently in dementia, refuses to obey orders to change the vessel's course, and the ship collides with a derelict. In almost sinking condition they attempt to reach port. The loaded freight cars which the vessel is carrying break loose.

CHAPTER XVI.—Corvet recovers his reason and leads in the work of throwing the cars overboard. He and Alan are pinned under the debris. Alan discloses his identity. Corvet tells him Spearman had killed his father. Alan is rescued, but it is impossible to save Corvet. A priest, passenger on the boat, is summoned, and Alan leaves them in conversation.

CHAPTER XVII.—The news of the loss of the freighter reaches Chicago. Spearman, fearing that Conrad had found Corvet, seems, to Constance's amazement, actually to rejoice at the sinking.

"What is it, Henry?"

His muscular reaction, as he read, had drawn the sheet away from her; he recovered himself almost instantly and gave the paper to her.

"8:35 a. m., Manitowoc, Wis.," she read. "The schooner Anna S. Solwerk has been sighted making for this port. She is not close enough for communication, but two lifeboats, additional to her own, can be plainly made out. It is believed that she must have picked up survivors of No. 25. She carries no wireless, so is unable to report. Tugs are going to her."

"Two lifeboats!" Constance cried. "That could mean that they all are saved or nearly all; doesn't it, Henry; doesn't it?"

He had read some other significance in it, she thought, or, from his greater understanding of conditions in the storm, he had been able to hold no hope from what had been reported. That was the only way she could explain to herself as he replied to her; that the word meant to him that men were saved and that therefore it was dismaying to him, could not come to her at once. When it came now, it went over her first only in the flash of incredulous question.

The telephone buzzer under his desk sounded; she drew close as he took up his receiver.

"Manitowoc?" he said. "I want to know what you've heard from the Solwerk. . . . You hear me? . . . The men the Solwerk picked up. You have the names yet?"

". . ."

"The Benton?"

". . ."

"Oh, I understand! All from the Benton. I see! . . . No; never mind their names. How about Number 25? Nothing more heard from them?"

Constance had caught his shoulder while he was speaking and now clung to it. Release—release of strain was going through him! she could feel it, and she heard it in his tones and saw it in his eyes.

"The steamer Number 25 rammed proved to have been the Benton," he told her. "The men are all from her. They had abandoned her in the small boats, and the Solwerk picked them up before the ferry found her."

He was not asking her to congratulate him upon the relief he felt; he had not so far forgotten himself as that. But it was plain to her that he was congratulating himself; it had been fear that he was feeling before—fear, she was beginning to understand, that those on the ferry had been saved.

Horror and amazement flowed in upon her with her realization of this in the man she had promised to marry. For an instant she stared at him, all her body tense; then, as she turned and went out, he followed her, calling her name. But, seeing the seamen in the larger office, he stopped, and she understood he was not willing to urge himself upon her in their presence.

"I'm willing to go home now, mother, if you wish," she said steadily.

When they had gone down to the street and were in the car, Constance leaned back, closing her eyes; she feared her mother might wish to talk with her.

Toward three o'clock, the office called her, but only to report that they had heard from Mr. Sherrill. He had wired that he was going on from Manistique and would cross the straits from St. Ignace; messages from him were to be addressed to Petoskey. There was no other report except that vessels were still continuing the search for survivors, because the Indian Drum, which had been beating, was beating "short," causing the superstitious to be certain that, though some of the men from Number 25 were lost, some yet survived.

Constance thrilled as she heard that. She did not believe in the Drum; at least she had never thought she had really believed in it; she had only stirred to the idea of its being true. But if the Drum was beating, she was glad it was beating short. It was serving, at least, to keep the lake men more alert.

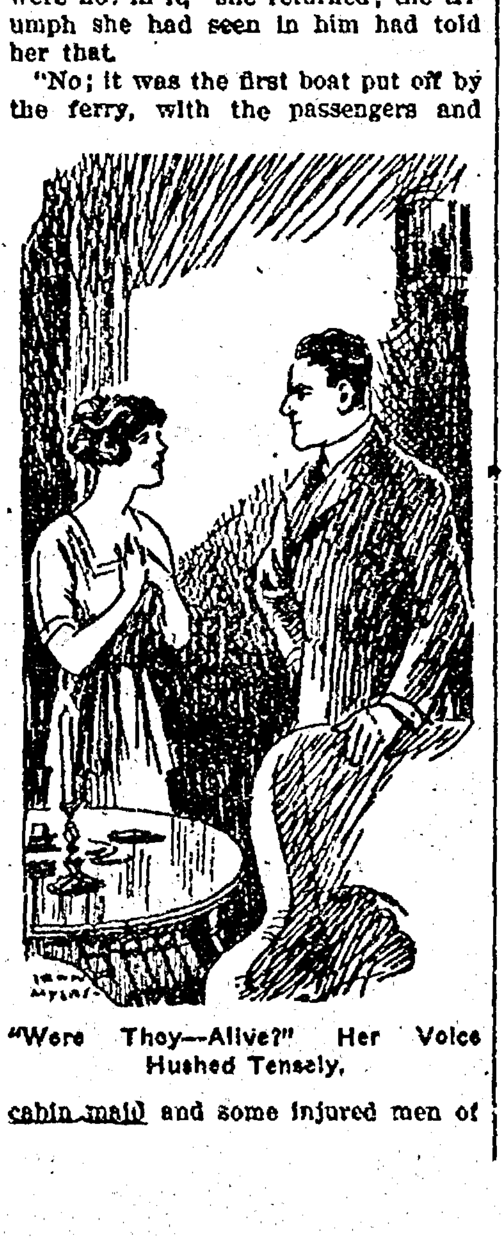
A little later, as Constance stood at the window, gazing out at the snow upon the lake, she drew back suddenly out of sight from the street, as she saw Henry's roadster appear out of the storm and stop before the house.

She waited in the room where she was. The strain he was under had not lessened, she could see; or rather, if she could trust her feeling at sight of him, it had lessened only slightly, and at the same time his power to resist it had been lessening too.

"I thought you'd want to know, Connie," he said, "so I came straight out. The Richardson's picked up one of the boats of the ferry."

"Uncle Benny and Alan Conrad were not in it," she returned; the triumph she had seen in him had told her that.

"No; it was the first boat put off by the ferry, with the passengers and cabin maid and some injured men of the crew."



"Were They—Alive?" Her Voice Hushed Tensely.

"Were they — alive?" her voice hushed tensely.

"Yes; that is, they were able to revive them all; but it didn't seem possible to the Richardson's officers that anyone could be revived who had been exposed much longer than that; so the Richardson's given up the search, and some of the other ships that were searching have given up too, and gone on their course."

"I see; how many were in the boat?"

"Twelve, Connie."

"Then all the vessels up there won't give up yet!"

"Why not?"

"I was just talking with the office, Henry; they've heard again from the other end of the lake. The people up there say the Drum is beating, but it's beating short still!"

"Short!"

She saw Henry stiffen. "Yes," she said swiftly. "They say the Drum began sounding last night, and that at first it sounded for only two lives; it's kept on beating, but still is beating only for four. There were thirty-nine on the ferry—seven passengers and thirty-two crew. Twelve have been saved now; so until the Drum raises the beats to twenty-seven there is still a chance that someone will be saved."

Constance watched him with wonder at the effect of what she had told. The news of the Drum had shaken him from his triumph over Alan and Uncle Benny and over her. It had shaken him so that, though he remained with her some minutes more, he seemed to have forgotten the purpose of reconciliation with her which had brought him to the house.

She dined, or made pretence of dining, with her mother at seven. Her mother's voice went on and on about trifles, and Constance did not try to pay attention. Her thought was following Henry with ever-sharpening apprehension. She called the office in mid-evening; it would be open, she knew, for messages regarding Uncle Benny and Alan would be expected there. A clerk answered; no other news had been received; she then asked Henry's whereabouts.

"Mr. Spearman went north late this afternoon, Miss Sherrill," the clerk informed her.

"North! Where?"

"We are to communicate with him this evening to Grand Rapids; after that, to Petoskey."

Constance could hear her own heart beat. Why had Henry gone, she wondered; not, certainly, to aid the search. He had gone to—hinder it?

CHAPTER XVIII.

The Watch Upon the Beach.

Constance was throbbing with determination and action, as she found her purse and counted the money in it. She never in her life had gone alone upon an extended journey, much less been alone upon a train overnight. If she spoke of such a thing now, she would be prevented; no occasion for it would be recognized; she would not be allowed to go, even if "properly accompanied." She could not, therefore, risk taking a handbag from the house; so she thrust nightdress and toilet articles into her muff and the roomy pocket of her fur coat. She descended to the side door of the house, gained the street and turned westward at the first corner to a street car which would take her to the railway station.

The manner of buying a railway ticket and of engaging a berth were unknown to her—there had been servants always to do these things—but she watched others and did as they did. She procured a telegraph blank and wrote a message to her mother, telling her that she had gone north to join her father. When the train had started, she gave the message to the porter, directing him to send it from the first large town at which they stopped.

Constance could not, as yet, place Henry's part in the strange circumstances which had begun to reveal themselves with Alan's coming to Chicago; but Henry's hope that Uncle Benny and Alan were dead was beginning to make that clearer. She lay without voluntary movement in her berth, but her bosom was shaking with the thoughts which came to her.

Twenty years before, some dreadful event had altered Uncle Benny's life; his wife had known—or had learned—enough of that event so that she had left him. It had seemed to Constance and her father, therefore, that it must have been some intimate and private event.

Uncle Benny had withdrawn himself from men; he had ceased to be active in his business and delegated it to others. This change had been strangely advantageous to Henry. Henry had been hardly more than a common seaman then. He had been a mate—the mate on one of Uncle Benny's ships. Quite suddenly he had become Uncle Benny's partner. Henry had explained this to her by saying that Uncle Benny had not trusted Henry; he had been suspicious of him; he had quarreled with him. How strange, then, that Uncle Benny should have advanced and given way to a man whom he could not trust!

Uncle Benny had come to her and warned her not to marry Henry; then he had sent for Alan. There had been purpose in these acts of Uncle Benny's; had they meant that Uncle Benny had been on the verge of making explanation—that explanation which Henry feared—and that he had been—prevented? Her father had thought this; at least, he had thought that Uncle Benny must have left some explanation in his house. He had told Alan that, and had given Alan the key to the house so that he could find it. Alan had gone to the house—

In the house Alan had found someone who had mistaken him for a ghost, a man who had cried out at sight of him something about a ship—about the Miwaka, the ship of whose loss no one had known anything except by the soundings of the Drum. What had the man been doing in the house? Had he too been looking for the explanation—the explanation that Henry feared? Alan had described the man to her; that description had not had meaning for her before; but now remembering that description she could think of Henry as the only one who could have been in that house! Henry had fought with Alan there! Afterwards, when Alan had been attacked upon the street, had Henry anything to do with that?

Henry had lied to her about being in Duluth the night he had fought with Alan; he had not told her the true cause of his quarrels with Uncle Benny; he had wished her to believe that Uncle Benny was dead when the wedding ring and watch came to her—the watch which had been Captain Stafford's of the Miwaka! Henry had urged her to marry him at once. Was that because he wished the security that her father—and she—must give her husband when they learned the revelation which Alan or Uncle Benny might bring?

At Petoskey she went from the train directly to the telegraph office. If Henry was in Petoskey, they would know at that office where he could be found; he would be keeping in touch with them.

Mr. Spearman, the operator said, had been at the office early in the day; there had been no message for him; he had left instructions that any which came were to be forwarded to him through the men who, under his direction, were patrolling the shore for twenty miles north of Little Traverse, watching for boats.

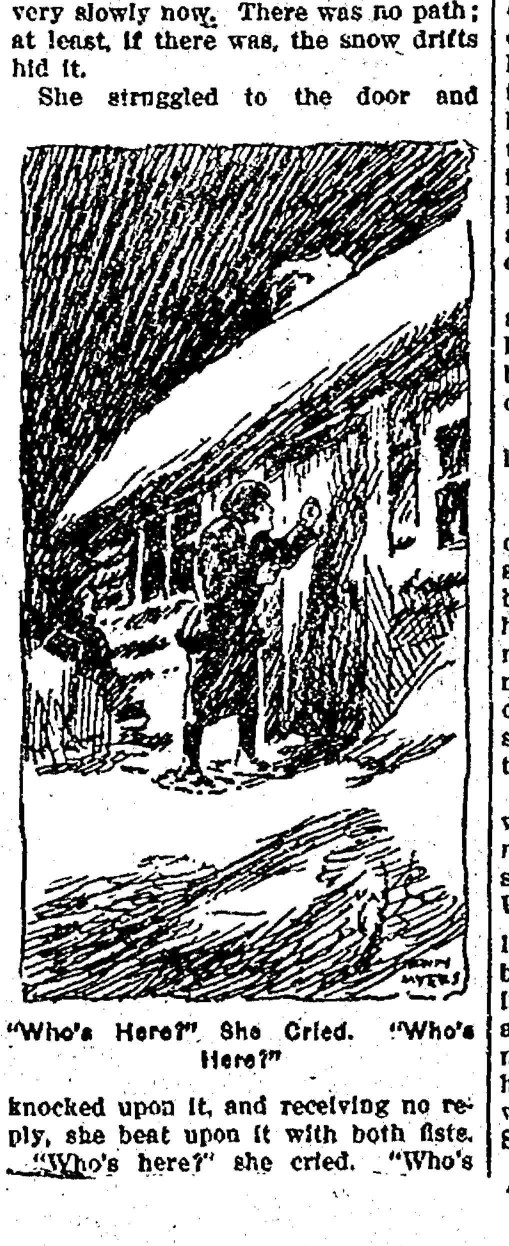
Constance crossed the frozen edges of the bay by sledge to Harbor Point. Her distrust now had deepened to terrible dread. She had not been able before this to form any definite idea of how Henry could threaten Alan and Uncle Benny; she had imagined only vague interference and obstruction of the search for them; she had not foreseen that he could so readily assume charge of the search and direct, or misdirect, it.

At the Point she discharged the sledge and went on foot to the house of the caretaker who had charge of the Sherrill cottage during the winter. Getting the keys from him, she let herself into the house. Going to her room, she unpacked a heavy sweater and woolen cap and short fur coat—winter things which were left there against use when they opened the house sometimes out of season—and put them on. Then she went down and found her snowshoes. Stopping at the telephone, she called long distance and asked them to locate Mr. Sherrill, if possible, and instruct him to move south along the shore with whomever he had with him. She went out then, and fastened on her snowshoes.

Constance hurried westward and then north, following the bend of the shore. The figure of a man—one of the shore patrols—pacing the ice hummocks of the beach and staring out upon the lake, appeared vaguely in the dusk when she had gone about two miles. She came, three quarters of a mile farther on, to a second man; about an equal distance beyond she found a third, but passed him and went on.

Her legs ached now with the unaccustomed travel upon snowshoes; the cold, which had been only a piercing chill at first, was stopping feeling, almost stopping thought. She was horrified to find that she was growing weak and that her senses were becoming confused. She had come, in all, perhaps eight miles; and she was "playing out." She descended to the beach again and went on; her gaze continued to search the lake, but now, wherever there was a break in the bluffs, she looked toward the shore as well. At the third of these breaks, the yellow glow of a window appeared, marking a house in a hollow between snow-shrouded hills. She turned eagerly that way; she could go only very slowly now. There was no path; at least, if there was, the snow drifts hid it.

She struggled to the door and knocked upon it, and receiving no reply, she beat upon it with both fists. "Who's here?" she cried. "Who's here?"



"Who's Here?" She Cried. "Who's Here?"

The door opened then a very little, and the frightened face of an Indian woman appeared in the crack. The woman evidently had expected—and feared—some arrival, and was reassured when she saw only a girl. She threw the door wider open, and bent to help unfasten Constance's snowshoes; having done that, she led her in and closed the door.

"Where is your man?" Constance had caught the woman's arm.

"They sent him to the beach. A ship has sunk."

"Are there houses near here? You must run to one of them at once. Bring whoever you can get; or if you won't do that, tell me where to go."

The woman stared at her stolidly and moved away. "None near," she said. "Besides, you could not get somebody before some one will come."

"Who is that?"

"He is on the beach—Henry Spearman. He comes here to warm himself. It is nearly time he comes again."

Constance gazed at her; the woman was plainly glad of her coming. Her relief—relief from that fear she had been feeling when she opened the door—was very evident. It was Henry, then, who had frightened her.

The Indian woman set a chair for her beside the stove, and put water in a pan to heat; she shook tea leaves from a box into a bowl and brought a cup.

"How many on that ship?"

"Altogether there were thirty-nine," Constance replied.

"Seven are living then."

"Seven? What have you heard? What makes you think so?"

"That is what the Drum says."

The Drum! There was a Drum then! At least there was some sound which people heard and which they called the Drum. For the woman had heard it.

Constance grew suddenly cold. For twenty lives, the woman said, the Drum had beat; that meant to her, and to Constance too now, that seven were left. Indefinite, desperate denial that all from the ferry must be dead—that denial which had been strengthened by the news that at least one boat had been adrift near Beaver—altered in Constance to conviction of a boat with seven men from the ferry, seven dying, perhaps, but not yet dead. Seven out of twenty-seven; The score were gone; the Drum had beat for them in little groups as they died. When the Drum beat again, would it beat beyond the score?

Having finished the tea, Constance returned to the door and reopened it; the sounds outside were the same. A solitary figure appeared moving along the edge of the ice—the figure of a tall man, walking on snowshoes; moonlight distorted the figure, and it was muffled, too, in a great coat which made it unrecognizable. He halted and stood looking out at the lake and then, with a sudden movement, strode on; he halted again, and now Constance got the knowledge that he was not looking; he was listening as she was.

"Is the Drum sounding now?" she asked the woman.

"No."

Constance gazed again at the man and found his motion quite unmistakable; he was counting—if not counting something that he heard, or thought he heard, he was recounting and reviewing within himself something that he had heard before—some irregular rhythm which had become so much a part of him that it sounded now continually within his own brain; so that, instinctively, he moved in cadence to it. He stepped forward again now, and turned toward the house.

Her breath caught as she spoke to the woman. "Mr. Spearman is coming here now!"

Her impulse was to remain where she was, lest he should think she was afraid of him; but realization came to her that there might be advantage in seeing him before he knew that she was there, so she reclosed the door and drew back into the cabin.

CHAPTER XIX

The Sounding of the Drum.

Noises of the wind and the roaring of the lake made inaudible any sound of his approach to the cabin; she heard his snowshoes, however, scrape the cabin wall as, after taking them off, he leaned them beside the door. He thrust the door open then and came in; he did not see her at first and, as he turned to force the door shut again against the wind she watched him quietly.

He saw her now and started and, as though sight of her confused him, he looked from the woman and then back to Constance before he seemed certain of her.

"Hello!" he said tentatively. "Hello!"

"I'm here, Henry."

"Oh; you are! You are!" He stood drawn up, swaying a little as he stared at her; whisky was upon his breath, and it became evident in the heat of the room; but whisky could not account for this condition she witnessed in him. Neither could it conceal that condition; some turmoil and strain within him made him immune to its effects.

She had realized on her way up here what, vaguely, that strain within him must be. Guilt—guilt of some awful sort connected him, and had connected Uncle Benny, with the Miwaka—the lost ship for which the Drum had beaten the roll of the dead. Guilt was in his thought now—racking, tearing at him. But there was something more than that; what she had seen in him when he first caught sight of her was fear—fear of her, of Constance Sherrill.

"You came up here about Ben Corvet?" he challenged.

"Yes—no!"

"Which do you mean?"

"No."

"I know, then. For him, then—eh! For him?"

"For Alan Conrad? Yes," she said.

"I knew it!" he repeated. "He's been the trouble between you and me all the time!"

She made no denial of that; she had begun to know during the last two days that it was so.

"So you came to find him?" Henry went on.

"He'll be found!" she defied him.

"Be found?"

"Some are dead," she admitted, "but not all. Twenty are dead; but seven are not!"

"Seven?" he echoed. "You say seven are not! How do you know?"

"The Drum has been beating for twenty, but not for more!" Constance said. "The Drum you've been listening to all day upon the beach—the Indian Drum that sounded for the dead of the Miwaka; sounded, one by one, for all who died! But it didn't sound for him! It's been sounding again, you know; but, again, it doesn't sound for him, Henry, not for him!"

"The Miwaka! What do you mean by that? What's that got to do with this?" His swollen face was thrust forward at her; there was threat against her in his tense muscles and his bloodshot eyes.

She did not shrink back from him, or move; and now he was not waiting for her answer. Something—a sound—had caught him about. Once it echoed, low in its reverberation but penetrating and quite distinct. It came, so far as direction could be assigned to it, from the trees toward the shore; but it was like no forest sound. Distinct, too, was it from any noise of the lake. It was like a Drum! Yet, when the echo had gone, it was a sensation easy to deny—a hallucination, that was all. But now, low and distinct it came again; and, as before, Constance saw it catch Henry and hold him. His lips moved, but he did not speak; he was counting. "Two," she saw his lips form.

The sound of the Drum was continuing, the beats a few seconds apart. "Twelve," Constance counted to herself. The beats had seemed to be quite measured and regular at first; but now Constance knew that this was only roughly true; they beat rather in rhythm than at regular intervals. "Twenty—twenty-one — twenty-two!" Constance caught breath and waited for the next beat; the time of the interval between the measures of the rhythm passed, and still only the whistle of the wind and the undertone of water sounded. The Drum had beaten its roll and, for the moment, was done.

Twenty-two had been her count, as nearly as she could count at all; the reckoning agreed with what the Indian woman had heard. Two had died, then, since the Drum last had beat, when its roll was twenty. Two more than before; that meant five were left!

Constance caught up her woolen hood from the table and put it on. Her action seemed to call Henry to himself.

"What are you going to do?" he demanded.

"I'm going out."

He moved between her and the door. "Not alone, you're not!" His heavy voice had a deep tone of menace in it; he seemed to consider and decide something about her. "There's a farmhouse about a mile back; I'm going to take you over there and leave you with those people."

"I will not go there!"

He swore. "I'll carry you, then!"

She shrank back from him as he lurched toward her with hands outstretched to seize her; he followed her, and she avoided him again; if his guilt and terror had given her mental ascendency over him, his physical strength could still force her to his will and, realizing the impossibility of evading him or overcoming him, she stopped.

"Not that!" she cried. "Don't touch me!"

"Come with me, then!" he commanded; and he went to the door and laid his snowshoes on the snow and stepped into them, stooping and tightening the straps; he stood by while she put on hers. He did not attempt again to put hands upon her as they moved away from the little cabin toward the woods back of the clearing; but went ahead, breaking the trail for her with his snowshoes. He moved forward slowly; he could travel, if he had wished, three feet to every two that she could cover, but he seemed not wishing for speed but rather for delay. A deep, dull resonance was booming above the wood; it boomed again and ran into a rhythm. No longer was it above; at least it was not only above; it was all about them—here, there, to right and to left, before, behind—the booming of the Drum. Doom was the substance of that sound of the Drum beating the roll of the dead.

Henry had stopped in front of her, half turned her way; his body swayed and bent to the booming of the Drum, as his swollen lips counted its soundings. She could see him plainly in the moonlight, yet she drew nearer to him as she followed his count. "Twenty-one," he counted—"Twenty-two!" The drum was still going on. "Twenty-four—twenty-five—twenty-six!" Would he count another?

(Continued Next Week)

Belmond Local News

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—ANNOUNCEMENT—

I wish to announce that I have purchased the millinery shop of Dorenkamp & Greenfield, and am now conducting the business under the above firm name. During this week a Reduction Sale to reduce the stock is being held, and next week I expect to go to the wholesale house to buy fall and winter stock. During my absence the Shoppe will be redecorated, but will be open afternoons. I shall be glad to meet my friends and solicit a share of their patronage.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Martin and daughter, Harriet, were visitors at the Geo. Colle home near Humboldt

For Sale—1917 Reo car; needs repairs. Will sell, or will buy same model to obtain repairs needed.—J. F. Halfpop, phone 1508, Belmond. 1*

Wanted—Man on farm. Phone 2707. 361c

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jensen were visitors several days over the week end at Clear Lake, returning Wednesday of this week.

Geo. Goelz left the first of the week for Blanchardville, Wisconsin, where he is spending a few days this week visiting his mother and old friends. He expects to return the latter part of this week.

The Farmers Threshing Co. of Belmond Township started their machine Friday last at the Dell Luick farm. The first day they threshed 2,200 bushel which is not so bad for a starter. Monday they threshed for Tom Brooks. His oats are going 75 bushels to the acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boughton and son are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Seth Huntington, at Dinsdale, Iowa.

Mrs. Wm. Harbison is reported as being very low at this writing. Her many friends are anxiously hoping for her speedy recovery.

O. K. Worm Capsules are guaranteed to kill worms in hogs. We can refer you to many farmers in this community who have used them and recommend them.—Schultz Drug Co.

For Sale—Six-foot woven wire chicken fence, with steel posts.—E. S. Fyler, Phone 68.

Miss Helen De Hilt of Chicago visited the J. D. Baker and Louis Hauge families this week.

Reynold Kinseth returned last week from points in Minnesota, where he spet a few days' vacation enjoying the fishing

Mrs. Chas. Gealow and daughters Jennie, Mildred and Gertrude, and son Lawrence, left overland Wednesday morning on a two weeks' vacatio trip to points in Illinois, where they will visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Goldie Carter was a business caller at Fort Dodge the latter part of last week.

H. N. Hill left Monday of this week on a business trip to Conneticut and various points in the East.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Groh and daughter of Lyle, Minnesota drove down Sunday to spend the day with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh.

Dr. Gowdy and family left Friday last on a vacation trip to various points in Minnesota. They went by auto and will camp out. We hope the doctor doesn't find as many chiggers in Minnesota as we found in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Kinseth, accompanied by Mrs. Kinseth's mother, Mrs. Holm, of Bode, left Sunday for Eau Claire, Wisconsin, and other points in that state, where they will visit relatives and friends.

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One of the best improved 240 acres in Northern Iowa, in order to settle up an estate, is offered for $155 an acre. If interested see U. A. Dressman, Lakota, Iowa, formerly Germania. 361*

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Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Polhemus, who have been visiting with relatives and friends here the past month or so, left Tuesday on their return trip to Colorado. They will stop off at Kansas City for a visit with their daughter, Clara.

Miss Shirley Brooks returned last week from a week's visit with a friend at Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bingham, from Rowan, were visitors at the Tom Brooks home last Thursday.

Herman Ludtke of Klemme was a caller here Saturday of last week, attending to business matters.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. Collins and Mrs. D. E. Packard drove to Mason City last week Friday.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF COMMUNITY CLUB

There will be a called-meeting of the Community Club on the last Friday of July.

Mrs. Emma Berg of Pierce, Nebraska, is the guest of Mrs. Sharon.

Mrs. John Brooks of Rowan attended the Park opening Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks and son of Chaska, Minnesota visited at the W. C. Tyrrell, Jr. home last week.

Miss Alice Kent of Dows visited Miss Rena Purdy and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kent last week on her return trip from California.

F. W. Bohning, a student of the Iowa State Teachers College, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bohning.

Win Dziewanowski and family spent Sunday ath Thornton visiting with relatives.

Miss Mary Forrestal, of Galt, is spending a few days this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Forrestal.

Miss Elsie Mena of Chicago is a guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ahlstrom.

The H. N. Hill family and Mrs. A. W Hill were shoppers at Eagle Grove on Wednesday of last week

Rev. Leinbach and family were visitors with friends at Garner last Friday.

Mrs. Ed. Warneke and children of Oelwein, and Mrs. Richard Ewall of Waterloo spent several days last week at the home of their mother, Mrs. W. P. Buchanan. Mrs. Warneke was formerly Miss Edna Buchanan and Mrs. Ewall Miss Ruth

Miss Beatrice Weatherford is spending a few days this week visitng at the home of her brother at Ames.

Mr. William Richards and Miss Lydie Richards of Clarion were guests of Belmond friends Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Peters and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Reed and family of Alexander were among those who attended the Park picnic.

Another cheese demonstration was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Henn last week, Monday. There seems to be quite an interest in this new farm product as there were twenty-three present to view the demonstration.

Mr. T. A. Hereim and daughter Myrtie, and Grace Bohning visited with friends and relatives at Roland over the week end.

Melburne Anderson of Roland spent a few days last week at the T. A. Hereim home.

E. F. Bailey left Monday for Brainard, Minn., to submit a bid on a big tiling job at that place.

Miss Margaret Jacobson, of Roland, was a visitor at the Tom Brooks and Ward Martin homes last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Luick, Mrs. Griesy, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Goelz and children, Cato C. Griesy and Miss Helen Harberts went to West Bend Sunday to view the famous grotto at that place.

The Rest Room has recently had several new features to provide for added comfort. The floor has been painted and a new Congoleum rug bought by the Community Club. Awnings will also be placed at the west windows.

For Sale—Six-foot woven wire chicken fence, with steel posts.—E. S. Fyler. Phone 68.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard, who has been managing the Independent during the absence of the editor, returned to her home at Swaledale, Tuesday. The editor is much appreciative of her kindness, and believes that the readers received a better paper than they had been accustomed to.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Sheldon were among the Rowan guests at the picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. E. King of Latimer are visiting at the I. H. Benson home. Mrs. King and Mrs. Benson are sisters.

Mrs. J. W. McConkie of Nevada, Iowa is visiting her sister, Mrs. Easton south of town.

Miss Maurine Hake of Klemme was a Belmond visitor over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy and family visited the latter's mother in Hampton, Sunday.

Mrs. William Brooks of Waverly is the guest of relatives in Belmond and Rowan. Mrs. Brooks will be remembered as Elma Brooks.

Rev. G. J. Stephenson and wife of Deloit, Iowa were greeting friends here, Thursday. They are visiting the Wm. and August Reitz families of Rowan. Mrs. Stephenson will be remembered by Belmond people as Augusta Reitz.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Executor of the Estate of Gelke Bohning, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 17th day of July A. D. 1922.

Simon Bohning, Executor.
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BIG DOIN'S GETTING READY FOR AUGUST 23

Belmond Boy To Teach In Japan

Jasper Johnson Leaves Friday To Teach In Commercial College There.

RECEIVES HIGH HONOR

Jasper M. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lud Johnson residing just west of town, expects to leave this week Friday on the first leg of his voyage to Japan, where he will teach this coming year in an American college.

"Jap.", who is known by everyone in Belmond where he has lived about all his life, has been attending the State University of Iowa, and it was thru acquaintances and connections there that he was offered the position, which is an important one and one which Jasper has every ability to fill. He will teach English composition in the Nagasaki Higher Commercial College at Nagasaki, Japan. It is strictly commercial institution, with only men students, the teachers being mostly Americans, with a few Japanese. One of "Jap's" college friends is now engaged in the school as a teacher.

Jasper leaves for St. Paul, thence to Vancouver, where he takes the steamship "Empress of Asia", sailing the 10th of August for Yokohama. From Yokohama to Nagasaki is a trip of some 800 miles, requiring in the neighborhood of 35 hours to make by rail. Nagasaki is in the southern part of Japan.

Jasper will carry with him the best wishes of his many Belmond friends, who have every confidence that "Jap" will make good. His trip will give him a wonderful experience and show him much of the world that is an unknown quantity to the most of us. We have his promise of some articles dealing with the customs of the country, and the way they do things in the Flowery Kingdom.

1915 CLASS REUNION

Last Sunday afternoon the class of 1915 enjoyed another one of their happy reunions at Tyrrell Park. Sixteen out of the class of '22 responded to roll call—this last year our beloved classmate, Agnes Enger, responded to the roll call of the Great Teacher, and the joyousness of the day was saddened because she could not be with us.

Our class president, Jasper Johnson, soon leaves for Japan where he will teach in a commercial college. We are proud of "Jap" and know he will make good. Our hearts send out after him an abundance of good wishes as he sets sail.

We are proud of the fact that this is our sixth reunion. We doubt in all the history of B. H. S. has any class proven so loyal and responded so heartily to meeting again and renewing friendships and the days of youth. After such an afternoon we enjoyed a delicious picnic supper and then left Tyrrell Park for the palatial country home of Cecelia and Beatrice Barry where a most enjoyable evening was spent—and again eats, which we successfully got away with.

FIRE MONDAY DESTROYS BARN AND STOCK

Fire of unknown origin destroyed a large barn and all its contents, together with several head of livestock, at the Bob Reed farm southwest of Belmond. The alarm was turned in in town and the chemical engine and a crew of fire fighters were on the scene in a few minutes, but the barn, being full of hay—almost all of this year's crop—was beyond saving and the men devoted their time to saving the adjacent buildings. The barn and contents including all the hay was totally destroy, but was covered by insurance. Several head of hogs, the exact number not being known at this writing, were also burned, and these represent a loss of no small amount as there was no insurance on them. A fire nowadays to a farmer is a serious affair, and Mr. Reed has the sympathy of all in the loss.

COUNTY TENNIS TOURNAMENT BEGINS AUGUST 3RD

The second annual Wright County Tennis tournament is to be held out on the courts of the Clarmond Country club beginning today, August 3. Arrangements are completed for the first play to start at 9:00 o'clock this morning, in order that the elimination rounds may be out of the way as soon as possible. Entries were made for both the singles and doubles competition, and everything points to a very fair list of entries. Players from Belmond, Clarion, Rowan, Eagle Grove, and Dows have entered and it is expected that there will be others by the opening. Medals will be given to the winners and runners-up in the singles and the doubles.

BAILEY CONTRACT DEAL IS SETTLED

Belmond Man Releases County From Damages For The Breach Of Contract.

The action of the board of supervisors last week in rescinding its action regarding the awarding of contract for the laterals to Clarion's storm sewer for the time being put E. F. Bailey of Belmond, who was originally awarded the contract, in the hole several thousand dollars. He had ordered considerable material and sublet a portion of the job, in fact work on the same had been commenced. The tangle was satisfactorily adjusted to all concerned by the new contractors buying one of Mr. Bailey's large dredging machines and the other successful company taking the material off his hands, after which Mr. Bailey released the county from any damage he might have sustained. Work on the laterals is now under way and the Nevada company expects to have a goodly portion of the contract completed before snow flies.

Miss Blanche Eddy, who has been Miss Kate Liddle's valued assistant in the Red Cross nursing activities in Wright county since last September, has been given charge of the work in Dickinson county with headquarters at Spirit Lake. Miss Eddy came to Clarion soon after completing her course at Wesleyan hospital at Chicago, and entered into the work in this county with considerable zeal from the very beginning. She has had seven years teaching experience and two years normal training previous to that. She also likes the work very much and the qualifications make a good foundation for a successful nurse. Miss Eddy will further prepare herself by attending a general conference for three weeks at Iowa City, where the physical examination of children will be given special emphasis. Six consolidated schools and 40 rural schools will come under her jurisdiction in Dickinson county.

Miss Banche Bock returned home last week from Boston, where she attended the National Educational convention. The reports are of an interesting trip and she was deeply impressed with the historic sights in and about one of the nation's oldest cities.

Deputy Denger arrested G. F. Bishop of Wall Lake township for having a stolen Ford touring car in his possession. The car was taken from Webster City a short time ago. But Bishop claims he bought it of a man by the name of Williams living at Iowa Falls for $105. The car was in some kind of a mixup and taken to a Dows garage for repairs. Bishop's stories are somewhat conflicting, but it is to be hoped he can prove his innocence. He was given a hearing Monday at Webster City, where he waived examination and was released on bond.

In concluding the business of the April term of Court Judge Thompson of Webster City, among other things, meted out a 90 day sentence to a Bulgarian bootlegger from Eagle Grove by the name of Victor Christoll. In lieu of a jail sentence he is privileged to pay a $300 fine. Last May Marshal Raynols caught him with the goods in his pockets, also two prospective purchasers at the same time. The evidence was conclusive and the accused entered a plea of guilty. Mayor Baker imposed a sentence of 30 days in the county jail at Clarion. When this was completed and Christoll was about to put on his coat and return to Eagle, Sheriff Lang served notice on him that the county had an unsettled score. Being no other alternative he plead guilty before Attorney Rogers and the judge did the rest.

Judge Thompson refused Ella Thebiay a divorce from her husband Art Thebiay of Eagle Grove. His decision automatically nullified her application for separate maintenance. A few judgements by default and the disposition of several probate matters concluded the business of the term.

J. H. Reese, R. Richardson and D. W. Stewart, collateral inheritance tax commissioners, were in session Monday over the estates of J. I. Knox of Dows and Anton Beer of Eagle Grove. The Oliver Nelson estate at Goldfield came up for appraisement August 1st.

Miss Kate Liddle is home from her vacation trip to points in Alaska, where she saw many interesting sights, beautiful scenery and large numbers of snow-capped mountains. The fartherest point traveled was Lake Bennett, which is many miles from the nearest railroad. There were few white men, mostly Indians and Japs whose chief occupation was fishing and hunting.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU TO MEET AUGUST 7

The next regular monthly meeting of the Pleasant Township Farm Bureau will be held on August 7th, at the home of J. F. Barry. A good program has been arranged for the evening, and everybody is invited to attend and enjoy the evening. Ice cream and cake will be served.

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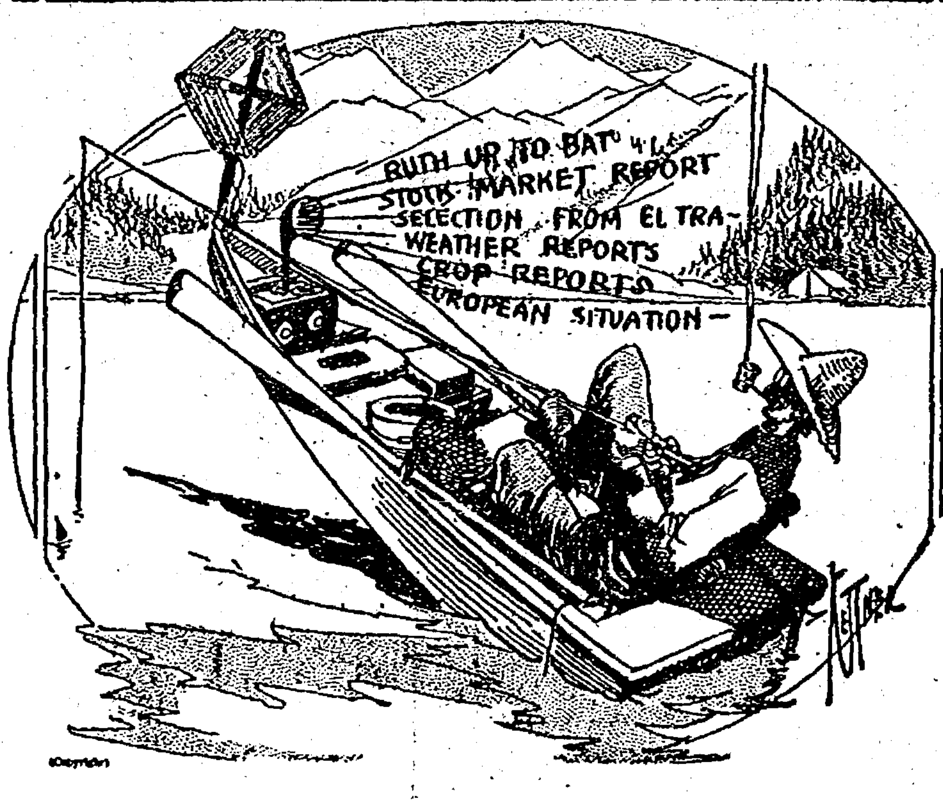

COMPARING KANSAS

The details of the editor's trip to Kansas are of *no* interest to our readers, but perhaps a comparison of the country may be. Our destination was southern central Kansas, about three miles from the Oklahoma line, and, to state it briefly, we wouldn't live in that part of the country if they would give us the state and a thousand dollars a week. The country is flat, level as a floor, in the southern part, with very few trees and never a hill to vary the monotony. Everything is wheat, just wheat and nothing but wheat, as far as the eye can see. Once in a while there will be a small patch of corn, nothing to speak of. The farmer starts harvesting the latter part of June, and after threshing, he "lists" the ground (which consists in going over the field with a lister and leaving a wide furrow) and later he then "busts it back." They use what they call a "ridge buster," and going over the field plow between the furrows originally made with the lister. They have their reason for it, but to save us we couldn't see it. They then harrow and sow, and by about October 1 they are thru. With everything in winter wheat, the farmer has "nothing to do" until next June. He does not, in fact, have anything but the general routine of farm work, and as they do not raise the hogs nor the cattle that we do here, their chores are almost a minus item compared to the Iowa farmer's daily duties. They have but one or two milk cows as a rule, and perhaps half a dozen hogs. Their whole work, their entire dependence almost, is in wheat. The northern farmer has his cream check every month, his butter and egg money; down there they do not have them, with a few exceptions of chickens.

In northern Kansas they raise good corn, along with their wheat; in fact they seem to live differently altogether than they do in the south. All thru the state there was one universal thing, however, and that was their way of getting water, which is generally by one of two methods, or both: The "Old Oaken Bucket" type of open well, where they draw water up by a bucket attached to a windless, or by cisterns, catching rain water and filtering it. It has a flat taste which one must get used to to like. In a few instances they had regulation wells with a pump.

The people have the indolent, easy way of all southerners, taking things as they come, in no hurry about what has to be done. The farm houses are 19 times out of 20 small, one-story affairs; nothing compared to the fine rural homes to be found in Iowa and eastern Nebraska. The farms do not appear as well kept up as are those here; one would naturally think, with the time that they have, the farms would be better kept. But in their rural school buildings, Kansas has us looking sick. Almost without exception they were large, roomy structures, often of brick or stone, modern buildings that any community could be proud of. Many of the homes there are constructed of stone, the country being full of shale, from which oil is taken. A good many of the fences are along the Revolutionary period kind, built of rock; in fact, most of the fences were either of shale or were hedges, while a great many fields were unfenced. Raising little stock, there is really not much need of fencing.

One of the customs there when a person dies is to have mourning cards printed, which are placed in the various store windows, stating the time and place of the funeral services.

The vast majority of their farm sales are held during the summer months, immediately after harvest.

Missouri, what we saw of it, the northern and western part, appeared to be prosperous, with some excellent corn. But the country is all hills, some of them seemingly half-grown mountains, and every inch of it appeared to be under cultivation, farms on a side hill where it would seem that a man would have to have one short leg to balance on them. The famous Missouri mule was much in evidence, as was the drawl in the native's conversation.

Eastern Nebraska is much the same as Iowa; the country is similar and they farm the same. Their dwellings are substantial structures much the same as ours.

In two or three places in Kansas, oil wells were seen, all of the variety where the oil is pumped out. In Oklahoma, where we visited the Chilloco Indian school, there were mile after mile of oil cars, stretching over the horizon as far as the eye could see. The daily papers in that country carry from two to three columns daily of the latest oil news, the tests and prospects.

Of the states we visited, to our notion there were none that could come up to good old Iowa. There is more life, more ambition, and more evidences of prosperity and enjoyment of life. And Iowa's roads, so long bearing a hard name, were by far the best we struck in any of the five states. The primary roads are the delight of the motorist who is in a hurry to get where he is going; graveled, level, smooth and wide, the limit is the limit of your car.

GOOD FELLOWSHIP CLUB

A farewell to Prof. E. S. Fyler was tendered by the Goodfellowship club at the library basement on Monday evening, about 50 of the members of the club being present. Prof. Fyler, who leaves this week for his new home at Sheffield, where he will have the superintendency of the Sheffield schools next year, has been Secretary of the Goodfellowship club since its reorganization here two years ago, and the members, desiring to show their appreciation for his services as such, took this means.

The evening was opened by a short musical program, consisting of two very good solos by O. L. Varland, and several piano selections by a Mr. Peterson, a student of Coe College, who is a guest at the Dr. and Mrs. G. F. McBurney home. Mr. Peterson is an accomplished pianist of rare ability, and the audience were delighted with his selections. Following the program M. C. Barry, acting as chairman, called upon various members present to express the regret of the club that Mr. Fyler was leaving. Prof. Fyler has been prominent in the club work and in community affairs during his stay here, has been a progressive and very able worker and a splendid citizen, and Belmond most sincerely regrets that his work calls him to another field. Sheffield is getting an able man to head her schools, one who will take an active interest in the community welfrare, and a man whom they will be proud to claim.

The club was then called to order for the purpose of reorganization, and the election of new officers. Rev. S. U. Leinbach, who has so ably headed the club as president, was re-elected, with Dr. G. F. McBurney as vice president, and C. M. Morse was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Fyler's resignation. All other officers remain the same.

Those present were then treated to ice cream and wafers, and a social hour and smoker was enjoyed. The next regular meeting of the Goodfellowship club will be held some time during the first or second weeks in October, and it is planned to hold splendid meetings this next fall and winter.

MRS. OLE LEIN DIES

Mrs. Ole Lein passed away at her home in north Belmond on Sunday morning of this week. She had been ill for some time, and her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Dalrymple, of California, has been here for several months caring for her. Mrs. Lein had been very ill and her death had been expected for some time. Funeral arrangements are uncompleted at this writing but we understand are to be held this, Thursday, afternoon, at Trinity church.

TAKES 15 INNINGS TO SETTLE GAME SUNDAY

Belmond And Eagle Grove Do Battle Until Dark Before Winning Run Is Made

The Belmond ball team met nine Eagles and one pirate Sunday, and lost to the pirate, 5 to 4, in 15 innings of hair-raising baseball.

The Eagle Grove diamond was full of mud, and a diamond was laid out in the outfield, making the grounds bumpy and rough, with chances for many errors in fielding, which there were, on both sides. Thomas in the first inning led off with his usual three-base hit for a starter, but the boys couldn't bring him home. In getting used to the field, they made several errors, which permitted the Eagles to score a run. But the boys all had their batting eye in trim, and they soon pounded in a run to tie, and added more as they went along until in the nineth the score stood 4 to 1 for Belmond. With a combination of errors and the able assistance of the pirate, Eagle scored three runs to tie in the last of the nineth. From that on up to the 15th it was a nerve-racking, heartbreaking affair. John Chapman, on the mound for Belmond, had the Eagles eating from his hand, and in 14 innings they secured but two hits from his offerings, while Belmond had a total of ten healthy swats. In the 8th frame Chapman was injured in sliding to second, and as the game went on into extra innings he began to weaken. In the last of the 15th, when, by mutual agreement, the two teams were to stop, a single and a three-bagger gave Eagle Grove the one run.

It was some game and every man on the Belmond team can feel proud of the record he made. Handicapped by the absence of Jones and Fulton, the boys outplayed Eagle Grove from the start, outfielded them and outbatted them. Wenzel at second and Nelson at third played a splendid game in positions they were unaccustomed to. Thomas caught, and caught a man's sized game. Dillon and Foss in field did fine work, and Madsen at Short and Packard at first gave their usual good game. Chapman, in right, never had a chance, not a ball coming to him.

A feature of the game was the "ragging" of some fellow—none appeared to know who he was—who was pulling for Belmond, and with a constant stream of talk and kidding he completely "got the goat" of both the Eagle Grove pitcher and the Eagle Grove umpire, as well as a large bunch of the Eagle fans. In the 10th inning the Eagle pitcher was taken out and a fresh one put in, while Chapman for Belmond went the entire route.

We understand that there is some talk of getting the Eagle Grove team to play Belmond here Creamery Day, and if such is the case the crowd will certainly witness a real battle.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES

Regular midweek prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Thursday.

The W. F. M. S. will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joe White.

Regular services next Sunday a. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Let's all be in our places promptly and help boost our attendance. We want to make 180 next Sunday. Something new in the opening exercises every week.

Preaching service at 11 a. m. Those who missed the laymen's meeting last Sunday missed a fine service.

Epworth League at 7 p. m. In the evening there will be an illustrated lecture, "Of Such is the Kingdom" at 8.

Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

We are glad to see such a good attendance at the services last Sunday. We were not quite up to our high mark in the Sunday school but the attendance at the morning and evening services were above the average. Prof. Patterson for some cause or other was not able to be with us. Mr. Walters, a lawyer in Des Moines, took his place and gave us a very interesting address at the evening hour.

The rainy season has made it necessary to put off our annual picnic for a little while but it will come ere long. In fact we have not yet met the conditions so next Sunday let us try to put it over the 150 mark. Every one in his place on time and with a prepared lesson. Those who do not study the lesson at home do not get much out of the lessons.

Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m. The morning worship at 11:00, at which time we would like to see all the members of the Sunday school present. The young peoples meeting at 7:30 and the evening worship at 8:15. The orchestra assists in the music in the evening and the people are enjoying their help.

Prof. and Mrs. Fyler are moving this week to their new location at Sheffield, where the Professor will have charge of the Sheffield schools this coming year. They are moving their household goods by truck, Floyd Dibble doing the hauling.

Creamery Day Plans Rounding Into Shape

Committees Working Hard To Make August 23rd One Of The Best Days Yet.

$650 RAISED TO FINANCE

The plans for the big Creamery Day are rounding into shape and the indications are for one real Day on August 23rd. No definite arrangements have as yet been completed, but the various committees have been active and things are being rounded in shape where an announcement of the Day's program can probably be made next week.

The finance committee reports a sum of approximately $650 raised to take care of the obligations, and the various committees have received their apportionment with which to work. The ball game will probably be between Dows or Eagle Grove and Belmond, and ought to prove a good one. An advertisement is now running in the Register for attractions and a stack of replies are being received. A merry-go-round and a ferris wheel are on the list and it is hoped to secure them. The sports end is being arranged, and the committee on attactions is arranging for a good street act of high quality. The question of a band is not settled as yet, the price asked being too high and out of reason. Some good band will be secured tho, for music thruout the day.

That there will be something doing all the time goes without saying, and Belmond, to judge from the reports from surrounding towns, will see one of the largest crowds in its history on the 23rd. Many are planning to come to Belmond for the entire day, from the towns around, and make a regular day of it. The committees in charge are securing only the best in their respective lines, attractions and events of high quality, and the entire day will be one continous round of pleasure and entertainment, with everything free to the crowd. Make your plans now to spend August 23rd in Belmond, for you will miss something if you don't.

The Independent will announce the program as soon as completed. Watch the papers!

F. C. FELTON DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Belmond people, while they were expecting it, were nevertheless grieved and shocked Monday to hear of the death late Monday afternoon of Fred C. Felton, one of the city's best known citizens and long a resident here. Mr. Felton had been suffering from tuberculosis, and a trip to Rochester proved unavailing and he came back to spend his last few days at home. Funeral services will be held this, Thursday, afternoon at the house, at 2:00 o'clock, Rev. Wilkinson of the Methodist church preaching the sermon, and the Odd Fellow lodge, of which the deceased was long a faithful member, in charge. In case of rain, the services will be held at the Methodist church. An obituary will be printed next week.

BEET CROP DOING FINE

The sugar beets in this locality are reported as doing splendidly, with prospects of a bumper crop this fall. Reports from some fields are that the beets will go as high as 15 to 20 tons to the acre. If this is true, then the crop is certainly in fine shape and those who have sugar beets are going to make some real money from them. And with a good crop of beets a successful run of the factory here is assured. Things at the sugar factory are progressing nicely and the plant is rapidly being placed in shape for the fall campaign.

PLEASE—

Help us out by getting your copy in as early as possible. Several times lately copy has been brought in on Wednesday which could just as well have been sent in before, and with the last minute rush it had to be left out. The Independent earnestly desires that its readers send in any items or articles they may have to be printed, but if they are sent in early it will be of great help.

Mrs. Tom McCauley and children of Des Moines, who have been here the past few weeks visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh, returned to their home on Saturday.

Mrs. W. W. Pratt and granddaughter, Irene Flynn, of Hampton, are guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee W. Stacy.

Lost—Small white dog, wearing collar with initials "Mrs. L. A. J." —J. M. Jensen

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THE FARMER'S WORST ENEMY

The man who farms, and the woman who helps him has many things to contend with, but to our way of thinking there is one thing that he has to contend with which ought to be stopped, and that is the chicken thief. It has been generally accepted that about the lowest thing in the scale was a bootlegger, but we believe that the chicken thief is one degree below the person who peddles hooch.

Nine times out of ten—or oftener—it is the woman on the farm who raises the chickens; who spends her time fussing with the settin' hens, watching the baby chicks, fighting the rats and pests, eradicating the lice, studying up on the proper way to feed, fattening them up for market, planning what she will get for the home with the money, or the new dress she can get for the children, and then some sneaking, low down critter comes along and loads up a truckload of her chickens, and her months' of labor, time, energy and planning is gone for nought.

It is one despicable crook who does a trick like that, and some measures should be taken to put an immediate and emphatic stop to it. We don't know of any man who is trying to earn a living farming who can afford to "donate" 50 or a hundred of his best chickens to whoever wants them. They are one of the three sources of ready money which he and his family depend upon: eggs, cream and hogs. They are the main resource of many a farmer's wife, who, with the present prices of farm products, must depend upon her chickens for the many small items that go to run a household. For some crook to take her main source of revenue is not only a shame but a crime of the worst nature.

By far the best treatment for the chicken thief is about two shellsful of birdshot, placed in the most satisfying place. But to apply this treatment is a difficult matter. Some measure should be enacted that will make it as highly dangerous to take a chicken as it is supposed to be to peddle booze. Stealing chickens now should come under the same category as horse stealing did in the old days, and the remedy ought to be somewhere near the same. It became one of the most hazardous undertakings to steal a horse; it ought to become one to steal chickens. Perhaps a good stiff fine, with a year or two in the pen, might help; perhaps proof of owership would help when it came to selling. There should be an organization which, when the thief has gotten in his work, could be notified, and in turn could notify every produce dealer within a certain radius to be on the lookout for the stolen property. With the modern way of doing business by truck it would be necessary to cover considerable territory, but it would put a large sized crimp in the business of robbing the farmer's wife.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

WAY TO LIFE: — He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?—Micah 6: 8.

Monday.

GREATEST IN THE KINGDOM: —Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.—Matthew 18: 4.

Tuesday.

NOT MEAT AND DRINK:—For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.—Rom. 14: 17.

Wednesday.

A VERY NEEDFUL PRAYER:—Shew me thy ways, O Lord: teach me thy paths. Let integrity and uprightness preserve me: for I wait on thee.—Psalm 25: 4, 21.

Thursday.

DEFRAUD NOT:—For this is the will of God . . . That no man defraud his brother in any matter.—1 Thessalonians 4: 3, 4.

Friday.

THE WAY TO FREEDOM:—Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—John 8: 32.

Saturday.

GIVING GETS:—There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. —Proverbs 11: 24.

It has been said that curiosity was once the cause of a cat's death. Such being the case, there ought to be quite a few felines in Belmond in danger of demise.

Last week there was a report that Clarion strikers had killed a man. As with most reports, there was nothing to it. Which once again goes to show that you can't most always sometimes tell.

The next time we have a note due at the bank we're going to try the stunt that Germany does with the Allies: ask for a moratorium. Instead of saying that they would like to have an extension of time, they have a meeting of some big bugs, draw up a formal paper stating that they must have more time, and then the Allies grant a moratorium, whatever that is. Great stuff, if it works.

CLIPPINGS

Many tourists pass thru Kanawha but the latter part of last week one auto party passed thru that attracted our attention. There were six people in the party and they were en route from South Dakota to Arkansas. Their conveyance was an old model Ford that showed the scars of many summers—and winters, too. But they were a happy lot of typical southern folk who were apparantly content with their lot but who were looking forward with happy anticipation to the time when they would again arrive at their sunny southern home. In addition to the six occupants of the car they carried a complete camping outfit on the running boards, and the family pet, a mongrel dog, was permitted the joys of the overland trip. They traveled north last year but didn't enjoy the vigorous winter weather of South Dakota and voted unanimously to return to the southland—and home.—Reporter.

The Hampton Horseshoe Pitching Association was organized last week with 14 members and prospects for many more of them. Harry Hardy was elected president of the association and E. R. J. Ryan was chosen secretary and treasurer. John Sawyer and Fred Autry were appointed overseers of the grounds. Lights have been installed at the courts and the local men expect to keep in tiptop trim and take on the pitching stars from all the neighboring towns. Chronicle.

We wish that some of the fellows about Garner who claim that it does not pay to advertise, would explain to us why people flock to the Lyric Theatre when it is advertised that Annette Kellerman is to appear in a bathing suit.—Signal.

The town of Rockwell seems to be gathering its share of shekels from tourists and joyriders who persist in exceeding the speed limit when passing thru that village on the Jefferson Highway. Among the cars tagged Sunday morning by a vigilant officer on duty at the town, was two loaded with Hampton folks who were enroute to Mason City to attend services at the Odd Fellows Home. The driver of each car was promptly assessed "ten bucks" and after liquidating was allowed to continue the journey. It is needless to add that when the drivers reached Rockwell on the return trip they were careful to step on the gas lightly.—Hampton Recorder.

Would you suppose that there was anyone in Garner that had never ridden in an auto? This was true until yesterday when Ben Parker, a grandson of Mrs. Ben Cramer, came from Wisconsin and took his grandma for her first ride and took her for a spin about town and out over the paving. The lady is 84 years of age, but as spry as many who are 20 years her junior.—Garner Signal.

Kuhn & Son of Dows, who have the contract for grading the Wilson north of Garner, are doing a fine piece of work. The grades they are throwing up are certainly some grades. Near Chas. Grau's the grade at one place is over 10 feet high 50 feet wide at the bottom. They are doing away with all the hills on the road to Forest City, and when the road is graveled, it will be the best graveled road in these parts.—Signal.

RADIO

CHANGE POTENTIAL TO OBTAIN SIGNALS

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For every filament current there is a definite plate potential that will give the strongest signals. When using fairly hard tubes—high vacuum—bringing out taps from the individual cells of the plate of "B" battery will give variations that are fine enough.

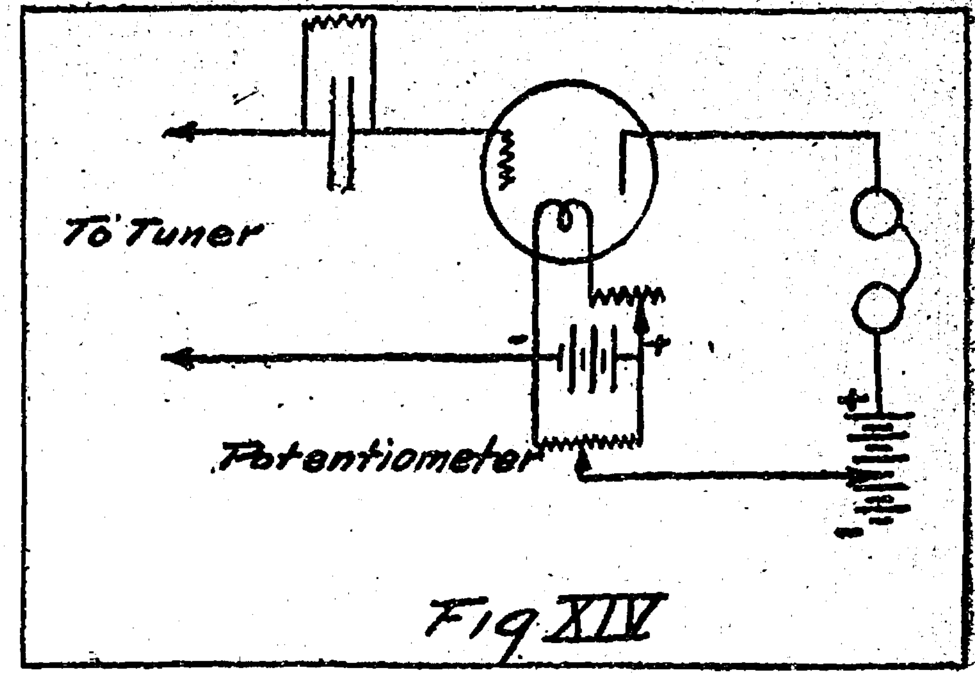

Fig. XIV

For very soft, gaseous tubes, low vacuum, a finer regulation of "B" battery potential is required and is most easily obtained by means of an "A" battery potentiometer. Fig. 14 shows how an "A" battery potentiometer is connected in the circuit of a three-electrode vacuum tube to give fine variations in the plate circuit potential. The resistance of an "A" battery potentiometer should be between 200 and 500 ohms. By moving the slider on the "A" battery potentiometer a variation of plate voltage equal to the "A" battery, or about six volts, can be secured. If the tube contains gas, too high a plate voltage will cause the tube to "buck-over"—that is, the gas is ionized and becomes a conductor, allowing an excessive current to flow to the plate circuit which will destroy the elements.

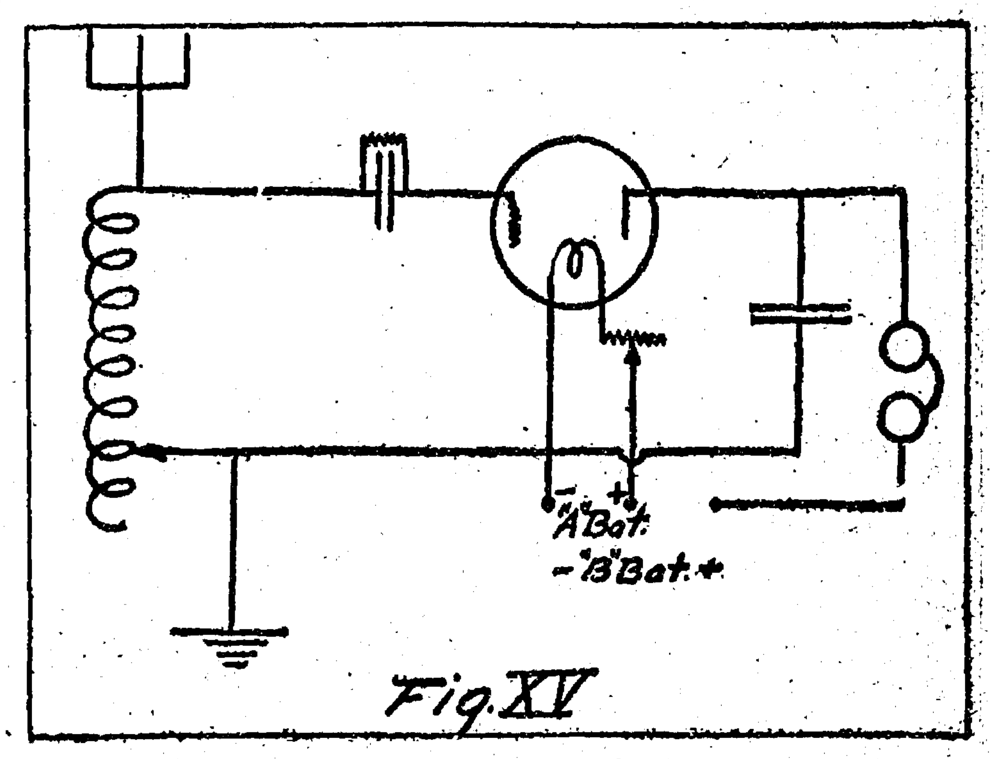

Fig. XV

In using a vacuum tube circuit for the first time, always check the circuit to see that "A" and "B" batteries are connected to their respective terminals on the socket. The markings on the socket are plain and cannot be mistaken. Interchanging the plate filament leads in connecting a socket will be disastrous to the life of the filament.

Note that the filament rheostat is set to place the maximum amount of resistance in series with the filament. After inserting the tube see that it is properly seated and that the four prongs protruding from the tube base make good contact with their respective contacts in the tube socket.

If, after listening in with a vacuum tube used as a detector with a rated filament current and plate potential, no signals are heard, go over the circuit carefully and inspect all connections, contacts, polarity of both the "A" and "B" batteries, and take a look at the grid condenser and leak.

A three-electrode vacuum tube can be substituted for the crystal as a detector in the simple radio receiving set described in this column a short time ago. Using a vacuum tube in place of a crystal detector will give a much louder signal, and a detector that when once adjusted will stay adjusted. The material which will be required to do this is as follows:

One standard vacuum socket.

One 6-10-ohm filament rheostat.

One grid condenser and leak combined.

Three binding posts.

A source of filament current and a source of plate potential.

Schematically the set is connected up as shown in Fig. 15 when used with a three-electrode tube as a detector.

This set, too, can be very conveniently mounted on an 8 by 10-inch base, mounting the tube socket with the filament rheostat beside it.

In a great many of the usual receiving circuits used the so-called detector tube functions not only as a detector, but as an amplifier and as an oscillator, as will be explained later.

There will also be printed a table of symbols used in drawing diagrams and thus the different parts and materials used in these diagrams will be readily understood by those who are unfamiliar with these terms.

TIPS FOR FANS

A meeting of representatives of stations within 360 meters of New York and New Jersey was called to prevent radio "jam" in the air. Some of the sweet things that come through must have gummed up the ether.

For use across the secondary of a tuner, such as the honeycomb coils, use a condenser of twenty-three plates or less. The less capacity used in the secondary circuit, the better will the set work.

If, after wiring up a set, you hear nothing but a steady hum in the receivers, you may be very sure that there is an open circuit somewhere. Trace out the wiring carefully and some little fault will present itself.

The so-called "spaghetti" tubing, if placed over bare wire used in wiring a set, will improve the appearance 100 per cent and reduce the danger of short circuits.

More and more are the radio fans turning to radio-frequency amplification instead of audio-frequency. The chief reason for this lies in the fact that in radio-frequency amplification the incoming signals are amplified before they reach the detector, where they are rectified, while in audio-frequency they are amplified after reaching the detector. In the first method signals that are very weak are brought in, whereas in the latter method they would probably not be heard.

SUN DUST IS A "RADIO NET"

London Professor Evolves Novel Theory of the Atmospheric Envelope.

Electrified dust thrown off by the sun forms an atmospheric envelope about the earth about 100 miles which prevents wireless waves from escaping into infinite space, according to Prof. J. A. Fleming, University college, London, whose work in wireless is known all over the world.

The screen made by the dust, he says, acts as a sort of wireless speaking tube and enables waves used for long-distance work—which are about ten miles in length—to travel 6,000 and 12,000 miles.

If it were not for that screen, according to the professor's theory, the wireless energy thrown out by the big sending towers would not cling to the earth, but would pass away and be lost.

How Big Is an Electron?

One very noteworthy experiment in measuring an electron was performed by an American, Professor Millikan of Chicago. He introduced a minute drop of oil of about 1-10,000th inch in diameter in a chamber between two plates whose electrical charge was subject to control. The drop of oil was strongly illuminated and was viewed with a telescope. By controlling the potentials of the plates the oil drop could be made to fall or rise at will. The drop continually picked up and lost electrons. As it picked up an electron it would move toward the positive plate. By carefully observing the action of the drop of oil, Millikan was able to determine very accurately the charge added to it by its picking up one electron.

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Try Our Repacking Mode

Farm Bureau News

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Anyone wishing to see an itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Fourth of July picnic funds may receive a copy of same by writing or calling the county agent.

Signed: Will Tillman,
Chr. Finance Committee.

Club Picnic A Success.

The county wide club rally picnic which was staged at the Goldfield chautauqua park last Thursday, proved to be a great success in spite of threatening weather. A great many boys and girls hesitated in starting for the picnic until about noon, consequently, the program did not begin until after the picnic dinner. The sunshine which broke thru about noon brought forth about 500 Wright county boys and girls and many of the parents, all of whom managed to pack in a full day's fun between noon and five o'clock.

The radio program which was to have been heard by the boys and girls was not a success and many were disappointed not have opportunity to hear the wireless messages. L. B. Sheldon and Ed. Hartsock, who operated the receiving set, seemed to think that the static electricity interfered with the receiving of the messages. They were able to tune in so as to hear the addresses which were being given at Ames, but they were not distinct enough to be heard by the audience thru the amplifier.

This boys and girls club picnic was the largest club picnic ever staged in Wright county. An interesting program consisting of addresses, club demonstrations, athletic stunts and club stunts, filled the day of jollification for the youngsters. The principal address of the occasion was given by Paul G. Taff, state leader of boys' and girls' club work, who spoke to the boys and girls on club organization and the relation between the farm bureau and the club work. Addresses on club work were also given by Prof. J. L. Gordon, poultry specialist, and by Miss Hazel Spencer, assistant state leader of girls' club work.

In speaking of the club work in Wright county, Mr. Taff spoke very highly of the splendid work which is being carried on in Wright county and mentioned the fact that this county is really the birthplace of the boys' and girls' club work. He complimented Miss Hazel Spencer very highly upon the splendid work which she is doing thruout Iowa as assistant state leader of girls' club work and said he was very glad to be able to come to Wright county to select an assistant leader for this work. This is a singular honor for Miss Spencer and her friends and neighbors appreciate the compliment paid by the state leader.

Interest In Stock Judging

Eleven boys from the vicinity of Clarion met with the county agent at the H. N. Denby farm last Thursday evening for the purpose of judging several classes of beef cattle. Classes of aged cows, junior and senior yearlings and junior and senior calves were arranged by Mr. Denby and the boys received instruction in judging from the county agent.

Any boy between the age of 15 to 21 inclusive is invited to join these boys in the livestock judging work. The county agent is planning to take all the boys who are interested in the judging work to Ames, August 12, for a state judging contest at the college. Later in the season they will be taken to the Mason City and Fort Dodge fairs and possibly to the state fair, this fall. The boys who have joined and are taking active part are as follows: John Bell, Clyde Knight, Leo Woodley, Maurice Mechem, Ross Mechem, Everett Woodley, Clarence Clark, Chas. Denby, Everett Denby, Eldon Sumners and Floyd Bell.

Clothing Training Schools

Arrangements are being made for three training schools one day each for August 14, 15 and 16, at which time instruction and actual demonstration in remodeling of clothing will be given by Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist, from Ames, to the ladies of Wright county.

The remodeling for these three meetings will include meetings for making over clothing, also for decoratve stitches which may be used for giving the old garment a new and up-to-date appearance. Every lady who attends the August meetings should bring with her a piece of material, her needles, and colored thread for making stitches. These will be all day meetings and the places of meeting will be announced as soon as the committee has arranged the schedule.

Reservation At State Fair

Those who are planning to camp out at the state fair this year and who wish to make reservation for space, tents and equipment in the free farm bureau camp should make application at once to the county agent, because all reservations must be in on or before August 15.

An effort will be made this year to have all people from Wright county reserve space in the same section of the camping ground so that all people from our home county will be together in one big family. All other counties of the state are making this arrangement for camping out at the fair this year. Let us demonstrate to the other counties of the state that Wright county can send a good representation to the fair and that we can live together peaceably in the same camp.

Our Dues

Belong to the farm bureau? Don't eh? Wouldn't contribute $5.00 per year to the cause of agriculture? Well now listen brother. Are you willing to give $5.00 per year to the railroads? No! Well then, are you willing to give $5.00 per year to the oan trusts? No! All right, how about the Wright county Farm Bureau? Are you willing to contribute five dollars annually to help keep your own organization going?

You may not belong to the Farm Bureau; you may not be paying $5 a year into an association of farmers that is working for your interests. You may object to having the treasurer of the county farm bureau draw on your account for the sum of five paltry dollars, but boy, you are paying dues to the railroad association, you are allowing the mortgage companies to draw on you for sums far in excess of your farm bureau dues: you allow the packers to deduct your dues to them every time you ship a pig, yet you say you don't want to belong to the farm bureau, don't want them to draw annually on you for $5.00, which is only a small fraction of what they are saving you.

The farm bureau got you a reduction of freight rates on agricultural products of some 10 per cent last fall; they made the railroads pay some $600,000 more taxes in Iowa by raising their taxable valuation and we had to go to court to do it. The farm bureau wants only a small part of what it has saved you. Why not pay dues to it, and stop paying dues to the railroads, the packers, the mortgage companies and the hundreds of other organized industries that don't ever give you a receipt? Think it over. If you don't help the farm bureau and allow it to help you — Who Will?

The...
Indian Drum

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house; it had only five rooms. One of those upon the second floor was so much larger and pleasanter than the rest that they became quite sure that it was the one in which Alan had been born, and where his young mother soon afterward had died.

The woman, who had showed them about, had gone to another room and left them alone.

"There seems to have been no picture of her and nothing of hers left here that any one can tell me about; but," Alan choked, "It's good to be able to think of her as I can now.

"I mean—no one can say anything against her now!"

Alan drew nearer her, trembling.

"I can never thank you—I can never tell you what you did for me, believing in—her and in me, no matter how things looked. And then, coming up here as you did—for me!"

"Constance!" He Caught Her. She Let Him Hold Her.

"Yes, it was for you, Alan!"

"Constance!" He caught her. She let him hold her.

The woman was returning to them now and, perhaps, it was as well; for not yet, he knew, could he ask her all that he wished; what had happened was too recent yet for that. But to him, Spearman—half mad and fleeing from the haunts of men—was beginning to be like one who had never been; and he knew she shared this feeling. The light in her deep eyes was telling him already what her answer to him would be; and life stretched forth before him full of love and happiness and hope.

[THE END.]

Griesy's Store News

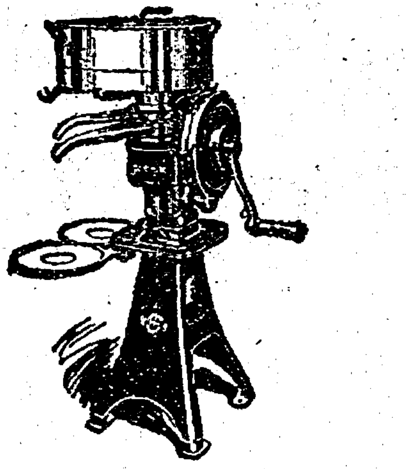
Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, AUGUST 3, 1922. No. 22.

One of our customers reports his potatoes are so big that six of them make a dozen.

A real diplomat is the man who can persuade his wife that she looks just as well in cotton stockings.

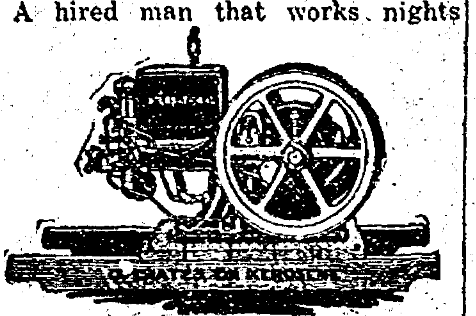
An "Inside" Story

Human nature is terribly curious. After a man has seen the outside of a thing he wants to see the inside. He wants to know how it works and why, and that's a splendid trait. You no doubt have seen the outside of the PRIMROSE, but what about the "inside"? Here's part of the story: Picture in your mind a cream separator with a splash oil system that lubricates every bearing. Think of the conveniences of a friction clutch that grips the instant the crank is moved. Imagine the golden flow of smooth cream coming thru two wide open cream outlets with eight times as much room for the cream to escape as in the average separator. You'd enjoy seeing how drippings and spilled milk is carried thru a drain tube to a cup underneath the separator. All these "inside" features are in the PRIMROSE CREAM SEPARATOR. Aren't you curious to look one over?



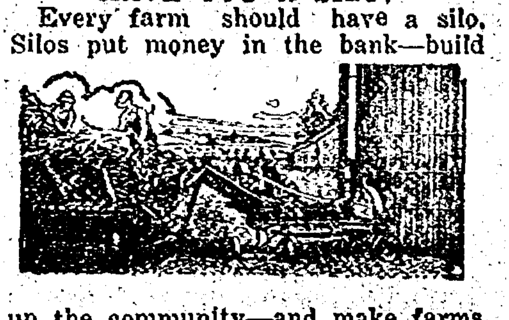
HIRED MAN—30c A DAY

A hired man that works nights as well as days, that doesn't complain when it's cold or hot; that never asks for a day off when you've planned on going visiting or when you're up to your neck in work—a hired man that is always ready to work—what would he be worth to you? We know of such a hired man and he will work for the trifling sum of 30 cents a day—3 cents an hour! And he won't puff a "Camel" between times, muss up the house with his dirty shoes, and "ma" doesn't have to make his bed either, because he never sleeps and needs no meals except kerosene. The INTERNATIONAL Engine is just such a hired man—the most faithful you can hire. Get an INTERNATIONAL "horse-and-a half" engine and make life easier for "mother" and yourself.



HAVE YOU A SILO?

Every farm should have a silo. Silos put money in the bank—build up the community—and make farms worth more. The silo combines more good things, pointing to greater profits, than any other building on the farm. Just as you safeguard your winter feed by owning a good silo, so do you safeguard your corn crop and secure the most profitable returns from it by owning tried and dependable corn machines. Whatever your need—whether it be a corn binder or an ensilage cutter—we can supply you with a trustworthy machine from the McCormick-Deering line.



It is better to "Stop, Look and Listen" than to "Say It With Flowers."

All men should pay their debts, for is it not written "Man is dust," and doesn't dust settle?

We ought, perhaps, to be glad that we have not descended so far from the monkeys but that a monkey gland finds congenial surroundings on our insides. Tally one for Mr. Darwin's idea.

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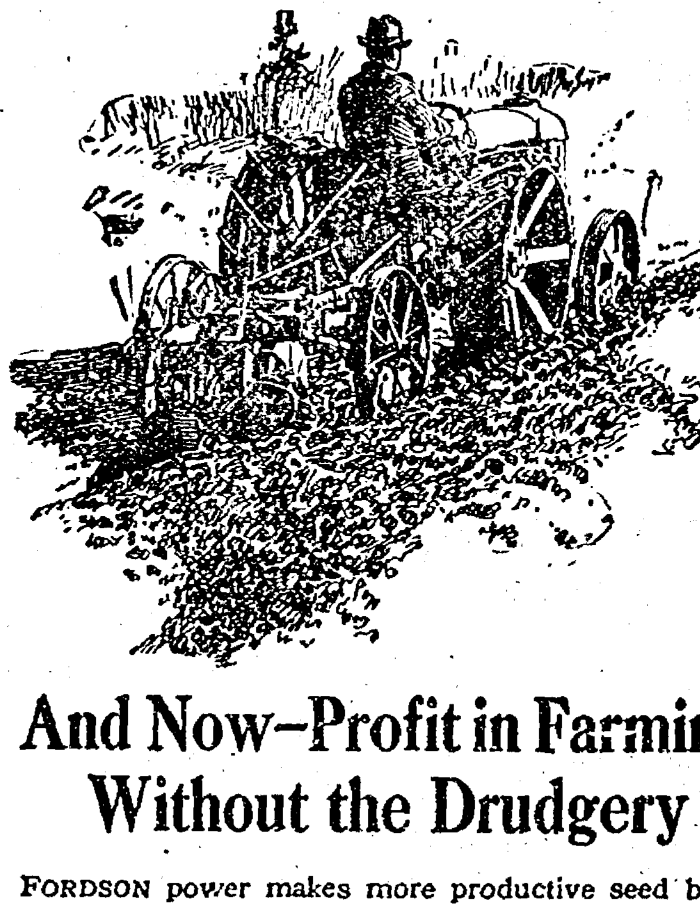

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It is extremely easy to handle. Depth is adjusted by moving a lever that operates a jack. So easy is this done that most drivers do not stop or slow down to make a change in the plowing depth.

The power lift is tripped by simply touching a rod which is so convieniently placed that the driver need not turn his head to operate it. There is no side draft because the plow is in perfect alignment with the tractor.

To farm the Fordson way means so small an investment that it is within easy reach of every farmer. Come in and see the Oliver No. 7 gang and you, too, will decide to farm the Fordson way.

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1922

FORD RETAIL SALES MAKE NEW RECORD

Retil sales of Ford cars, trucks and tractors established a new high record during June, when, according to a statement issued from Detroit, an average of 5,709 machines were sold daily.

Ford sales have been showing a constant increase each month this year; June being the highest in the history of the company with a total of 148,439 cars, trucks and tractors. Of this number, 6,054 were sold by the Ford company of Canada and 9,435 by the various European Ford companies and South American branches, reaching purchasers in practically every civilized country in the world.

With the closing of business for June, the records show the fact that total sales for the first six months of 1922 were well over the half-million mark, the exact figures being 652,261. This is also a new high record as it is considerably in advance of any previous half-year period.

July Ford sales are expected to equal, and probably eclipse, June. The estimated output of cars, trucks and tractors has been placed at 151,767, altho dealers have requistioned more than 200,000.

Ford officials state that every attempt has been made to supply their dealers with sufficient cars to fill their orders, but that for the past three months, prompt deliveries have been impossible with some of the types. The demand for Ford enclosed cars has been especially hard to meet, due to the ever-increasing popularity of the Coupe and Sedan for all year-round use.

A reflection of general business conditions is seen in the record of Ford truck sales, which now show an increase of 84 per cent over last year. Merchants and farmers alike have come to recognize the utility of the motor truck in cutting transportation costs and speeding up deliveries, and the fact that they are buying nearly twice as many now as a year ago clearly points to better business conditions. At the present time 75,000 men are employed in the Detroit plant.

North Iowa Fair

Mason City

Every Day Is A Feature Day

Special Sacred Concert At 3:00 p. m.
Sunday, August 13 by Roy D. Smith's
Famous Royal Scotch Highlander
Band

Fireworks - Mystic China - Every Evening

HARNESS RACES
Last Four Days of Fair, August 15-18

Stock Judging
Vaudeville
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MONDAY, AUGUST 14

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10¢ plus Iowa State Tax
They are GOOD!

NO CAR TIEUPS AT FAIR

Street car tieups will not handicap State Fair visitors in Des Moines this year. Fair officials have received assurances from the city railway company in Des Moines that a one minute service will be provided to and from the fair grounds thruout the rush hours. This will be sufficient to care for the largest crowds, they say.

FORD BUILDS OWN WINDSHIELD GLASS

The Ford Motor Company, Detroit, has begun to manufacture its own plate glass, and already has in operation the first modern glass house ever equipped especially to make glass for automobiles.

As is customary when taking over the manufacture of a new product, Ford has applied his own principles of production, and, as a consequence, the methods and machinery used in making Ford glass are a radical departure from established practice. The Ford continuous conveyor system features the operations so that from the time the glass leaves the furnace until it becomes a polished windshield, it is always moving.

Glass making, when viewed in the Ford plant, looks to be very simple. The raw materials are introduced into the furnace where they become a molten mass. Drawn from the furnace in a semi-liquid state, the glass passes under a roller, which gives it width and thickness, and on to a moving conveyor. This carries it for 464 feet thru a gradually cooling furnace. At the end, it is cut and placed on another conveyor which carries it thru the grinding and polishing, after which it is ready for use.

This adds a new link to the fast growing chain of Ford industries which are being established and expanded from time to time in line with the Ford policy to achieve complete independence of outside material sources in manufacturing Ford products, and at the same time are the means by which Ford is enabled to use in the production of motor cars, trucks and tractors material of unusually high quality and sell them at the famous Ford prices.

BEES REGULATE TRAFFIC

The Eagle Grove Eagle tells of a swarm of bees that went on a "sympathy strike" in that town recently, and leaving their native hive one afternoon made a visit thru the business section of the town and finally settle down on the "Keep-to-the-right" sign in the center of the business street. There was no need of a traffic officer while they were on the job; autos and pedestrians were law-abiding to a degree. The Marshal joined the "strike" and declared he wasn't employed to handle entire armies single handed. One of the citizens, wise in bee lore, finally volunteered to rescue the town from the enemy, and placing an empty beehive under the post, shook the bees off and into the box. In a hour or so there was one more happy home of honey makers.

LACKED PROMPTNESS

"The man who wins," she said, "is the man who is prompt in embracing an opportunity."

"Well," he whispered after he had slipped his arm around her, "how do I strike you as a winner?"

"Only fair," she answered. "This could have happened a month ago."—Boston Transcript.

About the time that the state fair opens the street car companies in Des Moines will have a tie-up, and maybe higher fares therefor. Just like, if you've ever noticed, the apple crop is hurt early in the season by frost.

GET YOUR FINE JOB PRINTIN AT THE INDEPENDENT OFFICE

OLD CITIZEN OF GOODELL GOES TO REWARD

Last Thursday evening about 8:00 o'clock Theodore Robbins breathed his last. Several weeks ago he was taken to the hospital at Hampton, where he was operated on for cancer. Since the operation he had been confined to his bed. He was a patient sufferer. Since the death of his wife in 1894 he had made his home most of the time with his brother, Wick Robbins, of Goodell.

Theodore Robbins was born in Buchanan county, Iowa, near Independence, on Feb. 19, 1856, and died at Goodell on July the 27, 1922, age 66 years, five months and eight days. He came to Hancock county with his parents about 50 years ago. In 1881 he was united in marriage to Margaret Elizabeth Long, who died in 1894. There are six children, Earl Albert of Tacoma, Wash., Ira Otis, of Saskatchewan, Canada, Hallie May Robbins Roddy, of Havelock, Ia., lives in Liberty township, Hancock county, Ima Iva Robbins Fuller of Clear Lake, and Kenneth Robbins, who was killed in action while in France in 1918.

Five children, six grandchildren, one sister and one brother mourn his departure, besides many friends. The funeral was conducted from the United Brethern church in Goodell, and he was buried in the Goodell cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Henning Sandberg, of Iowa Falls spent Thursday night in Goodell with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, of Clear Lake were in town Saturday to attend the funeral of her uncle, Theodore Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Graeber visited friends in Kanawha on Sunday.

Miss Maude Griggs and her father spent Sunday in Goodell. They returned to Ventura on Monday.

Mr and Mrs. Sandberg and their daughter Edith, with Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson autoed to Lake Cornelia on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ellsworth and daughter Mrs. McCray of Oklahoma City returned Sunday from an extended trip thru southern Minnesota and South Dakota. They report a fine trip.

Mr. Wm. Nelson of Belmond was in Goodell, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Suurballe of Garner passed thru Goodell, Sunday, on their way to Eagle Grove. Miss Louisa Ahrenkeil accompanied them from Goodell.

Last week the Chronicle contained a news item to the effect that baby boys had been born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Muhlenbruch, southwest of town. The item was mailed to this office with the supposed name of the writer signed to it, but it has turned out that Mr. and Mrs. Muhlenbruch had no babies at their home at all. This is a dirty piece of business, and it is surprising that any person in his right mind would ever consider it a joke.—Hampton Chronicle.

Small boy—"Say dad, what is a bigamist?"

Dad—"One who makes the same mistake twice."

Cave Man Stuff

Back near the beginning of things, our prehistoric forbears would have perished from the earth if they had not understood the science of reading advertising.

The cave men didn't know much about underwear, hair tonic or phonographs, but they did have to eat. The one who could follow the track of the game he hunted, or read the meaning of a twisted leaf or broken twig, was best off in life.

Then, as now, the most consistent reader of advertising was best dressed, best fed and most contented. There has been something of an evolution in advertising in the last few thousands of years, but the principle is just the same.

The *consistent* reader of the advertisements is invariably best informed on what to eat and where to get it; what to wear and how much to pay for it. He's up on the most important things in life.

Throughout the ages, advertising has done much to make life livable and pleasant. We owe it much.

Let's make the most of it.

A Newspaper's TWO Sources of Revenue

Subscriptions and Advertising Are the Only Sources of Revenue a Newspaper Has and Often the Subscriptions Do Not Pay for the Cost of White Paper

Advertising today, especially in newspapers, is the greatest business getter there is. This is acknowledged by men who know. People read advertisements in newspapers. They have been educated to do so. Every merchant in our town ought to advertise. You remember the story about John Wanamaker? The first day he was in business his receipts were $24.64. He kept the 64 cents and spent the $24 the next day in advertising. We all can't duplicate this feat, but according to the best statistics available **three per cent of the gross sales should be put aside for advertising.**

Possibly you will say, "I don't need to advertise. I've been in this town thirty years and everybody knows me."

Probably they do, but did you ever stop to think of the sales you lose because your fellow competitor advertises? He may advertise the same goods you have in your stock, but the people don't know you have them. The other fellow gets the sale because he advertises. And, then, how much more business you would do if you did advertise?

We know of one merchant who advertised a lot of goods at 19 cents a yard. They cost him 27 cents. He took a clean loss, but while the sale was going on he could buy new goods at 12 cents. He put them in with the other goods and the result was that he cleaned his shelves of the old goods and he broke even on the deal. Advertising and good buying liquidated his stock without a loss.

We can't all be John Wanamakers, but we all can advertise in proportion to our business. Results will be sure if you *advertise honestly and give service. A newspaper can bring* people to your store, but it can't make people buy your goods. Your clerks must do that, and it depends on the service you give as to how successful your business will be.

What is done in the big cities can be done right here in this town if you will show the pep, give the service and advertise. ***Make business good.*** You can do it through this newspaper.

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

•• LARKIN PRODUCTS ••

Have you ever tried Larkin products? They are the best. Try their teas, coffee, laundry supplies and toilet preparations.

They have all kinds of paints and varnishes of better quality than most of the more expensive brands.

Come in and look over the articles in my Larkin Pantry.

MARY GEALOW
Larkin Secretary

Phone 316.
Belmond Iowa

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Wanted to buy, a horse broke to drive single, and safe for woman and children to drive.—Fred Schluter, Meservey, Iowa. 37tfc

For Sale—Beet lifter, used but one season.—Mrs. Henry Brater, Meservey, Iowa. 37tfc

Mrs. Henry Geisler and daughter, Miss Helen, of Lisbon, N. Dakota, who have been visiting relatives and friends here the past week, left Monday for Storm Lake where they will visit a few days with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kolb accompanied them. The trip was made in the latter's car.

Mrs. L. F. Wilkins and children returned last Friday from a three weeks' visit at Klemme and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. White and son Albert of Klemme were Friday visitors at Mrs. Wilkins' home.

Senor Smith left Monday for an extended visit with relatives in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Nelson and baby of Klemme were callers at Mrs. Meinderts, Sunday, the latter returning home with them for a few days' visit.

Mrs. R. L. Robinson is visiting at the home of relatives in Rowan.

Miss Ruth Smith of Mason City was a week end visitor at the parental home.

Mrs. Geisler and daughter, Mabel, of Lisbon, N. Dak., are visiting at the Adam Kolb home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Avery and daughter Marjorie were Sunday visitors at the Fred Lemke home.

Miss Mabel Eggers was a Sunday visitor at Thornton.

Mrs. Ed. Bachman and children were visiting at the home of her mother, Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Wilkins and children of Goodell were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. L. F. Wilkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boelman and Mrs R. E. Boelman were callers at Dows, Friday, where the latter consulted a doctor.

Walter Witt returned the latter part of last week from his visit at Bloomfield.

The cemetery society will meet next Tuesday, Aug. 8 at home of Mrs. Roy Halfpop.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The Board of Directors of the CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT of MESERVEY will receive sealed bids for the transporting of children until 6 p. m., August 14, 1922. Sealed bids for janitor work in the Meservey school will also be accepted until such time. All bids to be in the hands of the Secretary of the Board before the above mentioned time in order to receive consideration.

All bids for routes shall plainly state the number of the route for which the bidder desires to submit a bid and the wages asked per school month of 20 school days. Plans may be seen at the office of the Secretary. Drivers shall be prepared to furnish a suitable bond in case their bid is accepted.

The Board reserves the right to accept or to reject any or all bids.

K. Clarence Ruigh,
Secretary.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and family left Tuesday morning for Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for an extended visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sprau are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy, who came to their home on August 1.

The W. C. T. U. will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Aug. 8, at the Mrs. H. K. Pals home.

TWO FARM BARNS NEAR HAMPTON BURNED

Hampton Recorder: A disasterous fire of unknown origin occured Monday afternoon on the D. W. Mott farm, a mile from town and northeast of Harriman park, two barns being destroyed together with contents.

One of the structures was a new building, 32x50, valued at $2,500 and insured for $1,500. The other was an old barn 50x60, valued at $750 and insured for $500. The contents of the old barn consisted of over fifty tons of hay. In the new barn was stored two or three tons of hayand some corn and oats. The loss will aggregate probably $200.

The farm is owned by D. W. Mott, who spends considerable time overseeing the place and has employed Earl Jamison as caretaker. Jamison was working in a field a long ways from the buildings when the fire started. The blaze was first discovered at about 4 o'clock by some tourists who were passing the place in an auto and gave the alarm. Neighbors rushed to the scene and a phone call was sent to town for fire apparatus. The fire engine was dispatched out by the time of its arrival flames had completely enveloped the building and all the firemen could do was to keep them from spreading to nearby structures, which was done by pumping water from Spring creek thru 300 feet of hose. The two barns were completely gutted. The loss sustained by Mr. Mott will probably reach $2,500 over and above the insurance.

In the good old days when we were good we were called pet names. When bad we were called to the woodshed.

All men may be born equal, but there is a wide variance by the time they kick off.

Dr. F. S. Agler

Physician & Surgeon

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Belmond Iowa

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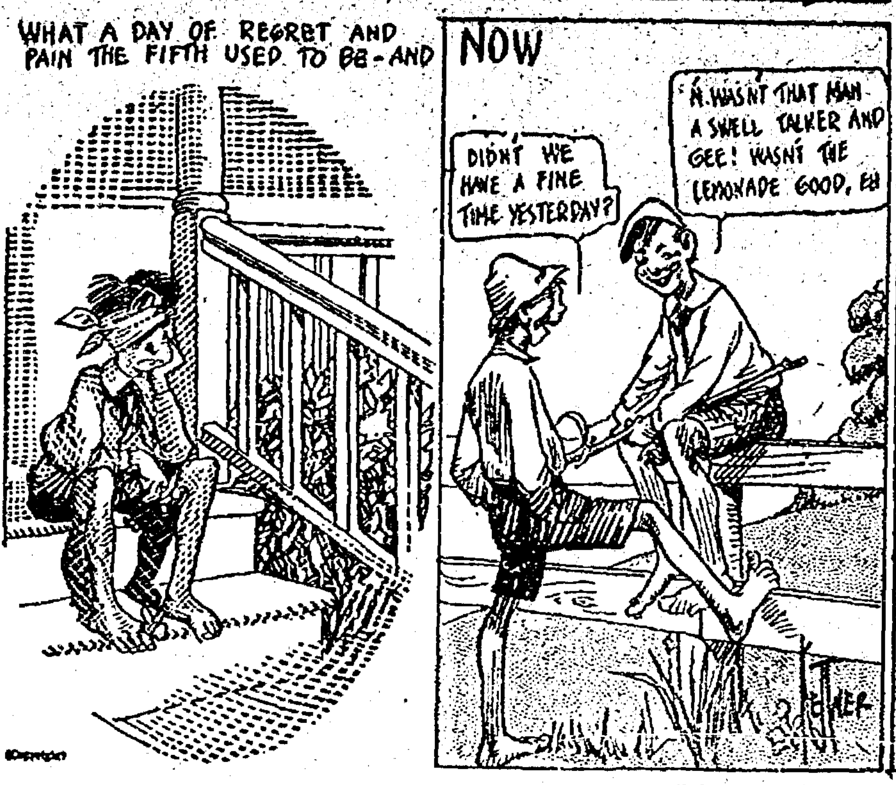
WHAT A DAY OF REGRET AND PAIN THE FIFTH USED TO BE - AND
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DIDN'T WE HAVE A FINE TIME YESTERDAY?
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Salt Lime Cement
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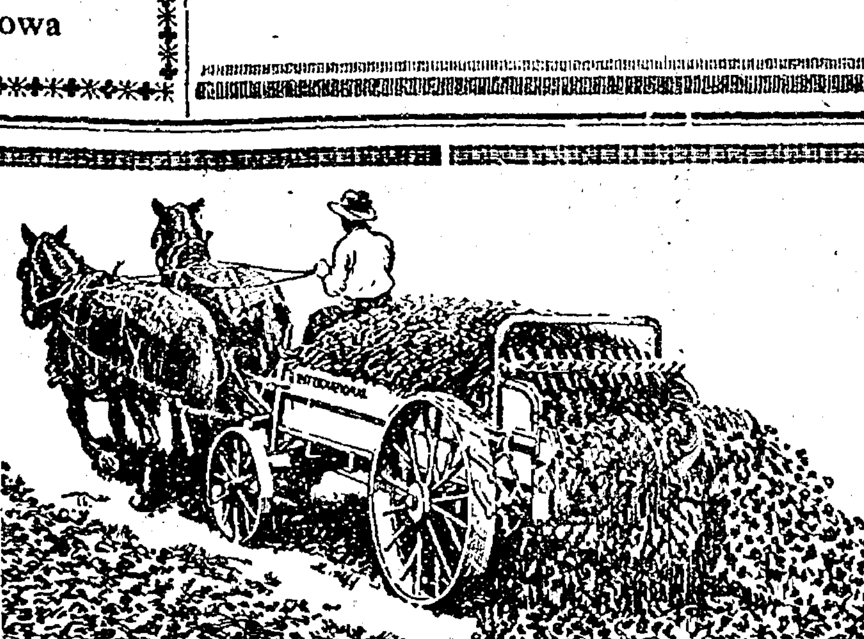

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IN SUNDAY CLOSING FIGHT

Sibley, Osceola county, has been having considerable agitation over the Sunday amusement question, wherein baseball and movies were an issue, with the result that a town ordinance was invoked to prevent them on that day. And now it is announced that the Redpath-Vawter Chautauqua system was fined $50 at Sibley for violating a town ordinance in conducting a chautauqua on Sunday for gain. The chautauqua gave two performances on Sunday in which the performers were the All College Glee club and Miss Edna Means. Attendants were admitted on paid tickets. —Exchange.

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ROWAN NEWS

HERE'S REAL COMEDY

Dorothy Gish's latest Paramount comedy, "The Ghost in the Garret," which will be the feature at the Star theatre Saturday, August 6th, is a real comedy. The story deals with a girl who foils the efforts of a band of desperate crooks to escape with a pearl necklace which they have stolen, and at the risk of her life she follows the thieves to a haunted house. With the aid of a trained bull dog she recovers the necklace and frees her sweetheart who has been accused of the crime.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson was a Hampton visitor between trains Monday.

Mrs. Bon Jennings of Hampton spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steffens.

Mrs. Guy Stumph and daughter Garnett, were Clarion shoppers on Thursday.

Roy Hyde and daughter May were Belmond callers Friday.

Mr. Meyers of Waverly has been in Rowan several days with his wood sawing outfit sawing up the ties for the railroad men. He sawed around 2,000 ties here.

Mrs. N. B. Olson has been quite ill the past week but is able to sit up at the present writing.

Miss Dollie Riley was a Clarion caller Thursday.

Mrs. R. H. Keith and daughter, Margaret went to Renwick, Wednesday to spend a short time at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Clowes They returned home Sunday. Miss Grace McCutcheon of Goldfield returned with them to spend a few days with them.

Abel McKinley of Filer, Idaho, is spending a few days with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sheldon returned Saturday from their camping trip at Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French returned from Iowa City, Thursday. Mr. French is much improved in health

A number of families enjoyed an outing at Clear Lake, Friday, and report a fine time. They took their picnic supper which was much enjoyed.

Miss Wilda Whitten was a Clarion caller Wednesday where she took the examinations.

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Wednesday.

Mrs. Hicketheir of Spokane, Wash., spent several days the past week with her sister, Mrs. Bine Wilder.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou accompanied her two nieces, Mrs. Harrigan and Miss Florence Lynk, who have been visiting at her home, to Dows, Wednesday. They were returning to their home at Joliet and Manhatten.

F. B. Sheldon was on the sick list several days the last of the week, suffering from lumbago. He is able to attend to his duties at the bank again.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher and child of Dike, spent a few days the first of last week at the G. W. Whitten home. The Whitten family accompanied them to Clear Lake and Armstrong, Wednesday, returning on Friday.

Jake Thomas of Alden came home Wednesday night to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas.

Bernard Stumph had the end of one of his fingers taken off last Tuesday in machinery.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow stopped in Rowan on their way to their home at Goldfield from Waterloo last Tuesday. Miss Gladys Whitten accompanied them home for a short visit.

Robert Sellers, of Galt, is repairing his threshing machine at the Joe Thomas home.

Miss Eva Hackley and her friend from Sioux Falls spent the first of last week in Dows at the home of her sister, Mrs. Elmer Gaulke, returning to Rowan, Wednesday.

Miss Ruby Cowley returned from Dows last Saturday, where she had been the past two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baines.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McCallum, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sellers and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCallum have rented a cottage at Clear Lake and are spending a week's vacation there. Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCallum are keeping house for William McCallum during their absence.

Rev. Tomkinson and wife returned from Clear Lake where they have been attending the M. E. Institute, the first of the week.

R. Virden autoed to Clear Lake Monday to bring the Misses Mae Virden and Maude Cowley home. They had been attending the institute at that place.

Rev. Hardy of Hampton preached two excellent sermons at the M. E. church Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Anderson are expected to visit Rowan friends next Sunday and it is hoped we will be able to secure one or both of them for the services at the Cong. church. Rev. Mrs. Anderson was supply pastor for the Cong. church for several months the past year.

The Rock Island train was derailed Monday afternoon, making it very late.

Miss Bonnie Thomas is now enjoying a pleasant vacation visiting at the homes of relatives in and near Clear Lake.

Dr. Maker spent Sunday at Clear Lake.

Mrs. Leonard McCallum and children returned from their camping trip at Clear Lake last Wednesday.

Harold Bingham and family were calling on Rowan relatives Thursday.

The M. E. Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Bert Pelley last Thursday afternoon. A large crowd attended. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burt from Clarion spent the week end at the home of their son Elmer, and wife

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Thrams from Mason City visited at the home of Miss Wilda Whitten Monday. Mrs. Thrams will be remembered by her friends in Rowan as Miss Erma Falcon, who taught in our school a few years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Azeltine were Iowa Falls visitors Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. D. Bingham. They report Mrs. Bingham as about the same

Mr and Mrs. C. L. Bingham were Eagle Grove callers Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamilton and two daughters are visiting at the home of their cousin, Mrs N. B. Olson, and family. They are motoring from California where they spent the past three years, to their home in Illinois.

Mrs. Martha Andrews, a former resident of Rowan vicinity, but now located at Huron, S. D., is visiting relatives around here. Sunday a family gathering was held in her honor at the home of Mrs. Esther Andrews. Last Friday afternoon several old time acquaintances met her at the home of Mrs. J. D. Pritchett, where she was being entertained for the day.

Mrs. Charley Bradfield of Spirit Lake spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler.

The Cong. Aid society served a supper last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fanselow. Many attended, over $18 being taken in.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter Faye, were Belmond callers on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bine Wilder moved Friday to Parkersburg where they have a job of road graveling. W. A. Hoke went the first of the week to haul gravel for them.

Mrs. Edith Harson moved into the Dr. Gordon property vacated by the Wilder family. Mrs. Harson has been away from Rowan for several months and we are glad to welcome her back to our neighborhood again.

Wm. McCallum had the misfortune to dislocate his shoulder this past week. His horse threw his head while Mr. McCallum was holding him and jerked his shoulder out of place.

Little Jean Williams, the small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams, is entertaining the measles this week.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear Tires.

Next Wednesday at the Star theatre will be shown "What Happened To Rosa," starring Mabel Norman. This is a story of a little shop girl who dreamed dreams and tried to make them come true. Comedy is always the major note.

Mrs. Roscoe Robinson spent the week end at the G. R. Stumph home. She was very ill Monday afternoon from taking too large a dose of headache medicine.

Last Tuesday afternoon several relatives and friends of Mrs. Will Bingham surprised her by gathering at her home in honor of her birthday. They remembered her with appropriate gifts and a very pleasant afternoon was spent.

RADIO

From out the air around me I hear strange voices come; such miracles confound me, and I am stricken dumb. Some orator is speiling, a thousand miles away, and in my humble sheiling I plainly hear him bray. Some gifted modern Dante recites an ode in Maine, and in my western shanty I hear his noble strain. Some world famed singer's yelling afar in Boston town, and in my mortgaged dwelling, the stovepipes tumble down. No swaying wires are bringing these wondrous sounds to hand the speaking and the singing, the crashing of the band. Along the waves of ether, Dame Science sends her breath old legends crushed beneath her, traditions done to death. The scoffers once were tireless, they used to sigh and swear, when people talked of "wireless," of messages by air. And I with them was scoffing, and wore a jeering grin; but now my lid I'm doffing to Science and her kin. I see the airships sailing along the heavens blue, I hear strange dirges wailing from Crete and Timbuctoo; each day some thing of wonder is hatched beneath the sun; I ask you, who in thunder will say things can't be done?—Walt Mason.

THE EDITOR

George Fitch once wrote an essay on "The Editor." Fitch began his newspaper career as a reporter at $6 a week.

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Alexander Department

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Alexander Local News

Mrs. Ed. P. Marble and daughter Maxine, of Waterloo, spent the past week with relatives and friends at this place.

Arthur Peters, Theodore Beenen, Jerry Beenen and John Bohler were callers at Clear Lake on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peters and children were Sunday visitors at Mason City.

The Misses Esther and Velma Larsen spent a few days last week with relatives at Hampton.

Mrs. E. E. Butler and two sons of Hampton were callers at this place the first of the week.

Miss Ose Lidderdale of Mason City was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry Peters a few days last week.

Peter Bohlen and sons Carl and Clarence Bohlen, and Norman Bohlen were callers at Mason City on Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Kausian of Ackley visited with relatives at this place several days last week.

Miss Edna Arends was a Belmond caller last Saturday.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer of Sheffield was a Sunday visitor with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and children Sylvia, Robert and Leonard and Miss Clare Arends visited at the Rev. Sherman Arends home at Hayfield, Minnesota, last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter Leona of Hampton, were at this place Sunday evening.

Arthur and Louie Peters and Chas. Winwood were business callers at Eagle Grove last Wednesday.

Miss Wilma Foughty is the guest of relatives at Minneapolis, Minnesoto, this week.

Art Thomas of Iowa Falls was a business caller in town Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn and two children were callers at Mason City last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Ammerman and son and Jerry DeFries visited with relatives at Woden last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Latham are at Northwood, North Dakota, where s. Latham went for medical treatment.

Theodore Jensen returned home last Friday from the Albert Lea hospital, Where he was confined for several days as the result of an accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Markum are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Saturday, July 29.

SAY!

Where is our street commissioner, city council, or Mayor? Gone fishin'? Naw! Haven't ja got any? Yep—gone to tha movies. Say kid, tell 'em I was in town Saturday and it looks like somebody ought to clean the crossings, anyway that one over the M. & St. L. tracks, just on the south side. If I hadn't a been longlegged I'd had to got my hip boots to cross it. Weeds grown over the edge of the walk and a large hole in the concrete walk. No use, Bud; sumpins gotta be did, and you tell 'em so. No excuse just because it's the M. & St. L., go after 'em and keep after 'em 'till you get results. And better yet while you are at it get them to fix up that old cow path from the depot, or next spring they will be goin' to and from in a row boat. No excuse to put it off 'till next spring. Do it now! If you people at Alexander have no commissioner, I will import a wooden one.

M. E. CHURCH SERVICES

Preaching at 9:30.

Sunday school at 10:30.

All are invited to attend these services. The pastor, Rev. Wilkinson, has been at Lincoln, Nebraska, the past two weeks, where he has been attending an Epworth League convention. He will be with us next Sunday again. We had no preaching last Sabbath, as the man who was to fill the pulpit failed to get here thru the mud. Dr. Bushnell preached for us on the 23rd, his subject being The Rainbow.

The ladies of the Dorcas society spent a very enjoyable afternoon on Wednesday, July 26, at the home of Mrs. Lewis Bell, when they invited for their guests the old members of the society, besides several other of their friends. A nice program was given and all took part in singing songs. Those present from out of town were Mrs. Will Azeltine and Mrs. Ed. Azeltine, both of Rowan, Mrs. Ole Houg of Dows, Mrs. Albert Yaw and Mrs. George Yaw of Iowa Falls, Mrs. Alta Barker of Hampton, and Mrs. Will Waddington of Geneva. Mrs. Harry Hardy, of Hampton, and two children, Miss Della Houg of Dows, and Miss Lillian Azeltine of Rowan, Mrs. Pierce Marble of Waterloo, Mrs. Mary Kusian of Ackley, and Miss Esther Long of Iowa Falls. Next Wednesday afternoon the Dorcas society will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Greenfield. A full attendance is desired.

APPLY THE FOURTH SPRAY

That the fall and winter apples may be kept free from worms and diseases it is very important that they be sprayed about the first week in August. This spray is especially important for the second brood of coddling moths, the worms of which generally enter the sides of the apple. Numerous cases occur every year where the apples are kept clear of the early attack of the pests, but because of failure to put on the fourth and final spray, 80 per cent or more of the late varieties and best apples are wormy at picking time. Do not lose the results of previous work by not finishing the job.

The material to use in this spray is 4 quarts of liquid or 3 1-2 pounds of powdered lime sulfur to 50 gallons of water. To this add a good full pound of arsenate of lead, first mixing in a small amount of water.

The Wealthy apples and all later varieties should receive this spray. Pay special attention to coating the fruit with the spray material. Unless web worms or tent caterpillars are present non-bearing trees need not be sprayed. Sprayed winter apples which are free from diseases and worms, will be in heavy demand and should bring an excellent return to the grower. There is not near the supply of fruit in the state or country that early reports would lead one to believe.

Fruit always makes a fine exhibit and all growers should plan to show it at their county fairs, and those that can, at the Iowa State Fair, In November, America's best Horticultural show this year will be held in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Premium lists may be obtained from Secretary of the Horticultural Society, State House Des Moines.

An Englishman and an American have made a wager and will race one another across the Atlantic in forty-foot boats. We always thought the English were bigger fools than the Americans, but it looks like they didn't have much of anything on us.

OVER 400 BABY BEEVES ENTERED AT STATE FAIR

Iowa farm boys and girls have entered over 400 baby beeves in the Junior department of the Iowa State Fair, to be held August 23 to Sept. 1. This is the largest list of entries of this kind ever recorded in the mid west, officials say. They forecast the biggest showing by farm boys and girls that has ever been made at any state fair in the country. Over $8,900 in prizes is offered in the junior department this year.

AS AN OLD, OLD MAN— DIES AT AGE OF 134

Kentucky recently lost a citizen who claimed the world's championship as the oldest man. He claimed to be 134 years of age. He rofessed to remember the grief and weeping that went with George Washington's funeral, and said he was too old to get into the Mexican war. He professed to have seen many changes in the country, and if he was as old as he declared he was, he certainly did.

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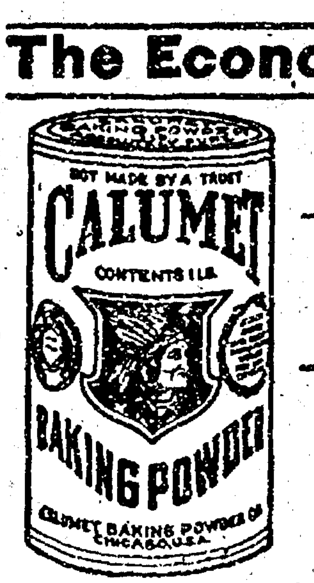
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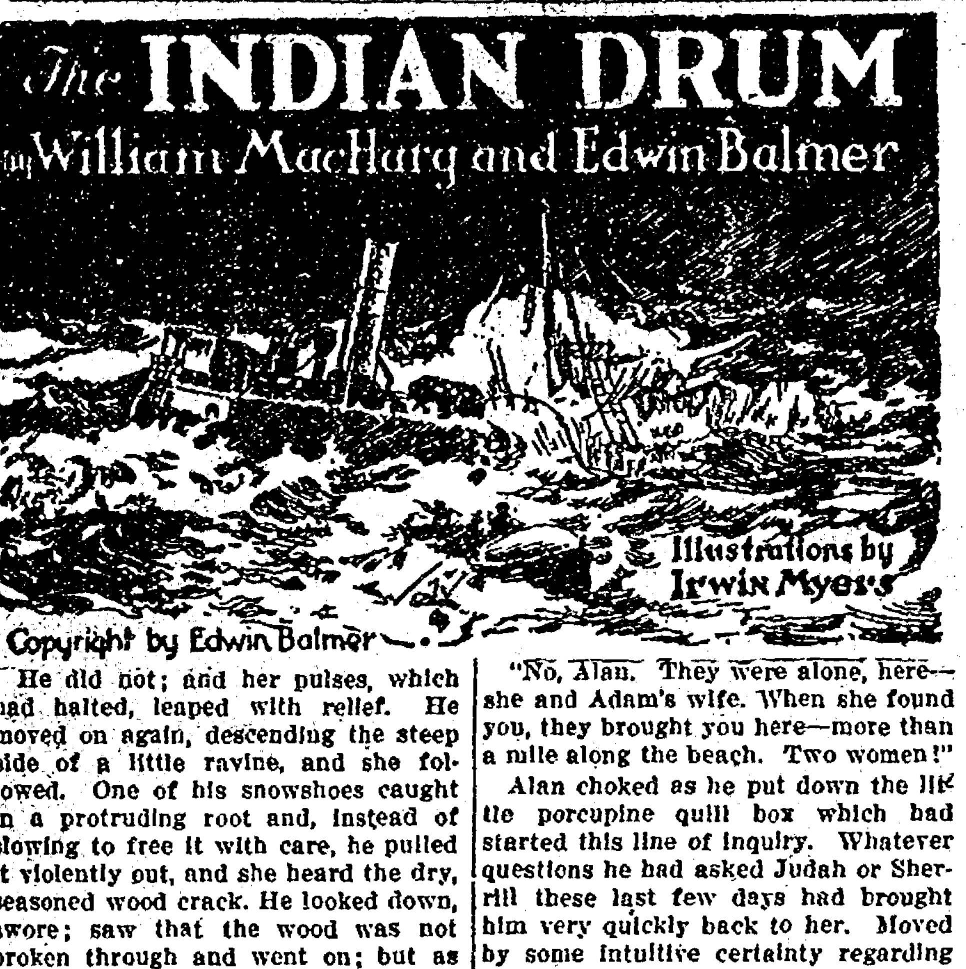

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He did not; and her pulses, which had halted, leaped with relief. He moved on again, descending the steep side of a little ravine, and she followed. One of his snowshoes caught in a protruding root and, instead of stowing to free it with care, he pulled it violently out, and she heard the dry, seasoned wood crack. He looked down, swore; saw that the wood was not broken through and went on; but as he reached the bottom of the slope, she leaped downward from a little height behind him and crashed down upon his trailing snowshoe just behind the heel. The rending snap of the wood came beneath her feet. Had she broken through his shoe or snapped her own? She sprang back, as he cried out and swung in an attempt to grasp her; he lunged to follow her, and she ran a few steps away and stopped. At his next step his foot entangled in the mesh of the broken snowshoe, and he stooped, cursing, to strip it off and hurl it from him; then he tore off the one from the other foot, and threw it away, and lurched after her again; but now he sank above his knees and floundered in the snow. She stood for a moment while the half-mad, half-drunken figure struggled toward her along the side of the ravine; then she ran to where the tree trunks hid her from him. He gained the top of the slope and turned in the direction she had gone; assured then, apparently, that she had flown in fear of him, he started back more swiftly toward the beach. She followed, keeping out of his sight among the trees.

To twenty-six, he had counted—to twenty-six, each time! That told that he knew one was living among those who had been upon the ferry! What one? It could only be one of two to dismay him so; there had been only two on the ferry whose rescue he had feared; only two who, living, he would have let lie upon this beach which he had chosen and set aside for his patrol, while he waited for him to die!

She forced herself on, unsparingly, as she saw Henry gain the shore and as, believing himself alone, he hurried northward. She could not rest; she could not let herself be exhausted. Merciless minute after minute she raced him thus— A dark shape—a figure lay stretched upon the ice ahead! Beyond and still farther out, something which seemed the fragments of a lifeboat tossed up and down where the waves thundered and gleamed at the edge of the floe.

Henry's pace quickened; hers quickened desperately, too. She left the shelter of the trees and scrambled down the steep pitch of the bluff, shouting, crying aloud. Henry turned about and saw her; he halted, and she passed him with a rush and got between him and the form upon the ice, before she turned and faced him.

Defeat—defeat of whatever purpose he had had—was his now that she was there to witness what he might do; and in his realization of that, he burst out in oaths against her— He advanced; she stood, confronting—he swayed slightly in his walk and swung past her and away; he went past those things on the beach and kept on along the ice hummocks toward the north.

She ran to the huddled figure of the man in mackinaw and cap; his face was hidden partly by the position in which he lay and partly by the drifting snow; but, before she swept the snow away and turned him to her, she knew that he was Alan.

She cried to him and, when he did not answer, she shook him to get him awake; but she could not rouse him. Praying in wild whispers to herself, she opened his jacket and felt within his clothes; he was warm—at least he was not frozen within! No; and there seemed some stir of his heart! She tried to lift him, to carry him; then to drag him. But she could not; he fell from her arms into the snow again, and she sat down, pulling him upon her lap and clasping him to her.

She must have aid, she must get him to some house, she must take him out of the terrible cold; but dared she leave him? Might Henry return, if she went away? She arose and looked about. Far up the shore she saw his figure rising and falling with his flight over the rough ice. A sound came to her, too, the low, deep reverberation of the Drum beating once more along the shore and in the woods and out upon the lake; and it seemed to her that Henry's figure, in the stumbling steps of his flight, was keeping time to the wild rhythm of that sound. And she stooped to Alan and covered him with her coat, before leaving him; for she feared no longer Henry's return.

CHAPTER XX

The Fate of the Miwaka.

"So this isn't your house, Judah?"

"No, Alan; this is an Indian's house, but it is not mine. It is Adam Enos' house. He and his wife went somewhere else when you needed this."

"He helped to bring me here, then?"

"No, Alan. They were alone, here—she and Adam's wife. When she found you, they brought you here—more than a mile along the beach. Two women!"

Alan choked as he put down the little porcupine quill box which had started this line of inquiry. Whatever questions he had asked Judah or Sherrill these last few days had brought him very quickly back to her. Moved by some intuitive certainty regarding Spearman, she had come north; she had not thought of peril to herself; she had struggled alone across dangerous ice in storm—a girl brought up as she had been! She had found him—Alan—with life almost extinct—upon the beach; she and the Indian woman, Wassaquam had just said—had brought him along the shore. How had they managed that, he wondered. His throat closed up, and his eyes filled as he thought of this.

In the week during which he had been cared for here, Alan had not seen Constance; but there had been a peculiar and exciting alteration in Sherrill's manner toward him, he had felt; it was something more than merely liking for him that Sherrill had showed, and Sherrill had spoken of her to him as Constance, not, as he had called her always before, "Miss Sherrill," or "my daughter." Alan had had dreams which had seemed impossible of fulfillment, of dedicating his life and all that he could make of it to her; now Sherrill's manner had brought to him something like awe, as of something quite incredible.

He turned to the Indian.

"Has anything more been heard of Spearman, Judah?"

"Only this, Alan; he crossed the straits the next day upon the ferry there. In Mackinaw City he bought liquor at a bar and took it with him; he asked there about trains into the northwest. He has gone, leaving all he had. What else could he do?"

Alan crossed the little cabin and looked out the window over the snow-covered slope, where the bright sun was shining. Snow had covered any tracks that there had been upon the beach where those who had been in the boat with him had been found dead. He had known that this must be; he had believed them beyond aid when he had tried for the shore to summon help for them and for himself. The other boat, which had carried survivors of the wreck, blown farther to the south, had been able to gain the shore of North Fox island; and as these men had not been so long exposed before they were brought to shelter, four men lived. Sherrill had told him their names; they were the mate, the assistant engineer, a deckhand and Father Perron, the priest who had been a passenger but who had stayed with the crew till the last. Benjamin Corvet had perished in the wreckage of the cars.

As Alan went back to his chair, the Indian watched him and seemed not displeased.

"You feel good, now, Alan?" Wassaquam asked.

"Almost like myself, Judah."

"That is right, then. It was thought you would be like that today. A sled is coming soon, now."

"We're going to leave here, Judah?"

"Yes, Alan."

Was he going to see her, then? Excitement stirred him, and he turned to Wassaquam to ask that; but suddenly he hesitated and did not inquire.

Wassaquam brought the mackinaw and cap which Alan had worn on Number 25; he took from the bed the new blankets which had been furnished by Sherrill. They waited until a farmer appeared driving a team hitched to a low, wide-runnered sled. The Indian settled Alan on the sled, and they drove off.

They traveled south along the shore, rounded into Little Traverse bay, and the houses of Harbor Point appeared among their pines. The sled proceeded across the edge of the bay to the little city; even before leaving the bay ice, Alan saw Constance and her father; they were walking at the water front near the railway station, and they came out on the ice as they recognized the occupants of the sled.

Alan felt himself alternately weak and roused to strength as he saw her. Their eyes encountered, and hers looked away; a sudden shyness, which sent his heart leaping, had come over her. He wanted to speak to her, to make some recognition to her of what she had done, but he did not dare to trust his voice; and she seemed to understand that. He turned to Sherrill instead. An engine and tender coupled to a single car stood at the railway station.

"We're going to Chicago?" he inquired of Sherrill.

"Not yet, Alan—to St. Ignace. Father Perron—the priest, you know—went to St. Ignace as soon as he recovered from his exposure. He sent word to me that he wished to see me at my convenience; I told him that we would go to him as soon as you were able."

"He sent no other word than that?"

"Only that he had a very grave communication to make to us."

Alan did not ask more; at mention of Father Perron he had seemed to feel himself once more among the crashing, charging freight cars on the ferry and to see Benjamin Corvet, pinned amid the wreckage and speaking into the ear of the priest.

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It was not merely a confessional which Father Perron had taken from the lips of the dying man on Number 25; it was an accusation of crime against another man as well; and the confession and accusation both had been made, not only to gain forgiveness from God, but to right terrible wrongs. If the confession left some things unexplained, it did not lack confirmation; the priest had learned enough to be certain that it was no hallucination of madness. He had been charged definitely to repeat what had been told him to the persons he was now going to meet; so he watched expectantly upon the railway station platform at St. Ignace. A tall, handsome man whom Father Perron thought must be the Mr. Sherrill with whom he had communicated appeared upon the car platform; the young man from Number 25 followed him, and the two helped down a young and beautiful girl.

They recognized the priest by his dress and came toward him at once.

"Mr. Sherrill?" Father Perron inquired.

Sherrill assented, taking the priest's hand and introducing his daughter.

"I am glad to see you safe, Mr. Stafford." The priest had turned to Alan. "We have thanks to offer up for that, you and I!"

"I am his son, then! I thought that must be so."

Alan trembled at the priest's sign of confirmation. There was no shock of surprise in this; he had suspected ever since August, when Captain Stafford's watch and the wedding ring had so strangely come to Constance, that he might be Stafford's son. He looked at Constance, as they followed the priest to the motor which was waiting to take them to the house of old Father Benitot, whose guest Father Perron was; she was very quiet. What would that grave statement which Father Perron was to make to them mean to him—to Alan? Would further knowledge about that father whom he had not known, but whose blood was his and whose name he now must bear, bring pride or shame to him?

A bell was tolling somewhere, as they followed the priest into Father Benitot's small, bare room which had been prepared for their interview. Father Perron went to a desk and took therefrom some notes which he had made.

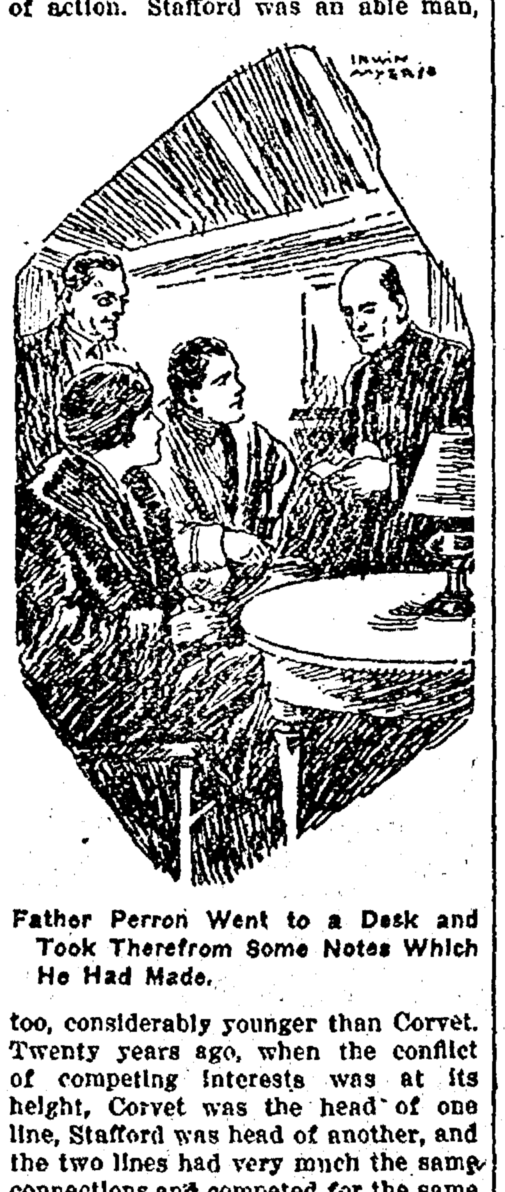
"What I have," he said, speaking more particularly to Sherrill, "is the terrible, not fully coherent statement of a dying man. It has given me names—also it has given me facts. But isolated. It does not give what came before or what came after; therefore, it does not make plain. I hope that, as Benjamin Corvet's partner, you can furnish what I lack."

"What is it you want to know?" Sherrill asked.

"What were the relations between Benjamin Corvet and Captain Stafford?"

Sherrill thought a moment.

"Corvet," he replied, "was a very able man; he had insight and mental grasp—and he had the fault which sometimes goes with those, a hesitancy of action. Stafford was an able man, too, considerably younger than Corvet. Twenty years ago, when the conflict of competing interests was at its height, Corvet was the head of one line, Stafford was head of another, and the two lines had very much the same connections and competed for the same cargoes."



Father Perron Went to a Desk and Took Therefrom Some Notes Which He Had Made.

"I begin to see!" Father Perron exclaimed. "Please go on."

"In the early nineties both lines still were young; Stafford had, I believe, two ships; Corvet had three."

"So few? Yes; it grows plainer!"

"In 1894, Stafford managed a stroke which, if fate had not intervened, must have assured the ultimate extinction of Corvet's line or its absorption into Stafford's. Stafford gained as his partner Franklin Ramsdell, a wealthy man whom he had convinced that the lake traffic offered chances of great profit; and this connection supplied him with the capital whose lack had been hampering him, as it was still hampering Corvet. The new firm—Stafford and Ramsdell—projected the construction, with Ramsdell's money, of a number of great steel freighters. The first of these—the Miwaka, a test ship whose experience was to guide them in the construction of the rest—was launched in the fall of 1895, and was lost on its maiden trip with both Stafford and Ramsdell aboard. The Stafford and Ramsdell interests could not survive the death of both owners and disappeared from the lakes. Is this what you wanted to know?"

The priest nodded. Alan leaned tensely forward, watching; what he had heard seemed to have increased and deepened the priest's feeling over what he had to tell and to have aided his comprehension of it.

"His name was Caleb Stafford," Father Perron began. "(This is what Benjamin Corvet told to me when he was dying under the wreckage on the ferry.) 'He was as fair and able a man as the lakes ever knew. I had my will of most men in the lake trade in those days; but I could not have my will of him. With all the lakes to trade in, he had to pick out for his that traffic which I already had chosen for my own. But I fought him fair, Father—I fought him fair, and I would have continued to do that to the end.

"'I was at Manistee, Father, in the end of the season—December fifth of 1895. The ice had begun to form very early that year and was already bad; there was cold and a high gale. I had laid up one of my ships at Manistee, and I was crossing that night upon a tug to Manitowoc, where another was to be laid up. I had still a third one loading up on the northern peninsula at Manistique for a last trip which, if it could be made, would mean a good profit from a season which so far, because of Stafford's competition, had been only fair. After leaving Manistee, it grew still more cold, and I was afraid the ice would close in on her and keep her where she was, so I determined to go north that night and see that she got out. None knew, Father, except those aboard the tug, that I had made that change.

"'At midnight, Father, to westward of the Foxes, we heard the four blasts of a steamer in distress—the four long blasts which have sounded in my soul ever since! We turned toward where we saw the steamer's lights; we went nearer and, Father, it was his great ship—the Miwaka! We had heard two days before that she had passed the Soo; we had not known more than that of where she was. She had broken her new shaft, Father, and was intact except for that, but helpless in the rising sea . . .'"

The priest broke off. "The Miwaka! I did not understand all that that had meant to him until just now—the new ship of the rival line, whose building meant for him failure and defeat!

"There is no higher duty than the rescue of those in peril at sea. He—Benjamin Corvet, who told me this—swore to me that, at the beginning none upon the tug had any thought except to give aid. A small line was drifted down to the tug and to this a hawser was attached which they hauled aboard. There happened then the first of those events which led those upon the tug into doing a great wrong. He—Benjamin Corvet—had taken charge of the wheel of the tug; three men were handling the hawser in ice and washing water at the stern. The whistle accidentally blew, which those on the Miwaka understood to mean that the hawser had been secured, so they drew in the slack; the hawser, tightened unexpectedly by the pitching of the sea, caught and crushed the captain and deckhand of the tug and threw them into the sea.

"Because they were short-handed now upon the tug, and also because consultation was necessary over what was to be done, the young owner of the Miwaka, Captain Stafford, came down the hawser onto the tug after the line had been put straight. He came to the wheelhouse, where Benjamin Corvet was, and they consulted. Then Benjamin Corvet learned that the other owner was aboard the new ship as well—Ramsdell—the man whose money you have just told me had built this and was soon to build other ships. I did not understand before why learning that affected him so much.

"'Stafford wanted us' (this is what Benjamin Corvet said) 'to tow him up the lake; I would not do that, but I agreed to tow him to Manistique. The night was dark, Father—no snow, but frightful wind which had been increasing until it now sent the waves washing clear across the tug. We had gone north an hour when, low upon the water to my right, I saw a light, and there came to me the whistling of a buoy which told me that we were passing nearer than I would have wished, even in daytime, to windward of Boulder reef. There are, Father, no people on that reef; its sides of ragged rock go straight down forty fathoms into the lake.

"'I looked at the man with me in the wheelhouse—at Stafford—and hated him! I put my head out at the wheelhouse door and looked back at the lights, at the new, great steamer, following safe and straight at the end of its towline. I thought of my two men upon the tug who had been crushed by clumsiness of those on board that ship; and how my own ships had had a name for never losing a man and that name would be lost now because of the carelessness of Stafford's men! And the sound of the shoal brought the evil thought to me. Suppose I had not happened across his ship; would it have gone upon some reef like this and been lost? I thought that if now the hawser should break, I would be rid of that ship and perhaps of the owner who was on board as well. We could not pick up the tow line again in so close to the reef. The steamer would drift down upon the rocks—'"

Father Perron hesitated an instant. "I bear witness," he said solemnly, "that Benjamin Corvet assured me—his priest—that it was only a thought; the evil act which it suggested was something which he would not do or even think of doing. But he spoke something of what was in his mind to Stafford, for he said:

"'I must look like a fool to you to keep on towing your ship!'

"'They stared, he told me, into one another's eyes, and Stafford grew uneasy.

"'We'd have been all right,' he answered, 'until we had got help, if you'd left us where we were!' He, too, listened to the sound of the buoy and of the water dashing on the shoal. 'You are taking us too close,' he said—'too close!' He went aft then to look at the tow line."

Father Perron's voice ceased; what he had to tell now made his face whiten as he arranged it in his memory. Alan leaned forward a little and then, with an effort, sat straight. Constance turned and gazed at him; but he dared not look at her. He felt her hand warm upon his; it rested there a moment and moved away.

"There was a third man in the wheelhouse when these things were spoken," Father Perron said, "the mate of the ship which had been laid up at Manistique."

"Henry Spearman," Sherrill supplied.

"That is the name. Benjamin Corvet told me of that man that he was young, determined, brutal and set upon getting position and wealth for himself by any means. He watched Corvet and Stafford while they were speaking, and he, too, listened to the shoal until Stafford had come back; then he went aft.

"'I looked at him, Father,' Benjamin Corvet said to me, 'and I let him go—not knowing. He came back and looked at me once more, and went again to the stern; Stafford had been watching him as well as I, and sprang away from me now and scrambled after him. The tug leaped suddenly; there was no longer any tow holding it back, for the hawser had parted; and I knew, Father, the reason was that Spearman had cut it!

"'I rang for the engine to be slowed, and I left the wheel and went aft; some struggle was going on at the stern of the tug; a flash came from there and the cracking of a shot. Suddenly all was light about me as, aware of the breaking of the hawser and alarmed by the shot, the searchlight of the Miwaka turned upon the tug. The cut end of the hawser was still upon the tug, and Spearman had been trying to clear this when Stafford attacked him; they fought, and Stafford struck Spearman down. He turned and cried out against me—accusing me of having ordered Spearman to cut the line. He held up the cut end toward Ramsdell on the Miwaka and cried out to him and showed by pointing that it had been cut. Blood was running from the hand with which he pointed, for he had been shot by Spearman; and now again and a second and a third time, from where he lay upon the deck, Spearman fired. The second of those shots killed the engineer, who had rushed out where I was on the deck; the third shot went through Stafford's head. The Miwaka was drifting down upon the reef; her whistle sounded again and again the four long blasts. The fireman, who had followed the engineer up from below, fawned on me! I was safe for all him, he said; I could trust Luke—Luke would not tell! He too thought I had ordered the doing of that thing!

"'From the Miwaka, Ramsdell yelled curses at me, threatening me for what he thought that I had done! I looked at Spearman as he got up from the deck, and I read the thought that had been in him; he had believed that he could cut the hawser in the dark, none seeing, and that our word that it had been broken would have as much strength as any accusation Stafford could make. He had known that to share a secret such as that with me would "make" him on the lakes; for the loss of the Miwaka would cripple Stafford and Ramsdell and strengthen me; and he could make me share with him whatever I made. But Stafford had surprised him at the hawser and had seen.

"'I moved to denounce him, Father, as I realized this; I moved—but stopped. He had made himself safe against accusation by me! None—none ever would believe that he had done this except by my order, if he should claim that; and he made plain that he was going to claim that. He called me a fool and defied me. Luke—even my own man, the only one left on the tug with us—believed it! And there was murder in it now, with Stafford dying there upon the deck and with the certainty that all those on the Miwaka could not be saved. I felt the noose as if it had been already tied about my neck! And I had done no wrong, Father! I had only thought wrong!

"'So long as one lived among those on the Miwaka who had seen what was done, I knew I would be hanged; yet I would have saved them if I could. But, in my comprehension of what this meant, I only stared at Stafford where he lay and then at Spearman, and I let him get control of the tug. The tug, whose wheel I had lashed, heading her into the waves, had been moving slowly. Spearman pushed me aside and went to the wheelhouse; he sent Luke to the engines, and from that moment Luke was his. He turned the tug about to where we still saw the lights of the Miwaka. The steamer had struck upon the reef; she hung there for a time; and Spearman—he had the wheel and Luke, at his orders, was at the engine—held the tug off and we beat slowly to and fro until the Miwaka slipped off and sank. Some had gone down with her, no doubt; but two boats had got off, carrying lights. They saw the tug approaching and cried out and stretched their hands to us; but Spearman stopped the tug. They rowed toward us then, but when they got near, Spearman moved the tug away from them, and then again stopped. They cried out again and rowed toward us; again he moved the tug away, and then they understood and stopped rowing and cried curses at us. One boat soon drifted far away; we knew of its capsizing by the extinguishing of its light. The other capsized near to where we were. Those in it who had no lifebelts and could not swim, sank first. Some could swim and, for a while they fought the waves.'"

Alan, as he listened, ceased consciously to separate the priest's voice from the sensations running through him. His father was Stafford, dying at Corvet's feet while Corvet watched the death of the crew of the Miwaka; Alan himself, a child, was floating with a lifebelt among those struggling in the water whom Spearman and Corvet were watching die. Memory; was it that which now had come to him? No; rather it was a realization of all the truths which the priest's words were bringing together and arranging rightly for him.

Alan's father died in the morning. All day they stayed out in the storm, avoiding vessels. They dared not throw Stafford's body overboard or that of the engineer, because, if found, the bullet holes would have aroused inquiry. When night came again, they had taken the two ashore at some wild spot and buried them; to make identification harder, they had taken the things that they had with them and buried them somewhere else. The child—Alan—Corvet had smuggled ashore and sent away; he had told Spearman later that the child had died.

"Peace—rest!" Father Perron said in a deep voice. "Peace to the dead!"

But for the living there had been no peace. Spearman had forced Corvet to make him his partner; Corvet had tried to take up his life again, but had not been able. His wife, aware that something was wrong with him, had learned enough so that she had left him. Luke had come and come and come again for blackmail, and Corvet had paid him. Corvet grew rich; those connected with him prospered; but with Corvet lived always the ghosts of those he had watched die with the Miwaka—of those who would have prospered with Stafford except for what had been done. Corvet had secretly sought and followed the fate of the kin of those people who had been murdered to benefit him; he found some of their families destroyed; he found almost all poor and struggling. And though Corvet paid Luke to keep the crime from disclosure, yet Corvet swore to himself to confess it all and make such restitution as he could. But each time that the day he had appointed with himself arrived, he put it off and off and paid Luke again and again. Spearman knew of his intention and sometimes kept him from it. But Corvet had made one close friend; and when that friend's daughter, for whom Corvet cared now most of all in the world, had been about to marry Spearman, Corvet defied the cost to himself, and he gained strength to oppose Spearman. So he had written to Stafford's son to come; he had prepared for confession and restitution; but, after he had done this and while he waited, something had seemed to break in his brain; too long preyed upon by terrible memories, and the ghosts of those who had gone, and by the echo of their voices crying to him from the water, Corvet had wandered away; he had come back, under the name of one of those whom he had wronged, to the lake life from which he had sprung. Only now and then, for a few hours, he had intervals when he remembered all; in one of these he had dug up the watch and the ring and other things which he had taken from Captain Stafford's pockets and written to himself directions of what to do with them, when his mind again failed.

And for Spearman, strong against all that assailed Corvet, there had been always the terror of the Indian Drum—the Drum which had beat short for the Miwaka, the Drum which had known that one was saved! That story came from some hint which Luke had spread, Corvet thought; but Spearman, born near by the Drum, believed that the Drum had known and that the Drum had tried to tell; all through the years Spearman had dreaded the Drum which had tried to betray him. So it was by the Drum that, in the end, Spearman was broken.

The priest's voice had stopped, as Alan slowly realized; he heard Sherrill's voice speaking to him.

"It was a trust that he left you, Alan; I thought it must be that—a trust for those who suffered by the loss of your father's ship. I don't know yet how it can be fulfilled; and we must think of that."

"That's how I understand it," Alan said.

Through the tumult in his soul he became aware of physical feelings again, and of Sherrill's hand put upon his shoulder in a cordial, friendly grasp. Then another hand, small and firm, touched his, and he felt its warm tightening grasp upon his fingers; he looked up, and his eyes filled and hers, he saw, were brimming too.

They walked together, later in the day, up the hill to the small, white house which had been Caleb Stafford's. The woman who had come to the door was willing to show them through the

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Belmond Local News

Miss Ione Diederick

Wright County's winner in the Register's beauty contest. She is from Dows.

Mrs. Joe Graham, who had been visiting here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jenison, a few days, returned home last week to Titonka. She was accompanied by the Misses Iola and Leola Jenison who are spending a few days at the Graham home.

Joe White was a caller at Mason City last week Friday, attending to business matters.

Mrs. Harbison is reported as being slightly better at this writing, which will be good news to her many friends.

Mayor Morse is somewhat improved, we are told, and has been able to take dinner with his family. We hope that he will soon be with us once more.

Father Eardley filled the pulpit at Clarion for Father Torpey on Sunday of last week.

Louie Tokman reports the sale of several more Fords, which he expects to deliver during the month of August.

The Rebekahs will hold a food sale Saturday at the Cash Meat Market.

W. C. Tyrrell was a caller at Mason City last week Friday, looking after some business matters at that place.

The road leading to the county line in Pleasant township, past the Immanuel church, is being graveled and when completed this stretch of highway should be a hummer, as the graveled part of the road now is one of the best around. Win Dziewanowski has charge of the work.

The Rebekahs will hold a food sale Saturday at the Cash Meat Market.

E. F. Bailey and Louis Moe were callers at Webster City on Monday of this week, driving over in the latter's car. They were attending to business matters there.

Miss Veda Stilson, of Hampton, is a guest at the home of her friend, Garnet Bamford, this week.

Mrs. Ben Fetrow has been on the sick list this past week, suffering with an attack of tonsilitis, but is reported better at this writing.

J. M. Jenkins spent part of the week end at Des Moines, visiting at the home of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Snyder returned Tuesday of this week from their trip to Michigan and Indiana, where they have been visiting relatives for the past month or so.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collins and Mrs. S. W. Luick were Sunday visitors with relatives at Dows.

Miss Mary Forrestal has been clerking at the Variety Store the past week.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans left last week for St. Paul, where she is purchasing a new stock of fall and winter goods for her millinery shop, recently purchased of Dorenkamp & Greenfield. She expects to return the latter part of this week.

Miss Tillie Coy returned last week from Popejoy, where she has been visiting at the homes of relatives the past week.

Miss Esther Forrestal, who is employed at Clarion, was a visitor at the home of her parents here last week Thursday.

Mrs. George Thompson and children and Mrs. J. F. Henn and children attended the Wright County Boys' and Girls' club rally at Goldfield on Thursday of last week.

Joe White is now buying eggs for the Sondergaard Produce Company of Thornton.

NOTICE

Commencing August 1, 1922 we will sell for cash only, which will enable us to make you a better price on all articles handled by us.—Farmers Co-Operative Elevator Co. A. C. Hinman, Pres. 362c

Mrs. Mayne, who has been staying at the McNulty home, had the misfortune to fall down the cellar steps Tuesday morning breaking one limb. Mrs. Mayne is 76 years of age, and the broken limb is therefore a serious accident. She was taken to the local hospital where immediate attention was given, and she is reported as resting quite easily at this writing.

E. F. Bailey and daughter drove to the county seat Monday evening where Miss Doris was to practice with the band.

Rev. Meier, of Manson, occupied the pulpit at St. John's Lutheran church Sunday evening.

Exhibits in the Agricultural, Horticultural, Cooking, Baking, Canning, Textile and Art Departments of the North Iowa Fair, August 12th to 18, Mason City, Wanted. Write for premium book and entry blanks. No charge to enter.

Threshing is going merrily on in this vicinity, and reports of the yields are better than had been expected.

Mr and Mrs. Ole Champlin are the happy parents of a new baby daughter, who arrived at their home last Thursday.

The Rebekah lodge is planning a big time for next Wednesday evening, when 12 new members are to be taken into the lodge by inition, and four by transfer. The lodge from Clarion will put on the work.

The State Bank has some excellent specimens of sugar bets on display. If you don't believe that this country will raise real sugar beets, just drop in at the bank and take a look at some grown around here. You will have to admit that we raise 'em large.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tyrrell and daughter Ida were visitors Sunday at the E. R. Ballou home at Rowan.

County Agent Edwards was a visitor here on Sunday of this week with friends.

Miss Helen Harberts left on Monday of this week for Canton, South Dakota, where she will visit her brother, Harry, and family, for a few weeks. She also expects to visit at the home of Prof. and Mrs. P. J. Scarbro, at Brookings, old time citizens here and neighbors of Miss Harberts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tyrrell from Sioux Rapids were visiting here at the home of his brother Tom, and family, last week.

Mrs. J. P. Ott, of Rice Lake, Wisconsin, was the guest of friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dubois, from Oxford Junction, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tyrrell last week. Mrs. Dubois is a sister of Mr. Tyrrell.

Miss Thelma Rickensrud, of Kanawha, is spending part of her vacation at the home of her sister in Belmond.

Miss Ruth Hill is entertaining her friend, Miss Blanche Shephard, of Algona, this week.

Prof. and Mrs. Fyler leave this week for their new home at Sheffield.

Mrs. Golden of Cedar Rapids is visiting this week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Moore, and family.

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Phone 65

Mayor Morse has recovered sufficiently to be able to ride around the city. His friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Several carloads drove to Eagle Grove, Sunday, to witness the ball game there between Eagle Grove and Belmond.

Miss Mary Barry accompanied Mrs. Rosecrans to St. Paul, to assist her in purchasing her new stock of millinery goods.

Dr. and Mrs. McBurney are enjoying a visit from two Coe College students, Messrs. Peterson and Rotz, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Moore left Sunday for Omaha, where Mr. Moore looked after some business interests. They returned Tuesday.

Mrs. Minnie Benson and children from Dumont, Iowa, spent the day Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hawley. They were enroute to Hayfield, Minnesota, and on their return trip they expect to stop at the Hawley home again.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Lost—Brown purse containing gold pencil and key. Finder please return to this office. 371c

For Sale—Good milk cow. Phone 318. 371*

Rooms for light housekeeping Phone 191. 371c

Apples for sale, delivered in town. Phone 1214. 373*

For Sale—Gentle driving horse, can be driven by any woman. Also good single harness for sale.—Ed. Jenison. 37tfc

Lost—Auto license number 99-3757. Finder please return to Ed. Jenison. 371c

15 White Leghorn pullets for sale or exchange.—Mrs. Louise Veeder.

For Sale—Second hand windows. Inquire of Frank Case. Phone 299.

EVERY COUNTY ENTERED IN FAIR BABY CONTEST

Every county in Iowa has already registered entries in the annual Iowa Baby Health contest to be held at the State Fair, August 23 to Sept. 1, according to word issued by Sec. Corey. More than 500 babies from all parts of the state will be entered in this contest this year to select the prize baby of Iowa.

Vinton, July 22.—As the result of the coal shortage, due to the strike situation, the city of Vinton has curtailed water and light service until the coal situation loosens up a little. The municipal water and light plant is closed down at 11:00 p. m. and the fires are banked until 5:00 a. m. and this makes a saving of from two to three tons of coal.

The city has about a thirty day supply of coal on hand. The only way to get more is to go into the open market and pay what is asked. Coal that was costing around $7.00 a ton before the strike is now quoted at $10., and nothing sure about it at that. With the amount of coal used at the city plant, a price of $10 per ton runs into money quite fast.—Evening Gazette, July 22nd.

The last coal billed to the Iowa Railway and Light Co. from the Kentucy non-union fields where all coal is now obtained, costs $6.45 with a freight rate of $3.07, making a cost of $9.52 delivered.

Mr. C. O. Ingersoll, coal purchasing agent for the Iowa Falls Electric Co, is now in the Kentucky fields, and we have just received a telephone call from him that today's bid for coal at the mine is $11 per ton, and we wish to inform the patrons that we have contracted for enough coal to keep us going, coal or no strike, and whether it is $10 per ton or any old price. The only hitch may be that our coal will be stolen by the railroads or that the railway strike may stop transportation.

We started into this coal strike with five months supply on hand and will use every effort to give all our patrons service all the time, no matter what the cost may be.

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H. F. Kellog, Manager.

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R. H. Klemme has purshased a fine new Studebaker Sedan.

AUCTION SALE OF REAL ESTATE

August 17th, 1922, 2 o'clock p. m. Sale on Chas B. Smith Estate Premises to close up the estate of Chas. B. Smith, deceased. The undersigned executor, Corwin L. Smith, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder the 300 acres lying northeast of Belmond, Iowa, known as the Chas. B. Smith farm. Land located 6 miles northesat of Belmond. The land is situated in Section 4 in Pleasant Township, Wright County, Iowa. There are two sets improvements upon this farm and the 300 acres can be sold in two separate parcels or purchased as one tract of land. Good terms will be made. Settlement to be made March 1st, 1923 and possession given purchaser.

Corwin L. Smith, Executor.
E. D., Smith, Auctioneer.
J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Executor of the Estate of Gelke Bohning, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 17th day of July A. D. 1922.

Simon Bohning, Executor.
J. M. Jenson, Attorney for Estate.

Mrs. Floyd Lewis, from Minnesota, is spending a few weeks at the home of her mother, Mrs. Val Griesy.

Kinseth's Store News

Sure has been warm, hasn't it? Makes a person hunt the shady spots and stick close. Our store is always cool—come in and forget the heat for a bit. And while you're in, look at the straw hats we offer—just the thing for this hot weather.

And take a look at the leather—real—shoes for men, and the work shoes and shirts for harvesting and threshing, that we have; you'll say they are bargains whether you need any or not. We're open every evening.

Some dandy sweet pickles in bulk, the kind that add a zest to a meal; try a few. And don't forget that to get sugar for canning all yau have to do is call us PHONE 19.

Peaches are in now, in bushel lots, dandy for canning, and at a price you can afford to can at. And plums too. In cans already canned you can get peaches at 25 and plums at 18 cents, in syrup. And whenever you want anything, we'll deliver right to your door; any old time. Don't forget the Store On The Corner, and Phone 19 for your groceries.

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BIG DOIN'S GETTING READY FOR AUGUST 23

Alexander Youth Has Serious Accident

While Rendering Assistance To Stalled Auto Is Struck By Speeding Car

HAPPENS SUNDAY NIGHT

Ray Meyer, a young man residing near Alexander, was badly injured in a car accident Sunday evening, and is now at the Steele hospital here. With a lady friend, he was taking a spin on the road leading south from Belmond, and on the other side of the hill about five and one-half miles south, he met another car which was stalled at the right side of the road. Meyer stopped to render assistance, and was going to tow the car out. He had backed his car up in front of the stalled auto, and was between the two hitching the tow line.
who lives at Eagle Grove and whose initials we were unable to learn, came up over the hill at a high speed, said to have been 50 miles an hour. He was driving a big car, and the girl in Meyer's auto, seeing him coming, called to the Alexander youth who jumped out to the right side of his own car, expecting Cole to pass on the left side. Instead, Cole swerved to the right to pass, and struck Meyer, throwing him about 25 feet. Cole is said to have had at least 15 feet clearance to pass on the left side.

Myer suffered one leg broken in two places below the knee, both bones being broken. He was rushed to the hospital here and given attention and the doctor reports that he will eventually recover, altho an operation to remove some spinters of bone from the leg may be necessary.

According to all reports, Meyer was entrely in the right, being on the right side of the road with plenty of space for another car to pass.

GARNER MAN BUYS HOTEL

The Hotel Case has been sold by Mr. Bettin, the proprietor, to a Mr. Shipley of Garner, the new owner to take possession about the 21st of the month. Mr. Shipley is said to be an experienced hotel manager, and he will give the patrons the same good service which has been rendered by Mr. Bettin. We are not informed of Mr. Bettin's future plans.

AUXILIARY TO ENTERTAIN

The Legion Auxiliary will entertain the members of the American Legion and their families to a picnic supper today, at the Tyrrell Park, at six o'clock.

FJETLAND—JACOBS

Miss Dora Jacobs was united in marriage Tuesday, August 8, at Clarion, the Rev. Walker of the Methodist church performing the ceremony. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fjetland. Following the ceremony they returned to Belmond, and after a day or two spent at the home of relatives, left today for Humboldt, where the groom is employed in a store, and where they will make their future home.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claus Jacobs residing north of town, prominent farmers of this vicinity. She is among this vicinity's best known young ladies, and for several years has taught school.

Mr. Fjetland's parents are both dead. He is well known in this vicinity, and is an earnest, capable man who will make his bride a worthy home.

Their many friends, with whom the Independent takes pleasure in joining, unite in extending congratulations and best wishes.

LIGHTNING STRIKES WHITE HOUSE WEDNESDAY

Just at the beginning of the short thunder storm this city experienced yesterday noon, lightning struck the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White, without, however inflicting any damage. Joe was just stepping on the porch when the bolt struck. He was dazed for a moment, and sufficient electricity entered his jaws to make them ache for some time afterwards. Mrs. White and the baby were on the east side of the house and were not injured. The dog, however, lying inside near the telephone, was shocked considerably and it was an hour or more before he was able to normally wag his tail. The lightning during the storm, which did not last over half an hour, was very strong.

MRS. ANDREW LARSEN DIES

Just as we go to press we learn of the death of Mrs. Andrew Larsen, residing west of town. Death occured late Tuesday evening. At this writing no arrangements for funeral services have been made.

PIERCE-BURKE

A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday, August 2, at St. Peter's church, when Miss Lyna Pierce, of Belmond, Iowa, was united in marriage to Mr. John F. Burke, of this city, the Rev. A. S. Kluthe officiating. They were attended by Miss Mae Clark, a life-long friend of the bride. The bride was attired in white organdy over white satin, a picture hat of white chepe-de-chine, and a corsage boquet of pink roses. The groom wore the conventional blue.

Miss Pierce is a graduate nurse of the Iowa Congregational hospital at Des Moines, and at present has a position with the Immanuel hospital at this city.

Mr. Burke is a veteran of the World War, being a member of the 1st Division, and saw two years service overseas. He has been employed for the past two years at the Schneider Electric works. The young couple will be at home to their friends at 4514 No. 34th St., Omaha.

The foregoing from an Omaha paper comes as a surprise to the bride's Belmond friends, who, however, unite in extending their best wishes and congratulations, with whom the Independent takes pleasure in joining.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

A social and business meeting of the Ladies Aid will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30. All are invited to attend.

Regular services will be held next Sunday, August 13.

BELMOND VS. DOWS SUNDAY

The local base ball teeam meets the fast aggregation from Dows on the Belmond diamond next Sunday afternoon, August 13, the game being called at 3:00 o'clock. The Dows team it is understood has defeated the Hampton team, and as the latter are cleaning up everything in sight they ought to give a good battle. Belmond has been playing real base ball, and the game between the two should be a good one.

Mr. McGarth, son of the Eagle Grove attorney by that name, was in town Monday on business matters. He is engaged in the insurance line.

Howard Wolle, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle, is the chief electrician at the sugar factory now, assuming his new duties the first of the week. Howard, who has made a splendid success in the electrical line, has been chief electrician with the Sioux City Telephone Company, and last year was with the Dyer people on a sugar factory in Central America. He is very well qualified for the place and the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. has an able employee in him.

CLARION MAN HELD FOR STEALING AUTO

Grant Bishop, arrested near Clarion last week for the theft of an automobile from a Webster City man, failed to establish the alibi he said he would prove in Iowa Falls, when he was taken to that city by Webster City authorities, and was held to answer to the charge of theft.

Bishop originally claimed to have bought the car from parties in Iowa Falls, paying $105 for it. He could not satisfactorily account for his possession of $105, which he claimed to have paid for the car, and could not locate the men from whom heclaimed to have bought the car when taken to Iowa Falls.

The stolen car was found in Bishop's possession at Dows, but he insisted that he purchased it from a man employed at Swift's plant in Iowa Falls for the sum of $105. The car was a Ford. Bishop said he bought the car on Sunday, which is apparant ly the day after the car was stolen.

When questioned by the officers there it was discovered that his story did not hang together well. He said that he was employed as a ditch digger near Blairsburg about the time he bought the car, but he could not give a satisfactory account of where he got the money to purchase the car, nor why with that much money in his pocket he was roaming around the country. An investigation at Swift's plant did not reveal anyone who corresponded to the person who had sold him the car.

The stolen car belonged to a man at Webster City and it was taken from the main street of that city. The discovery of the missing car was made when Bishop's car met with an accident near Dows, and the officers at that place found the number to correspond with that of a car which had been stolen a short time previously. —News.

Belmond people were grieved last Thursday when they received the news of Mrs. Wm. Harbison's death. Her demise had been expected for several days, as no hopes had been held for her recovery. Mrs. Harbison was loved by all who knew her; she was one of the finest characters it has ever been the writer's privilege to meet; and the husband and children have the most sincere sympathy of all in their loss.

BELMOND TRIMS CORNELIA IN RAGGED GAME

Rough Grounds Produce Errors By The Bushel And Runs By The Dozen

The local ball team met the noted Cornelia tossers in a stubble field, or near to it, Sunday, at Cornelia, and came home with the long end of a 10 to 7 result. It was an uneven, uninteresting ragged game, lousy with errors on both sides. Anything in the cornfield went for two bases; all that dropped in the weeds was good for what you could get until the ball was found. Otis Nelson ambled 'round for a homer on a hit that should have been a single, while the fielder was endeavoring to locate the ball in the grass. Frank Champlin of Holmes pitched for the enemy, and Chapman for Belmond. John was off however, and Madsen finished the game, holding the home-run kings of the Lake City down in pretty good fashion. Some beautiful boners were exhibited on both sides, some wonderful (?) pitching the same, and these along with some beautiful and brilliant baserunning kept the crowd in agony for two hours. It was a great game—in it's way.

SOME OF THE NEW OWNERS OF FORD CARS

The Belmond Auto company reports the following sales of cars, tractors and trucks, delivery of which was made during the past week:

Earl Sellers, Rowan, Touring.
W. A. Duffy, Rowan, Touring.
P. J. Griggs, Goodell, Touring.
H. T Tyrrell, Belmond, Sedan.
C. P. Luick, Belmond, Sedan.
Heiko Jannsen, Thornton, Sedan.
Pearl Nelson, Belmond, Coupe.
Engel Ruitere, Meservey, Coupe.
Heiko Jannsen, Thornton, Truck.
Rowan Grain & Lumber Co., Truck.
Earl Sellers, Rowan, Tractor.

A big demand for cars and tractors is reported.

T. B. WALLACE

T. B. Wallace died at the home of his son, in Goldfield, Tuesday afternoon at 1:30. Death was due to a complication of diseases. Mr. Wallace, who was a resident of Belmond for some time, sold his jewelry store here last fall, and in December moved to Corwith, where he engaged in the jewelry business. He had been at Corwith but two week when he was taken ill, and was taken to the home of his son in Goldfield. Since the first of the year he has been confined to his bed. Funeral serevices will be held at Goldfield today, Thursday. Deceased was close to 70 years of age, and besides other relatives leaves his wife, residing in this city, to mourn his passing.

ADVISES USE OF NEW AUTO SIGNALS NOW

News: "Are your driving signals understood by the motorist behind you? Do you know what the driver ahead of you is going to do, even when you see his signals?"

These questions are asked in a communication from Colliers Weekly to the Commercial club office here in advocating the adoption of a set of hand signals suggested at the request of the magazine by Dr. John A. Harris, traffic commissioner of New York City.

These signals have been tested in the greatest traffic congestion in this country, Fifth avenue, New York They worked.

It is the hope that this system may secure country-wide adoption as a simple first step in standardized traffic regulation thruout the United States. They have already been adopted in several cities.

The five signals suggested by Dr. Harris are:

1. To signal your intention to turn to the left—Extend the left arm and point the first finger to the left.
2. To signal your intention to turn to the right—Flex the left arm upward at the elbow and point the first finger to the right.
3. To signal your intention to stop—Extend the arm with the back of the hand to the rear of the car.
4. To signal your intention to back up—Extend the arm with the palm of the hand to the rear of the car, and motion in a backward direction.
5. To signal your intention to turn completely around—Circle the arm and hand three times forward to indicate a turn to be made to the right and circle three tmes backward to indicate an intention to turn to the left.

There is no need to include a "come forward and pass me" signal, Mr. Harris says. This is universally made by motioning the hand in a forward direction from the elbow and wrist.

It is a gesture that everyone learns in the nursery and is plainly understood all over the country.

Collier's reports that in many cities these signals are being adopted by ordinance, and predicts their use will make automobiling much safer. The signals are easily learned and their use cannot help but prove beneficial.

GOODELL MAN INJURED BADLY BY AUTO

Steps Out Of Way Of One Car Only To Be Struck By Another One

Fred Bachman, who lives northeast of town, met with an accident last Saturday night while at Klemme. Mr. Baschman was crossing the street and in trying to get out of the way of one car was hit by another. The car that ran over him was driven by a stranger. They were unable to get the number of the car, and so there is no way of knowing who ran over him. Mr. Bachman is hurt so badly that is is necessary to employ some one to do his work.

Mrs. John Ahrenkeil spent Sunday in the country with her son Leo.

The U. B. Sunday school is planning to have their annual Sunday school picnic on Aug. 16, at the Twin Lakes.

Wednesday of this week the Ladies Aid was entertaineed at the home of Mrs. O. Sandberg.

Mrs. Elmer Schneider drove to Mason City last Wednesday.

Mrs. Geo. Hall of Charles City was calling on Godell friends and relatives one day last week.

The McGuire road Construction Co. left the first of August for Stanhope, where they will build another section of public highway.

Lee Robbins, Donald Estle and Frank Quigley, Jr., went with the MeGuire company as teamsters.

Last Wednesday S. S. Matson and family and Miss Ina Ahrenkeil were at West Bend to see the grotto. The grotto is very interesting and many are going to see it.

The past week Mrs. Wesenberg and two daughters were visiting at her father's home at Kingsley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allaben drove to Charles City, Saturday afternoon, to spend Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hall. They returned on Sunday evening.

Mrs. O. Nelson left Thursday night for Decorah for a visit with her parents.

On Saturday evening Mrs. Matson received the sad news that her niece who lived in Chicago was killed in an automobile accident. Mrs. Matson and Miss Alva went to Chicago on Saturday night.

Charles Weatherford and Theodore Suurballe of Ames drove down to Goodell on Saturday and returned on Sunday night.

Howard Ruka and Charles Weatherford visited friends in Garner on Sunday.

Miss Mary Benson of Gladbrook is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. T. Miller.

Mrs. Dan Miller, Mrs. Frank Clark and Mrs. E. P. Hubbard who are in the hospital at Hampton are reported as getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Beier and Mr. and Mrs. Graeber were up to Garner on Sunday.

About 50 people attended the Women's Missionery picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Schneider on Friday. A good program was rendered and a substantial and appetizing lunch was served. Everyone present enjoyed the afternoon.

WOMEN'S CLUBS TO MEET AT DOWS AUG. 14

The Wright County Federation of Women's clubs will hold the last regular meeting for the year at Dows on Monday, August 14, in the M. E. church, at 10 a. m.

This is an important meeting, all members and friends are urged to be present.

Election of officers for the following year will be held during the morning session.

A splendid program has been arranged. Mrs. E.F. Armstrong from Fort Dodge, state president of Women's clubs, will give an interesting report of the general federation of women's clubs, biennial convention, held at Chautauqua, N. Y.

Mrs. Lewis Rose of Hartford, Conn., will give us an address in the afternoon. Mrs. Rose is one of the leading women in the Women's Voting League work, Connecticut's state chairman of the Disarmament committee, is popular on the Chautauqua platform and has just returned from an extensive tour of Europe, where she was investigating the condition of women and women's work, and no woman interested in home and national affairs can afford to miss the opportunity of hearing Mrs. Rose.

Bring sandwiches and cake for two. Fine graveled roads all the way.

The horse shoe pitchers are practicing daily and nightly at the corner by the hotel, and some of the tossers are becoming quite expert at the art of placing 'em where they count. We understand that one of the features on the Creamery Day program is to be a horse shoe pitching contest between the townships of Belmond, Pleasant, Grant and Iowa. This ought to be worth seeing. The Rowan team in Iowa township has some classy players and are expecting to carry home the bacon. There may be some others who will give them a battle for the honors and prize.

MRS. WM. HARBISON

Christy Ryan as born near Ellston, Ringgold county, Iowa, September 1, 1893, and passed away at her home in Belmond, Iowa, August 3rd, 1922, aged 28 years, 11 months and two days.

She was graduated from the Ellston high school in 1910, and from the Western Normal College and Business Institute at Shenandoah in 1912.

She was married to William Harbison, September 21st, 1915. For a time they lived at Whittemore, moving from there to Rulbow, then back to Whittemore, from where they moved to Algona in 1918, where Mr. Harbison worked in the Anderson Bros. Meat Market.

While in Algona she united with the Baptist church and was active in the church and Sunday school, having a fine class of girls at the time they left Algona to make their home in Belmond some two years ago. Here Mr. Harbison purchased an interest in the City Meat Market, and the family worshiped at the Methodist church.

Something over a year ago she was taken ill and underwent several operations at Belmond and Rochester. Last June she went to Rochester for a personal consultation with Dr. Will Mayo, and everything possible was done for her recovery.

A few weeks ago she realized that the end was approaching, and made most of the arrangements for her "Long Journey," as she loved to call it. Her brother, Larry, has been her almost constant attendant. They have been pals since childhood, sharing each other's joys and sorrows, and it was Larry that she wanted to be with her in her distress, and to take her messages of love to friends and relatives.

She could not bear to have them, nor her little ones, witness her suffering, so kind friends took care of the girls until their grandmother Harbison took them back to her home in Missouri.

Services were held at the home on Friday afternoon, by Rev. Webster of the Baptist church of Algona, assisted by Rev. Wilkinson of the local M. E. church. The remains were taken to the old home at Ellston.

Those left to mourn her untimely death are the husband and three little girls, Elna Rose, five, Enola Verl, three, and Lorena Alice, one year of age, her aged father, three sisters and six brothers, besides many nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our kind friends who responded so readily with their deeds of kindness and beautiful flowers in our time of great sorrow and bereavement. Also the ladies of the Methodist Aid society for their deeds of kindness to our little girls, and to everyone who lent us their assistance in every way.

Wm. Harbison and Children.
The Ryan Family.

FREDERICK C. FELTON

Frederick C. Felton was born April 22, 1853, near Mokena, in Will county, Ill. At the age of 17 he moved with his parents to Iowa, living in Butler county for some time. On December 24, 1877 he was united in marriage with Mary Rebecca Garrison, who preceeded him to that better land March 1, 1903. To this union was born four children, two sons and two daughters, Wm. Henry, Harlan Wayne, Erma Ethel, and Oril Mae. One son preceedeed him Aug. 21, 1912. In April 1881 he moved to Belmond, Iowa, where he has made his home up to the present time. When a boy of 17 he was confirmed in the Evangelical church at Mokena, Will county, Ill.

He leaves to mourn his loss the one son and two daughters, and two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Longly of Missoula, Mont., and Mrs. Minnie Fiest of Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Mr. Felton had been in poor health the past year or two, but not seriously until last winter. In March he went to Rochester, Minn., and there learned he was suffering with tuberculosis. Since then he had failed fast. He died July 31, 1922, at 4:10 p. m.

The funeral services were held on the lawn at his home Thursday, Aug. 3. Rev. Wilkinson of the Methodist church preached the sermon. The Odd Fellow lodge had charge of the services at the cemetery.

Out of town relatives who were present at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Howe and Mrs. Minnie Fiest of Cedar Falls and Miss Minnie Rabe of Finchford, Iowa.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank those who so kindly helped us during the illness and death of our father, Mr. Felton. Also for the beautiful flowers that were sent after his death. We wish to thank the town officers for blocking the streets and also the Rock Island engineers for muffling their whistle during his sickness. Those things help at such a time.

The Children.

Geraldine and Jack Sharon returned home the last of the week from a visit with relatives at Belmond and Fort Dodge —Buffalo Center Items Forest City Summit.

Garner Band To Furnish Day's Music

Arrangements For Big Day Are Being Completed And Fine Time Assured

GARNER BAND TO PLAY

While the arrangements for the Creamery Day program are not yet completed, enough has been accomplished to give an idea of the events that are to take place. Some novel and unusual features will be on the program, among which will be a chorus lead by Rev. A. H. Waalkes, of the Immanuel church. The committee on speakers have secured W. A. Wentworth of Des Moines, Secretary of the Iowa Creamery and Managers Association, for one. Mr. Wentworth is one of the strongest men in his line in the state and will have a message well worth hearing. Another speaker will be G. H. Tellier of Cedar Rapids. Mr. Tellier has traveled extensively in several states in the interests of dairying and knows the business from feed to butter.

Eagle Grove will meet Belmond in another fierce game of base ball. Their last contest went 15 innings, 5 to 4, and the Creamery Day game Aug. 23 should be a regular stem-winder.

The Garner band furnishes the music. This band is rated one of the best in northern Iowa and will play thruout the day, with an evening concert in addition.

In addition to the Garner band, the famous Luick orchestra will be on the job with numerous selections. Everybody knows this orchestra, and that they are well worth hearing any time.

Various concessions and free attractions are being secured, and with a program of street sports and numerous other attractions the 23rd will be a big day truly. Plan to spend that day in Belmond, for you will miss a treat and a good time if you don't.

The full program is to be announced next week. Watch the papers for it, the time of the events and where they will take place.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Harry Hibberts, who was placed in the county jail on July 26 to serve a light sentence for intoxication, imposed by Mayor Baker of Eagle Grove, was brought before the insane commissioners Friday. He was ordered taken to Cherokee for treatment, whither he was taken by Deputy Denger Sunday. Mr. Hibbits, who had been employed as janitor at a bank, is about 60 years of age. His appetite for liquor is said to be largely responsible for his present condition.

The members of the Wright county board of supervisors plan a trip to Ames on Friday on highway business.

Sheriff Lang and County Attorney Rogers were at Eagle Grove Saturday in consultation with citizens and officials over trouble arising between one of the marshals and a striker in Northwestern yards. The latter was taken to Sioux City to answer to the charge of violation of the injunction order issued by Judge Scott. He has since been released on bond.

The county treasurer's office is busy these days sending out delinquent personal tax notices for the year 1921 and subsequent years. The law provides a penalty of one per cent from April 1st and a five per cent additional penalty if not paid by December 1st. From $6000 to $8000 has been collected in past years and Treasurer Allen reports the amount delinquent this year fully up to the average.

Frank Bishop of Wall Lake township, charged with having stoleon a Ford touring car at Webster City was confined in the Hamilton county jail several days last week because he was unable to prove ownership of the car. On Saturday he filed a $1000 appearance bond and was released until the October term of court. Deputy Denger arrested Bishop at Dows two weeks ago.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week: Otto Leonard Larson and Hazel Josephine Larson, Clarence Winifred Clark and Hilda Elizabeth May Black, William H. Nail and Mrs. Martha A. Daughten.

Four Eagle Grove men, said to be strikers, are in jail at Fort Dodge, charged with an attempt to burn a strike breaker's home in that city on Monday night. They first went to his home to induce him to leave under some pretense or other and upon his refusal left. Later they returned with a can of kerosene and attempted to burn his home. The owner discharged a shot gun in the air and soon after deputy marshals arrived and captured all four men. It is hard to believe such a serious offense could be committed by Wright county citizens, but our source of information is troroughly reliable.

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CLIPPINGS

Miss Carrie Baxter of Belmond, one of the former popular teachers, in the Hampton public schools, was here last week for a visit with Miss Edna Burres, and with her many other friends in this city. She has been teaching during the past two years in the public schools in Milwaukee.—Chronicle.

Last Friday, the day of our great Community picnic, was an especially fine day. About one o'clock people from far and near began to gather and by three o'clock there were a goodly number over two thousand in the park. The park had been put in excellent condition, not only for this occasion but for the coming Chautauqua, and for the numerous tourists who visit our city.

Mrs. Edith Blackwell of Mason City is out for aprize. This morning she passed thru Garner with eleven women in a Jeffry car, besides herself. The weight of the 12 women was 1890 pounds, and they were crowded into an ordinary seven-passenger car. They were going to Britt to attend a Royal Neighbor convention. There were four women in the front seat, four in the rear seat, and four in the jump seats. If this isn't a banner load, we will have to be shown. We are not guessing at the weight, because they unloaded at the Iowa Builders office and tested the big scale, and those are the figures.—Signal.

A. C. Holm, a large landowner of Thor, had a honey crop of some three thousand pounds last year and a yearly average of over two thousand. Mr. Holm works for extracted honey from five hundred to a thousand sections of comb honey and saves all the empty combs for use another year. He says his success is not unusual and is based on three essential in bee culture; first, knowledge of bee habits and bee nature; second, cleanliness and strict order, and third exactness with everything done at the proper time. Mr. Holm is a believer in increases by dividing rather than by watching for new swarms altho he is not unwilling to take new swarms when they arrive. During the winter months he keeps the bees in a specially built cave just under the level of the ground. The cave will hold some three hundred hives. In the spring he feeds sugar syrup to increase brood raising.—Eagle Grove Times.

The coming of the Anti-Saloon League lecturers to Clarion, Sunday, reminded the writer of one of the high spots in his early newspaper days, when another anti-saloon league lecturer came to a town down in southwest Missouri and lectured one Sunday morning at one of the churches. The people had been promised something unusual in the way of a lecture, and after the man had gotten well warmed up he delivered as per promise. First he lifted up a nice little black handbag that was resting at the chancel rail and placed it on the altar, after clearing away the Bible. He opened the handbag and began to lift out bottles of a kind you seldom see nowadays. Each bottle was properly labeled, and he began reading the labels. One came from a certain drug store in the little town. Another came from a drugstore across south. Another from a drugstore across the street. Another from a druggist farther down, and yet another from the fifth druggist. As the town boasted only 800 people it was pretty well supplied with drugstores. When the lecturer began emptying his little handbag there were choruses of AHS and OHS Soon he had a row of 15 or 20 bottles on the altar and each bottle bore the name of the store and the date of the purchase, and the price paid. The people of the congregation were in a state of ferment. There was a buzzing of conversation from front to rear. Many of the good church people were very greatly shocked. Some condemned the lecturer. Others upheld him. But the excitement of the moment was nothing compared with what happened later. An afternoon train pulled into the station just before noon, and the lecturer was to board this train for another point. But he didn't board the train. One of the druggists, whose wife was a prominent church worker and who had heard the lecturer and saw his displays, had gone home in a rage, and told her husband. He loaded his revolver and had gone gunning for the lecturer, and near the depot he plugged him twice. The lecturer did not die, but there was almost a riot and the town was divided in two hostile camps for days. Now the lecturers come around, telling us that bootleggers are working, but their manner of handling the situation is neither so dramatic or effective as in days of yore.—News.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

HOW TO WIN:—Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.—Psalm 37: 3, 5.

Monday.

SAFETY OF THE PERFECT:—Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will he help the evil doers.—Job 8: 20.

Tuesday.

THE SUPREME RULER:—Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.—Psalm 99: 5.

Wednesday.

A SURE DWELLING PLACE:—Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.—Psalm 37: 3.

Thursday.

THINK OF THE HARVEST:—Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.—Galatians 6: 7.

Friday.

PRAISE THE GOOD GOD:—Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving. For the Lord is good.—Psalm 100: 1, 4, 5.

Saturday.

GUARD THE TONGUE:—Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.—Psalm 34: 13, 14.

OLAF ITEMS OF INTEREST

Miss Carrie Baxter has been spending the past week at the Geo. Baxter home,

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Windecker and little Margaret Baxter spent Sunday in Iowa Falls visiting relatives

Mrs. R. Rierson and Mrs. Henry Anderson spent last Wednesday at the S. O. Windecker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lein are the proud parents of a baby girl, which came to gladden their home one day last week.

T. Solyst and family of Rolnnd visited at the E. O. Munson home last week.

Orpha Anderson and wife spent last Thursday at Mason City on a business mission. Harry Bohning and wife of Belmond accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Morse and Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mallory spent Friday afternoon at the Orpha Anderson home

Threshing seems to be the order of the day. At one time last week there were seven machines working in this neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baxter and Miss Carrie Baxter attended chautauqua at Goldfield, Sunday evening.

NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In the Estate of Nellie Lein, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that on the 1st day of August, 1922, there was filed with and opened by the undersigned Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Wright County, a Written instrument purporting to be the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Nellie Lien, late of said County, deceased.

And you are further notified that the 5th day of September, 1922, at 1:30 p. m. of said day, has been set as the day for the final hearing and proof of said Will, before me at the Clerk's office in the Court House at Clarion, Iowa, at which time any person interested can appear and show cause why the same should not be admitted to probate.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at my office in Clarion in said County, this 1st day August, A. D., 1922.

R. V. OOSLIN,
Clerk District Court

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EMPIRE CONSTRUCTION CO. GETS BRITT PAVING

News Tribune: The contract for paving Main street at Wesley and the mile and a half east of that town to connect with the Hancock county paving was let Friday to the Empire Construction Co. This is the same company that is building the rural highway between Algona and Wesley at the present time. The mile and a half rural highway and an 18 foot width of the Main street at Wesley was let at $2.40 and the balance of the Main street in Wesley and the curbing was let at $2.68 and the square yard.

This will complete all paving between Algona and Charles City with the exception of the short stretch in the town of Clear Lake from the fish hatchery to the north shore bathing house.

Kinseth's Store News

This is canning week, when you can all you can. We can help you can by helping you out on jars and fruits to can—you can get anything to can you want here—apricots, and pears, and peaches, the first in boxes and the latter in bushel lots—and you can can all you get from us, it's good stuff, high grade, and fresh. All kinds of jars to can with, and plenty of sugar. Drop in and see what we have for you.

And say folks, we have some new flour coming which we want you to try; 'tis the real thing, and makes bread and pastries of all kinds that make you think of what mother used to make when you swiped a handful of cookies and treated the gang, waiting back of the barn. We have all the old brands that we have been carrying, all good flours, if you prefer to stick by them.

Just a little tip— coffee is going up. Better get some ahead and save some money.

Celery direct from the growers, as crisp and savory as it can be had.

Don't forget the store on the Corner, folks, and telephone 19 when you want service and satisfaction.

(We'll deliver any time, you know.)

RADIO

VACUUM TUBE WHEN USED AS AMPLIFIER

It Will Function Thus for Either Radio Frequency or Audio Frequency.

Starting today we shall give a detailed description of the vacuum tube when used as an amplifier. This series, as in the past, is continuous and if clipped out and saved will be convenient for reference.

When the three-electrode vacuum tube was used as a detector, the circuits associated with it were such that where a symmetrical alternating difference was applied to the grid, a symmetrical change in plate current resulted. That is to say, the vacuum tube acted as a rectifier. In addition to rectifying, the tube also amplified. The variation in plate circuit was "K," where "K" is the amplification constant of the tube, times what it would have been in a two-electrode tube, for the same potential impressed on the grid.

By properly adjusting the electrical constants of the circuits associated with a three-electrode tube, symmetrical variations of grid potential can be made to produce symmetrical variation in plate current, which are "K" times the amplitude of the plate circuit variations of a similar two-electrode value with the same applied grid potential. This means that if a three-electrode value be used in the proper circuits in a radio receiver, the signals can be made to appear as though the received signal is "K" times as strong as it actually is. If two tubes are used with their proper circuits in conjunction with a radio receiver the received signals will appear to be "K" times as strong as they actually are and so the apparent strength of the incoming signal is multiplied by "K" for each additional tube added to the receiver circuit.

A vacuum tube used in conjunction with a circuit that will cause the plate current to vary in exact proportion to the applied grid voltage, but apparently caused by "K" times the actual grid voltage variation, is called an amplifier. If the tube functioning as an amplifier is used to amplify the incoming signal at radio frequency before it is rectified by the detector, it is termed a radio frequency amplifier. If the tube functioning as an amplifier is used after the incoming radio frequency has been rectified by the detector, it is termed an audio frequency amplifier.

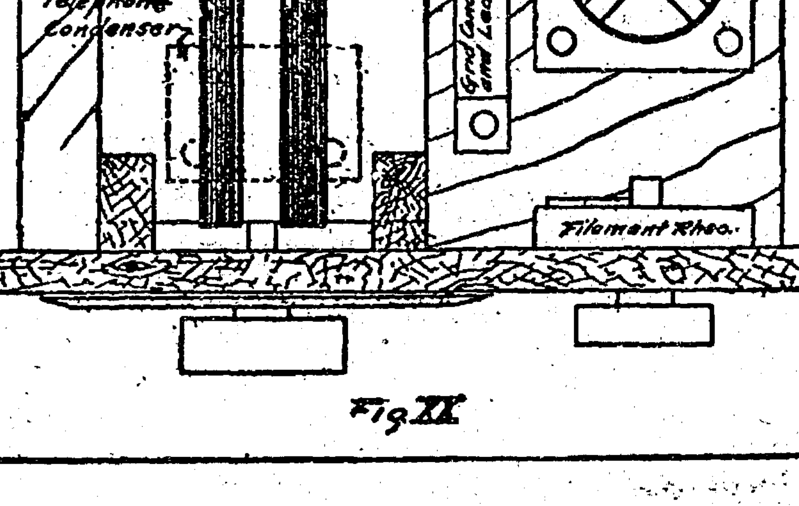
Returning again to the characteristic curve of the three-electrode vacuum tube, shown in Figure 23, notice its shape. Suppose that a positive potential was applied to the grid by means of a "C" battery so that the tube would function at a point represented by "A" on the characteristic curve. If now the applied grid potential from the "C" battery be reduced by an amount represented by A-B in Figure 23 the corresponding reduction in plate current will be represented by B-E. On the other hand if the grid potential be increased by an amount represented by A-C, where A-C equals B-C, the corresponding increase in plate current is C-D.

If the portion of the characteristic curve in the region of E-A-D is a straight line, then C-D will equal B-E, or so long as the working range falls within straight line portion of the characteristic curve, symmetrical changes in grid potential will cause symmetrical changes in plate current. From this it can be seen that if the working point "A" be selected near the bend of the characteristic curve, symmetrical changes in grid potential will not cause symmetrical changes in plate current. Since the plate current variation in such case would bear only slight relation to the grid variation in potential, the output of the tube would be distorted.

In applying amplifiers to receiving sets used to pick radiophone stations, distortion is one of the greatest difficulties to overcome. Too strong signals will result in decreased amplification. In Figure 23, if the applied variation in grid potential were 10 times that shown in the example, the plate current would not change 10 times as much, because of the bends in the curve, due to saturation. Finally, a condition can be reached where the use of an amplifier tube will decrease the signal strength because of the saturation of the tube.

The rectified incoming signals would be louder without the use of the amplifier tube, because of the inability of the plate current of the tube caused by saturation to increase in proportion to the signal strength.

There are, in general, two factors that can be taken from the characteristic curve and the second is the length of the straight portion of the curve. The slope of the straight portion of the curve determines the amplification of the tube. The more nearly vertical the straight portion of the curve is, the greater will be the change in plate current for a given change in grid potential, or, in other words, the louder will be the response in the telephone receivers corresponding to a given received signal. The length of the straight portion of the curve determines the maximum variation in grid potential that will cause the tube to function properly without distortion.



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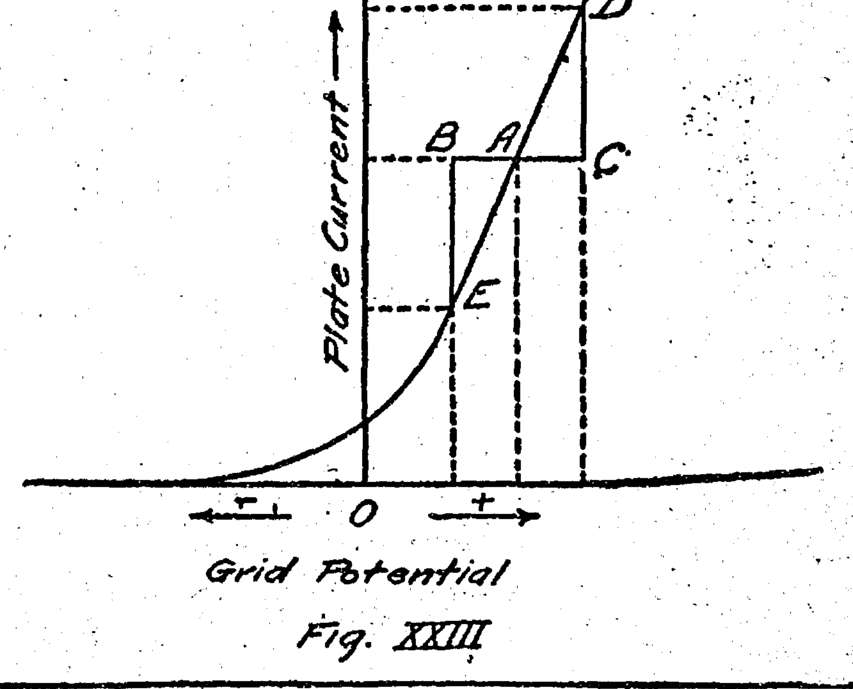

Fig. XXIII

TIPS TO RADIOISTS

At Muncie, Ind., bacon was fried by means of a radio current. At last an explanation for that "frying" noise.

Gifford Pinchot, nominated for governor of Pennsylvania by the vote of the people, acknowledges his great indebtedness to the radio. A primary coil no doubt played an important part.

An inventor of Chicago claims to have invented radio apparatus that permits of successful communication with the spirits. We hope that the anti-prohibitionists will not misinterpret this claim.

The police department of Portland, Ore., has asked for an appropriation for radio receiving and broadcasting stations and to equip the police automobiles with radio apparatus. Copper wire, it is needless to say, will be used.

Lord Northcliffe, famous English editor, in speaking of the future of journalism, recently predicted that radio would have an effect upon the publication of newspapers that will equal the invention of the linotype and high-speed press. He said that radio would undoubtedly come into general use of newspapers and newsgathering agencies.

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A Dollar Bill WILL---

WILL start a savings account at this bank.
WILL put you on the real road to real saving.
WILL earn interest while you save more.
WILL help build a wall between you and hardship.
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WILL make others think more of you.
WILL turn your ambition into real success.

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Larkin Secretary

Phone 316. Belmond Iowa

Farm Bureau News

County Agent Edwards spent two days last week in attendance at the Northeast Iowa County Agent's conference, which was held at Charles City, August 3 and 4. About 25 of the county agents from northeastern Iowa attended this meeting which was arranged by State County Agent Leader, Murl McDonald. The program arranged by the state leader included addreseses by R. K. Bliss, Director of Agricultural Extension work, Dr. E. G. Nourse of the Agricultural Economics department, Prof. Beckman of the Agricultural Journalism Department, Prof. Brindley on taxation problems and general round table discussions by the county agents

The county agents and extension workers were entertained royally on Friday noon at a luncheon given by the Charles City Lions club. About 30 business men of Charles City were present at this luncheon and took part in the hour and a half of good fellowship between the business men and county agents. Short addreseses were given by Director R. K. Bliss and by E. G. Nourse, which seemed to be enjoyed keenly by the Charles City business men. Mr. Bliss explained very briefly the great need of the agricultural extension service and a county agent in the community, while Dr. Nourse brought out some interesting facts in connection with the ship subsidy bill and many other important problems. The conference was a great success especially from the standpoint of valuable information which was given out by these authorities and the discussion of general problems by the county agents themselves. It is only by these conferencese that county agents get in touch with one another and decide upon policies which are for the betterment of agricultural communities.

Clothing School Planned

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist from Ames, will spend three days in Wright county, August 14, 15,16 conducting three one-day training schools on remodeling of clothing.

Arrangements have been made to have two representatives from each township in the county attend one of these meetings to receive instruction so as to be able to take it back to the ladies of their own communities. About 12 or 15 ladies have been selected to take the course of instruction and all ladies who are interested in the work are invited to attend one of the demonstrations of the three days as listed below.

These training schools will be all day meetings and each lady is asked to bring a lunch for noon, also a piece of material, her needles and colored thread for making stitches.

The meeting will be held according to the following schedule:

August 14: Mrs. J. W. Akers' home one-half mile west of Dows.

August 15: Evergreen Daughters of Ceres club, D. D. Paine cottage, four miles northwest of Eagle Grove.

August 16: Mrs. E. E. Evans, 7 miles north and one mile west of Clarion.

Boys Judging Livestock

The junior livestock judging team under the direction of the county agent met at the Ralph Fisher Poland China stock farm Monday evening, July 31, for work in judging hogs. Thru the kindness of Mr. Fisher several interesting classes of hogs of various ages were arranged and the boys managed to get some practical experience in studying the points of conformation in the Poland China type of hogs.

The county agent took the boys to the O. R. Myers farm at Solberg last Monday evening and spent the time in working with several classes of Percheron horses. Mr. Myers assisted the county agent in arranging the various classes for the boys to work on and the evening was profitably spent in studying the important points in connection with judging Percheron horses.

Max Miller of Dayton township has joined the boys in their judging work. All the boys are looking forward to Saturday, August 12, when they will go with the county agent to the state wide judging contest at the college.

DID YOU?

Thirteen thousand, nine hundred sixty farm bureau folks attended the different township meetings and picnics held in the county during July, Did you?

Three hundred twenty farmers called at the farm bureau office during the month of July. Did you?

Over two hundred farmers phoned to the farm bureau office for inforhelp. Did you?

One hundred sixty seven farmers wrote to the farm bureau for some help. Dd you?

Twenty-two farmers got their cattle tested free for T. B. Did you?

Thirty-five signed up to have their cattle tested for T. B. Did you?

About 500 club boys and girls and their parents attend the county wide picnic rally. Did you?

About 800 farmers made a saving on binder twine by purchasing thru the farm bureau. Did you?

Add up the above figures and you will see that oveer 16,000 folks benefited from the farm bureau during July. Did you?

One farmer said the farm bureau didn't do anything for him Did you

HAMPTON OFFICERS RAKE IN AUTO VIOLATORS

Chronicle: Forty violators of the automobile laws have been notified to appear before police court in Hampton during the past week, some charged with one infraction of the laws, and some with another. The biggest list of offenders seem to be the "no tail lighters." Many are also charged with speeding, cutting corners, running with cutouts open and running up and parking on the wrong side of the streets.

The speeders and known persistent violators have been given substantial fines, and officials state that the second offense will bring the limit, almost the price of a Ford car. Officials are forced to make a roundup at this time, because so many people have carelessly and defiantly violated the laws, and other travelers are entitled to protection from the careless drivers. No snap arrests have been made here, the people have been notified thru the newspapers and given warning as to what would happen if they persisted in violating the automobile laws. Now they have no one to blame but themselves. The officers do not intend to be harsh on technical violators, but there is not much excuse from this time on for any one to be ignorant of the laws. Post up and be safe, and make travel safe for others.

The city council has adopted the improved parking methods, and this week parking places are being marked on the main business streets., so the cars may be more easily parked, and at the same time the new method will take care of at least a third more cars in a given space than the old slip shod way of parking. Every car will now have a certain space, and a correct way to drive in and back out without annoyance or trouble. Study the new parking system on the business streets, and be sure and do not make a mistake and drive in too close to the corners. You will note the special markings at the corners.

SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS PAID FOR STRING OF BEADS

Sixty thousand dollars for a string of amber beads. That is what a jeweler paid a New York woman of moderate circumstances the other day. Paid it voluntarily, too. She had bought the beads in China for ten dollars, not because she considered them a bargain, but only because they were pretty. The other day, she decided to have them restrung and took them nto a small neighborhood jewelry shop. "Would you sell these?" the proprietor asked after looking them over. No, she thought not, but what would he pay. "Twenty thousand dollars," he said, never batting an eyelash. It speaks for the poise of our American women that she neither fainted nor gasped. "I'll think it over," she replied, and walked out. It is speaking mildly to say, however, that her curiosity was piqued. If there was a sudden and amazing market for amber beads, it would be interesting to learn the news if it had reached any other places. Tiffany's seemed a fair trial, so there she hastened. Would they like to buy them? A short inspection, and she was offered $40,000 by this conservative and never hysterical concern. It was too much so she asked them right out for the reason. "I am sorry but I can't tell you," was the still more confusing reply. By this time she was determined to find a shop that was communicative as well as generous. The next one proved both. "Sixty thousand," was the quotation. Whereupon she offered the beads in exchange for $60,000 and an explanation. When the sale was completed, he told her. "You can't see with a naked eye," the jeweler said, "but under the magnifying glass there is a distinct J and N carved on every bead. The French government has offered a reward of $100,000 for this string. It was stolen years ago, and it was originally the property of Josephine Bonapart, a gift from Napoleon. I have made $40,000 out of this transaction."—Exchange.

Belmond Local News

The meeting of the Belmond Cemetery Aid society will be postponed until September 9 at the home of Miss Helen Harberts.

Let us do your printing and developing. $5.00 worth of kodak finishing entitles you to an enlargement free.—Schultz Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. August Carlston, the parents of Ed. Carlston, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carlston and son autoed from Galesburg, Illinois, visited here the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Chris Sorenson returned on Tuesday from Clear Lake, where she had been visiting for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jorgenson returned Tuesday from Decorah, Iowa, where they had been visiting friends and relatives.

A card from Mrs. G. A. Pabst at Long Beach, California, states that they are well and enjoying their new home, which they recently erected.

Mrs. T. B. Ross and Miss Helen Ross from Dubuque are visiting at the home of relatives here.

Mrs. Wm. Woods from Chicago is visiting at the Hinman and Schlieffarth homes.

Chester Luick was a business caller at Mason City on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. E. E. Boughton is attending a reunion of the family at Baxter this week.

Ells and Ed. McBroom from Laurel were guests of E. E. Boughton and family last Saturday.

Christ Friesleben and Fred Pletch and family went to Illinois last week by auto, to spend a week or so at various points visiting relatives.

Miss Erma Slauter arrived Tuesday to trim at the Tyrrell millinery shop.

The oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hake had the misfortune to break his leg recently, when a horse he was riding threw him while visiting at Rowan. The Rowan doctor attended him, and he was brought home a few days later.

Miss Inez Trumbell was a recent visitor at Meservey, where she will teach this fall in one of the rural schools north of that town.

The committee on concessions and free attractions are busy these days lining up for Creamery Day. C. H. Jennings is at the head of it and we all know Clyde will have something good.

The Luick orchestra will play at the program Creamery Day.

We specialize in training young people for business positions.

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We are ready at all times to accommodate our patrons. If you are not a patron, just give us a trial.

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JOE S. WHITE
Belmond, Iowa Phone 272,

Griesy's Store News

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A WINTER FEED WITH A SUMMER TASTE

Butterfat and live stock prices are higher, and this fact is going to make the use of ensilage for winter feeding more desirable than ever. Besides giving the herd in the winter time a feed with the summer time taste, ensilage is highly nutritious and is an important part of a balanced ration. But just becuse it's good to feed ensilage, don't overlook the need of economy in making it. Use the dependable McCORMICK-DEERING (International) ensilage cutter. They are simple and compact, made of steel thruout. McCORMICK-DEERING ensilage cutters are safe running at any speed, require less power for large capacities and therefore are economical. Prices are a good deal lower than last year.

The key to happiness is in your own heart. Make use of it.

The man who doubts the honesty of mankind in general is usually pretty well acquainted with himself.

TIMELY REMINDERS

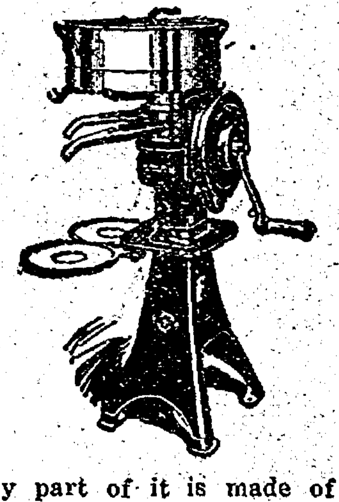
Fall—just a few weeks distant!
Weather due—fine for fall work.
You will need—
Perhaps a Titan 10-20 Kerosene tractor.
A power lift 3-bottom P&O tractor plow.
To go with it.
And maybe a Leverless Disk harrow.
Or possibly.
A McCormick or Deering Husker and Shredder.
An International Ensilage Cutter.
Or any one of a large number of High Quality, service-proved implements.
That we sell.
Come in and see us.
And our fall line of farm equipment.

INCREASE YOUR CROPS

When you hear of an exceptionally good crop in your neighborhood, you can depend on it that the farmer who had the good crop, first of all looked after the fertility of the soil on which it was raised. Fertility is the first chapter of the story—always. Farmers that raise good crops invariably own good manure spreaders. The two go together hand in hand. You cannot afford this year to pass up an opportunity to save all the manure and use its fertility in making your farm more productive. An International roller bearing manure spreader will help you produce bigger crops with less man power. See us about the International and new low prices at your first opportunity.

A Continued Story.

We just can't help telling you a little about the Primrose cream separator each week. You know how it is—when you are thoroly convinced that something is RIGHT, your can't help talking about it. That's the way we feel about the Primrose.



Every part of it is made of highgrade materials insuring long life and years of useful service. The Primrose gets ALL the cream, and it is easy to keep clean. When you buy a separator there are so many reasons why it should be a Primrose that it will be well worth your while to find out all about it. Talk it over with us the next time you're in town.

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

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The Net Earnings of the Company are equal to over Three Times the interest requirements.

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The interest is paid twice a year, on June 1st and December 1st.

Subscriptions may be made direct to our Manager, Mr. H. F. Kellogg, or through your Banker.

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MESERVEY SECTION

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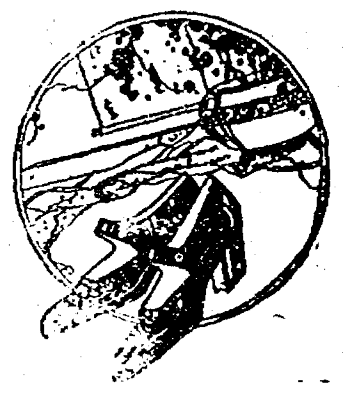

Basement
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Starting Thursday, August 11
Economy Basement Dept.
"Goes Sky-Rocketing" for 7 Days

Dept. to be entirely CHANGED
and present stock to be unloaded.

A gooe chance to buy Fall Shoes for the family at exceptional prices. Sale in BASEMENT ONLY.

WOODRUFF'S
"Good Shoes"
115 N. Federal Ave. Mason City, Iowa

See Our Display At the North Iowa Fair
Next Week

Cave Man Stuff

BACK near the beginning of things, our prehistoric forbears would have perished from the earth if they had not understood the science of reading advertising.

The cave men didn't know much about underwear, hair tonic or phonographs, but they did have to eat. The one who could follow the track of the game he hunted, or read the meaning of a twisted leaf or broken twig, was best off in life.

Then, as now, the most consistent reader of advertising was best dressed, best fed and most contented. There has been something of an evolution in advertising in the last few thousands of years, but the principle is just the same.

The *consistent* reader of the advertisements is invariably best informed on what to eat and where to get it; what to wear and how much to pay for it. He's up on the most important things in life.

Throughout the ages, advertising has done much to make life livable and pleasant. We owe it much.

Let's make the most of it.

MEAT MARKET CHANGES HANDS

Our City Meat Market changed hands rather suddenly last Saturday, when Deputy Sheriff Harold Marsh came down and took possession for J. E. Deckers and Sons on an attachment for un-paid bills. Geo. H. Miller, who has been here for some time, was left in charge to dispose of the stock on hand. After this is done the shop will be under new management and we are promised plenty of meat and a reduction in price.

R. L. Robinson has not been at the shop since last Thursday, and left without leaving any forwarding address. His present wereabouts are unknown, so we are unable to tell what his intentions are. Mrs. Robinson has been with her parents at Dows for some time.

HAUL BY TRUCK

Fred Ralston had the Dibble truck from Belmond take two loads of hogs to Mason City the first of the week. We believe this is the first instance that farmers near here have hauled their hogs direct to the packing house.

"111"
cigarettes

10¢ plus Iowa State Tax

They are GOOD!

FREE MOVIES DRAW CROWDS

The free movies given on the street each Saturday night are drawing large crowds and are apprantly ppreciated. The Meservey business men who pay the bill, are showing the people that they appreciate their customers' trade, and it creates a better feeling between them and the farmer. The farmer has much to say about building up his town; the merchants interest in better business are no less of interest to the farmer.

DOCTOR HAULED FROM TRAIN BY JEERING CROWD

The following is taken from the Denver Post. The doctor is a nephew of H. F. Reif, and visited here two years ago:

Dragged off the Los Angeles & Salt Lake train in the desert four miles east of Las Vegas, Nev., surrounded by a group of men bent on killing him as a railroad labor gent, Dr. H. F. Fuerst of Greeley, Colo., saw with untold relief the stopping of the cars and the passengers rushing to his rescue Sunday morning. To his light checkered summer suit are laid his thrilling adventure and narrow escape from lynching. At Los Angeles a number of strike breakers boarded the train in charge of a man who wore a suit almost identical with that of Doctor Fuerst and who resembled him quite closely. When the train stopped at the railroad yards outside of Las Vegas, this man and the workers under his care, who were on their way to work in the machine shops, got off. Dr. Fuerst walked around a bit and it was there he believes that he was mistaken for the labor agent.

About three miles out of Las Vegas, while he was talking to Rufus Smith, veteran Salt Lake fireman, a gang of men came into the car, Dr. Fuerst said, and dragged him to the vestibule, where the rap door was open.

"Drop him on the rocks. Bust his head open. Kill him," one of the group said, but he was dissuaded from his purpose by another, who counseled that they "hold on until we get to the shack and then lynch the bird." Dr. Fuerst, realizing the seriousness of the situation, pleaded that he was the wrong man and was not connected with the railroad in any way. He was told to shut up, that they had him spotted and that they knew he was the right man.

Soon after the brakeman stopped the train near some shacks, Dr. Fuerst said, and his captors jumped off the train with him. They dragged him away from the train in plain view of the passengers. Ten or fifteen more joined the party, and Dr. Fuerst said his heart sank as the train started to pull away. A Mexican in the group produced a heavy club and branished it in a menacing manner, saying, "I got you now. I kill you."

Meanwhile passengers on board the train started yelling for the conductor to stop and as the engineer applied the brakes a number ran down towards the gang shouting that they had the wrong man. Dr. Fuerst was then released. Several women on the train became hysterical and the incident was almost the sole topic of conversation until the train pulled into Salt Lake Sunday morning. Dr. Fuerst declared that he overheard the brakeman tell Mr. Smith that it served him right, that he was going to get what was coming to him. Mr. Smith accompanied Dr. Fuerst to the railroad officeres here and registered a complaint, demanding the punishment of the brakeman and reparation for his inquiries. An investigation of the incident was promised.

GENEVA BOY AND HANSELL GIRL ELOPE IN DAD'S FORD

Hampton Chronicle: Nothing has been heard of the whereabouts of Raymond Harris, aged 18, and Miss Irene Van Koten, aged 17, of Hansell, since their sudden disappearance from their homes two weeks ago last Sunday night, on July 16.

The young couple had been keeping company some, but had met secretly most of the time because of the objections made on the part of the young lady's parents on account of her age. On the night of their departure she had attended services at the Methodist church at Hansell with a girl friend. She returned home and retired for the night, and the other members of her family retired at the usual time. When they awoke in the morning they found the girl was missing from her room. Some time during the night she and young Harris had left. The screen on her bedroom window had been cut, and she made her getaway thru the window. Whether she cut the screen herself or whether Harris assisted her in getting out of the house is, of course, unknown.

The couple left in a Ford touring car, the property of the boy's father, but it had been registered in the boy's name when the license was taken out at the office of the county treasurer. The license number was 40-23444, and the car had a spot light on the left side. The families of the couple have no idea where or which way they went. Sheriff Atkinson, who has been working on the case, states that it was surely a smooth getaway on the part of the young couple, as not a single clue as to their whereabouts, or which way they went, has been discovered.

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H. D. Moore of Beimond was a caller here last Friday.

N. A. Myers of Thornton was in town one day last week transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Drewes and two sons of Chicago who have been visiting at the home of their brother-in-law, Mr. Wm. Messelheiser, and family, departed for their home last Thursday. This is the second trip their auto has made from Chicago in the last 60 days.

The Northern Sugar company dismantled their beet loading dump here, and have shipped it to some point in Minnesota, where it will be used to load beets this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kolb returned from their auto trip to Storm Lake, where they visited relatives. Mrs. H. J. Geisler and daughter Helen accompanied them but will visit relatives in Polk county before returning to their home in Lisbon, N. D.

W. J. Hartfelder met with quite a painful accident one day last week He was working around a big gas tractor when his hand slipped, striking on a part of the machinery in such a manner that a deep gash was cut between his thumb and forefinger. Several stitches were required to make repairs.

The painters working on the Reformed church are working both inside and outside at the same time, It is thought that the building can be dedicated in two or three weeks.

We were walking along the street the other day, and noticed two men were talking rather loud, and thinking it might be an affair similar to the one pulled off on our streets one Saturday night a short time ago, we stopped to find out what was the trouble. We were intormed that they were not angry. One of them claimed that there were wild beasts, such as bears, lions, tigers and the like, in the weeds on some of our vacant lots; the other claimed there were no wild animals there, but that it was more likely to furnish cover for a still. We did not stop to see how the thing was settled, but we believe, however, that both were wrong. But the fact is that the weeds should be cut.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The Board of Directors of the CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT of MESERVEY will receive sealed bids for the transporting of children until 6 p. m., August 14, 1922. Sealed bids for janitor work in the Meservey school will also be accepted until such time. All bids to be in the hands of the Secretary of the Board before the above mentioned time in order to receive consideration.

All bids for routes shall plainly state the number of the route for which the bidder desires to submit a bid and the wages asked per school month of 20 school days. Plans may be seen at the office of the Secretary. Drivers shall be prepared to furnish a suitable bond in case their bid is accepted.

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K. Clarence Ruigh,
Secretary.

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MARY GEALOW
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L. B. Hulsebus and Frank Hafermann were business callers at Clear Lake and Mason City last Friday.

J. K. Koenen has rented the J. D. Meinders farm for 1923, and Edw. Roods has the Brater farm rented for next year.

Roy Gaetzke has sold the dray line to S. P. Fischer. The latter owned the dray some years ago. We understand that Roy has gone to work for a C. G. W. bridge gang.

Some of the careless auto drivers are beginning to find out that we have a local government relative to speed laws. A check for $8.75 was received last week from a party at Colfax, as charges for using main street as a speed way.

H. S. Herrick of Los Angeles, California, was in town one day last week. He formerly was on a farm northeast of Meservey, and still owns 120 acres here.

Miss Sadie Frohling and Miss Inez Trumbell of Belmond were Meservey callers last week. We understand that Miss Trumbel will teach one of the rural schools north of town this fall.

Mrs. H. Christiansen and Mrs. F. Schuldt of Goodell accompanied by Mrs. Norva Ellison and children of Crane, Missouri, were visitors at the Langlitz and Rief homes one day last week. Mrs. Ellison was a former Goodell resident.

Dr. J. A. Butz and family of Monterey, Minn. were recent visitors at the Mrs. Mary Butz and Wm. Butz homes here.

Have you seen Professor Smith? If not you have failed to see something out of the ordinary. The professor drives two horses hitched to an old spring wagon, with a bottom in the box. The sides, for some reason, are missing; he leads one horse hitched to a cart and another just walks along for company. He carries a box with some guinea pigs, numerous old rags, and a water can. The professor dresses about the same as a typical weary willie. He has been in this vicinity for several weeks, and claims to be in the show business. We are informed that he gave one entertainment in a rural school near town and about all he did was to run down the Consolidated schools. But judging from the professor's appearance and actions he has chosen quite a heavy subject.

Bacon—I sent a dollar to the fellow who advertised to tell how to take wrinkles out in the face.

Egbert—And did he tell you?

Bacon—He did. He said to walk out in the open air at least once a day and the wrinkles would go out with me.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gruis returned from their Minnesota trip, where they visited friends at New Ulum.

While coming into town from the east Sunday, Chas. Conway's car was struck by another car and put in the ditch. Chas. was driving slowly and the ditch was not bad enough to stop him and he pulled back into the road. The car not only struck his car but also another car, but they never stopped, and when Charles got back into the road the other fellow was going over the hill to the east.—Signal.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Pannkuk, father and mother of Rev. Pankuk and Mr. and Mrs. Everts of Titonka, Iowa are visiting here today at Rev. Pannkuk.

Mr. Geo. Lauster of Bigstone, S. Dak. arrived Tuesday morning for a visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Aneta Fischer of Fort Dodge is visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gruis left Tuesday morning for Stout, Iowa visiting friends and relatives.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Fischer and daughter, Gladys spent Sunday with the former's parents at Masonn City.

Erwin Langlitz spent Sunday with relatives at Goodell.

Mr. and Mrs. Hemmis and daughter of Latimer spent Sunday at the Jno. Ruiter home.

A. J. Nissen was a business visitor at the county seat Monday.

Miss Mattie Pals spent Sunday at her home at Palsville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bier left Saturday for a visit with relatives at Ackley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus accompanied by Walter, Herman and Louise Witt spent Sunday with friends at Clear Lake.

Threshing is progressing nicely with a good yield per acre and the quality is good.

Mr. and Mrs. William Van Duren and son and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Van Heukelom and daughter of Pella, Iowa arrived here Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends. They were formerly residents of this vicinity.

Contrary to popular opinion, scratching the head is often a sign of good breeding.

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ROWAN NEWS

The annual Wright county tennis tournament was held at the Clarmond country club Aug. 3 and 4, Clarion carrying off the honors. Paul Ramsay of Clarion defeated Whiteman of Eagle Grove in the semifinals of the lower bracket, bringing him into the finals. Dr. St. Clair of Clarion defeated D. W. Farran of Rowan in the semifinals of the upper bracket, brining him into the finals with Ramsay. In the final sets Ramsay won from St. Clair 6-3, 6-3, winning the championship of Wright county. The winner of the championship of last year's tournament, Dr. Martin of Eagle Grove, defaulted after playing a number of sets. He was unbeaten when he defaulted.

In the doubles play Ramsay and Hartsock of Clarion fought their way to the finals, but were closely pressed most of the time. In the final sets Ramsay and Hartsock played Whiteman and Brown of Eagle Grove and won their matches. Ramsay and Hartsock played doubles together in their high school days in the State high school meet at Ames, and certainly play well together.

Rowan went farther this year than last, and it is hoped that by next August we may be runners up in both doubles and singles. Tomkinson and Sheldon played good tennis together in the doubles, but were no match for Ramsay and Hartsock. Both showed good form in the singles play, but Ramsay, with his consistant long shots to the back line, drove them off the courts and piled up points against them. Ramsay was taken by surprise by the playing of Wesley Azeltine, and it nearly cost him a set before he got into full swing. Ramsay, who played with Monmouth college, and Don Farran, of the University of Iowa, were unable to meet each other, the former coming up in the lower bracket, and the latter in the upper. Dale Farran caused a stir among the oldtimers at the tournament. When the 13 year old youngster beat two men and went into the third bracket against St. Clair interest centered upon that match. St. Clair had little trouble winning the two sets, 6-1, 6-2. The drives in both setes of this match went deep into the opponents' court, within a foot of the service line on both sides of the net, and it was only after four or five returns that the point was lost.

Dr. St. Clair and Paul Ramsay deserve a great deal of credit for the success of the tournament. Thanks is also due the country club for the arrangements they made for the tournament. It is planned to make this an annual affair, and perhaps a trophy, such as a loving cup, will be offered. If present plans work out, next year the tournament will inclue a ladies' tournament and a junior boys' (under 16) tournament. The feeling of the people from Rowan who attended the tournament is that they were treated fine, and they hope that next year's tournament will be as successful as the one held at Clarmond this year.

The contestants were Dale and Donald Farran, Ray and Wesley Azeltine, Dr. Maker, Guy Sheldon and Rev. Tomkinson.

Congregational Church Notes

Morning service at 11. Sunday school at 12. Young people's meeting at 7 p. m. Evening service at 8.

Last Sunday morning Rev. Hardcastle preached in the morning, and Rev. Ada Anderson delivered the evening sermon. Both services were well attended and two fine sermons were delivered.

The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. E. Bingham, Thursday afternoon for a work meeting. All the members are requested to be present as there is work for all.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold their regular business meeting and social hour at the home of Mr and Mrs. Clint Kercheval Friday evening Keep this in mind and come and have a good time.

The Endeavors held a bake sale at the Whitten store Sat. p. m. which proved a grand success.

Don't forget the prayer service on Wed. evening at 8.

Methodist Church Notes

The Women's Home Missionary society held a social at the home of Mrs. Chas. Richards. Those present declare it to be one of the best ever held. There were lots of good eats and plenty of good fellowship. The attendance was not as large as was expected. But this was largely due to the busy time among the farmers.

The pastor was back in his pulpit last Sunday after two weeks absence.

The Methodist camp meeting is now in progress at Okibegi, Spirit Lake, where many of the great leaders of the Methodisth church, including Bishops Stuntz, Mead and Jones, and Dr. Geo. Elliott of New York, are on the program. Mr. and Mrs. August Rietz and family are taking in the inspiration of these meetings. Rev. Tomkinson expects to be present for a day this next week. The following week he preaches the noon hour sermon at the Algona District Conference.

The Wright county W. C. T. U. convention is to be held at Goldfield next Friday. Two of the Rowan ladies are on the program, Mrs. Logan McCallum and Mrs. H. Tomkinson. Others are planning on being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and Mrs. Darrell Stout were Mason City shoppers Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett motored to Cedar County Saturday to visit at the home of an aunt of Mr. Bingham and Mrs. Pritchett, Mrs Andrew Bixler and family. They returned home Monday.

The W. C. T. U. will meet next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Will Bailey Jr. Mrs. R. H. Keith is the leader. All members are requested to be present.

Dr. Maker and Ormal Gates went to Clear Lake, Saturday, returning home Sunday. Mrs. Gates, Mrs. William McCallum and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McCallum, who spent the past week there, returned with them.

Mrs Odland, of Goldfield, came Monday to assist in caring for the new boy at the Langdon home.

Mr. W. A. Burrows and daughters Iva Myrtle and Marion, of Dows, visited at the home of Mrs. Hannah Whitten Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reitz and family left last week for Okoboji to spend several days at the Methodist camp meeting which is being held there.

Mrs. R. H. Keith, Kenneth and Margeret and Howard Anderson attended Chatauqua at Goldfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham, Mrs. Will Bingham and Mrs. J. F. Howell were Dows shoppers Wednesday.

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary please remember Thursday night is regular meeting night.

Several Rowanites attended the band concert at Clarion Tuesday evening. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Azeltine, Miss Florence Box, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and son Howard, of Omaha, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham. They are on their vacation. Mrs. Rev. Anderson is quite well known to Rowan people and her many friends were glad to renew her acquaintance.

Mrs. R. H. Keith and Kenneth and Margaret, Miss Charter of Hampton and Miss Grace McCutcheon of Goldfield who has been visiting her aunt at this place, motored to Goldfield on Thursday when Miss McCutcheon returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stout of Thompson visited at the home of his brother Sim and wife several days the past week. Mr. Stout is taking treatment of Dr. George at Dows.

Irene Weber was operated on at Cedar Rapids last Monday. We stated in this paper two weeks ago that she and her mother had gone to Iowa City. As the hospital was full at that place they returned to Cedar Rapids and have both submitted to operations. Last reports were that they were doing nicely.

A young Hake boy from Belmond who had been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Rowen, had the misfortune to break his leg near the the hip last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Nelson left the first of the week for Sheffield, Ill., where they will visit relatives for a short time. Mr. Nelson's father is staying with the family and helping with the farm work.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder and daughter Ruth, of Clarion, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder of this place left Saturday by auto for Shellsburg, Wis., and Applerlver and Warren, Ill., where they will visit relatives a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Foweler and Mr and Mrs. Henry Azeltine were Iowa Falls visitors Wednesday at the home of their sister, Mrs. L.D. Bingham.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers and Mrs. Fred Brooks were Ft. Dodge shoppers Thursday

Harvey Lineweaver and Charles Emerson purchased new gravel trucks the past week.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum and Mrs. R. H. Keith and son were Belmond visitors Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Mathiason and family of Coulter spent Sunday at the Will Bingham home. Mrs. Bingham entertained 20 dinner guests.

Mrs. Lizzie Brooks returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives at Waverly and Waterloo. Miss Elizabeth Brooks of Waverly accompanied her home for a short visit with relatives here.

Mrs. R. H. Keith went to Des Moines, Tuesday, as a delegate to the Republican convention. She returned home Thursday.

Mrs. Kate Conn visited relatives at Fort Dodge a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wessels and family went to Mason City Tuesday, to visit their daughter, Mrs. Laurence Young and family.

Mr, and Mrs. Roland Harris were Dows shoppers Wednesday.

A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Langdon Wednesday Aug. 2. Mrs. Edith Harson is assisting in the care of them.

Messrs. Wm. and Jake Steffens and their sister Miss Hattie, and Miss Dorothy Steffens enjoyed a few days outing at Clear Lake last week

Little Ivan Williams, the six year old son of Mrs. Mary Williams, underwent an operation at the Steele hospital last Thursday for the removal of adenoids and diseased tonsils. He is doing as well as can be expected.

Mrs. Roscoe Robinson, who was very ill at the Guy Stumph home the first of last week, has gone to the home of her parents at Dows.

Frank Carr was a Dows caller on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bingham and children of Iowa Falls were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Eleanor Martin is visiting relatives at Fairmont, Minn., this week.

Gay Fletcher is able to be about on crutches since his accident several weeks ago. It will be some time before he will be able to use his foot as it is injured near the ankle joint.

Mrs. A. W. Hoke returned last week from her visit with her sons Earl and George and family at Bruce, Wis.

Miss Florence Box visited in Clarion Monday and assisted her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur Box, to cook for threshers.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver was taken seriously ill Friday and was removed to the Steele hospital at Belmond where she underwent an operation. She is reported as doing very nicely.

Dan Hearn and son Paul attended the big Legion picnic and carnival at Bristow Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Diltz and daughter Pearl, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Diltz of Sheffield, Ill., visited at the home of their cousin, Mrs. W. H. Bingham and family Monday.

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
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Alexander Local News

CHURCH NOTES

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran

All services will be held in the English language Sunday, Aug. 23.

Sunday school at 2 o'clock. John Arends, Superintendent.

Preaching at 2:45.

Come and worship with us and bring your friends. We will do you good.

Rev. C. J. Barth, Pastor.

M. E. Church Notes

There will be no preaching at the Methodist church on Sunday the 13th as Rev. Wilkinson will be gone on a vacation with his family. But the following Sunday, August 20th, there will be the regular services. As there will be no preaching we have decided to omit the Sabbath school also for the day. But let us prepare our lessons as usual and all be present on the 20.

Preaching at 9:30, Sunday school at 10:30.

Thedore Beenen was a Sunday visitor at Eldora.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer and family were in attendance at a family reunion held at Iowa Falls on Sunday.

Will Foughty was a caller at Ackley on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens and Lewis and Susie Schulte were Hampton callers Wednesday.

James Green of Hampton was in town last week attending to his farm interests at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and two daughters were callers at Hampton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs John Arends and family were Belmond callers Tuesday.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Eldora came Sunday for a visit at the Fred Greenfield home.

John Bell and daughter Miss Jessie and Erma and Eldon Bell were callers at Hampton Friday.

Oscar Hensel was a business caller at Jewell one day last week.

Miss Velma Larson visited with relatives at Hampton several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and children, and Miss Susie Schulte were Sunday visitors at Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyold Green were Hampton callers last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and son Ormal, Miss Nellie Bell and Arthur Winwood visited at the Dick Van Horn home at Hansell last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and Elmer and Blanche were Sunday visitors at Clear Lake.

Miss Larson, Miss Alice Ersland, Gerald Ersland and Leonard Arends were Clear Lake callers last Sunday.

R. L. Carlock and Oscar Hensell were at Thornton, Monday, on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hansen and family were visiting with relatives at Iowa Falls last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Larsen and daughter Velma and Ruth Beenen are visiting at the C. E. Harman home at Laurens this week.

Harold Aigley was a Belmond visitor last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Winwood were visitors at Iowa Falls, Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Winwood and daughter Miss Mary were shoppers at Hampton last Wednesday.

Mrs. Harm Suntken and daughter Alice and daughter Helen spent several days last week with relatives at Ackley.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vanduren of Pella were visitors at the Jelto Pals home a few days the past week.

Miss Joyce Seegar left the first of the week for Canada, where she will make an indefinite visit with relatives.

FORD TRACTOR EXPOSITION HELD AT IOWA STATE FAIR

A totally new developement is promised for the Iowa State Fair, Aug. 23 to Sept. 1, for, in conjunction with the State Fair itself, the Fordson Industrial and Agricultural Tractor Exposition will be held on the fairgrounds.

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Active demonstrations will be given every day so that visitors will not only see the equipment but have a chance to study its work.

U. S. LEADS WORLD IN CHEAP POSTAGE

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Announcement is made from Washington that Spain and Argentina have recently been added to our two-cent stamp zone. This is just one step in the extension of the low letter rate. For two cents Uncle Sam will carry a letter to Shanghai, China, or New Zealand. All parts of the British empire can be reached for the same price, with the exception of Australia; India and Egypt.

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WHICH ONE IS A LIAR?

Editors are bound to get the truth tangled once in a while as the two following clippings from the Garner papers will show. Now which is which here and who is the liar—Ted Tierney or Frank Clark? Read the two items and solve the question:

Signal Says It's An Office

A new office room is being fitted up in the northwest corner of the court house basement. Whether it will be used by the engineers or the abstract offices will be removed into it we do not know. It is a nice office and will be a good place for whoever uses it.—Signal

Leader Says It's A Coal Bin

The court house basement, or part of it lying under the office of the Clerk of the Court, has been remodled, and will be used for a coal bin. Added room was needed for coal storage. The way it has been when a year's supply of fuel was installed in the fall, it made Lewis Henschen's office quarters a trifle cramped.—Leader.

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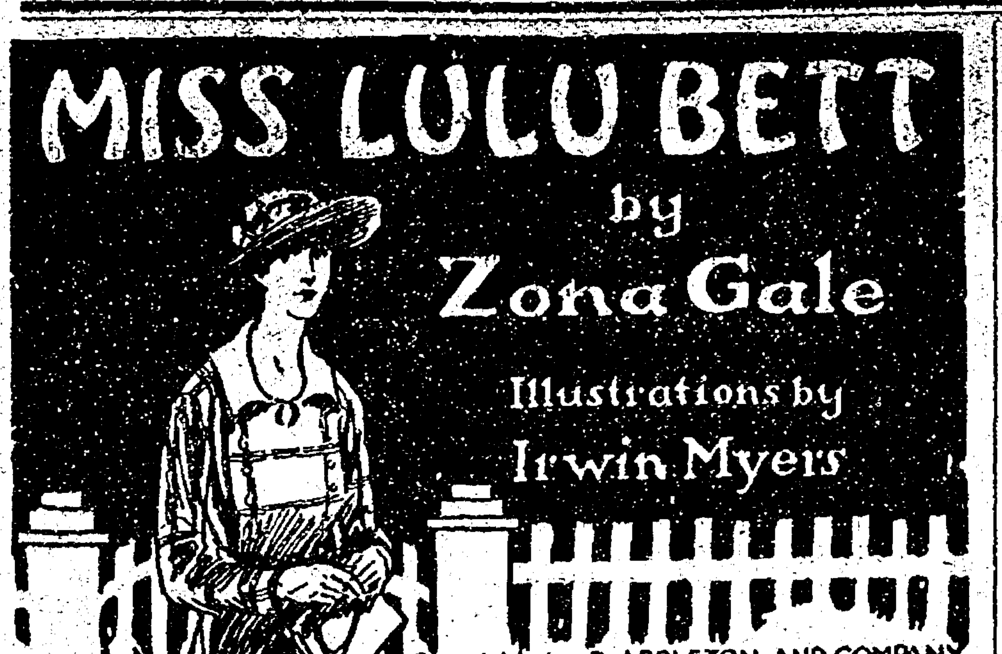

MISS LULU BETT

by

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I

April.

The Deacons were at supper. In the middle of the table was a small, appealing tulip plant, looking as anything would look whose sun was a gas jet. This gas jet was high above the table and flared with a sound.

"Better turn down the gas jest a little," Mr. Deacon said, and stretched up to do so. He made this joke almost every night. He seldom spoke as a man speaks who has something to say, but as a man who makes something to say.

"Well, what have we on the festive board tonight?" he questioned, eyeing it. "Festive" was his favorite adjective. "Beautiful," too. In October he might be heard asking: "Where's my beautiful fall coat?"

"We have creamed salmon," replied Mrs. Deacon gently. "On toast," she added, with a scrupulous regard for the whole truth. Why she should say this so gently no one can tell. She says everything gently. Her "Could you leave me another bottle of milk this morning?" would wring a milkman's heart.

"Well, now, let us see," said Mr. Deacon, and attacked the principal dish benignly. "Let us see," he added, as he served.

"I don't want any," said Monona.

The child Monona was seated upon a book and a cushion, so that her little triangle of nose rose adultly above her plate. Her remark produced precisely the effect for which she had passionately hoped.

"What's this?" cried Mr. Deacon "No salmon?"

"No," said Monona, inflected up, chin pertly pointed. She felt her power, discarded her "sir."

"Oh now, Pet!" from Mrs. Deacon, on three notes. "You liked it before."

"I don't want any," said Monona, in precisely her original tone.

"Just a little? A very little?" Mr. Deacon persuaded, spoon dripping.

The child Monona made her lips thin and straight and shook her head until her straight hair flapped in her eyes on either side. Mr. Deacon's eyes anxiously consulted his wife's eyes. What is this? Their progeny will not eat? What can be supplied?

"Some bread and milk!" cried Mrs. Deacon brightly, exploding on "bread." One wondered how she thought of it.

"No," said Monona, inflection up, chin the same. She was affecting indifference to this scene, in which her soul delighted. She twisted her head, bit her lips unconcernedly, and turned her eyes to the remote.

There emerged from the fringe of things, where she perpetually hovered, Mrs. Deacon's older sister, Lulu Bett, who was "making her home with us." And that was precisely the case. They were not making her a home, goodness knows. Lulu was the family beast of burden.

"Can't I make her a little milk toast?" she asked Mrs. Deacon.

Mrs. Deacon hesitated, not with compunction at accepting Lulu's offer, not diplomatically to lure Monona. But she hesitated habitually, by nature, as another is by nature vivacious or brunette.

"Yes!" shouted the child Monona.

The tension relaxed. Mrs. Deacon assented. Lulu went to the kitchen. Mr. Deacon served on. Something of this scene was enacted every day. For Monona the drama never lost its zest. It never occurred to the others to let her sit without eating, once, as a cure-all. The Deacons were devoted parents and the child Monona was delicate. She had a white, grave face, white hair, white eyebrows, white lashes. She was sullen, anemic. They let her wear rings. She "toed in." The poor child was the late birth of a late marriage and the principal joy which she had provided for them thus far was the pleased reflection that they had produced her at all.

"Where's your mother, Ina?" Mr. Deacon inquired. "Isn't she coming to her supper?"

"Tantrim," said Mrs. Deacon softly.

"Oh, ho," said he, and said no more.

The temper of Mrs. Bett, who also lived with them, had days of high vibration when she absented herself from the table as a kind of self-indulgence, and no one could persuade her to food. "Tantrims," they called these occasions.

"Baked potatoes," said Mr. Deacon. "That's good—that's good. The baked potato contains more nourishment than potatoes prepared in any other way. The nourishment is next to the skin. Roasting retains it."

"That's what I always think," said his wife pleasantly.

For fifteen years they had agreed about this.

They ate, in the indecent silence of first savoring food. A delicate crunching of crusts, an odor of baked-potato shells, the slip and touch of the silver.

"Num, num, nummy-num!" sang the child Monona loudly, and was hushed by both parents in simultaneous exclamation which rivaled this lyric outburst. They were alone at table. Di, daughter of a wife early lost to Mr. Deacon, was not there. Di was hardly ever there. She was at that age. That age, in Warbleton.

A clock struck the half hour.

"It's curious," Mr. Deacon observed, "how that clock loses. It must be fully quarter to." He consulted his watch. "It is quarter to!" he exclaimed with satisfaction. "I'm pretty good at guessing time."

"I've noticed that!" cried his Ina.

"Last night, it was only twenty-three to, when the half hour struck," he reminded her.

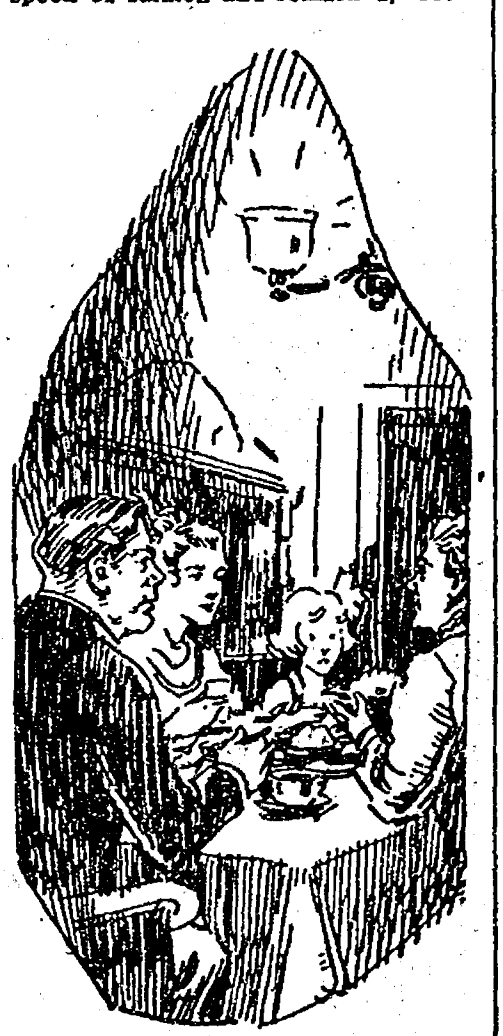
"Twenty-one, I thought." She was tentative, regarded him with arched eyebrows, mastication suspended.

This point was never to be settled. The colloquy was interrupted by the child Monona, whining for her toast. And the doorbell rang.

"Dear me!" said Mr. Deacon. "What can anybody be thinking of to call just at mealtime?"

He trod the hall, flung open the street door. Mrs. Deacon listened. Lulu, coming in with the toast, was warned to silence by an uplifted finger. She deposited the toast, tiptoed to her chair. A withered baked potato and cold creamed salmon were on her plate. The child Monona ate with shocking appreciation. Nothing could be made of the voices in the hall. But Mrs. Bett's door was heard softly to unlatch. She, too, was listening.

A ripple of excitement was caused in the dining room when Mr. Deacon was divined to usher some one to the parlor. Mr. Deacon would speak with this visitor in a few moments and now returned to his table. It was notable how slight a thing would give him a sense of self-importance. Now he felt himself a man of affairs, could not even have a quiet supper with his family without the outside world demanding him. He waved his hand to indicate it was nothing which they should know anything about, resumed his seat, served himself to a second spoon of salmon and remarked, "More roast duck, anybody?" in a loud voice and with a slow wink at his wife. That lady at first looked blank, as she always did in the presence of any humor couched with the least indirection, and then drew back her chin and caught her lower lip in her gold-filled teeth. This was her conjugal rebuking.



"More Roast Duck, Anybody?" in a Loud Voice.

Swedenborg always uses "conjugial." And really this sounds more married. It should be used with reference to the Deacons. No one was ever more married than they—at least Mr. Deacon. He made little conjugal jokes in the presence of Lulu who now, completely unnerved by the habit, suspected them where they did not exist, feared lurking entendre in the most innocent comments, and became more tense every hour of her life.

And now the eye of the master of the house fell for the first time upon the yellow tulip in the center of his table.

"Well, well!" he said. "What's this?"

Ina Deacon produced, fleetly, an unlooked-for dimple.

"Have you been buying flowers?" the master inquired.

"Ask Lulu," said Mrs. Deacon.

He turned his attention full upon Lulu.

"Suitors?" he inquired, and his lips left their places to form a sort of ruff about the word.

Lulu flushed, and her eyes and their very brows appealed.

"It was a quarter," she said. "There'll be five flowers."

"You bought it?"

"Yes. There'll be five—that's a nickel apiece."

His tone was as methodical as if he had been talking about the bread.

"Yet we give you a home on the supposition that you have no money to spend, even for necessities."

His voice, without resonance, cleft air, thought, spirit, and even flesh.

Mrs. Deacon, indeterminately feeling her guilt in having let loose the dogs of her husband upon Lulu, interposed: "Well, but, Herbert—Lulu isn't strong enough to work. What's the use . . ."

She dwindled. For years the fiction had been sustained that Lulu, the family beast of burden, was not strong enough to work anywhere else.

"The justice business—" said Dwight Herbert Deacon—he was a justice of the peace—"and the dental profession—" he was also a dentist—"do not warrant the purchase of spring flowers in my home."

"Well, but, Herbert—" It was his wife again.

"No more," he cried briefly, with a slight bend of his head. "Lulu meant no harm," he added, and smiled at Lulu.

There was a moment's silence into which Monona injected a loud "Num, num, nummy-num," as if she were the burden of an Elizabethan lyric. She seemed to close the incident. But the burden was cut off untimely. There was, her father reminded her portentously, company in the parlor.

"When the bell rang, I was so afraid something had happened to Di," said Ina, sighing.

"Let's see," said Di's father. "Where is little daughter tonight?"

He must have known that she was at Jenny Plow's at a tea party, for at noon they had talked of nothing else; but this was his way. And Ina played his game, always. She informed him, dutifully.

"Oh, ho," said he, absently. How could he be expected to keep his mind on these domestic trifles.

"We told you that this noon," said Lulu. He frowned, disregarded her. Lulu had no delicacy.

"How much is salmon the can now?" he inquired abruptly—this was one of his forms of speech, the can, the pound, the cord.

His partner supplied this information with admirable promptness. Large size, small size, present price, former price—she had them all.

"Dear me," said Mr. Deacon. "That is very nearly salmoney, isn't it?"

"Herbert!" his Ina admonished, in gentle, gentle reproach. Mr. Deacon punned, organically. In talk he often fell silent and then asked some question, schemed to permit his voice to flourish. Mrs. Deacon's return was always automatic: "Herbert!"

"Whose Bert?" he said to this. "I thought I was your Bert."

She shook her little head. "You are a case," she told him. He beamed upon her. It was his intention to be a case.

Lulu ventured in upon this pleasantry, and cleared her throat. She was not hoarse, but she was always clearing her throat.

"The butter is about all gone," she observed. "Shall I wait for the butter-woman or get some creamery?"

Mr. Deacon now felt his little jocularity lost before a wall of the matter of fact. He was not pleased. He saw himself as the light of his home, bringer of brightness, lightener of dull hours. It was a pretty role. He insisted upon it. To maintain it intact, it was necessary to turn upon their sister with concentrated irritation.

"Kindly settle these matters without bringing them to my attention at mealtime," he said icily.

Lulu flushed and was silent. She was an olive woman, once handsome, now with flat, bluish shadows under her wistful eyes. And if only she would look at her brother Herbert and say something. But she looked at her plate.

"I want some honey," shouted the child, Monona.

"There isn't any, Pet," said Lulu.

"I want some," said Monona, eyeing her stonily. But she found that her hair-ribbon could be pulled forward to meet her lips, and she embarked on the biting of an end. Lulu departed for some sauce and cake. It was apple sauce. Mr. Deacon remarked that the apples were almost as good as if he had stolen them. He was giving the impression that he was an irrepressible fellow. He was eating very slowly. It added pleasantly to his sense of importance to feel that some one, there in the parlor, was waiting his motion.

At length they rose. Monona flung herself upon her father. He put her aside firmly, every inch the father. No, no. Father was occupied now. Mrs. Deacon coaxed her away. Monona encircled her mother's waist, lifted her own feet from the floor and hung upon her. "She's such an active child," Lulu ventured brightly.

"Not unduly active, I think," her brother-in-law observed.

He turned upon Lulu his bright smile, lifted his eyebrows, dropped his lids, stood for a moment contemplating the yellow tulip, and so left the room.

Lulu cleared the table. Mrs. Deacon essayed to wind the clock. Well, now. Did Herbert say it was twenty-three tonight when it struck the half hour and twenty-one last night, or *twenty-one tonight and last night twenty-three?* She talked of it as they cleared the table, but Lulu did not talk.

"Can't you remember?" Mrs. Deacon said at last. "I should think you might be useful."

Lulu was lifting the yellow tulip to set it on the sill. She changed her mind. She took the plant to the woodshed and tumbled it with force upon the chip-pile.

The dining room table was laid for breakfast. The two women brought their work and sat there. The child Monona hung miserably about, watching the clock. Right or wrong, she was put to bed by it. She had eight minutes more—seven—six—five—

Lulu laid down her sewing and left the room. She went to the woodshed, groped about in the dark, found the stalk of the one tulip flower in its heap on the chip-pile. The tulip she fastened in her gown on her flat chest.

Outside were to be seen the early stars. It is said that if our sun were as near to Arcturus as we are near to our sun, the great Arcturus would burn our sun to nothingness.

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In the Deacons' parlor sat Bobby Larkin, eighteen. He was in pain all over. He was come on an errand which civilization has contrived to make an ordeal.

Before him on the table stood a photograph of Diana Deacon, also eighteen. He hated her with passion. At school she mocked him, aped him, whispered about him, tortured him. For two years he had hated her. Nights he fell asleep planning to build a great house and engage her as its servant.

Yet, as he waited, he could not keep his eyes from this photograph. It was Di at her curliest, at her fluffiest, Di conscious of her bracelet, Di smiling. Bobby gazed, his basic aversion to her hard-pressed by a most reluctant pleasure. He hoped that he would not see her, and he listened for her voice.

Mr. Deacon descended upon him with an air carried from his supper hour, bland, dispensing. Well! Let us have it. "What did you wish to see me about?"—with a use of the past tense as connoting something of indirection and hence of delicacy—a nicety customary, yet unconscious. Bobby had arrived in his best clothes and with an air of such formality that Mr. Deacon had instinctively suspected *him of wanting to join the church,* and, to treat the time with due solemnity, had put him in the parlor until he could attend at leisure.

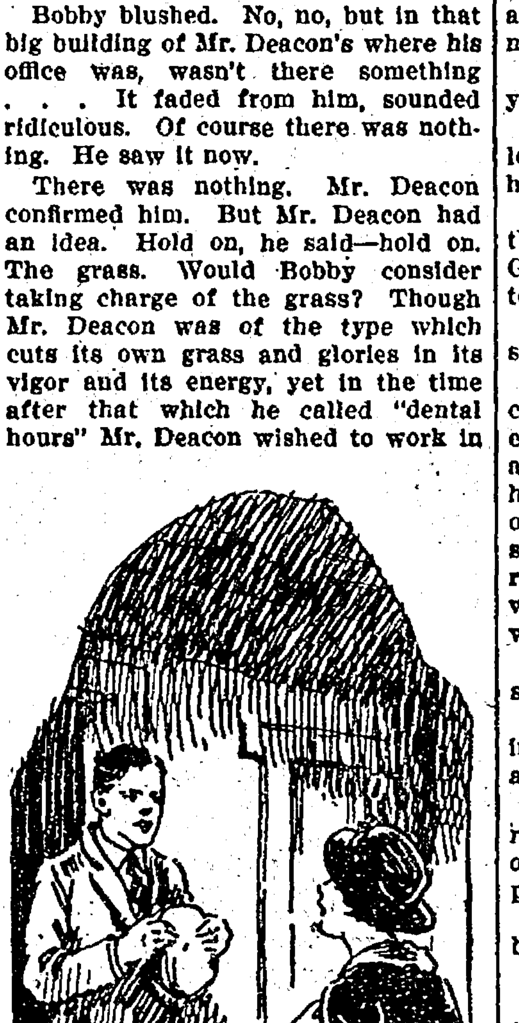
Confronted thus by Di's father, the speech which Bobby had planned deserted him.

"I thought if you would give me a job," he said defenselessly.

"So that's it!" Mr. Deacon, who always awaited but a touch to be either irritable or facetious, inclined now to be facetious. "Filling teeth?" he would know. "Marrying folks, then?" Assistant justice or assistant dentist—which?

Bobby blushed. No, no, but in that big building of Mr. Deacon's where his office was, wasn't there something . . . It faded from him, sounded ridiculous. Of course there was nothing. He saw it now.

There was nothing. Mr. Deacon confirmed him. But Mr. Deacon had an idea. Hold on, he said—hold on. The grass. Would Bobby consider taking charge of the grass? Though Mr. Deacon was of the type which cuts its own grass and glories in its vigor and its energy, yet in the time after that which he called "dental hours" Mr. Deacon wished to work in his garden. His grass, growing in late April rains, would need attention early next month . . . he owned two lots—"of course property is a burden." If Bobby would care to keep the grass down and raked . . . Bobby would care, accepted this business opportunity, figures and all, thanked Mr. Deacon with earnestness. Bobby's aversion to Di, it seemed, should not stand in the way of his advancement.



"Oh, Hullo," Said He. "No. I Came to See Your Father."

"Then that is checked off," said Mr. Deacon heartily.

Bobby wavered toward the door, emerged on the porch, and ran almost upon Di returning from her tea party at Jenny Plow's.

"Oh, Bobby! You came to see me?"

She was as fluffy, as curly, as smiling as her picture. She was carrying pink, gauzy favors and a spear of flowers. Undeniably in her voice there was pleasure. Her glance was startled but already complacent. She paused on the steps, a lovely figure.

But one would say that nothing but the truth dwelt in Bobby.

"Oh, hullo," said he. "No. I came to see your father."

He marched by her. His hair stuck up at the back. His coat was bunched about his shoulders. His insufficient nose, abundant, loose-lipped mouth and brown eyes were completely expressionless. He marched by her without a glance.

She flushed with vexation. Mr. Deacon, as one would expect, laughed loudly, took the situation in his elephantine grasp and pawed at it.

"Mamma! Mamma! What do you s'pose? Di thought she had a beau—"

"Oh, papa!" said Di. "Why, I just hate Bobby Larkin and the whole school knows it."

Mr. Deacon returned to the dining room, humming in his throat. He entered upon a pretty scene.

His Ina was darning. Four minutes of grace remaining to the child Monona, she was spinning on one toe with some Bacchanalian idea of making the most of the present. Di dominated, her ruffles, her blue hose, her bracelet, her ring.

"Oh, and mamma," she said, "the sweetest party and the dearest supper and the darlingest decorations and the gorgeousest—"

"Grammar, grammar," spoke Dwight Herbert Deacon. He was not sure what he meant, but the good fellow felt some violence done somewhere or other.

"Well," said Di positively, "they were. Papa, see my favor."

She showed him a sugar dove, and he clucked at it.

Ina glanced at them fondly, her face assuming its loveliest light. She was often ridiculous, but always she was the happy wife and mother, and her role reduced her individual absurdities at least to its own.

The door to the bedroom now opened and Mrs. Bett appeared.

"Well, mother!" cried Herbert, the "well" curving like an arm, the "mother" descending like a brisk slap. "Hungry now?"

Mrs. Bett was hungry now. She had emerged intending to pass through the room without speaking and find food in the pantry. By obscure processes her son-in-law's tone inhibited all this.

"No," she said. "I'm not hungry."

Now that she was there, she seemed uncertain what to do. She looked from one to another a bit hopelessly, somehow foiled in her dignity. She brushed at her skirt, the veins of her long, wrinkled hands catching an intenser blue from the dark cloth. She put her hair behind her ears.

"We put a potato in the oven for you," said Ina. She had never learned quite how to treat these periodic refusals of her mother to eat, but she never had ceased to resent them.

"No, thank you," said Mrs. Bett. Evidently she rather enjoyed the situation, creating for herself a spotlight much in the manner of Monona.

"Mother," said Lulu, "let me make you some toast and tea."

Mrs. Bett turned her gentle, bloodless face toward her daughter, and her eyes warmed.

"After a little, maybe," she said. "I think I'll run over to see Grandma Gates now," she added, and went toward the door.

"Tell her," cried Dwight, "tell her she's my best girl."

Grandma Gates was a rheumatic cripple who lived next door, and whenever the Deacons or Mrs. Betts were angry or hurt or wished to escape the house for some reason, they stalked over to Grandma Gates—in lieu of, say, slamming a door. These visits radiated an almost daily friendliness which lifted and tempered the old invalid's lot and life.

Di flashed out at the door again, on some trivial permission.

"A good many of mamma's stitches in that dress to keep clean," Ina called after.

"Early, darling, early!" her father reminded her. A faint regurgitation of his was somehow invested with the paternal.

"What's this?" cried Dwight Herbert Deacon abruptly.

On the clock shelf lay a letter.

"Oh, Dwight!" Ina was all compunction. "It came this morning. I forgot."

"I forgot it too! And I laid it up there." Lulu was eager for her share of the blame.

"Isn't it understood that my mail can't wait like this?"

Dwight's sense of importance was now being fed in gulps.

"I know. I'm awfully sorry," Lulu said, "but you hardly ever get a letter—"

This might have made things worse, but it provided Dwight with a greater importance.

"Of course, pressing matter goes to my office," he admitted it. "Still, my mail should have more careful—"

He read, frowning. He replaced the letter, and they hung upon his motions as he tapped the envelope and regarded them.

"Now!" said he. "What do you think I have to tell you?"

"Something nice," Ina was sure.

"Something surprising," Dwight said portentiously.

"But, Dwight—is it nice?" from his Ina.

"That depends. I like it. So'll Lulu." He leered at her. "It's company."

"Oh, Dwight," said Ina. "Who?"

"From Oregon," he said, toying with his suspense.

"Your brother!" cried Ina. "Is he coming?"

"Yes. Ninian's coming, so he says."

"Ninian!" cried Ina again. She was excited, round-eyed, her moist lips parted. Dwight's brother Ninian. How long was it? Nineteen years. South America, Central America, Mexico, Panama "and all." When was he coming and what was he coming for?

"To see me," said Dwight. "To meet you. Some day next week. He don't know what a charmer Lulu is, or he'd come quicker."

Lulu flushed terribly. Not from the implication. But from the knowledge that she was not a charmer.

The clock struck. The child Monona uttered a cutting shriek. Herbert's eyes flew not only to the child but to his wife. What was this, was their progeny hurt?

"Bedtime," his wife elucidated, and added: "Lulu, will you take her to bed? I'm pretty tired."

Lulu rose and took Monona by the hand, the child hanging back and shaking her straight hair in an unconvincing negative.

As they crossed the room, Dwight Herbert Deacon, strolling about and snapping his fingers, halted and cried out sharply:

"Lulu. One moment!"

He approached her. A finger was extended, his lips were parted, on his forehead was a frown.

"You picked the flower on the plant?" he asked, incredulously.

Lulu made no reply. But the child Monona felt herself lifted and borne to the stairway and the door was shut with violence. On the dark stairway Lulu's arms closed about her in an embrace which left her breathless and squeaking. And yet Lulu was not really fond of the child Monona, either. This was a discharge of emotion akin, say, to slamming the door.

II

May.

Lulu was dusting the parlor. The parlor was rarely used, but every morning it was dusted. By Lulu.

She dusted the black walnut center table which was of Ina's choosing, and looked like Ina, shining, complacent, abundantly curved. The leather rocker, too, looked like Ina, brown, plumply upholstered, tipping back a bit. Really, the davenport looked like Ina, for its chintz pattern seemed to bear a design of lifted eyebrows and arch, reproachful eyes.

Lulu dusted the upright piano, and that was like Dwight—in a perpetual attitude of rearing back, with paws out, playful, but capable, too, of roaring a ready bass.

And the black fireplace—there was Mrs. Bett to the life. Colorless, fireless, and with a dust of ashes.

In the midst of all was Lulu herself reflected in the narrow pier glass, bodiless-looking in her blue gingham gown, but somehow alive—natural.

This pier glass Lulu approached with expectation, not because of herself but because of the photograph on its low marble shelf. A large photograph on a little shelf-easel. A photograph of a man with evident eyes, evident lips, evident cheeks—and each of the six were rounded and convex. You could construct the rest of him. Down there under the glass you could imagine him extending, rounded and convex, with plump hands and curly thumbs and snug clothes. It was Ninian Deacon, Dwight's brother.

Every day since his coming had been announced Lulu, dusting the parlor, had seen the photograph looking at her with its eyes somehow new. Or were her own eyes new? She dusted this photograph with a difference, lifted, dusted, set it back, less as a process than as an experience. As she dusted the mirror and saw his trim semblance over against her own bodiless reflection, she hurried away. But the eyes of the picture followed her, and she liked it.

She dusted the south window sill and saw Bobby Larkin come round the house and go to the woodshed for the lawn mower. She heard the smooth blur of the cutter. Not six times had Bobby traversed the lawn when Lulu saw Di emerge from the house. Di had been caring for her canary and she carried her bird bath and went to the well, and Lulu divined that Di had deliberately disregarded the handy kitchen taps. Lulu dusted the south window and watched, and in her watching was no quality of spying or of criticism. Rather, she looked out on something in which she had never shared, could not by any chance imagine herself sharing.

The south windows were open. Airs of May bore the soft talking.

"Oh, Bobby, will you pump while I hold this?" And again: "Now wait till I rinse." And again: "You needn't be so glum"—the village salutation signifying kindly attention.

Bobby now first spoke: "Who's glum?" he countered, gloomily.

The iron of those days when she had laughed at him was deep within him, and this she now divined, and said absently:

"I used to think you were pretty nice. But I don't like you any more."

"Yes, you used to!" Bobby repeated derisively. "Is that why you made fun of me all the time?"

At this Di colored and tapped her foot on the well-curb. He seemed to have her now, and enjoyed his triumph. But Di looked up at him shyly and looked down. "I had to," she admitted. "They were all teasing me about you."

"They were?" This was a new thought to him. Teasing her about him, were they? He straightened. "Huh!" he said, in magnificent evasion.

"I had to make them stop, so I teased you. I—I never wanted to." Again the upward look.

"Well!" Bobby stared at her. "I never thought it was anything like that."

(Continued Next Week)

Belmond Local News

Mr. G. H. Tellier, of Cedar Rapids, will speak in the forenoon Creamery Day, Aug. 23. Mr. Tellier has traveled extensively in this and other states in the interest of dairying, and has a real message for all. Farmers, don't fail to hear him.

Used Fords for sale, at real bargain prices, at the Belmond Auto Co.

Prof. and Mrs. Fyler were in the city Monday, gathering up the loose ends of their moving. They are now nicely settled in their home at Sheffield.

Walter Ramsay came up from Des Moines on Monday, accompaying Alex McGregor, who drove up.

Muriel Bohning underwent a minor operation at the Steele hospital on Tuesday for the removal of her tonsils.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mallory left Monday morning for Spirit Lake, and from there they will go to Dakota and Nebraska to spend several weeks visiting friends and relatives.

Dave Finn left for Rochester on Monday, where he will have an examination at the hospital.

Frank Stevens arrived the first of the week from the east, to spend a couple of weeks visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Stevens, and old friends.

Miss Blanche Sheppard returned to her home at Algona last week, after a two weeks' visit at the W. J. Pech home. She was accompanied by Miss Lois Pech who will visit a friend at that city.

Dr. and Mrs. McBurney went to Spirit Lake, Sunday, where they are spending a few days vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bullis were guests of friends at Dows on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones and family left Sunday on a vacation trip to points in Minnesota, making the trip by auto.

Mrs. Wallace Ramsay and daughter Ruth are spending a week or so at Britt and Garner, visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. W. Russell and daughter were Mason City callers on Wednesday of last week.

Raymond Walton was up from Iowa Falls to spend the week end at the home of relatives here.

Mrs. W. J. Pech and daughter returned last week from their trip to points in the west.

The Chain of Ten enjoyed a social afternoon Monday of this week at the home of Mrs. Avery.

Rev. Wilkinson and family are enjoying a vacation spent at Okoboji, and attending the camp meeting at that place.

Used Fords for sale, at real bargain prices, at the Belmond Auto Co.

Matt Holtzbauer and family drove to Algona last week to visit his parents.

The committee on speakers are to be congratulated on securing Mr. W. A. Wentworth of Des Moines, (Secretary of the Iowa Creamery and Managers Association) to speak at the Creamery Day, Aug. 23. Mr. Wentworth is one of the strongest men in the state along his line and no farmer can afford to miss hearing him.

John Ryan of Creston, was here last week to visit his sister, Mrs. Wm. Harbison, who was seriously ill.

Tomatoes for sale, $1.50 per bushel delivered, $1.00 a bushel if you come and get them.—Max Baker, Phone 3517. 382c

Joe White was a caller at Thornton one day last week, looking after business matters.

Mr. Dunham, an old time photographer in Belmond, has been here the past week visiting relatives and friends.

Lloyd Skovlin was a week end visitor with friends at Bode.

Will Wolle, of Sioux City, was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle, a day or two last week.

Sid Swenson returned yesterday from his trip to Minnesota, where he spent a few days on a vacation.

Clarion won the annual Wright county tennis tournament, played on the court at the Clarmond Country Club last week. Some exciting matches were held.

Atty. J. M. Jensen and wife have moved into the house recently vacated by Prof. and Mrs. Fyler, who are now at Sheffield.

L. O. Skovlin was a caller at Mason City last week one day, on business affairs for the United Mfg. Co.

Howard Wolle was a business caller at Mason City one day this week.

The Garner band furnishes the music Creamery Day, Aug. 23. Concert in the evening also.

Ned Packard and his painting partner very generously painted Mrs. Pernell's house last week. Mrs. Pernell s very thankful to the two gentemen for their kindness, and requests the Independent to extend them her thanks for the deed.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Tiegland of Minneapolis came last week, called here by the news of the fire which destroyed the barn on their farm, occupied by Bob Reed. They have started the erection of a new building to take the place of the one destroyed. They report crops in Minnesota as being excellent.

Mrs. Rosa Harbison and son Virgil, and daughter Mrs. J. E. Jackson and three children of Tarkio, Missouri, were called here last week by the serious illness of Mrs. Harbison, who passed away Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle and family were called to Eldora one day last week by the death of Mrs. Wolle's mother, funeral services being held at Eldora.

The Hat Shoppe has been undergoing some very nice improvements during the absence of the proprietor, Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans, who has been in to the wholesale houses purchasing new stock for the fall and winter trade.

The eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peterson of Hampton, former residents of Belmond, was among several Hampton boys who went to Fort Snelling, Minnesota, to enlist in the United States Citizens Training school being held there for a few weeks this summer.

R. E. Lee Aldrich, of near Rowan, was in town Monday, visiting the young gentleman who was injured in the auto accident near his place Saturday evening, and who was brought to the hospital here.

Dyer Martin has been enjoying a visit from his brother and wife, from Elgin, Illinois, the past few days. His brother drove thru, in a specially built car, which comes as near to being a home on wheels as anything we have seen. The car has a body which accomodates practically everything needed to keep house in comfort while on the road, and is one of the most unique and comfortable ways of traveling that could be invented.

Quite a few new cottages have been erected at Lake Cornelia the past month or so, and a number of improvements made which make the Lake a real summer resort. We believe that in a few years Cornelia will be one of the most popular resorts around.

The Rebekah lodge were quite successful with their food sale held last Saturday, and are well satisfied with the results.

Mrs. W. W. Goetz has been on the sick list the past week or so, suffering from heart trouble. He friends sincerely hope that her recovery will be rapid.

A former resident of this place, when asked what they thought of the old town, remarked that they used to know nearly everyone in it, but now they don't know half of them. In which they are not alone; we question whether anyone in town, outside of the city carrier and possibly the deliverymen, know many more than half of them. Do you? Who lives on the street going by your place? Can you name everyone of them?

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wallace left yesterday for Goldfield where Harold's father, T. B. Wallace passed awey Tuesday. The funeral will be hed Thursday p. m. at that place.

Hans Teigland, owner of the farm where the barn was destroyed by fire last week, already has a new barn under way.

Mrs. Chas. Gealow, son Lawrence and daughters Jenne, Mildred and Gertrude, returned the first of the week from their two weeks' vacation trip by auto to points in Illincis.

Rev. A. H. Waalkes has charge of the chorus that sings Creamery Day so you may know it will be fine.

The ladies of the Trinity Lutheran church will hold a food sale Saturday, August 12, at the Cash Market. 381c

B. K. Kinseth and wife returned on last Tuesday from their trip to Menomine, Wisconsin, where they had been visiting friends and relatives for the past week.

Miss Cecelia Barry presents her pupils in a piano recital Friday evening at the library. Friends of the pupils are invited to attend.

For Sale—Platform scales for the farm.—Mrs. Louise Veeder. 381c

The sugar beet crop in this part of the country is certainly coming in fine shape, and there are excellent fields to be seen in the neighborhood of Belmond.

Eagle Grove vs. Belmond, base ball, Aug. 23. The committee on sports have put up $100 in prizes for Creamery Day, Aug. 23 Full particulars in next week's issue.

A. J. Nissen of Meservey, was in town last Saturday attending to a few business matters.

We drove thru Tyrrell Park, Sunday, and found several tourists there eating their dinner and enjoying the facilities of the park. One thing that needs attention there, and which we understand is to be fixed in the near future, is the road leading thru the park. It is full of ruts and bumps, and with a few hours of time and a couple of loads of gravel it would make a splendid drive. That the park is being used is attested by the numerous tourists who have been camped there during the past few weeks.

Leo Kenefick is expected home the 15th of this month from Colorado, where he has been attending school the past few months. He has a vacation of two weeks from his duties at the school which he will spend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Kenefick.

Jasper Johnson left last Friday on his trip to Japan, where he will teach this coming year in a commercial college at Nagasaki.

Mrs. Archie McCallum went to Belmond Friday to take up her residence in that place. Mr. McCallum is now in Chicago and but recently was fortunate in securing employment with one of the railroads in that city, so a letter from him advised Mrs. McCallum the day she departed for her new home.—Enterprise.

Alex McGregor of Des Mones was in the town the first of the week, attendng to business matters.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

For good milk and cream call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

House To Rent—Eight rooms, partly modern. Inquire at this office. Phone 115.

Rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 191. 371c

Apples for sale, delivered in town. Phone 1214. 373*

For Sale—Gentle driving horse, can be driven by any woman. Also good single harness for sale.—Ed. Jenison. 37tfc

For Sale—Second hand windows. Inquire of Frank Case. Phone 299.

ACTIVE REPRESENTATIVE—

wanted by large wholesale house of high standing. Unlimited earning possibilities with opportunity to build permanent trade selling complete line of staples in constant use. A connection with a real future. State age and full details. JOHN SEXTON & CO, Chicago, Ill. 1*

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day been appointed and commissioned by the District Court of Wright County, in the State of Iowa, Executor of the Estate of Gelke Bohning, deceased; and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file them with the Clerk of said Court, clearly stated and duly sworn to, and within legal time, preparatory to their being allowed or proved; and persons owing said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and avoid costs.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 17th day of July A. D. 1922.

Simon Bohning, Executor.

J. M. Jenson, Attorney for Estate.

AUCTION SALE OF REAL ESTATE

August 17th, 1922, 2 o'clock p. m. Sale on Chas B. Smith Estate Premises to close up the estate of Chas. B. Smith, deceased. The undersigned excutor, Corwin L. Smith, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder the 300 acres lying northeast of Belmond, Iowa, known as the Chas. B. Smith farm. Land located 6 miles northesat of Belmond. The land is situated in Section 4 in Pleasant Township, Wright County, Iowa. There are two sets improvements upon this farm and the 300 acres can be sold in two separate parcels or purchased as one tract of land. Good terms will be made. Settlement to be made March 1st, 1922 and possession given purchaser.

Corwin L. Smith, Executor.

E. D. Smith, Auctioneer.

J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

NOTICE

Commencing August 1, 1922 we will sell for cash only, which will enable us to make you a better price on all articles handled by us.—Farmers Co-Operative Elevator Co. A. C. Hinman, Pres. 862c

ROBINSON'S

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SPECIAL

Picnic Ham, 20c lb.

This week only

SATURDAY---1-2 lb. good Chocolate Free with every $2 order or more.

One Metal Egg Case to the one who brings the most eggs.

HAVE IT MADE TO MEASURE

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED

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We Manufacture Our Own

Delicious Home-made Ice Cream!

For the Picnic, Party, Wedding, Family Reunion, or the Harvest Lunch.

"Every Spoonful Delicious"

Sodas---all kinds, cool and satisfying.

Pop, cold as ice, and Candies of all kinds.

Anything you want in the hot weather line.

Belmond Candy Kitchen

Steve Antonio, Mgr.

Phone 65

CITY MEAT MARKET

EXTRA SPECIALS

Hams 18c lb.

Bacon 20c lb.

Come In and See Them

NISSEN & HARBISON, Props.

Phone 207 Belmond, Iowa

MIDSUMMER SPECIALS

As we wish to dispose of a few articles to make room for new fall merchandise, we are closing out the following at greatly reduced prices:

Caps--One lot Men's Caps in prices ranging from $1.50 to $2.75 at...... 69c

Children's Straw and Cloth Hats--One lot of Children's Hats ranging in price from 60c to 85c 50c

Tennnis Shoes--

Men's and Boys' white and brown tennis shoes at following prices:

$1.50 values, 98c

$2.50 values, $1.45

$3.00 values, $1.89

Gloves--

A good grade guantlet cantan flannel glove worth 25c each, now 2 pair, 35c

---house of Kuppenheimer good clothes

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PROGRAM FOR CREAMERY DAY AUGUST 23

Prospects Good For Wall Lake Park

Efforts Of Sportsmen To Have State Take Over Lake Now Bringing Results.

BOARD TO TAKE IT OVER?

Truman Stevens, chief justice of the supreme court of Iowa, has chosen six men to assess the damages which land owners will sustain by reason of the appropraition of a portion of their land adjoining Wall Lake for a state park. Sheriff Lang has notified these gentleman of their selection and already received an acceptance from all but one or two.

The Iowa Falls Sentinal has the following to say on the subject:

Prospects for the establishment of a state park on the south shore of Wall Lake in the southeastern part of Wright county becomes brighter each day, and local enthusiasts for the proposition believe that the park will be a reality by September 1, if not sooner.

The latest step was taken when the date August 18 was fixed to hear condemnation proceedings. At noon on that day a sheriff's jury will sit and hear all claims from property owners and others interested in the proposition. All claims must be filed on that day, and the jury will determine the amounts due each claimant.

If the claimants are dissatisfied with the findings of the jury they may have the right to appeal, but the executive council will go ahead and tender to the claimants the amount which the jury has awarded.

The sitting of the jury, which will be one of the first of its kind in this section of the state, will be the final step before the park is established. There are many people in this part of Iowa who have been interested in the establishment of a state park at Wall Lake, and the news that proceedings are nearly completed and a park to be established will be a welcome to them.

Neil Garret, assistant attorney general for Iowa, was in Iowa Falls recently nd went to Wall Lake with a number of local enthusiasts to look up the situation in connection with the establishment of the park, and ascertaining who had claims against the state in this matter.

LEGION PICNIC THURSDAY

The Legion Auxiliary entertained the members of the American Legion and their families to a picnic in Tyrrell Park last Thursday, and a royal good time is reported. A large number were present.

BELMOND WOMAN ELECTED VICE PRES. CO. FEDERATION

The County Federation of Woman's clubs was held at Dows on Monday of this week. Some 17 members from the various clubs in Belmond attended, and report a splendid time. Mrs. Rose from Conneticut gave an address. She is connected with the League of Women Voters. Mrs. Davis, of Manson, gave a report of the general federation held at Chautauqua, New York. Officers for the coming year were elected, and include Mrs. H. F. Luick of Belmond as first vice president. Other officers are Mrs. Henry Graepler of Dows, president; Mrs. McEihleny, of Dows, second vice president; Mrs. Smiley of Dows, Secretary; Mrs. Rose Garth of Clarion, treasurer; Grace Allen, of Eagle Grove, parlimentarian.

WRIGHT COUNTY BANKERS' ASSOCIATION ELECTS

The annual picnic and meeting of the Wright County Bankers' Association was held at the Clarmond Country Club house last week, at which time the officers for the ensuing year were chosen. Those elected included W. T. Gfeller of Belmond as vice present, F. B. Sheldon of Rowan as president, Hal E. Smith of Clarion, secretary, and Duane Young, also of Clarion, treasurer.

SUGAR FACTORY MAY USE OIL AS FUEL

Officials of the Iowa Valley Sugar Co. are planning to make such changes as may be necessary in the plant to burn oil as fuel under the immense boilers during the campaign this fall, should the coal shortage continue up to that time. While the present indications point to a settlement of the strike, the officials of the company are not taking any chances on it, and we understand have made arrangements to have the necessary change made in short order if it comes to the point.

While the change from coal to oil would cost quite a sum, yet the saving in using oil as fuel would soon offset the cost of installation of oil burners.

OBITUARY

MRS. ANDREW LARSEN

Lisbet Shillingbury Larson was born March 20, 1854 near Furner, Norway. At the age of 30, she imigrater to America. In 1887 she was united in marriage to Andrew Larson. In the year 1890 she together with her husband settled in Norway township, Wright county, Iowa. Here they resided for twenty-six years. They moved to Belmond in 1918 and have lived here since.

Mrs. Larson had not been well for some time. She was subject to severe attacks of headaches. Her health gradually failed her, but at times she seemed to feel fairly well.

Sunday afternoon August 6, she decided to drive out to her daughter, Mrs. Ziska, who lives on the home place, there to be of some help during the busy season. She was suddenly stricken, lapsed into unconsciousness, from which she never rallied. She passed away Tuesday August 8.

Only one daughter, Sena Josephine, was born to this marriage. She together with two brothers and three sisters and husband are left to mourn the loss of a mother, wife and sister.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Saturday afternoon at 1 p. m. and at the Trinity church at 2:30. Rev. Jensen and Rev. Trelstad officiating at the funeral.

Mrs. Larson reached the age of 68 years, 4 months and 19 days. Her remains were laid to rest in Franklin Grove cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our kind neighbors and friends who so generously assisted us, and for the many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our beloved wife, and mother, Mrs. Larson.

Also for the many beautiful flowers that were sent after her death.

-- Andrew Larson
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ziska
Hans Skillingberg.

OBITUARY

T. B. WALLACE

Thomas Baxter Wallace was born at Hague, Warren County, New York, July 9th, 1853. When he was one year old his parents moved to Carrol County, Illinois, where he grew to manhood.

In the fall of 1875 he came to Grundy Center, Iowa. and in November of the following year he married Matilda J. Dean, who preceded him in death December 6, 1911. To this union was born three sons, Earl D. of Reinbeck, William J. of Goldfield and Harold of Belmond, who with three grandchildren, Winson, John and Robert are left to mourn his loss. A brother and sister also survive.

He was connected and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1882 and continued an active member of the same.

On August 31, 1921 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Mattie Legge Pitman, of Belmond, Iowa, who also survives him.

He was an active member of the Masonic Lodge, being a District Lecturer and a special representive of the Grand Master of Iowa at the time of his death.

He first joined Emerald Lodge, number 334 of Grundy Center, Iowa, June 14, 1887. On February 9, 1904 he demitted to Fountain City Lodge, number 589 of Goldfield which he helped organize as a charter member.

At his death he was a member of King Solomon, number 210, Belmond, Iowa as well as a member of the Belmond Chapter, number 411 Eastern Star.

He was also Secretary and Treasurer of the State G. A. R. Drum Corps of which he had been a member for several years.—Goldfield Chronicle.

MISS BARRY GIVES RECITAL

Miss Cecilia Barry and some 25 of her pupils in music gave a recital last Friday evening, which was attended by a good audience. The selections given were excellent, displaying much talent in her pupils and showing their training.

CATHOLICS HOLD BIG PICNIC IN TYRRELL PARK

The members of the St. Francis church in Belmond held a picnic Tuesday in the Tyrrell Park, taking dinner and supper. The members of the Catholic church at Goodell were invited, and the congregations of the two churches made a large crowd. Several from Clarion, Kenawha and other surrounding towns were also present. The afternoon was spent in games, stunts, races, and two rousing good ball games, the married men vs. the singles, and the married ladies against the unmarried. A fine time was enjoyed by everyone present.

RECITAL

Miss Gretchen Kubitshek of Eagle Grove held a recital in the library basement on Monday evening. She gave some excellent selections on the violin and violincello. Two piano solos were given by her sister, Miss Pauline. Miss Kubitshek is organizing a class here.

Mrs. Geo. Cutler of Clarion spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Morse.

COUNTY NURSE OFFERED FINE POSITION

Charles City Wants Her To Do Nurse Work In Schools At That Place.

(From the Monitor)

James Mehl, the new supervisor from Norway township, was relating some of his early day experiences in the auditor's office the other day. When he left his native land for the good old U. S. A. he was a lad about seventeen years of age and could not speak a word of our language. However, he was equipped with a fair education for a boy in his own mother tongue. He attended our schools with a view of improving his scholarship, but made slow progress and after a few months gave it up as a bad job. Mr. Mehl next turned his attention to the reading of books on various subjects. He read day and night and applied himself so industriously that the neighbors at one time thought he would lose his mind. Notwithstanding his early disadvantages it can be truthfully said today that he is one of the best posted men in his township.

The board is supervisors was in session Thursday on matters pertaining to drain improvement No. 5 at Galt. The board approved the assessments as made without change.

Adolph Claude and Louis Prosper of Woulstock called at the court house Monday and made application of Clerk Goslin for passports in order to visit their native land of France. They expect to leave for the fatherland in a few weeks.

Miss Kate Liddle on Tuesday declined a tempting offer from Supt. Prall, now at the head of the Charles City schools, to take charge of their health work. The compensation offered was fully as good or even better than she is now receiving. In view of the situation in this county is there not a little food for thought in the above statement when it is known that the population of Charles City is about one-third that of this county?

R. F. Crabtree, a former resident of Dows, is confined in the county jail awaiting orders from the board of control. He recently escaped from the insane institution in South Dakota and was taken in charge Monday by Marshal Edwards of Dodws, where he had made himself obnoxious.

A lady demonstrator interviewed Janitor McGarth Tuesday and gave him a practical demonstration of the merits of a liquid compound used in removing dirt and grease from tile floors. After she had finished the spot cleaned so greatly contrasted the balance of the floor that Mac had to get out his mop rag and pail and tidy up a bit.

Attorney Jensen of Belmond plans on moving his family to Clarion, providing everyth goes well with him at the fall election and thereby he can better attend to the duties of the office of county attorney.

SOCIALS HELD IN BELMOND AND PLEASANT TOWNSHIPS

Two community socials were held in the vicinity of Belmond during the past few days. On Thursday evening, August 3rd, the regular Belmond Township Farm Bureau social was held on the lawn of the A. C. Hinman home, northwest of Belmond. About 250 farmers of the township, also a great many business men from Belmond were in attendance at this social affair. Music was furnished by the Luick orchestra and everyone seemed pleased with the music by local talent. An interesting program including an address from Rev. Leinbach was given at the social. Rev. Leinbach made an appeal to the boys and girls to remain on the farm and gave many reasons why the farm is a better place for them and gave a number of suggestions of how the farm can be made more attractive for the youngsters. The meeting was closed by community singing after which ice cream and cake were served.

The Frank Barry home, northeast of Belmond, was the scene of a lively community gathering Monday evening, August 7th, when about 300 people from Pleasant township and from the city of Belmond gathered on the Barry lawn for a community social. An interesting program consisting of recitations, dialogues and musical numbers were planned by Virgie Jenison to whom credit should go for the success of the meeting. R. E. Lee Aldrich, of Iowa township gave a very interesting and forceful address. Those who had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Aldrich's splendid address are agreed that he not only knows farm conditions but tht he has made a study of the frm bureau activities as well as other problems of present day interest. Mr. Aldrich is a student of farmers' problems and it should be noted that he is called upon to address farmers in various sections throughout the country.

H. F. Kellogg of the Iowa Falls Electric Co. was a caller in town yesterday on business matters.

DOWS TRIMS BELMOND SUNDAY BY 11 TO 3

Walk Away With Game After First Few Innings—Play Again Creamery Day.

The base ball aggregation from Dows came up Sunday as per schedule and trimmed the daylights out of the local nine to the tune of 11 to 3. For a while it was a pretty fair game, Dows scoring in the second inning on a couple of errors and a scratch hit. For three or four innings things were pretty even, but after that the Dows bunch began to move, and they kept moving, scoring five times in one inning, and occasionally after that. Up to the eighth frame Belmond was scoreless which suited Dows fine and every attempt was made to paint us white. But in the eighth, Maurice Dillon pulled a dirty Irish trick by stealing home while the catcher and pitcher were viewing the scenery, and Packard came home later on errors, giving us two. In the ninth one more was added. The Belmond boys were off form, playing a ragged game, with spots of brilliant playing and then some simon pure bone heaeds. "Dub" Harson of Kanawha played third for Belmond, and certainly lived up to his name, altho redeeming himself later by a double play unassisted. Clemons for Dows was a riddle to the local team, who were unable to connect with his offerings to any advantage. Chapman for Belmond pitched a good game but had poor support. The two teams play here Creamery Day, and if it isn't a battle for blood there never will be one.

Sunday's lineup was:
Thomas, catcher.
Chapman, pitcher.
Packard, first.
Jones, second.
Harson, third.
Madsen, short.
Nelson, left.
Foss, center.
Dillon, right.

"THE BOTTOM OF THE COAL BIN IS IN SIGHT"

Mr. Kellogg, Mgr. of the Iowa Falls Electric Co. informs us that the company has just purchased 200 tons of western Kentucky screeings that will cost the company $12.50 per ton F. O. B. the plant. While they have three or four weeks supply of coal on hand they are buying as a safety first measure and are using every effort to make their supply last a few days longer.

Most Iowa companies would save money if they suspended service altogether and waited for prices to come down as many manfactures are doing "But this is a thing that simply is not done, but the public should get this firmly fixed in their mind. THE BOTTOM OF THE COAL BIN IS IN SIGHT and thats all there is because there AIN'T no more.

Some companies have enough to last them into September, but with a large number it is now a question of days not weeks before they will be obliged to suspend operations.

The Utilities of the State have done their share and will continue to do it as long as possible, but the public should remember that it takes coal to make electricity, and the coal is about gone and that they face not only the inconvenience but the suffering which must follow the cessation of electric service.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wood, of Marshall town came up Saturday and returned Sunday. Mrs. Africa and Mrs. Reed and daughter returned with them. Mrs. Africa and Mrs. Reed will spend several weeks visiting in Marshalltown.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellseworth were visiting at Green last week.

Mrs. McCray who has been visiting her mother the past month returned to her home in Oklahoma City last week.

Rev. Miller and family, Mrs. Ailaben and Miss Benson of Gladbrook, Iowa attended the United Brethern District meeting at Ventura on Thursday last. While at Ventura they were guests of J. W. Griggs and daughter.

Mrs. Langlitz of Meservey visited with Mrs. A. Boller on Sunday.

George Mickish and Jay Griggs were over to Clear Lake on Friday.

Last Saturday afternoon the Goodell pump house was sold to the highest bidder. Mr. T. O. Letch getting the house at $21.00.

Mr. Frank Clark and children were at Hampton on Sunday to see Mrs. Clark. She is improving but is not strong enough to come home.

Miss Lucile Miller was over at Hampton to visit her mother who is getting along nicely.

The question of a lecture course is up again. But it will depend on how many will patronize it whether there will be one. A good course will cost about $225 which means that 180 tickets at $1.25 each must be sold. Are you willing to do your part? The town surely needs some high class entertainment. So let's all take hold and boost.

SOME BALL GAME

The game opened with molasses at the stick and Small Pox catching. Cigar was in the box with plenty of smoke. Horn played first base, with Fiddle on second and backed by Corn and Cabbage in the field, they made it hot for the umpire Apple who was rotten. Axe came to bat and chopped. Cigar let Brick walk. Shoe laced to left for a pair and Sawdust filled the bags. Cigar went out and Balloon started to pitch, but went straight up. Then Cherry tried it, but was wild. Ice kept cool in the game. Cabbage had a good head and kept quiet and Grass covered lots of ground in the fieled. The crowd cheered when Spider caught a fly. Sing made a hit and Wheel beat out a slow roller to first and Drum beat it to third while Twenty scored.

In the fifth Wind began to blow what he could do and Hammer began to knock and Trees began to leave and the way the roasted the Peanut was frightful. Ship hit a liner to left and Adding Machine scored on Crank's short punch. When Whiskey got a pass and the bases were full, Chicken fouled out to Roost and Knife was out cutting first. Ten pins up, but went out by the strike route.

In the ninth Apple told Fiddle to take first base, then Song made a second hit. Trombone made a slide for third and Meat was put out on the plate. Lightening finished pitching and struck out one man. There was lots of betting on the game but Soap cleaned up. The score was 23 to 0 and Door said if he had pitched he would have shut them out.—Swea City Herald.

ST. OLAF

Class meets at the church at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon.

Sunday morning at 10:30 the Sunday school will be held. All turn out and make it worth while.

Ladies Aid meets at the home of Carlton [illegible] Friday afternoon, August 25. All are welcome.

NAB CHICKEN THIEF GET 50 "BONES" FROM FARM BUREAU

The Humboldt County Farm Bureau directors decided at their last meeting to offer a reward of $50 for the first arrest and conviction of a chicken thief in Humboldt county. That is, the thief must be operating in this county. The Farm Bureau is calling on the dealers in poultry to be especially active in this respect, and scan every questionable batch of birds, for they are in better position than anyone else to detect the thieves.

It is believed that by concerted action the thieves of the county can be wiped out. They are usually neighborhood good-for-nothings, and are the sort of people who anyone would suspect of doing such a thing.

The matter issued by the Farm Bureau Directors is as follows:

"Due to the recent activity of chicken thieves in the county the Board of Directors of the Humboldt County Farm Bureau has passed a resolution providing for the payment of the sum of fifty dollars ($50) to anyone bringing about the arrest and conviction of chicken thieves operating in Humboldt County. Dealers in the county are asked to be especially on the lookout for suspicious parties offering poultry for sale."—Humboldt Republican.

WHAT THE FARMER GETS

Threshing commenced in this community last week, and oats are turning out a bumper crop at most places. The quality is said to be extra good, and the yield is running forty-five to fifty bushels to the acre.

The price, however, is rediculous, and the farmers out to get out on a strike, commit murder, destroy the railroad property and raise the devil in general. The price, twenty-five cents—and less a bushel!

If the farmers would only quit farming, attempt to starve other workers already on strike, and shoot or murder every other man who attempts to farm wouldn't they have just as much moral and legal right to do this as others who are now striking against salaries as high as seventy two cents an hour for an eight hour day, and time and a half for all overtime. The farmer puts in twelve to fifteen hours of hard work every day, and he is, under present conditions, absolutely worker nothing and paying for the priveledge besides.—The Hampton Chronicle.

STRIKERS HOLD BIG DANCE

The railroad men from Clarion and Eagle Grove who are on strike, staged a big dance at the Cornelia pavilion Tuesday night. They furnished their own music and had an immense crowd, some three hundred dance tickets being sold. A fine time with perfect order is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Burke of Belmond, were Klemme visitors Saturday.—Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynch and Mrs. Ann Brooks, and son, all of Belmond were Klemme visitors Sunday.—Times.

Continuous Round of Amusement

Something Doing Every Minute Of The Day With Plenty Of Good Music.

BIG CROWD IS EXPECTED

The program for Belmond's big celebration of the summer has been completed, and everything indicates now that it is going to be some time, August 23rd. An exceptional amount of good music has been provided for with the Garner uniformed band, and the Luick Orchestra, which play thruout the day. Community singing, led by O. L. Varland, will be one of the features. The committee were unable to secure the Immanual chorus owing to Rev. Waalkes being away on his vacation. Two good addresses, by G. H. Tellier of Cedar Rapids, and W. A. Wentworth of Des Moines, are to be given. Both speakers come highly recommended, and Mr. Wentworth particularly is said to be an exceptional strong man on dairy and kindred products. These addresses will both be well worth hearing.

A full line of sports has been provided, the list of which may be found on page eight of this issue, and contains everything from races to ball game and horse shoe pitching. A splendid free attraction has been secured, for two performances, one in the morning and one in the evening. This is said to be one of the best in the market in its line. A balloon ascension is given by one of the troupe putting on the attraction, this is to be given in the afternoon, after the ball game.

The program starts at 9 in the morning, and with something doing every minute lasts thruout the day and well into the evening. It will be as follows:

Forenoon Program
9:00-9:30—Band concert on street.
9:30-10:00—Band Concert at City Park.

Program In Park
Community Singing, Lead by O. L. Varland.
Music by Luick Orchestra.
Address: Mr. G. H. Tellier, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Community singing, O. L. Varland, Leader.
11:00—Horse Shoe pitching contest on Main Street.
DINNER—Band concert during noon hour.

Afternoon Program
1:00—Community Singing, O. L. Varland, Leader.
Address: Mr. W. A. Wentworth, of Des Moines.
Music by Luick Orchestra.
Immediately after program Street sports and Races.
3:00—Ball Game: Dows vs. Belmond, $100.00 Purse.
5:00—Balloon Ascension at River Bridge.
5:00 to 6:00—Inspection of Creamery.

Evening Program
6:30—Free Attraction Combination Roman Rings and flying Trapese, Boxing Glove Contest in Barrels.
Pillow fight.
Band Concert.

"Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag," pack the family in the Lizzie, and come to Belmond, Wednesday August 23rd, for a good time and a big time. Everything is absolutely free, no charge for anything; the town is yours, come and enjoy yourself, meet your friends and see the program provided for your amusement.

JESS GETS BACK ON THE JOB AGAIN

T. H. Broeffle, who has been working the Peter Stacy blacksmith shop, left Monday to work at the sugar company grounds, and Jess Underkofler took charge of the shop and is now conducting the business. Every once in a while Jess gets an idea that he can live without his old time work, but every once in a while he gets over it and goes back again. He is an experienced blacksmith and should give his patrons entire satisfaction.

TRINITY CHURCH NOTES

Mid week services will be held at the church Thursday evening at 8 p. m. The classes meet Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Next Sunday the service will be conducted in the Norwegian lenguage. An offering will be received for the church extension fund. We hope for a good congregation and hope to receive a liberal offering.

Sunday school will be conducted at the usual hour and we desire a good attendance.

W. M. Dunlap of Ames spent Sunday at the Bert Jenison home.

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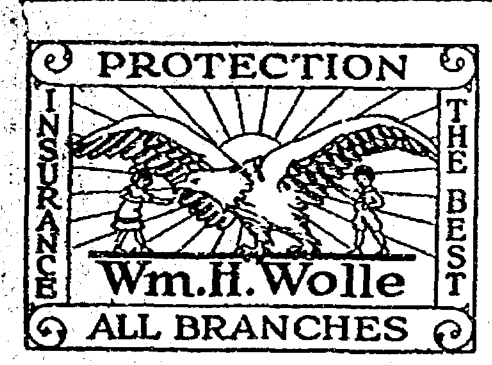

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A SUGGESTION

In this week's issue of the Independent, under "Clippings," will be found an item taken from the Lake Mills Graphic, which we would like to have those in charge of Tyrrell Park read. This item says in part: "A log cabin, a relic of the early days when the red men and the buffalo roamed over these hills and valleys now dotted over with farms and villages, has been re-erected in the Fertile park. Not only as convenience to tourists, but as a memorial to the one whose generosity enables the public to enjoy without money and without price one of nature's beauty spots."

The Independent offers this suggestion: Why not a log cabin in Tyrrell Park, not only a convenience to those who use the grounds, but as memorial as well to the one who has so very generously donated this beauty spot to Belmond? The logs to build such a cabin can be easily secured; it would furnish the shelter which every tourist park needs above all else; and in keeping with the natural surroundings would be a fitting token of our appreciation to Capt. W. C. Tyrrell for his gift.

We believe that there are among the old timers, Belmond's early settlers, men who have not forgotten how to build a log cabin, and, who would, we feel certain, to take pride in supervising the erection of one in Tyrrell Park. But very few of the present generation have seen a log cabin; only a few of those residing here have lived in one. To those who have charge of Capt. Tyrrell's gift, to the Community Club and the city officials, we offer a plan of a log cabin, constructed of timber from the park, to harmonize with the natural beauty of this spot so graciously given us, as a shelter to the strangers who may use the grounds and as a memorial to the donor. We have had one of the prettiest parks in Iowa given us; let us make such use of it, and make such improvements as will not interfer with its natural beauty.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

GOD CARES FOR HIS OWN:—And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.—Malachi 3: 17.

Monday.

But in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.—Philippians 2: 3, 4.

Tuesday.

CURSE OR BLESSING, WHICH?—He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him; but blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it.—Proverbs 11: 26.

Wednesday.

Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.—Psalm 37: 3, 4.

Thursday.

AN EVIL EYE:—He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him.—Proverbs 28: 22.

Friday.

IN HIM WE LIVE:—That they should seek the Lord, . . . For in him we live, and move, and have our being.—Acts 17: 27, 28.

Saturday.

GOD IS MERCIFUL:—Thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness.—Nehemiah 9: 17.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Liquor interests the world over seem to be doing their utmost to discredit prohibition; by straw votes polls, politics and propaganda they are working unceasingly, night and day, to bring back light wines and beers, knowing full well that an inch is as good as a mile, and that if they can accomplish this, gradually but surely stronger liquors will creep into open sale. The fact that the sale of intoxicating liquors has been prohibited by the people themselves does not seem to cut much ice with them; the people, according to the brewers, do not know wat they want, and in every way possible an organized campaign of "education" is going forward.

The signs of the times, plain enough it would seem for anyone to read, show that prohibition is here to stay. There is much ado made that prohibition does not prohibit; that never was there so much drunkeness; that bootleggers flourish as never before; that dope is creating untold havoc among the people who who are denied the solace of light wines and beers. Bunk, pure and simple. Any plain ordinary fool knows that since prohibition went into effect drinking has been cut to practically nothing compared to saloon days; you see one man drunk on bootleg hootch now where formerly you saw a dozen. He who drinks tall-grass whiskey nowadays gets drunk on one drink; the time is remembered when a man could be soaked to the gizzard with booze and still be able to navigate so you wouldn't know it. But the liquor interests point to the present-day drunk as a horrible example of the effects of prohibition, which doesn't prohibit, never will prohibit, and cannot be made to prohibit. They pick out every case of bootlegging brought to justice and loudly proclaim "there! look at tha.! That's what probibition does!"

Sentiment brought out in the various polls made the country over on the liquor question show nothing of the real desires of the whole people. Every man who favors booze will take special pains to "vote," whereas those who do not favor it, and are busy making money which formerly went for booze, pay no attention to such straw votes, knowing that the law is there, working, and letting it go at that. And when such a vote shows a majority in favor of easing up, the brewers stress the fact, publish it thruout the land, and loudly holler about injustice to the hard working laborer.

We do not believe that there is a single state in the Union which, having experienced the effects of prohibition, would vote to return to the old days. We do not believe that one would sanction the sale of beers and wines. Those old soaks who lived on their daily bottle, will secure it now if there is a chance. Let them. But the younger generation, coming up without habit, will be able to exist without it, and future generations will not be cursed by the destruction of their moral fibre thru the "demon rum." No business man—unless it be undertaking, and we doubt if they would—would bring back booze; they know that the money once going to a few brewers now goes to the grocer, the butcher and the merchant.

Prohibition is here to stay; it has proved itself successful, one of the greatest events experienced by any nation, and th sooner the liquor interests read the signs of the times the better off they will be.

CLIPPINGS

Mayor Pritchard and wife and daughter Betty went to Belmond this morning to attend a party at the Clarmond Country Club. This afternoon there will be a session at golf, then a picnic supper and dancing in the evening. Our mayor does not know whether he can play golf or not. He has never tried. He can't dance, but he felt he would get his money's worth at the supper. —Signal.

Miss E. J. Denton of Belmond came Saturday to visit Mrs. John Penfield.—Monitor.

Miss Mildred Schultz of Belmond is visiting at the Leo Nelson home.—Monitor.

Mrs. Lilly Anderson and daughter of Belmond were guests of Mrs. Nita Boone a short while last week. —Monitor.

Mrs. Wallace Ramsay and daughter Ruth came up from Belmond Fri'dy and remained until yesterday visiting the Garner Ramsays. They went to Britt yesterday to visit Mrs. Ramsay's parents.—Signal.

Charley Conrad was exhibiting a sugar beet Tuesday which weighed five pounds. It was taken from W. E. Gourley's field. That same afternoon Charley went out to Oren Goodhart's field and found one that weighed 5½ pounds. Most of the beets are doing well.—Corwith Hustler.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. 'aldridge were visitors with Mr Baldridges' parents at Belmond last Wednesday. They brought home some apples from their orchard which George says is bearing unusually well this year. Many of the trees are so heavy with fruit that it is necessary to prop them up.

—How much do you know? If you see a new building there are certain improvements you could have made had you been the architect or the builder. If the city council pass a new law ordinance you can tear it to shreds and lay bare its glaring inconsistencies; and if the preacher points the road to hell you even know a shorter cut to take. Just how much do you know, anyway?—Hampton Recorder.

A log cabin 12x16 a relic of the early days when the red men and the buffalo roamed over these hills and valleys now dotted with farms and villages, has been erected in the Fertile park. Wm. Rhodes, pioneer citizen and founder of the village of Fertile cut the logs and erected the cabin in the early days and now after long years of service the old cabin is pulled down re-erected, not only as a convenience to tourists but as a memorial to the one whose generousity enables the public to enjoy without money and without price, one of nature's beauty spots. The old landmark even to its furnishings will be as the hardy old pioneer left it even the latch string will always be found hanging outside as of yore. —Lake Mills Graphic.

Income taxes have their good points. Men nowadays don't lie as they used to about how much money they make.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Barth autoed to Belmond Friday evening where they picked up Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Fitts, and together they went on to Des Moines where they remained over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Barth of Greene, parents of the Doctor, came to Garner and remained until Dr. and Mrs. returned. Baby Willis Glee Barth was left in their care during the absence of her parents.—Leader.

RADIO

VARIOMETER SET ON A VERTICAL PANEL

Method of Building This Receiver and Setting It Up Explained in Detail.

The radio receiver described here is one using a variometer for the tuning circuit and mounted on a vertical panel, 6 inches by 8 inches, instead of a horizontal base board.

To support the panel in a vertical position a small base board four inches wide by six inches long and 1-2 to 5-8 of an inch thick is screwed to the panel.

The material required for the variometer follows:

One piece of bakelite or stiff cardboard tubing, three inches long and 3 1-4 *inches outside diameter.* Cost about five cents.

One peice of bakelite or stiff cardboard tubing 1 1-4 inches long and 2 3-4 inches outside diameter. Cost about five cents.

100 feet of No. 26 DCC wire. Cost about 25 cents.

Six inches of 1-4 inch outside diameter brass tubing costing about 25 cents.

Four small blocks of wood as shown in Fig 18.

One panel 6 by 8 by 3-8 inch.

Eight small round-head 1-4 inch long brass wood screws.

One base board 4 by 7 by 1-2 inch.

One standard four-inch diameter dial and knob to take 1-4 inch shaft, costing about $1.50.

Seven binding posts.

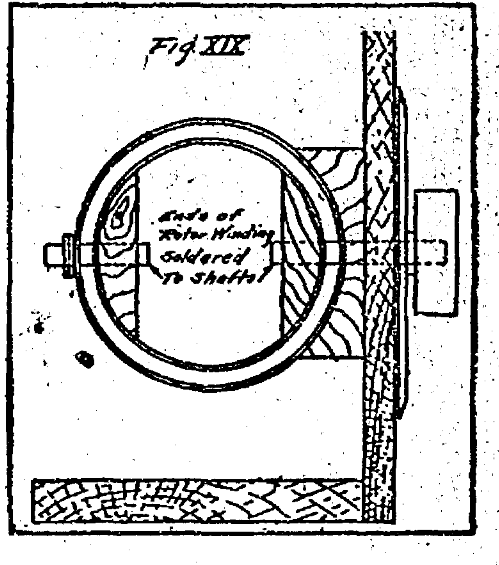
Fig. 18 shows how the details of the variometer are assembled.

The rotor is wound with 40 turns of the No. 26 DCC wire, diveded into two groups of 20 turns, each symmetrical with respect to the center line of the rotor. Start 1-16 of an inch in from the edge of the rotor and wind on 20 turns, then, crossing over on the other side of the center line, wind on 20 more turns, so that the end of the second group of 20 turns will terminate 1-16 of an inch in from the end of the tube. Bring out the end of the rotor winding on the inside of the tube.

Cut two blocks of wood, A and B in Fig. 18, from pieces of 3-inch soft wood and fasten them as shown diametrically opposite each other on the inside of the rotor tube with some small wood screws. Drill two shaft holes, one through each side of the tube over the thick portion of the wooden block. The diameter of this hole should be such that it be a forced fit for the 1-4 inch diameter shaft.

The winding on the stator is similar to that on the rotor. There are 40 total turns divided into the sections of 20 turns each. The beginning and the ending of the stator windings are 15-16 of an inch from the ends of the tube. When the rotor is assembled inside the stator, the winding on the stator should fall just above that on the rotor.

After the rotor and stator are wound, give them a thin coat of shellac and allow it to dry thoroughly before attaching the wooden blocks. Assemble the blocks on the rotor and stator and then give the assembled part a second thin coat of shellac. Put the variometer parts in a hot dry place and allow them to dry until all the volatile matter has been driven off. This will give the windings a hard finish that will not absorb moisture, yet protect them from mechanical injury and hold them in place.



The vertical panel upon which the set is mounted is six inches high and eight inches long by three-eighths of an inch thick. It should be of a clear, close-grained wood that has been well dried to prevent warping. The panel is fastened to the base board, which is four inches by seven inches, by one-half inch thick, by means of the screws.

Before mounting any of the parts, the panel base board should be finished. Staining the panel dull black and shellacking the base board will make a pleasing combination.

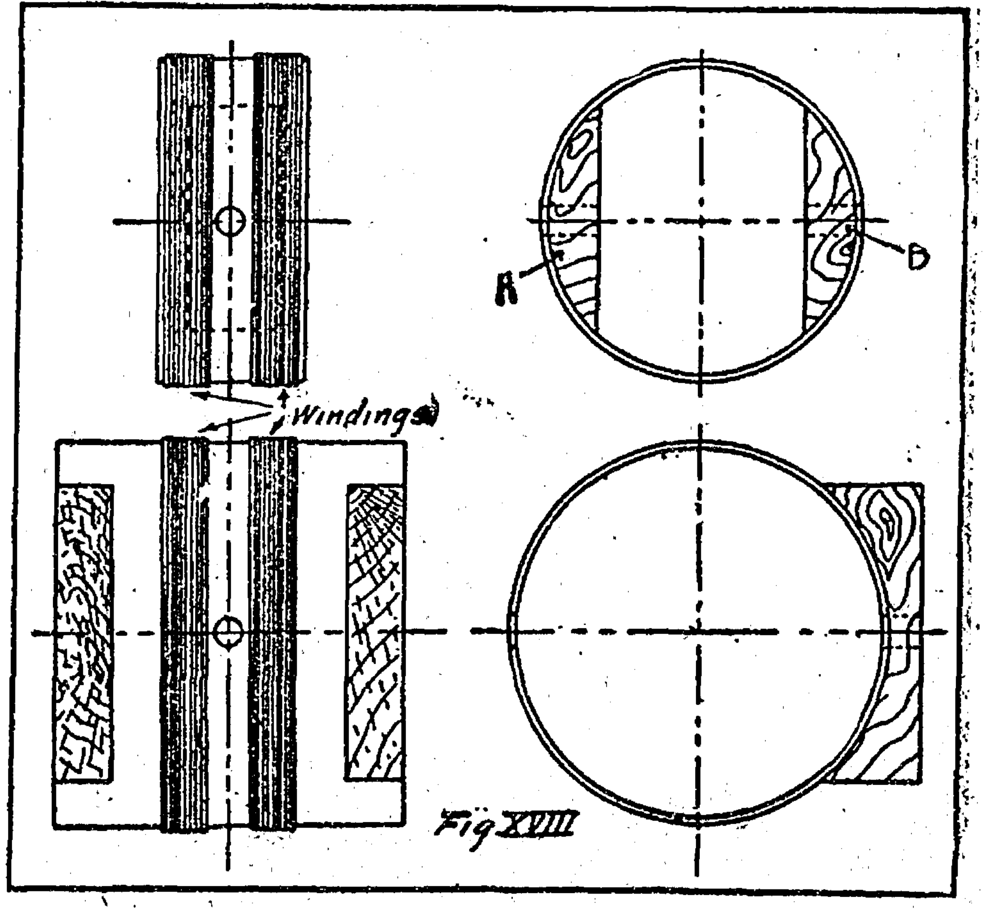


Fig. 19 shows how the variometer is assembled on the panel. The center of the variometer is three and one-quarter inches up from the bottom of the panel and two and three-quarter inches from end. The assembling drawings are all to scale and by referring to them, all the details will be made clear.

Fig. 20 is a plan view of the set, showing the location of the tube socket, grid condenser with grid leak and phone condenser.

A receiver of this type is very simple in operation, since the wave length is entirely controlled by one knob and the detector by the other knob.

SPARKS

The man who uses bedsprings in place of an aerial might at times be accused of "lying down on the job."

The University of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C., is planning to erect and operate a broadcasting station by popular subscription. It is hoped that $12,000 will be raised.

The difference between party-line telephone service in the country and radio service is that all the neighbors are expected to listen in in both cases, but no one objects in the case of the radio.

A magnifying violin, for radio purposes, has been invented by a musical genius. Its use by beginners should be prohibited by law. What the violin beginner needs is a soft pedal of pronounced ability.

To tell of their issues of new bonds and quote prices on regular issues a firm in San Francisco has adopted the radiophone. Besides furnishing the bond news to local investors, the firm in time intends to have a large broadcasting station to keep in touch by wireless telephone with its branch houses, in addition to having the regular telegraph wire.

CRYSTAL SET IS ALL RIGHT

In Its Own Way It Is Quite as Efficient as the Vacuum Tube Outfit.

The small crystal receiving set, which may be likened to "the poor man's set," contrary to reports heard in some quarters, is quite as efficient in its way as the much higher-priced and elaborate vacuum tube outfit. While these sets are usually not guaranteed to receive more than fifteen or twenty-five miles, some amateurs have succeeded in hearing music over a fifty-mile range.

But the most amazing of all is the report which comes from a retailer in New York, who says that he has succeeded in connecting up an amplifier with his set. Despite the handicap of being entirely surrounded by steel skyscrapers, this set is in daily operation.

Radio Warns of Thunderstorms.

Detection of approaching thunderstorms in time to make necessary adjustments in operation of electric service is a valuable practical use of the radio, according to the report of the electrical apparatus committee of the National Electric Light association presented at the convention in Atlantic City. The radio also serves to detect defects in electrical apparatus and equipment more efficiently than any other agency, the report says.

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SYNOPSIS

I—APRIL.—General factotum in the house of her sister Ina, wife of Herbert Deacon, in the small town of Warbleton Lulu Bett leads a dull, cramped existence, *with which she is constantly at enmity*, though apparently satisfied with her lot. She has natural thoughts and aspirations which neither her sister nor her brother-in-law seemingly can comprehend. To Mr. Deacon comes Bobby Larkin, recently graduated high-school youth, secretly enamored of Deacon's elder daughter, Diana, an applicant for a "job" around the Deacon house. He is engaged, his occupation to be to keep the lawn in trim. The family is excited over the news of an approaching visit from Deacon's brother Ninian, whom he had not seen for many years. Deacon jokes with Lulu, with subtle meaning, concerning the coming meeeting.

II—MAY.—Chiefly because of the ripple in her placid, colorless existence which the arrival of Ninian will bring, Lulu is interested and speculative, meanwhile watching with something like envy the boy-and-girl love-making of Bobby and Diana. Unexpectedly, Ninian arrives, in the absence of Herbert, at his business, and of Ina, resting. Thus he becomes acquainted with Lulu first and in a measure understands her position in the house. To Lulu, Ninian is a much-traveled man of the world and even the slight interest which he takes in her is appreciated, because it is something new in her life.

"Of course you didn't." She tossed back her bright hair, met his eyes full. "And you never came where I could tell you. I wanted to tell you."

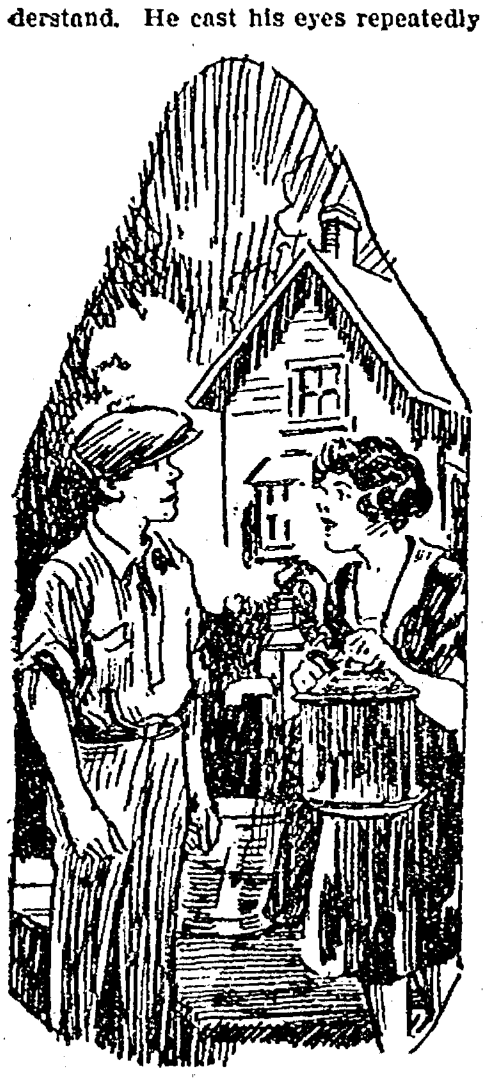
She ran into the house.

Lulu lowered her eyes. It was as if she had witnessed the exercise of some secret gift, had seen a cocoon open or an egg hatch. She was thinking:

"How easy she done it. Got him right over. But how did she do that?"

Dusting the Dwight-like piano, Lulu looked over-shoulder, with a manner of speculation, at the photograph of Ninian.

Bobby mowed and pondered. The magnificent conceit of the male in his understanding of the female character was sufficiently developed to cause him to welcome the improvisation which he had just heard. Perhaps that was the way it had been. Of course that was the way it had been. What a fool he had been not to understand. He cast his eyes repeatedly toward the house. He managed to make the job last over so that he could return in the afternoon. He was not conscious of planning this, but it was in some manner contrived for him by forces of his own with which he seemed to be co-operating without his conscious will. Continually he glanced toward the house.



He Straightened. "Huh!" He Said, in Magnificent Evasion.

These glances Lulu saw. She was a woman of thirty-four and Di and Bobby were eighteen, but Lulu felt for them no adult indulgence. She felt that sweetness of attention which we bestow upon May robins. She felt more.

She cut a fresh cake, filled a plate, called to Di, saying: "Take some out to that Bobby Larkin, why don't you?"

It was Lulu's way of participating. It was her vicarious thrill.

After supper Dwight and Ina took their books and departed to the Chautauqua circle. To these meetings Lulu never went. The reason seemed to be that she never went anywhere.

When they were gone Lulu felt an instant liberation. She turned aimlessly to the garden and dug round things with her finger. And she thought about the brightness of that Chautauqua scene to which Ina and Dwight had gone. Lulu thought about such gatherings in somewhat the way that a futurist receives the subjects of his art—forms not vague, but heightened to intolerable definiteness, acute color, and always motion—motion as an integral part of the desirable. But a factor of all was that Lulu herself was the participant, not the onlooker. The perfection of her dream was not impaired by any longing. She had her dream as a saint her sense of heaven.

"Lulie!" her mother called. "You come out of that damp."

She obeyed, as she had obeyed that voice all her life. But she took one last look down the dim street. She had not known it, but superimposed on her Chautauqua thoughts had been her faint hope that it would be tonight, while she was in the garden alone, that Ninian Deacon would arrive. And she had on her wool chally, her coral beads, her cameo pin. . . .

She went into the lighted dining room. Monona was in bed. Di was not there. Mrs. Bett was in Dwight Herbert's leather chair and she lolled at her ease. It was strange to see this woman, usually so erect and tense, *now actually lolling, as if lolling were* the positive, the vital, and her ordinary rigidity a negation of her. In some corresponding orgy of leisure and liberation, Lulu sat down with no needle.

"Inie ought to make over her delaine," Mrs. Bett comfortably began. They talked of this, devised a mode, recalled other delaines. "Dear, dear," said Mrs. Bett, "I had on a delaine when I met your father." She described it. Both women talked freely, with animation. They were individuals and alive. To the two pallid beings accessory to the Deacons' presence, Mrs. Bett and her daughter Lulu now bore no relationship. They emerged, had opinions, contradicted, their eyes were bright.

Toward nine o'clock Mrs. Bett announced that she thought she should have a lunch. This was debauchery. She brought in bread and butter, and a dish of cold canned peas. She was committing all the excesses that she knew—offering opinions, laughing, eating. It was to be seen that this woman had an immense store of vitality, perpetually submerged.

When she had eaten she grew sleepy—rather cross at the last and inclined to hold up her sister's excellencies to Lulu; and, at Lulu's defense lifted an ancient weapon.

"What's the use of finding fault with Inie? Where'd you been if she hadn't married?"

Lulu said nothing.

"What say?" Mrs. Bett demanded shrilly. She was enjoying it.

Lulu said no more. After a long time:

"You always was jealous of Inie," said Mrs. Bett, and went to her bed.

As soon as her mother's door had closed, Lulu took the lamp from its bracket, stretching up her long body and her long arms until her skirt lifted to show her really slim and pretty feet. Lulu's feet gave news of some other Lulu, but slightly incarnate. Perhaps, so far, incarnate only in her feet and her long hair.

She took the lamp to the parlor and stood before the photograph of Ninian Deacon, and looked her fill. She did not admire the photograph, but she wanted to look at it. The house was still, there was no possibility of interruption. The occasion became sensation, which she made no effort to quench. She held a rendezvous with she knew not what.

In the early hours of the next afternoon with the sun shining across the threshold, Lulu was paring something at the kitchen table. Mrs. Bett was asleep. ("I don't blame you a bit, mother," Lulu had said, as her mother named the intention.) Ina was asleep. (But Ina always took off the curse by calling it her "si-esta," long i.) Monona was playing with a neighbor's child—you heard their shrill yet lovely laughter as they obeyed the adult law that motion is pleasure. Di was not there.

A man came round the house and stood tying a puppy to the porch post. A long shadow fell through the west doorway, the puppy whined.

"Oh," said this man. "I didn't mean to arrive at the back door, but since I'm here—"

He lifted a suitcase to the porch, entered and filled the kitchen.

"It's Ina, isn't it?" he said.

"I'm her sister," said Lulu, and understood that he was here at last.

"Well, I'm Bert's brother," said Ninian. "So I can come in, can't I?"

He did so, turned round like a dog before his chair and sat down heavily, forcing his fingers through heavy, upspringing brown hair.

"Oh, yes," said Lulu. "I'll call Ina. She's asleep."

"Don't call her, then," said Ninian. "Let's you and I get acquainted."

He said it absently, hardly looking at her.

"I'll get the pup a drink if you can spare me a basin," he added.

Lulu brought the basin and, while he went to the dog, she ran tiptoeing to the dining room china closet and brought a cut-glass tumbler, as heavy, as ungainly as a stone crock. This she filled with milk.

"I thought maybe . . ." said she, and offered it.

"Thank you!" said Ninian, and drained it. "Making pies, as I live," he observed, and brought his chair nearer to the table. "I didn't know Ina had a sister," he went on. "I remember now Bert said he had two of her relatives—"

Lulu flushed and glanced at him pitifully.

"He has," she said. "It's my mother and me. But we do quite a good deal of the work."

"I'll bet you do," said Ninian, and did not perceive that anything had been violated. "What's your name?" he bethought.

She was in an immense and obscure excitement. Her manner was serene, her hands as they went on with the peeling did not tremble; her replies were given with sufficient quiet. But she told him her name as one tells something of another and more remote creature. She felt as one may feel in catastrophe—no sharp understanding, but merely the sense that the thing cannot possibly be happening.

"You folks expect me?" he went on.

"Oh, yes!" she cried, almost with vehemence. "Why, we've looked for you every day."

"'See," he said, "how long have they been married?"

Lulu flushed as she answered: "Fifteen years."

"And a year before that the first one died—and two years they were married," he computed. "I never met that one. Then it's close to twenty years since Bert and I have seen each other."

"How awful!" Lulu said, and flushed again.

"Why?"

"To be that long away from your folks."

Suddenly she found herself facing this honestly, as if the immensity of her present experience were clarifying her understanding: Would it be so awful to be away from Bert and Monona and Di—yes, and Ina, for twenty years?

"You think that?" he laughed. "A man don't know what he's like till he's roamed around on his own." He liked the sound of it. "Roamed around on his own," he repeated, and laughed again. "Course a woman don't know that."

"Why don't she?" asked Lulu. She balanced a pie on her hand and carved the crust. She was stupefied to hear her own question. "Why don't she?"

"Maybe she does. Do you?"

"Yes," said Lulu.

(Continued Next Week)

The lazy man is the most considerate. He allows others to hold down his jobs.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Farm Bureau Picnic at Dows

A joint farm bureau picnic will be put on by Blaine and Vernon townships in Wright county and Morgan and Oakland townships of Franklin county next Thursday, August 17th at the Community picnic park north of Dows.

Lieut. Gov. John Hammill, from Britt, will be the speaker of the da. Mr. Hammill comes from one of the best counties in the cornbelt and every farmer who is interested in agricultural legislation and in farm problems in general should not miss the opportunity of hearing the second man of our great state of Iowa.

In addition to the address by Mr. Hammill there will be a good lively program filed with baseball, horseshoe pitching, and sports of all kinds and of course ham sandwiches and "hot dawgs" will be included in the line-up for the occasion. Arrangements have been made for plenty of good music and we are informed by the program committee that things will be kept moving and that there will be something doing all the time. This is an annual affair of the people of Dows and surrounding community and if we are to judge by past experience there will be a lively time and a big crowd at the Dows community picnic at the Dows Picnic Park on Thursday, August 17th.

Creamery Day Picnic

The Farmers' Cooperative Creamery of Belmond is planning a celebration for Wednesday, August 23. The committe is planning a big day filled with music, sports and lots of fun. W. A. Wentworth, secretary of the Iowa Creamery and manager of the association at Des Moines will be the main speaker of the occasion. G. A. Tellier from Cedar Rapids will also speak in the interests of dairying.

Music will be furnished by the Garner band and there will be a good lively ball game between Dows and Belmond. A day filled with music, sports and a good lively time for everyone is in store for those who can plan to attend this celebration.

Poultry Culling Progressing

Joseph M. Kennedy, the commecial poultry culler who was secured through the poultry department at Ames is very busy this week in culling flocks in Wright county. According to Mr. Kennedy from twenty-five to thirty per cent of the biddies are being thrown out as slackers or non-producers. This means twenty-five per cent of the star boarders in the poultry flocks are being marketed with the result that the farmers' poultry feeding bill will be reduced twenty-five per cent this fall and winter.

Mr. Kennedy is an experienced poultry culler and is giving very satisfactory service to the farmers of Wright county not only in the poultry culling work but also in giving valueable suggestions along the lines of feeding, breeding, care and management, of poultry. Now that the threshing season is nearly over there may be others who wish their flocks culled. The commercial culler wil be able to handle a few flocks yet and those wishing the commercial culling work should make applicatian to the county agent at once.

Judge Livestock at Ames

Several Wright county boys in company with the county agent drove to Ames early last Saturday for the purpose of judging livestock in competition with boys from all parts of Iowa in the livestock pavilion at the college.

The animal husbandry department, of the college under the direction of Prof. Kildee, had arranged classes in beef cattle, hogs, horses, sheep and dairy cattle so that the boys had the experience of handling some of the best livestock at the college. The Wright county boys worked in competion with judging teeams from many other counties throughout the state and some keen competition developed during the contest.

An interesting feature of this trip was the manner in which the boys camped out for the night in Ames. A tent was pitched and the boys report that they bunked for the night on the ground rolled up in woolen blankets. They spent Sunday in looking around the campus and buildings at the college and looking over the experiment plots at the experiment station. The boys who made the Ames trip are as follows: John Bell, Clyde Mechem, Ross Mechem, Everett Woodley, Clarence Clark, Everett Denby, Max Miller.

Farm Bureau Bay at State Fair

Gov. J. A. O. Preus of Minnesota has been secured to deliver the principal address on Farm Bureau Day, Monday, August 28, at the State Fair. The governor is an active and enthusiastic supporter who seems to sense the Big Idea of it, and who appreciates its possibilities for good in the years to come. During his term of office he has been favorable to legislation in the interests of agriculture, and at the present time is a member of the special committee representing the twelve middle west farm bureau federations that are working to eradicate the "poison barbery." The governor is an able and interesting speaker, and will come to the meeting with a stirring message for Iowa farm bureau members.

Still another speaker of wide reputation secured for the day is Mrs. Vera Busick Schuttler of Missouri. Mrs. Schuttler has made a special study of the Farm Bureau movement with reference to its influence upon the lives of farm women and children. She knows the farm and its problems, social, education and econornic, from personal experience, and her address will deal with the questions that have puzzled farm workers and handicapped the farming industry since the beginning of time.

There will be short talks and addresses by various local speakers, interspersed with plenty of music, both vocal and band. The day will be full and busy, with sessions both forenoon and afternoon. The meeting will be staged in the big tent pitched in the same place it occupied last year, convenient to the Federation headquarters, to the camp grounds and other points of interest. Remember day and date, Monday, August 28th.

Woolstock Holds Lively Meeting

Farmers of Woolstock township met at the farm home of Matt Adams for their regular monthly meeting farm bureau social last Friday evening, August 11th. Somewhere in the neighborhood of 300 farmers, their wives and children turned out to enjoy this community entertainment.

People of the Woolstock community seem to have caught the spirit of mixing with one another at regular intervals. The rush of the threshing season does not seem to prevent these good people from holding their monthly social affairs. Woolstock is one of the townships of the county which holds regular monthly meetings in the farm bureau organization.

The program committee should be congratulated upon the interesting program which was given and it should be noted that all recitations, dialogues and several musical numbers were enjoyed by all. A short talk was given, by the county agent, in which he outlined the work as it is being carried on throughout the county.

Miss Blanche Bock, county superintendent of schools, gave a short address on the condition of the schools throughout the county. Miss Bock spoke of the standard which should be expected of the teachers and particularly of the cooperation which should exist at all times between the pupils and parents. She emphasized the necessity of physical health and reminded her hearers of the need of improvement of the lighting, heating and ventilating systems of a great number of the schools.

Miss Kate Liddle, the county Red Cross health nurse gave a most interesting address and expressed the hope that the work would be continued in the county. Miss Liddle gave a brief review of the work in the county and gave convincing facts and figures showing the importance of the work.

Griesy's Store News

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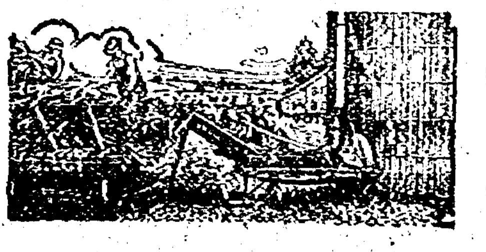
A WINTER FEED WITH A SUMMER TASTE

Butterfat and live stock prices are higher, and this fact is going to make the use of ensilage for winter feeding more desirable than ever. Besides giving the herd in the winter time a feed with the summer time taste, ensilage is highly nutritious and is an important part of a balanced ration. But just becuse it's good to feed ensilage, don't overlook the need of economy in making it. Use the dependable McCORMICK-DEERING (International) ensilage cutter. They are simple and compact, made of steel thruout. McCORMICK-DEERING ensilage cutters are safe running at any speed, require less power for large capacities and therefore are economical. Prices are a good deal lower than last year.



The key to happiness is in your own heart. Make use of it.

The man who doubts the honesty of mankind in general is usually pretty well acquainted with himself.

TIMELY REMINDERS

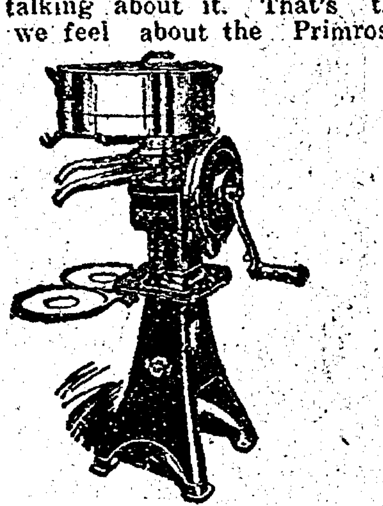
Fall—just a few weeks distant!
Weather due—fine for fall work.
You will need—
Perhaps a Titan 10-20 Kerosene tractor.
A power lift 3-bottom P&O tractor plow.
To go with it.
And maybe a Leverless Disk harrow.
Or possibly.
A McCormick or Deering Husker and Shredder.
An International Ensilage Cutter.
Or any one of a large number of High Quality, service-proved implements.
That we sell.
Come in and see us.
And our fall line of farm equipment.

INCREASE YOUR CROPS

When you hear of an exceptionally good crop in your neighborhood, you can depend on it that the farmer who had the good crop, first of all looked after the fertility of the soil on which it was raised. Fertility is the first chapter of the story—always. Farmers that raise good crops invariably own good manure spreaders. The two go together hand in hand. You cannot afford this year to pass up an opportunity to save all the manure and use its fertility in making your farm more productive. An International roller bearing manure spreader will help you produce bigger crops with less man power. See us about the International and new low prices at your first opportunity.

A Continued Story.

We just can't help telling you a little about the Primrose cream separator each week. You know how it is—when you are thoroly convinced that something is RIGHT, you can't help talking about it. That's the way we feel about the Primrose.



Every part of it is made of high-grade materials insuring long life and years of useful service. The Primrose gets ALL the cream, and it is easy to keep clean. When you buy a separator there are so many reasons why it should be a Primrose that it will be well worth your while to find out all about it. Talk it over with us the next time you're in town.

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They are GOOD!

10¢ plus Iowa State Tax

Buy this Cigarette and Save Money

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Summer's good for batteries just as it is for people—providing they don't get all "het up".

But regardless of warm, easily started motors, heat-thinned oil and so on, you have to look after your battery to keep it fit.

Just drive around and tell us to do whatever's necessary. That's what we're here for.

Same service—same Willard Standards no matter what the make of your battery.

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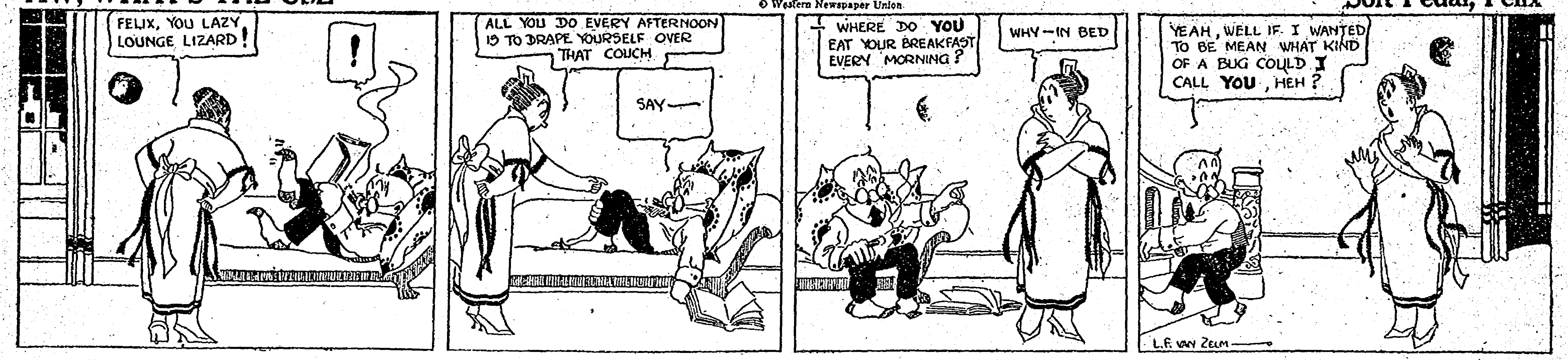

FELIX, YOU LAZY LOUNGE LIZARD!
!
ALL YOU DO EVERY AFTERNOON IS TO DRAPE YOURSELF OVER THAT COUCH
SAY—
WHERE DO YOU EAT YOUR BREAKFAST EVERY MORNING?
WHY—IN BED
YEAH, WELL IF I WANTED TO BE MEAN WHAT KIND OF A BUG COULD I CALL YOU, HEH?
L.F. VAN ZELM

RAILROADS MAKE BIG PROFITS IN 1921

(BY ROBERT FULLER)

The railroads of the United States must be curbed quickley.

They must be forced to stop manipulations of facts and abandon propaganda policies which have been brazenly practiced for the last four years.

The ruthless policies of the railroads are tying this nation into economic knots so fast that within a few weeks they will bring agriculture, industry and business of all kinds to a dead stop.

Agriculture is in a most serious situation right now. Even though drastic methods were immediately employed there will be a loss suffered by the farmers in trying to movo the twelve billion dollar crops now into the harvest.

Traffic Manager C. B. Hutchings of the Traffis Dept., of the American Farm Bureau Federation, after investigation early in June, and before the strike went into effect, estimated a heavy car shortage this fall.

The American Railroad Association stated that on June 15 there were 332,681 cars needing repairs, 268,305 of which required heavy repairs. Since then the strike has paralyzed construction and repaurs of all kind. The association also stated that the percentage of cars in bad order on June 1 was 15 per cent. These same figures compared with those of the Interstate Commerce Commission show that there was a big backward movement of repairs of freight equipment from April to June. T his, too, in the face of the fact that the railroads knew from Department of Agriculture reports that the biggest crops of years would have to be marketed this fall.

This policy of neglect of vital rolling stock bv the railroads is only in line with the financial camouflage shoved down the public's throat by as clever a bunch of artists as ever drew press-agents' salaries.

In other words all the "hard-time" railroad talk we have heard was cooked up in a great propaganda department and served at breakfast, dinner and supper for the last four years—in fact ever since the government turned the roads back to the private owners after the war.

The result of this is, that nine persons out of ten in the United States today believe that the railroads are in a terrible plight; that their operating expenses are enormous—that freight rates ought to be raised if they are to make repairs etc., etc., etc.

It isn't true!

The figures as quoted in the accompanying box show profits of the leading railroads for 1921. These are their own figures as quoted by gentlemen on Wall Street who are they claim real bargain prices. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe has a few gold bonds ready for absorption. The road operates 11,700 miles of road. In the year 1921 it cleaned up a profit of $39,931,662. Poor little thing!

The New York Central, in the same year, made a clean profit of $22,295,686.

The Northern Pacfic got away with a profit of $22,065,339.

No wonder freight rates ought to be raised.

Of course, when we get into intricate railroad bookkeeping we assume is can be shown that black is white after the manner of proving the cat had ten tails, but, stripped of all befuddling and specious argument, the figures as quoted seem to be the outstanding facts told briefly.

The situation right now is so serious that farmers in many states cannot get coal to thresh wheat—wheat which after threshing, will have to be piled on the ground, because elevators and granaries are packed full waiting—waiting—waiting for cars.

Write to your congressman and senator. Let this government know that the railroads can no longer exploit this nation while they drive on for increased profits—blood money. The very life of our principal industry, Agriculture, is at stake.—News.

Here Are Profits Of Railroads in 1921

A. T. & S. F.	$39,331,662
Atlantic Coast Line	$1,790,569
New York Cent.	$22,295,686
Norfolk & West.	$10,043,181
Northern Pacfic	$22,965,399
Southern Pacfic	$30,618,773
Union Pacfic	$31,301,075
Ches. & Ohio	$4,192,601
C. R. I. & P.	$5,760,259
Illinois Central	$9,700,794
Missouri Pacafic	$3,537,016

HAWKEYE FARMERS SPEND BIG SUMS FOR DAIRY COWS

Twenty-five counties in Iowa spent $290,700.00 outside the state for dairy cattle last year, according to reports in answer to a questionaire recently sent out by the Iowa State Dairy association. This does not take into account the many other counties of Iowa, which purchased a few or many head. Wisconsin reports that Iowa was the second largest purchaser from that state during the past seven months, in which 30,000 head of dairy cattle were sold to other states.

Authorities believe that at least a quarter of a million dollars of Iowa money from only 25 counties was spent in Wisconsin for dairy cattle during the past year. If Iowa nad been able to secure these dairy cattle within the state instead of investing outside, it would have meant that Iowa farmers would have been over $500,000 ahead, financially.

Wisconsin authorities give figures which indicate that $4,000,000 of $5,000,000 worth of dairy cattle will be sold out of that state this year.

These figures indicate that Iowa is going into the dairy business strong and that a source of dairy cattle to supply the demand needs to be developed in the state. The correct type dairy cattle will be demonstrated at the Dairy Cattle Congress, Waterloo, Sept. 25, to Oct. 1, and at the National Dairy Show, St. Paul, Minn., October 7 to 14.

Managers of these two nation-wide shows report unusual interest this year and that prospects are for the greatest shows on record.

Grade cows from the cow test associations will be a feature of the dairy cattle shows this year and it is expected that this will create a good deal of interest among the ordinary dairymen and grade herds.

Both of these shows are planning unusual educational features this year in addition to the regular showing of dairy cattle. Club exhibits and club demonstrations will be among the features. The most up-to-date production and manufacturing equipment will be on exhibit. The show managers plan to have some educational feature which will touch every phrase of successful dairying. It is stated that the opportunities of seeing the dairy cattle alone—and the reputed best type of each breed in the country will be shown—is equivalent to a trip through more than a dozen states to see these same herds.

LET CONTRACTS TO GRADE AND GRAVEL WILSON HIGHWAY

Garner Signal: Hancock County is to have several miles more of good roads. Yesterday the Board of Supervisors let the contracts for grading the road from Garner to Klemme and to gravel the road from Klemme to the south line of the county and the road from the North Iowa Pike to the Rock Island tracks a mile south of Forest City.

The contract for grading the road from Garner to Klemme goes to Wisely & Son who have recently graded the road from Klemme to the south line of the county, and the price for this grading is 19½ cents a yard. They will begin right away and will finish the job by October 1st.

The graveling of the Wilson Highway from the North Iowa Pike to the Rock Island tracks a mile south of Forest City goes to Geo. E. Sargent of Hampton at 43 cents a yard. Work is to begin not later than September 20 and be finished by November 15th.

The contract on the graveling from Klemme to the south line of the county goes to Hill & Boyle of Everly at 39 cents a yard. Work on this section is to begin not later than August 15th and be finished October 15.

The gravel contracts call for 1700 yard of gravel to a mile, which is dumped at the side of the road and spread with a grader over a smooth surface, the contractor agreeing to keep the surface smooth. If the gravel is not smooth when finished, the contractor must harrow the gravel and re-level it. The grades are 28 feet wide.

The gravel which was put on the Miller road two years ago was at the rate of 900 yards to the mile, so that you can estimate how much better road the new ones should be that are built under State Highway Commission regulations.

Bruce Orr was low bidder on both gravel sections, but his bid would not require the begining the work until November, and this was too late, as the board saw it.

ARREST MEN FOR FIRING EAGLE HOME

News: Four Eagle Grove men got drunk on moonshine liquor Monday night and after firing a residence occupied by Frank Fisher, who is employed firing a stationary boiler at the Northwestern roundhouse, they were rounded up by the United States marshal force at Eagle Grove and taken to Fort Dodge to answer to the charge of attempted arson and violation of the federal injunction.

The four men are said to be Jules Puls, Art Ziehler, Joe Cauley, and Will Swenson. It is known they were drunk at the time. They went out and made an atterpt to fire the house, but were frightened away, it is alleged. Later, on returning for a second attempt, they ran into an attack by Fisher, who had armed himself with a shotgun. One of the men was wounded in the leg, several buckshot penetrating the flesh. His wounds are not bad.

After the facts became known, union leaders at Eagle Grove disavowed any knowledge of the act, and strongly condemned it. They feel that it brings the union membership into disfavor and while the work was that of individuals, they feel men anxious to bring reproach upon the union will not be fair enough to sift the real facts.

It created no little excitement in Eagle Grove Monday night and Tuesday, and union men generally voiced their disapproval of such action.

The damage to the residence occupied by Mr. Fisher was negligible.

The Early Bird

Every Sunday afternoon Robert's mother would take him on her lap and show him pictures in his Bible for little folks, at the same time explaining them to him.

One Sunday the pictures happened to be martyrs thrown to the lions.

She explained very solemnly to him the picture, trying to make him feel what a terrible thing it was.

Robert was very still, then all of a sudden exclamed, "Mama, oh, mama! just look at that poor little lion way behind there, he won't get any."

Very Bad Indeed

The Charwoman's Husband (at door)—The missis is very ill, ma'am and won't be able to come this week.

Lady—Oh, I am sorry, George. Nothing very serious, I hope?

The Charwoman's Husband—Well, ma'am she was so bad last night I 'd to go to the pictures by myself.

USE THE BIG STICK MR. PRESIDENT

It is possible, Mr. President, that you ought not to have interposed the power and dignity of your office in an effort to bring the railroad shop strike to an end. We do not think so. We think you were right. We think Rosevelt was right when he intervened in the coal strike. We know he was right when once having intervened he made his intervention stick. He made it stick with a stick:

That is now the point. You took what we think is the wisely chosen road. The country cannot go into winter with railroad equipment falling to pieces ana with coal unmined in the ground. The conflicting interests may be willing to fight it out if it takes all winter, but the American people cannot starve and freeze while a decision is being reached.

We think you did right. Right or wrong, you have committed yourself, and the President of the United States cannot allow 265 railroad executives to say that he does not know what he is talking about and to executives to make the declaration significant by voting against it because it is worded too politely.

Undoubtedly you submitted your proposal to your counselors in the cabinet—to such men as Davis, Hoover, Weeks, etc. Your cabinet is supposed to be a level headed company of men, mot radical and not tory. These men agreed with you that you were taking the right course to protect public interests. The railroad executives disagree with you. They should be made to agree.

They can be. They are much easier to handle than the workers. The workers have submitted. They have submitted on every issue which caused the strike. There is only the issue of seniority, which is a result of the strike and not a cause of it.

If you had to put regulars along the tracks, in the yards and in the shops to keep the trains moving it would be an unfortunate necessity. You do not need to send companies into the executive offices of the railroads to keep the trains moving. All you need to do is to tell these gentlemen that they are in conflict with the White Huse and that in such conflicts the White House wins.

It is a test of adminstration, Mr. President, and one which determines the fate of administrations. You have made a considered proposal to these railroads executives and they virtually have asked you to confine yourself to the question of marines in Nicaragua and Haiti and of American cable rights in Yap.

You are not an unlimited monarch, but there is one thing the average good natured American citizen does not like to hear, and that is any group of people telling the president of the United States to go to the devil when he plainly is trying to protect them. What they like to see, then, is the big stick falling on the sconces of the group.

The moral is as big and plain as the side of a barn. Swing the big stick, Mr. President, and then cars will run as they should and coal will be mined as it is needed.—Chicago Tribune.

Speedy

The foreman came around just after Mike had dropped a stick of dynamite and departed for parts unknown.

"Where is Mike?" he asked.

"Mike's gone away," answered Pat.

"When will he be back?"

"Well," said Pat dubiously, "if he comes back as fast as he went he will be back day before yesterday."

New One On Conductor

"I want to be procrastinated at de nex' corner," said the negro passenger to the tramcar conductor

"You want to be what?" demanded the conductor.

Don't lose your temper. I had to look in de dictionary myself befo' I found out dat 'procrastinato' means 'put off."

Don't run away to get married. It deprives your friends of an opportunity to see how scared you are.

Cave Man Stuff

BACK near the beginning of things, our prehistoric forbears would have perished from the earth if they had not understood the science of reading advertising.

The cave men didn't know much about underwear, hair tonic or phonographs, but they did have to eat. The one who could follow the track of the game he hunted, or read the meaning of a twisted leaf or broken twig, was best off in life.

Then, as now, the most consistent reader of advertising was best dressed, best fed and most contented. There has been something of an evolution in advertising in the last few thousands of years, but the principle is just the same.

The *consistent* reader of the advertisements is invariably best informed on what to eat and where to get it; what to wear and how much to pay for it. He's up on the most important things in life.

Throughout the ages, advertising has done much to make life livable and pleasant. We owe it much.

Let's make the most of it.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

AUCTION

The following fixtures of the Meservey Meat Market will be sold on August 24, at 1 p. m. Meservey, Ia.

Personal property of the Meservey Meat Market.

- 2½ ton ice machine (wizard make)
- I double cooler (Northery)
- 1 counter scale (Dayton)
- 1 5hp. Western Electric Motor
- I Metal building
- 1 glass display floor counter
- 2 chopping blocks
- 1 slicing machine(American)
- 1 standing desk
- 1 1½hp. Waterloo Boy gas engine
- 1 sausage grinder
- 1 bolo stuffer
- 1 McCaskey book system

Six months time will be given on bankable paper.

Farmers Savings Bank, Clerk.

E. Stadtlander of Belmond spent Sunday at the home of his brother, Joe Stadtlander west of town.

Lydia Pannkuk spent several days at the J. Stadtlander home during threshing.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ostendorf and Mrs Bonte and daughter motored to Meekin, Ill. to visit relatives.

The A. E. Muller family returned Monday from the S. Dak. trip.

Miss Evelyn Jones of Parkersberg is at the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. L. Jones for an indefinite stay.

The visitors at the Dick Mossel home last Sunday were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Swalve and daughtey Lena, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Swalve and children from Klemme and Miss Hannah Boelman.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hayes who have been visiting at the D. Mossel home on their wedding trip returned to their home at Grand Rapids, Mich. last week. Mrs. Hayes was formerly Angeline Mossel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Kuhler, Eddie and Dena and Mrs. Meinderts returned Monday from a few days visit with relatives at Aplington, Reinbeck and Grundy Center.

Bert Stadtlander and family of Latimer and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson of Klemme were Sunday visitors at the Mrs. Leo Wilkins home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Raecker spent Sunday at Waverly with the former's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mossel Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, Harold and Gretta Mossel were at Kanawha Sunday getting acquainted with the new girl at the Herman Watermiller home.

Mrs. H. W. Willer and children autoed to East Park at Mason City Friday.

Miss Viola Thomas spent the week end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Koehler and children were in an auto smash up last Sunday about seven miles east of Rockwell, Iowa. They were on their way to Rockford where they have relatives. The accident happened at a road intersection and the view was obstructed by some of Iowa's tall corn. Two broken wheels, smashed fenders and a few bruises were the result.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McBride a sister and three children of Defiance, Iowa spent Sunday night at the Muller and Nissen homes. They were former schoolmates of Mrs. Muller and Mrs. Nissen and were on their way to visit relatives at Hayfield, Minn.

FOR SALE—Small size Sharpless cream separator. Good skimmer. $8.00.—P. H. Pals. tfc

Mrs. Fred Ruiter who resided west of town passed away Sunday morning after a long illness. She leaves a large family of children who have the sympathy of all in their great loss.

Erwin Langlitz and mother spent last Sunday with relatives at Goodell.

Miss Mabel Eggers who has been staying at the E. A. Strasburg home the past few months returned to her home at Thurnton Sunday.

THIEVES TAKE TWO CARS FROM GENEVA FIRM

Hampton Chronicle: Thieves broke into the implement shop of Thomas Brothers at Geneva last Sunday night and got away with about 25 automobile tires, of various sizes. They also entered the office of the Luke elevator at Geneva and took his shot gun and a case of shells which had been left in the office. The money drawer was investigated by the thieves, but as it contained only a few personal checks they left them behind.

It is supposed that the same gang of thieves took the Ford car which was stolen from the home of Guy Morgan, at Geneva, the same night. The car was found the next morning, a half mile east of Geneva, stalled at the side of the road. It was evident that the culprits thought they had run out of gasolene and they drained the gas tank of the Ford car at the Jones farm home nearby. However, they could not make the Morgan car move, so it was abandoned.

Fred Beasley, also a resident of Geneva, had a Ford car stolen last Sunday night, and it was found the next morning near Parkersburg. No extra tires were found in this car, or in the Morgan car, which was found east of Geneva. It may be that there were two sets of thieves, and that the ones who took the tires were not the parties who took the two Ford cars. Tires have been stolen from Geneva concerns on several occassions and at no time has any trace of the robber sbeen found. No clue has been found of the Sunday night thieves either.

There is great hope for the man who frankly admits that he is a fool. He has sense enough to know it

First it was secret diplomacy, and then we had shirt sleeve diplomacy, and now that the women are breaking in we presume it will be of the bloomer variety.

When we hear a fellow orating on the glories of his past we wonder why in heck he is so silent about his present.

Mrs. O. S. Strasburg and daughter, Gladys visited at the Clarence Grosbeck home near Klemme several days last week.

Mrs. Emma Stadtlander visited at the Lambert Pals home at Palsville last week.

Mr. L. Jones autoed to Parkersburg Friday for a few days visit with his mother.

Senor Smith returned home Friday from a two weeks stay in Chicago.

The Rev. Schlesselman family returned Friday evening from their three weeks visit with relatives in Ohio. They report a very enjoyable trip.

Chris Enabnit and family of Des Moines have been visiting relatives in this vicinity the past week.

A number from here have visited the famous Grotto at West Bend and say it is well worth the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Heiko Jannsen and the former's father spent several days with relatives at Renwick.

H. B. Frey who some time ago hurt his hand has been suffering with infection in the injured member which is causing him a great deal of pain.

Jno P. Palas and daughter, Grace, went to Mason City Tuesday where Grace will receive treatment at the Pals Hospital. Her many friends wish her a rapid recovery.

Clint Ralston of Minn. has been visiting at the C. F. Ralston home. They left Thursday for Bowling Green, Mo., to visit their father.

Gottlieb Lauster and family left Wednesday for a several weeks visit with relatives in S. Dak. and Minn., making the trip in their car.

Evelyn and Lois Thomas went to Cedar Falls Saturday where they will visit their sister, Viola, who is attending college at that place.

Among the Mason City visitors the past week were the following: E. A. Strasburg and wife, Mrs. Paul Willer, Mrs. Geo. Langlitz and sons Ivan and Leland, H. Fischer and children nd Mrs. S. P. Fischer and Gladys.

Mr. R. Boelman who has been quite sick the past few weeks is much better at this writing.

The many frieneds of Miss Thelma Thomas will be glad to note that she is improving rapidly after her recent illness.

A. J. Nissen returned Friday from a business trip to various points in Minn.

Miss Mildred Gealow who spent her two weeks vacation visiting relatives in Illinois is again at her duties at the bank.

Marinus Peterson is driving a new Chevrolet car purchased from the local dealer, G. E. Raecker.

The North Iowa Fair at Mason City is drawing the usual large crowd from this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Strong and children of Lansing, Iowa visited here with Mrs. Strong's brother, H. Fischer and family, making the trip by auto.

H. J. Groen and Harry T. Smith were Hampton visitors Monday via Ford route. Harry says he can take long trips now with his Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Frey and Wilbert motored to Kiester, Minn., Tuesday where they will visit Mrs. Frey's parents.

Taken up about July 25th—one black spring pig. Owner can have same by paying cost of advertising, etc.—U. J. Cooper.

The ladies of the Cemetery Society held a farewell reception last Friday afternoon in the basement of the Evangelical church in honor of Mrs. C. Brogan. The Brogan family will soon move to Garner where they will make their future home.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.

The weekly services will be the same as usual.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
Rev. H. Pannkuk, Pastr.

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Climax Flour	2.00
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ROWAN NEWS

Methodist Episcopal Church Notes
Pastor, Rev. H. Tomkinson.

At the morning hour of worship the pastor will speak on the subject of "Light," and at the evening hour on "The Gentle Art of Spilling The Beans." Both these topics will provide the congregation with much food for thought. The pastor is counting on a large congregation at both services—will you not do your part and be present.

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary soceities of the M. E. church along with the Standard Bearers and Home Guards and Jewels will hold a picnic at Rowen's woods next Friday afternoon. A hearty invitation is extended to all. A good time is anticipated.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Frank Kerchival next Thursday afternoon when the annual election of officers will take place. Mrs Robert Keith will have charge of, the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. August Rietz and family are back from Camp Meeting at Okoboji where they had a pleasant holiday.

There is quite a lot of sickness in town at the present. Mr. Guy Sheldon and Mr. Bert Pelley are laid aside for a few days, being under the doctor's care.

Rev. H. Tomkinson and family went over to Iowa Falls last Monday to see Mrs. Lorenzo Bingham.

A large number of Rowan people are making plans to attend the State Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. Willard McCallum, and Theodore Hansen and family were over to Coulter last Sunday afternoon to hear a Japanese Missionary Dinner and supper were served for visitors.

Rev. Harold Tomkinson delivered a lecture last Sunday afternoon at the Chatauqua in Latimer on "The Challenge of the Church in the Present Crisis."

The Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church has a barrel of empty fruit jars to be filled and sent to the Deaconess Home in Sioux City. Any one wishing to help in this work may call for jars at the Mrs. Hannah Whitten home.

Mrs. John Fuller of Clear Lake has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. W. Bailey Sr.

Chris Jacobson's and Anton Jacobson s, of Humboldt, spent Sunday at the Jens Kjar and Peter Eson homes.

Glen Liming returned from Corwith Sunday where he has been for the past month.

Miss Alma Ramsey is assisting at the Emmett Carr home.

George Unger and family of Dows were in Rowan Sunday. Mrs. Mary Braden went down to Dows Saturday and they brought her back.

Ezra Ingraham, of Swaledale, arrived Monday to assist on the Amos Cowley house.

Mrs. Bert Witt is enjoying a visit from her mother and other relatives of Melbourne, who arrived Sunday.

Mrs. Alvin Haupt, of Clarion was visiting relatives near Rowan Monday.

Mr. William Wolle was in town last week traveling in the interest of the Morningside College at Sioux City.

Mrs. John Denio, of Galt was calling on relatives in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder and Ruth returned Saturday from their trip to Wisconsin and Illinois.

The Andrew Whitten Post 159 met in special meeting Monday evening. Guy Toyne and Frank Retliff were elected as delegates to the State Convention at Waterloo the 7 and 8 of September. O. F. Braden and James Rowen as alternates. Arrangements were made to have a supper followed by a motion picture show August 31st.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden and Mrs. Ray Williams and children were Iowa Falls visitors Tuesday.

Clint Kercheval has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. A. A. Williams returned Monday from her visit at Gillman, Mo., at the home of her son, Fred and family. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harris remained at Gillman where Cecil is working in a garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Peddle and family left Monday for Oklahoma to visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Butler and family.

Joe Ingraham was on the sick list the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten and daughters, Wilda and Billie, went to St. Peter Sunday to spend a short time at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jurden Brinkman and family.

Dorothy Ramsey was a Belmond caller Wednesday.

Rev. Tomkinson spent several days at the M.E. Camp meeting at Okoboji last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Green of Hampton, spent last Thursday in Rowan. Mr. Green is connected with the Standard Oil Company.

Mrs. Albin Anderson and baby spent last week at Elsworth visiting her parents and other relatives.

Shirley Ketchum has been suffering with infection in his foot.

Quite a delegation of Rowan ladies attended the W. C. T. U. County Convention at Goldfield last Friday. Those attending from Rowan were, Mesdames Tomkinson, W. R. McCallum, F. B. Sheldon, George Liming, J. S. Farren, Wm. Mollering, E. R. Ballou, Joe Thomas, Hannah Whitten, R H. Kieth and The Moellering girls. All the unions in the county were well represented. Miss Callison state Secretary of Woman's League of Voters spoke both afternoon and evening. Mr. McCechron, of Goldfield also spoke in the evening. Mrs. Ruth White, state Supt. of Women in Industry delivered an address also. The following officers were elected for the coming year, Pres. Mrs. Simp- of Galt; Vice Pres., Mrs. Kabele, of Goldfield; Sect'y, Mrs. W. R. McCallum of Rowan; Treas. Mrs. Powers, of Clarion.

The American Legion Auxiliary met in regular session last Thursday evening. Miss Florence Box, resigned as President as she expects to leave in a short time for Chicago where she will enter the hospital for training as a nurse. Mrs. Albin Anderson was elected to succeed her. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening was spent. Members please remember that the second Thursday evening of each month is the regular meeting night for us and try to plan to be present at the meetings. We need each member there each meeting night to secure the best results.

Mrs. Olland, who has been caring for Mrs. Langdon has returned to her home at Goldfield.

Miss Thelma Brooks is staying with her grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French spent a few days the first of last week at Clear Lake.

Mrs. Fred Brooks, Thelma and Edgar, and Mrs. Lizzie Brooks were Clarion callers Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed. Riley was a Belmond visitor Wednesday.

The Foreign Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. D. E. Harris last Wednesday afternoon. There was a good crowd present and a good lesson. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

O. E. Ballou was bit last Wednesday by a dog. He was riding home on the running board of a car when the dog jumped up and bit him in the leg. He had to go to the Dr. Friday to have it dressed.

The Congregational Aid Society met with Mrs. E. Bingham last week. A nice lot of work was accomplished altho the crowd was small.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham, Mrs. J. A. Whitten and daughter, Billie, spent Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brooks at Belmond.

Alfred Hansen has been on the sick list the past week.

Last Thursday evening the Y. P. S. C. E. met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Kercheval. About twenty-five young people attended this meeting. The crowd was divided into three sections and the entire evening was spent in Automobile contests. The side which Miss May Virden was leader won the contest. One side did not get started in the race losing every point so they were called on for an extra stunt. A short business meeting was held with fine reports from different officers. Refreshments were served and the evening was voted a great success.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow of Goldfield, spent the week end in Rowan at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Whitten. They had with them copies of a piece of music which they had composed intitled, "The Bonus Blues." They sold quite a number of copies to their Rowan Friends. They have another piece coming out soon entitled "I'm From Iowa."

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey of Belmond, spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Riley.

Mrs. W. H. Bingham has been on the sick list.

J. F. Howell was a Ft. Dodge caller Thursday.

The Misses Enid and Marian Kieth and Arlo McGowan, of Goldfield are visiting at the R. H. Kieth home.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine and family spent Sunday at Iowa Falls at the L. D. Bingham home.

Mrs. George Whitten, Mrs. Mary Williams and son Ivan went to Mason City Sunday to visit Miss Vinnie Whitten who is working in a furniture store at that place. While there they attended a Highland Concert which they report as very fine.

Miss Birdie Peters, of Highmore So. Dak. is visiting at the home of her Grandmother, Mrs. Esther Andrews and other relatives.

Leona Bowers has been quite sick for several days with an attack of yellow jaundice.

Douglas and Dale Farren are spending a few days with their grandparents at Pringhar.

Mr. Jake Steffens and Miss Hattie Steffens, who have been visiting their brother, William Steffens and family, returned to their home in Milledgeville, Ill. Tuesday.

Found—Meerchaum cigar holder. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for ad.—D. W. Whitten.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

H. McCallum, of Mason City is spending a few days with Rowan relatives, and friends.

Nathan Ballou of Omaha, who has been visiting relatives here and looking after farm interests, left for his home Thursday.

G. W. Whitten was off duty in the store several days the past week visiting at Waverly and Waterloo.

STAR THEATRE
WED. AUGUST,16
MADGE KENEDY
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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
"O'MALLEY OF THE MOUNTED"

A photoplay that is as full of action as an egg is full of meat, is William S. Hart's latest Paramount picture, "O'Malley of the Mounted," which will be shown at the Star theatre next Friday and Saturday. From the opening scenes in Canada when O'Malley is ordered to "get" a man wanted for murder, until the final fade out when he resigns his commission rather than arrest the man whose sister he loves, there is not an instants drag.

O'Malley has many adventures while on his quest—adventures that stir the blood and quicken the heart action. Of course, the customary Hart battle againsts odds is a feature and it is safe to say that a better fight never was waged. The story was written by Mr. Hart and his support headed by Eva Novak who supported him in "The Testing Block" is quite adequate.

Mrs. Ed. Miller nd daughter, Blanche, of Clarion were visiting at the home of her daughters, Mrs. Harold Gates and Mrs. Guy Stumph Thursday. Bernard Stumph, who has been staying with them since his accident came over with them.

A fine eight pound baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mertell Myers last Wednesday. The little miss has been named Ella Jean. Mother and baby are doing fine.

D. W. Whitten and Dr. Maker attended a ball game at Iowa Falls Thursday.

Phone 115.

Mr. J. D. Pritchett and daughters, Mrs. Ray Williams and Mrs. O. F. Braden were Clarion callers Tuesday.

Mrs. Emma Gill and son, Donald, of Fairmont, Minn., are visiting at the Joe Patton, Fred Hackley and Charley Martin homes this week.

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Wednesday.

Miss Wilda Whitten went to Iowa Falls Wednesday to attend the Legion celebration Thursday.

Mrs. Glenn Jennings, and children, of Clarion visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum Wednesday.

Mrs. Roy Fitz, of Clarioin visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gay Fletcher Wednesday.

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bohlen and two daughters visited at the B. K. Kinseth home at Belmond Sunday.

J. C. Arends and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Skipper and baby and Miss Clare Arends attended the piano recital given by the pupils of Miss Barry at Belmond last Friday evening.

Miss Jessie Bernard of Eagle Grove visited at the F. L. Greenfield home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kauslan and baby of Bristow and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Van Horn and baby of Hensell visited with relatives here on Saturday and Sunday.

Several of our Alexander people were in attendance at the Chautauqua held at Latimer the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and Miss Jessie Bell were callers at Dows Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Peters and family were visitors at Mason City Sunday.

Mr. adn Mrs. Fred L. Greenfield and son Fredrick were Hampton callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlando McCallum and children, Christopher, Irene and Stanley, of Dundee, former residents of this place came Tuesday for a visit with relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Otto Kieslich enjoyed several days visit the past week from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Douglas of Hampton.

George Pals and daughter, Miss Jennie of near Belmond were callers in town last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrtel Meyers are the proud parents of a fine baby girl born Wednesday, August 9th.

Miss Anna Beenen, returned home Friday after spending the past three weeks in Colorado.

Harold Aigley was a caller at Belmond one day last week.

J. L. Conrad of Dows was a visitor at the J. C. Arends home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters, Jessie and Nellie, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Larsen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son and Miss Gertrude Berninghausen autoed to Kanawha Sunday and spent the day at the Okko Vken home.

Mrs. Younglin of Latimer is visiting with Miss Anna Beenen thiis week.

Mrs. George Yaw and Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls were visitors at Alexander Saturday.

Carl Griemann was a Sunday visitor at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kerch and daughter, Louisa were callers at Dows Monday.

Mrs. Lloyd Wells and daughter, Helen Wuttke of Waterloo, came Tuesday for a few days visit at the Fred Greenfield home.

Mrs. Will Waddington of Geneva, is spending a few days this week at the Otto Kieslich home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Fredrick were Hampton callers last Tuesday.

C. I. McCallum of Rowan was a visitor at the home of his son Bernard McCallum the first of the week.

Among those from here who attended the North Iowa Fair at Mason City Monday were Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and daughter Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Winwood, Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and children, Bennie, Jessie and Sylvia, Miss Nellie Bell, Miss Mary Carlston, Arthur Peters, Jake Ostendorlph, Peter Gruis, Mrs. Anna Pekerak, and Will Foughty.

John Arends was a business caller at Meservey last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bohlen autoed to Ackley Monday and spent the day with relavives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and baby and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter, Leona of Hampton were visitors at the Lewis Bell home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Arends and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and two children visited at the Ed. Butler home at Hampton Tuesday.

J. C. Arends and family were callers at Hampton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen and daughter, Priscilli and Mrs. P. C. Bohlen visited relatives at Waterloo on Thursday and Friday of last week.

The electrical storm passing thru here last week did considerable damage, killing two horses for Nels Rasmussen living northeast of Alexander and doing much damage to the electric and telephone line and destroying trees.

IOWA STATE FAIR FOUR MILLION AFFAIR

Iowa's four million dollar State Fair and Exposition opens in just a week.

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August 25 will be the first day of the fair, with auto races, aviation thrillers, the opening of live stock judging in the boys and girls classes and the general evening program starting.

Entries this year have surpassed all previous marks, Secretary Corey announced. Swine and cattle particularly will present the most complete array of exhibits in the history of the mid-west. Over 7,000 head of live stock are booked for showing, exclusive of poultry and pete stock departments.

A general call has been issued to authorities in all counties of the state to get roads in condition for the unusually heavy auto traffic which is anticipated. Over 40,000 automobiles are expected to come to the fair this year, bringing tens of thousands from all parts of the state.

With admission reduced to 50 cents and with railroads making the unusual concession of fare and one third for round trip, the fair management is advertising that an outing at Iowa's big exposition this year will be the most economical and at the same time the most enjoyable to be had anywhere in the country. The fair dates are August 23 to September 1.

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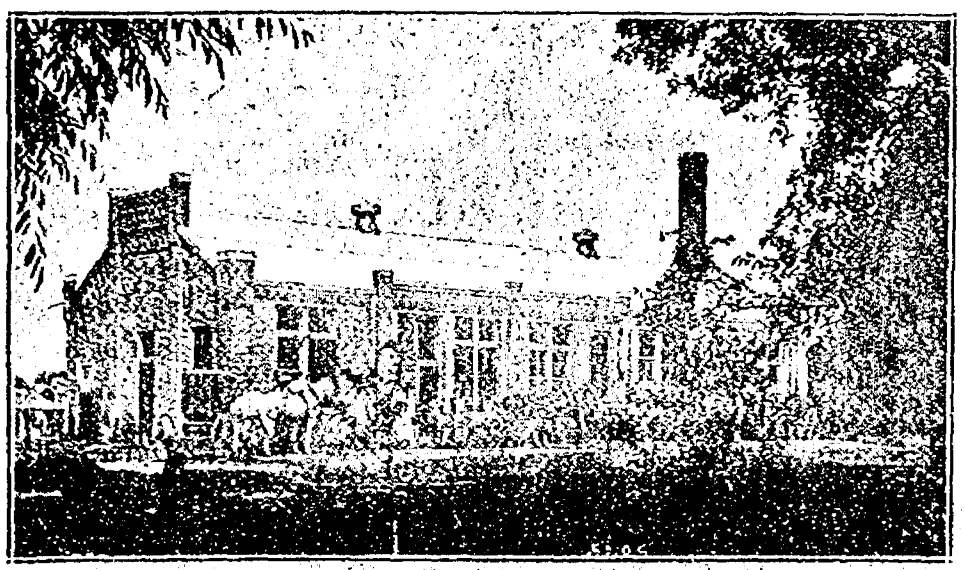
Wednesday, August 23rd

Concerts by Garner Band

Music by Luick Orchestra

Community Singing



Two Good Addresses

Big Program of Sports

Fine Free Attractions

Program

Morning

9:00-9:30—Band concert on street.
9:30-10:00: Band concert at City Park.

Program In Park

Community Singing, Led by O. L. Varland.
Music by Luick Orchestra.
Address: Mr. G. H. Tellier, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Community Singing.

11:00: Horse Shoe Pitching Contest on Main Street; Four Townships—Belmond, Pleasant, Iowa, Grant. 50 points for place, 100 points final game. $5.00 prize.
Free Attraction: Combination Roman Rings and Flying Trapese.

DINNER. Band concert during noon hour.

Afternoon

1:00: Community Singing.
Address: Mr. W. A. Wentworth, of Des Moines, Iowa.
Music by Luick Orchestra.
Immediately after the program, Street Sports and Races will be held at the Park.

SPORTS PROGRAM

50 yard dash, boys 6 years and under: 1, 75c; 2, 50c; 3, 25c.
50 yard dash, boys 8 years and under: 1, 75c; 2, 50c; 3, 25c.
50 yard dash, boys 10 years and under: 1, $1; 2, 75c; 3, 50c.
100 yard dash, boys 12 years and under: 1, $1; 2, 75c; 3, 50c.
100 yard dash, boys 14 years and under: 1, $1.50; 2, $1; 3, 75c.
100 yard dash, boys 16 years and under: 1, $1.50; 2, $1; 3, 75c.
100 yard dash, free for all: 1, $5; 2, $3; 3, $2.
50 yard dash, girls 12 years and under: 1, $1; 2, 75c; 3, 50c.
100 yard dash, ladies free for all: 1, $3; 2, $2; 3, $1.
Fat men's race, 225 lbs. or over, 50 yds: 1, $3.00; 2, $2.00; 3, $1.00.
Sack Race, free for all Bring your sacks: 1, $2.00; 2, $1.00.
Three-legged race, 50 yds: 1, $3.00, 2, $2.00; 3, $1.00.

3:00: Ball Game. Dows vs. Belmond. $100 purse.
5:00 Balloon Ascension at River Bridge.
5:00 to 6:00: Inspection of Creamery.

SUPPER.

Evening

6:30: Free Attraction. Combination Roman Rings and Flying Trapeze.
Boxing glove contest in barrels, boys 12 years and under: 1, $2; 2, $1.
Boys 16 years and under: 1, $2; 2, $1.
Free for all: 1, $3; 2, $2.
Pillow fight: 1, $3.
Band Concert.

Forget your troubles, lay aside your work for one day, and spend Wednesday, August 23rd in Belmond, having a good time! Something doing all the time! Everything free! Bring the family and all your friends!

Welcome to Belmond!

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BELMOND'S BIG DAY DRAWS GREAT CROWD

School Opens Here On September 4th

Teachers Are All Secured And Things Being Arranged For Opening Day.

MANY TEACHERS LOCAL

The Belmond Public Schools will open Monday, Sept. 4. The superintendent and the principal of the high school will be in the building the Thursday, Friday and Saturday previous for the purpose of enrolling students. The seniors are asked to come Thursday morning, August 31, the Juniors, Thursday afternoon; the Sophomores Friday forenoon and the freshmen, Friday afternoon September 1. New pupils entering the grades are asked to present their report cards or promotion slips to the superintendent Saturday morning.

There will be a meeting of all the teachers of the corps Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.

CORPS OF TEACHERS

Wm. J. Guthrie—Supt.
Hazel V. Thomas—Principal.
Adelaine Sharon—Math, & Latin.
Clare Jewell—Commercial.
Eva Brown—Home Economics.
Katherine Barrows—English.
Mary E. Brown—History & English.
Hajo Pals— Man. Train. & Athletics.
Selina Hill—Music & Penmanship.
Mabelle Hanes—Eighth Grade.
Bertha Gartz—Seventh Grade.
Mabel Watterman—Sixth Grade.
Blanche Rohrbach—Fifth.
Bessie Quigley—Fourth.
Viva Rourk—Third.
Rena Purdy—Second.
Gladys Klotzbach—First.
Maude Newgard—Kindergarten.
Mrs. Henrietta Hogenson—Opportunity Room.

COMMUNITY CLUB NOTES

The Community Welfare Club meets Friday afternoon, August 25. The College Program will be well worth hearing.

Leader—Miss Beatrice Leinbach.
College High School Quartette—Clara Johnson, Luella Christie, Marjorie Purcell, Elizabeth Leinbach.
A paper—"Iowa Colleges"—Mrs. R. H. Klemme.
Vocal Solo—Miss Florence Simerson.
Humorous Reading—Gladys Barry.
College High School Quartette.
Orignal Stunt—Morningside girls.
Piano Solo—Miss Zola McGuire.
Tragedy in Two Acts—Coe College girls.
College Yells and songs, led by Mrs. Amy Peterson, Mrs Matt Barry, Mrs. Ray Klemme, Miss Clara Johnson, Miss Luella Christie, Miss Esther Hartwig.

Mrs. Herman Schultz is chairman of the serving committee.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Let us arange our classes for a good school this fall.

Annual picnic August 30.

Regular preaching service at 11 a. m.

Epworth League at the park—open air service—then go to the church for evening service.

Evening service 8 p. m.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p. m. Only six weeks remain of this conference year. Let us try and close up the year with a clean record.

Centenary Subscriptions will be due in a few days. This is our Missionary obligation for the year.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

SAND'S MEMORIAL CHURCH

The ladies missionary Society will meet in the church parlors on Thursday afternoon at 2:30. All are urged to come. The subject is India.

The regular services next Sunday.

That long looked for picnic will be held in Mr. Hinman's grove one week from next Thursday.

Help to make next Sunday's attendance a record.

AMBLIE—BROOKS

Philmore Amblie and Miss Esther Brooks stole a march in their friends by quietly being married last Saturday evening at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. Wilkinson performing the ceremony. They left that night for a short wedding trip. The bride is a daugter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brooks, prominent farmers living south of town. Mr. Amblie being a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Amblie of Belmond. Both young people have many friends, with whom the Independent joins, who extend their best wishes and congratulations.

OBITUARY

MRS. FRED RUITER

The home of Fred Ruiter was dealt a severe blow, and sustained a great loss when the grim Reaper entered and chose the wife and mother of that home. About five weeks ago the 14th child was born but weakness and the absence of proper care, hastened the end which came, after intense pain and much suffering, on the 13th of this month.

The deceased was born on the 21st of April, 1879, in Stoppelmor, Eastfriesland, Germany. While still a maiden she came, in company with her mother and three sisters to this country and settled in this vicinity. The 29th of October, 1898, she was joined in the bonds of holy wedlock with Fred Ruiter. This union was blessed with 14 children, 13 of whom survive the mother. The youngest of these children is 5 weeks and the oldest is 21. How indispensible the mother of such a family. Yet Death, the result of sin coming into the world, chooses whom he will. Blessed for time and eternity the man or woman when the final summons come to lay off this mortal coil can say; "I know that my Redeemer liveth." Besides the sorrowing father and the motherless children there remain to mourn the deceased, her mother and stepfather, three sisters as well as many other relatives and friends. She reached the age of 43 years, 3 months and 23 days. A brief span of life was hers, full of home duties, cares and worries, and anxieties. May her rest from all these be doubly sweet, for her confession was that Jesus had died for her sins.

Last Wednesday afternoon the remains were laid to rest in the Immanual cemetery, Rev. Waalkes officiating. The family desires to express thru the columns of this paper their heartfelt gratitude for the many and varied expressions of sympathy and assistance in the hour of their deep sorrow, and during the weeks of sickness.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Carl Sandberg accompanied his brother-in-law, Earl Jenison, to the fair at Mason City last week.

John Hughes and family of Garner were calling on Goodell friends on Sunday.

Miss Louisa Ahrenkeil spent a few days visiting her uncle, Wm. Nelson of Belmond, last week.

Phillip and Donald Goldberg are visiting Goodell friends this week.

S. C. Pollock of Garner will addres the people of Goodell at the U. B. church at the morning service on Sept. 3. Mr. Pollock is the county Sunday school association president and will have a message that will be inspiring. Come out and hear him.

Andrew Anderson made a business trip to Chicago on Saturday.

Wm. Langlitz and Wm. Rhoads visited at Frank Clarks' on Sunday.

N. Paul and family visited his brother-in-law, George Zeilie, Sunday.

Master Morris Zeille is very sick with bronchitis.

Last Friday Harvey Hubbard and Mrs. Wm. Heginger drove to Hampton and brought their mother and Mrs. Frank Clark home.

On Friday Wm. Cunningham was taken to Hampton to be treated for a very severe case of blood poisoning. The poisoning developed from a tooth that was extracted some time ago. The latest report is that he is getting along nicely.

Martin Grover arrived August 14 to look after his farming interests.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carpenter visited friends and relatives at Trair last week.

The following families attended the fair at Mason City last week: Walt Mason, Wick Robbins, William Rhoads, and Fred Bachman.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cook attended the fair on Tuesday.

Thursday evening Miss Ina May Burgess had the misfortune to fall out of a swing and break her collar bone. Dr. Snearly was called and set the broken bonee.

Farmer Cordes and Ray Christie finished threshing on Aug. 15. This completes the threshing in this section except that which is stacked. Oats have made a fair yield and are of good quality.

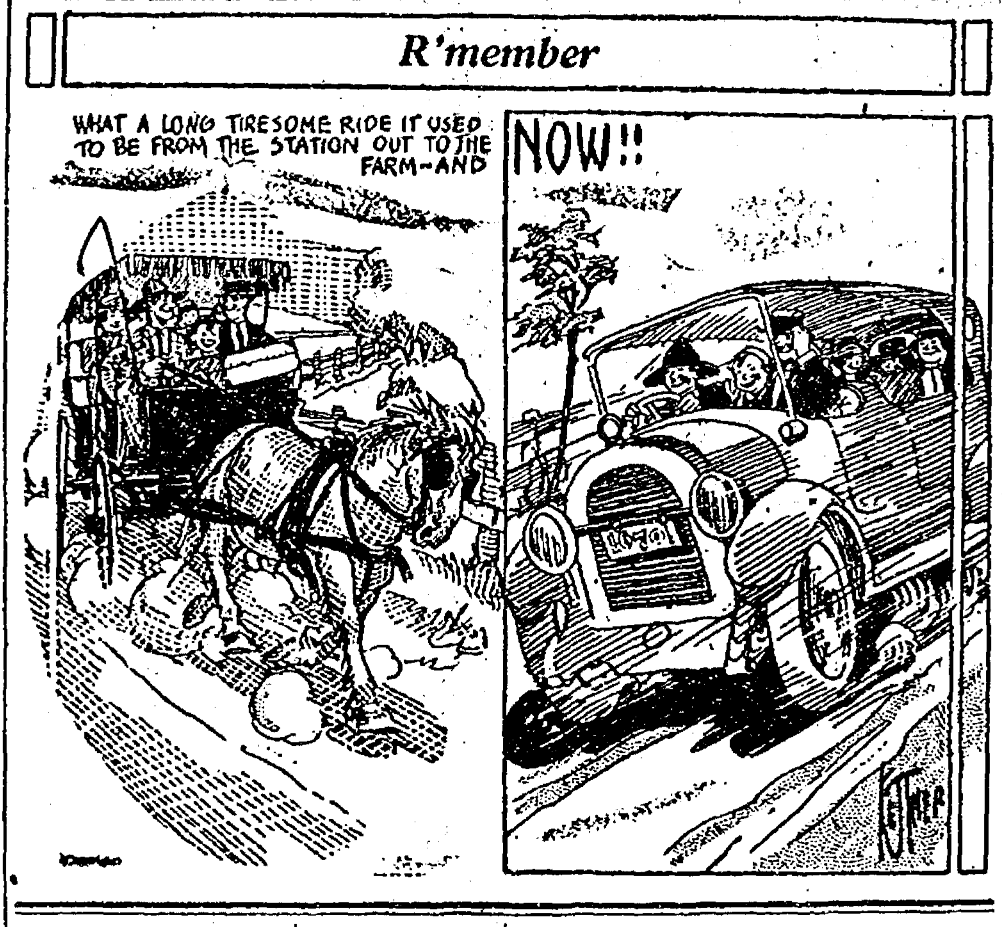
Most of the farmers are now busy getting their fall plowing done.

The people of Goodell are now enjoying the noise of the large trucks hauling gravel on the Wilson highway. It will cost nearly $2,000 a mile to gravel the road. This section of the highway will be a fine piece of road.

Over 100 attended the United Brethern Sunday school picnic at West Lake last Wednesday. The boys and adults enjoyed the fine swimming and at noon a bountiful dinner was served. Then followed base ball, horse shoe pitching and swimming. Next on the program was eating ice cream cones. From reports all enjoyed the day.

Last Friday Finis Letch and wife, his wife's father and mother and brother-in-law, came to spend a few days at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Okrueg and family are enjoying a visit from relatives in Wisconsin.


R'member
WHAT A LONG TIRESOME RIDE IT USED TO BE FROM THE STATION OUT TO THE FARM-AND
NOW!!

BELMOND AGAIN TRIMS CORNELIA TEAM

Pretty Fair Game Results In 6 To 2 Victory For The Local Bunch

The Cornelia Boosters, once defeated, acquired the idea that they could trim the Belmond team, if only given another chance, and Sunday came to town to prove it. They came very near it, only missing by four runs, the result of the fray being 6 to 2 in favor of Belmond. Cornelia secured Green of Clarion to do the heavy act, but his slants had nothing whatever on them, not even hopes, and the boys nicked them for nine safe swats. Saving Chapman for Creamery Day, Clark of Goodell was on the mound for Belmond, and while he never threw more than three curves of any size in the whole game Cornelia could only gather five safeties off his delivery. Belmond scored two in the fourth, one in the sixth, and three in the fatal seventh, Cornelia getting one each in the sixth and eighth. Some mighty good playing was exhibited, and some that had the reverse English altogether. As a whole, it wasn't a bad game, but not anywhere near up to what the boys are capable of. The lineup was:

Thomas, c.
Clark, p.
Packard, 1b.
Chapman, 2nd.
Nelson, 3b.
Madsen, ss.
Dillon, lf.
Foss, cf.
Fulton, rf.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

G. Halverson and family motored to Armstrong Saturday, and spent Sunday with his brother who resides on a farm near Armstrong.

Andrew Olson and family drove to central Minnesota, Saturday where they will spend several days visiting relatives.

S. O. Windecker and wife drove to Iowa Falls Sunday and spent the day at the John Harris home.

All the threshing in our community is finished and the farmers are much pleased with the yield of small grain. Both sugar beets and corn are promising a heavy yield.

Mrs. Wallace of Belmond spent last week at the Henry Lein home, helping with the sewing.

Miss Lucile and Miss Thelma Harris are visiting at the S. O. Windecker home.

Crops were refreshed Sunday night by a nice fall of rain.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Carlton Johnson, this week Friday.

Joe Larson and family and H. O. Emerson and wife attended the Mason City fair Thursday.

ST. OLAF CHURCH

Class meets at the church Thursday afternoon at 1:30.

Friday afternoon the Ladies Aid meets at the home of Carlton Johnson.

Next Sunday English services will be conducted at 10:30. The Young People will leave their meeting in the evening. Let us begin to think about attending our Circuit League meeting at Eagle Grove.

TRINITY CHURCH

Thursday evening prayer meeting will be conducted at the church at 8 o'clock.

Saturday morning at 10 o'clock the classes will meet at the church.

Sunday school will be conducted at the usual hour next Sunday morning.

Sunday afternoon at 2:30 devotional meeting will be conducted by the lay-men.

Charley Peterson and family from Hampton were in town yesterday to enjoy the celebration.

THIEF TAKES MATT BARRY'S CAR TUESDAY

Takes Car While Barry Is At Show—$50 Reward Offered For Return.

Some thief with an extraordinary amount of nerve purloined Matt Barry's Buick car Tuesday night, from in front of the Lyric theatre. Matt and his wife were attending the show, and the car was out in front, where the lights were bright. The thief deliberately got in and drove off. It is reported that the car was seen going west, at a fast clip, but at this writing no clew has been found of the missing auto. Mr. Barry offers $50 reward for information leading to the recovery of the car. It was a Buick six, five-passenger, bearing license No. 99-370, Model, K-45, Engine No. 602273, Factory No. 610327, and had on the front of the radiator three A's within a metal circle, insignia of the American Automobile Association. Anyone seeing the car is requested to notify the Sheriff, Henry Lang, at Clarion, or M. C. Barry, owner at Belmond. The car was insured against theft, and Matt will recover if the auto is not located, but says he would rather have the car back.

WANT BARROWED ARMY GUNS

News: The Clarion police force has received a communication from the war department, asking the local officers to make an effort to recover as many firearms belonging to the government as may be possible. Every police and detective agency in the country, both public and private, is asked to assist in this work in order that unecessary complications may not arise it is desired to make clear the views of the war department with regard to complications.

During the world war there were large numbers of firearms issued to troops destined for service in Europe. In the rush of activity during and immediately following the close of the war, there was a large number of these arms lost or stolen. In numerous instances men leaving the service carried the government firearms with them, presumably as souvenirs, but this action in every case was in direct violation of the law and army regulations, as these arms were still government property and were only authorized disposed of by sale to commissioned officers of the army, navy and marine corps.

SOME CRACKER JACK

Monitor: C. C. Crawford and family of Ida Grove spent a few days last week at the home of Mrs. Crawford's brother. Mr. Crawford is engaged in the grain business and recently purchased a million pounds of pop corn from the farmers of that locality, which is one of the largest pop corn centers in the west. The price paid was two cents per pound. A year ago these same farmers refused nine cents per pound for their crop. A fair crop is one and one-half tons per acre and even at two cents per pound brings the sum of $60. Will some school boy or girl tell us how many packages of Cracker Jack the above crop of pop corn will make? We understand the manufacturers of this product are large buyers of pop corn.

Harry Nordschow was able to get up from his bed Tuesday after a week's seige of tonsilitis, of which he had a very severe case necessitating lancing.

Rev. Seth R. Huntington of Dinsdale was in town yesterday taking in the big doin's. Seth has been at Lake Cornelia the past few days, where he has fourteen boys from his church who are enjoying an outing at the lake. They returned home today.

COUNTY NURSE TO GIVE BABY CONFERENCE

The County Nurse will hold a baby conference at the home of Mrs. Jake Henn, in Pleasant township, on Wednesday, August 30. The meeting will commence at 2:30 p. m., and all mothers are invited to attend and bring their children of all ages. This will be an excellent opportunity for the mothers to consult the county nurse on any questions regarding the health welfare of their children, and it is hoped that all will take advantage of the opportunity offered.

HURT WHEN SPEEDER STRIKES DERAIL

Ole Champlin of Belmond was seriously injured Sunday afternoon, when he was thrown from a railroad speeder when the speeder hit a derail. Ole and his brother, Frank, who is station agent at Holmes, had started for that place about 5:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon, so as to be there when an evening train came thru. Frank lives in Clarion. They were on Frank's gasolene speeder, and as they were leaving the railroad yards at Clarion it is said the tower man gave them the signal to go ahead, which they did. But before the speeder had left the switch to the main line, the tower man threw the switch over, causing the speeder to strike a derail. Frank, feeling the track moving called to his brother to hold on, but Ole did not hear in time and the shock of the impact threw him into an eight-foot bank at the side of the track, Ole turning over several times before he struck. The ligaments and muscles in his hip and back were torn loose, and he is now at Frank's home in Clarion. It is not thought that he will be able to be out and around again for some time. Ole had gone to Clarion, Saturday, selling electric lamps and was visiting his brother and wife Sunday.

WALL LAKE TO BE MADE STATE PARK

Nearly 150 people were present Friday when the sheriff's jury appraised the land at Wall Lake to be used for park purposes. The hearing began about two o'clock and was not concluded until nine that evening. Twelve acres more or less were included in the condemnation proceedings. The assessment board fixed the valuation at $185 per acre, which will be generally conceded a fair price for swamp land. Although Frank Ross says he received $500 an acre from the Waterloo parties he sold a small tract to a few years ago. This sum was allowed the Waterloo men, also $80 for some minor improvements made by them since coming into possession of the land. The tract had been platted and the lots offered for sale or lease. D. H. Eyler of Clarion, a member of the commission, states that at the prices asked for the lots the Waterloo fellows stood to make from $10,000 to $15,000 on the deal. This situation brought forth a strong protest from the hunters and citizens generally to the state evecutive council in which they alleged a monopoly of the lake shore. Eight shacks and cottages had been erected upon this land at a cost of from $100 to $600. These were appraised accordingly and in case the owners think the price too low they are privileged to move them onto adjacent land. Heretofore the lake has been accessible via a private road. The commission condemned a strip of land for public road purposes on the old Birdsall farm a short distance to the left of the old road, allowing the owner, Chas. Griek of Davenport, the sum of $560 for the same. While the Waterloo parties did not seem satisfied with the findings of the jury it is probable they will accept the awards.

All parties concerned have fifteen days in which to file an appeal. The lakes of Iowa are for the use of the people as a whole and no particular set or clique should be allowed a monopoly of the same.—Monitor.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Monitor: Several new cases have been filed for the coming term of the district court which convenes at Clarion October 2d with Judge McCall presiding.

Another echo of the land boom is the case of F. H. Trowbridge vs. John Callesen and ten other defendants in which plaintiff seeks judgement for $10,785, interest and costs.

Sam McCombs et al vs. W. H. Short is another suit growing out of a land sale. Plaintiff's claim is for $16,000.

The First National bank of Windom Minn., has begun action against R. E. Mourlam to force collection on a $1000 note.

A transcript of the divocre proceedings in the case of Mamie Robb vs. Chas. Robb in the Linn county district court at Marion, was filed with Clerk Goslin last week. The parties have been residents of Dows for several years. The court denied the wife's petition and $30,000 alimony and granted the husband a divorce on his cross-petition. Mr. Robb was ordered to pay his wife $500 and an equal sum for her attorneys.

Program Successfully Carried Through

Weather Turns Off Fine And A Large Crowd Comes To Enjoy Day's Program.

EVERYTHING GOES NICELY

Belmond's big day went off just about as had been planned, and a large crowd was in attendance. While not as large as had been anticipated, yet there were crowded streets thruout the afternoon and evening.

Th program was carried thru as was planned, and a successful day's event's was the result. Beginning at 9:00 in the morning with a band concert by the Garner band, the program was taken to the park where another concert, community singing, music by the orchesra and an address took up most of the forenoon. The free attraction was given, and proved quite good. From 12 to 1 the band played in the park, and at one o'clock the afternoon program commenced.

This consisted of community singing, music and an address, all of which were very good. Following the program the street sports were held. As we go to press we are unable to give the list of winners in the various races, but will give this in the next issue.

The ball game between Belmond and Dows was the main sports attraction in the afternoon, and drew an immense crowd. The game was airtight for five innings, and in the first half of the sixth Dows score two runs. In their half the Belmond boys came thru with three, making the score 3 to 2 for Belmond. In the seventh Dows was held down in the first half, and in the last half the Dows team forfeited the game. Simerson, first up for Belmond, was out; the next man got on, stole second, and advanced to third on an infield grounder by Madsen. The decision at first base was close, and the umpire, Earl Clark of Goodell, called him safe. Dows exhibited a steak of yellow, with the game going against them, and quit, altho the crowd booed them for it.

After the game the crowd adjourn- to the ground west of the bridge, where the scheduled balloon ascension took place. This went thru as called for and was a thrilling sight, the balloonist landing safely north of town.

At 6:30 the boxing glove contests, pillow fights and another performance on the trapeze by the attraction troupe filled in a couple of hours. After this a band concert closed the day's activities.

As a celebration the day may be pronounced a success, and many people were made acquainted with the advantages and activities of the Belmond creamery. Hundreds of people utilized the day to meet their friends here and enjoy the day. Aside from the dispute caused by the Dows ball team, the day was perfectly orderly, not an arrest being made and not a disturbance of any kind marring the day. It is to be hoped that similar affairs will be made annual events.

CLARMOND CLUB LOSES GOLF MATCH TO ROLFE

A number of golf fans from Rolfe were here Monday to take part in a tournament with the Clarmond golfers, says the Monitor this week. Plans had been made for staging the tournament at one o'clock in the afternoon and there would then be time for a social hour afterwards, but on account of the condition of the weather, the visitors did not arrive until late and it was well along in the middle of the afternoon before the playing began. Rolfe took the tournament, however by a very small margin. The final score being 10 to 9. However at the end of the first nine holes the score stood even. During the second filight a couple of the locals went off their game a little and allowed Rolfe to edge out. The winning of this match by the Rolfe team keeps them in the running for the district championship, with Eagle Grove and Webster City their opposition. Rolfe recently won from Eagle Grove and both teams have as yet to play Webster City. The visitors proved a bunch of good sports and we believe had every reason to enjoy their trip here. Refreshment stands where iced drinks and cigars were served were located at prominent points complimentary to the visitors, and a splendid dinner was served to all the players before the match.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to Edward Erwin Sadler and Marie Elizabeth Haaland of Eagle Grove and Philmore Amblie and Esther Brooks of Belmond.

W. O. Eaton drove to Mason City on Sunday evening, to meet his son, LeRoy, who was returning from Tracy, Minnesota, where he has been the past month or two visiting Mr. Eaton's sister.

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ACTING THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Who won the war? Of course we did; says England, France, Belgium, the United States, and every other nation on the winning side. What's the difference? It was won. No single nation won it; they all helped; the united effort was successful. But of all those who participated in the greatest conflict of history, it would seem just from the plain face of it that the United States was the final straw that broke the Daschund's back. Had it not been for our men, our money, our munitions and our food, Europe would have been in a pretty tough fix.

Yet the rest of the Allied nations cannot see that we had so very much to do with the big fuss; the English had it about won anyway, and the French were on the up-grade, and Japan was there with plenty of help—offered—so about all we done was to come in at the last minute and *try to hog all the glory*. Sure. We were just a good Samaritan—at a profit to ourselves. The rest had all the suffering and losses; we just gobbled the dough. In the Saturday Evening Post has been running a series of articles by Geo. Pattula, dealing with the inside history of the A. E. F. They are an eye-opener on the way American forces were handled. Every attempt was made to keep our troups from working as an army of their own; they must be placed with French and English troups, as re-enforcements and to keep up the morale of French and English troups, to stimulate them and cheer them up. Of course, when it came to downright fighting, American men were made the head of the spear to break thru, and took the brunt of the attack; and where the French and English gave way the greenhorns from across the pond went ahead. That's just history. The Argonne was too tough a nut to crack, and the St. Mihiel sector was impossible, for four years. So we volunteered to go thru, as a good Samaritan, and keep the enemy busy while the French and English won the war at another place. We went thru, and they won the war. It worked out beautifully.

Of course we spent a little money, and lost a few men, and worried a little about it, but as a good Samaritan that was just part of the job. By all rights we bought to present Europe with ten billion dollars and a vote of thanks for the opportunity to have a hand in the affair. It wasn't our quarrel to start with; we could have stayed at home, gathering our forces, and when both sides had fought to an exhausted stand-still we could have stepped in and said "Here, you folks do this and that or we'll whale the stuffin' out of the whole lot of you," and with sixteen million fresh men, 50 billions of money, an overflowing granary and an intact navy against an utterly exhausted world our word would have been absolute law. But we didn't; we went over and acted the good Samaritan—and now we are get'ing a good Samaritan's reward.

Sometimes we wonder whether this good Samaritan stuff pays.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

HE REDEEMS AND CROWNS:—Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: who redeemeth thy life from destruction: who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies.—Psalm 103: 1, 4.

Monday.

A MORNING PRAYER:—Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.—Psalm 51: 10.

Tuesday.

THE LORD IS GOOD:—O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.—Psalm 34: 8.

Wednesday.

THE GOLDEN RULE:—Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for *this is the law and the prophets.*—Matthew 7: 12.

Thursday.

SAFEGUARDED:—He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.—Psalm 91: 11.

Friday.

RICHES HAVE WINGS:—Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom. For riches certainly makes themselves wings; they fly away.—Proverbs 23: 4, 5.

Saturday.

BETTER THAN RUBIES:—Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me.—John 5: 39.

THE OTHER FELLOW'S JOB

Did you ever notice how easy the other fellow's job is? A regular cinch. Gosh, if you only had a snap like that! Nothin' to do and all day to do it in. Rollin' in the coin like a steam shovel. Some folks are sure born lucky. And if you only had a job like that you could do it so much better. Sure, the old maid can always raise the kids better than they are being raised. They ought to do this and that and the other, et cetera, vice versa, etc. ditto.

The doctor ought to have treated him so and so, the attorney should have asked him this and that, the merchant might have had it this way, and the editor should have done differently, and in fact the whole works should have had your expert opinion and advice. If you had been doing it things would have been thus and so, resulting so fashion.

If we could see ourselves as others see us we wouldn't believe it anyway, so what's the use?

When the modern flapper becomes a confirmed devotee of my lady Nicotint we may expect to hear such remarks as "Gimme the makin's, Maggie," Got a pill, Gertie?" and "Let's have a drag, Liz."

There are doubtless many folks in Belmond today who feel like the morning after the night before.

When cold weather comes some folks are going to get warm fussing about the coal shortage.

From the way they are holding up American tourists in Europe one would suspect that they don't know the war is over yet.

Isn't it just about time for President Harding to call "strike three, you're out"?

How many bottles of pop do you suppose met their death in Belmond yesterday?

The man on the street was heard to remark that notes ought to be changed from "I promise to pay" to "I promise to renew."

CLIPPINGS

Peck Hanson and famiy returned last Wednesday from their trip to Chicago. They made the return trip in one day. They left Chicago at 5:30 in the morning and were at home at 11:30 that night, a distance of 427 miles. The trip in was not made in such good time as they encountered mud, and they picked a better route coming home, and made the trip in some 70 miles less coming home than going. But Peck says never again will he make such a long drive in one day, as it is too tiresome.—Signal.

Miss Eloise Brooks, of Belmond is a guest of her friend, Miss Kathryn Russell in Clarion this week.—News.

The Chautauqua closed here on Tuesday night. The talent for the entire course was very good and each entertainment was very interesting. As a financial success the Chautauqua was a failure and money was lost on the project. We understand that the company have agreed to stand half of the loss. Five of the men who signed the chautauqua aggreement last year moved away and this added a burden to the remaining signers here. Chutauquas had ought to take their own chances in a town the same as any other theatrical company and take what they can get, make or lose. Why should a chautauqua be guaranteed a certain sum and they themselves take no chances whatever. Does anybody guarantee our picture show (that is paying a town and state license) or any other business concern in Klemme that if they lose money, you will fork over for it? If the business man loses—he pays.—Klemme Times.

Fred Shipley, former Klemme boy, was in town yesterday on business. Fred has purchased the Case Hotel at Belmond and takes possession of the business Saturday. Fred and his wife are experienced hotel people and will give the people of Belmond a good hotel.—Times.

The members of the Clarmond Country club held another of their series, of pleasant social gatherings at the club house Wednesday. In the afternoon a program had been arranged under the supervision of the entertainment committee and was carried out as follows: piano solos, Pauline Peterson; readings, Miss Pritchard of Garner and piano solos by Ray Peterson, a former Clarion boy, but now of Dows. The diclicous picnic supper which was served buffet style was in charge of five ladies. The evening was spent at dancing, the music being furnished by Ray Peterson.—Monitor.

A BIG LAND DEAL

Reinbeck Courier: James Porter, president of the Reinbeck State Bank, is on his way back from Bakersfield, calif., where he closed a big real estate deal. A tract of 5,600 acres was sold by him to Chas. Bloemer, a big real estate man of Bakersfield at a price of $350 per acre The tract, which is known as the Weed patch tract, will be sub-divided into five acre tracts and developed by extensive cultivation. The land is some of the most productive in that state and Mr. Bloemer and his associates have dreams of big olive and orange groves there.

Mr. Porter bought this land in 1909 at a price of around $6 an acre. In the years that he has had it he has added considerable improvements to it, bringing the cost to him around 100 an acre but this sale leaves him with a fine profit on the deal. Negotiations have been on for the past two years between Mr. Porter and the California people with regard to this deal and Mr. Porter made a special trip to the coast to close it up. Reinbeck people who have known of his land will be glad to hear of his closing out at this price.

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RADIO

HOW TO CONSTRUCT SIMPLE RADIO SETS

Materials That Are Necessary and Method of Assembling and Mounting Them.

For those who would like to construct a simple nonregenerative vacuum tube receiver, the details of several sets will be given, before taking up the explanation of the vacuum tube as an amplifier. The circuits which will be described depend upon the vacuum tube for a detector or as a rectifier not having the additional function of an oscillator.

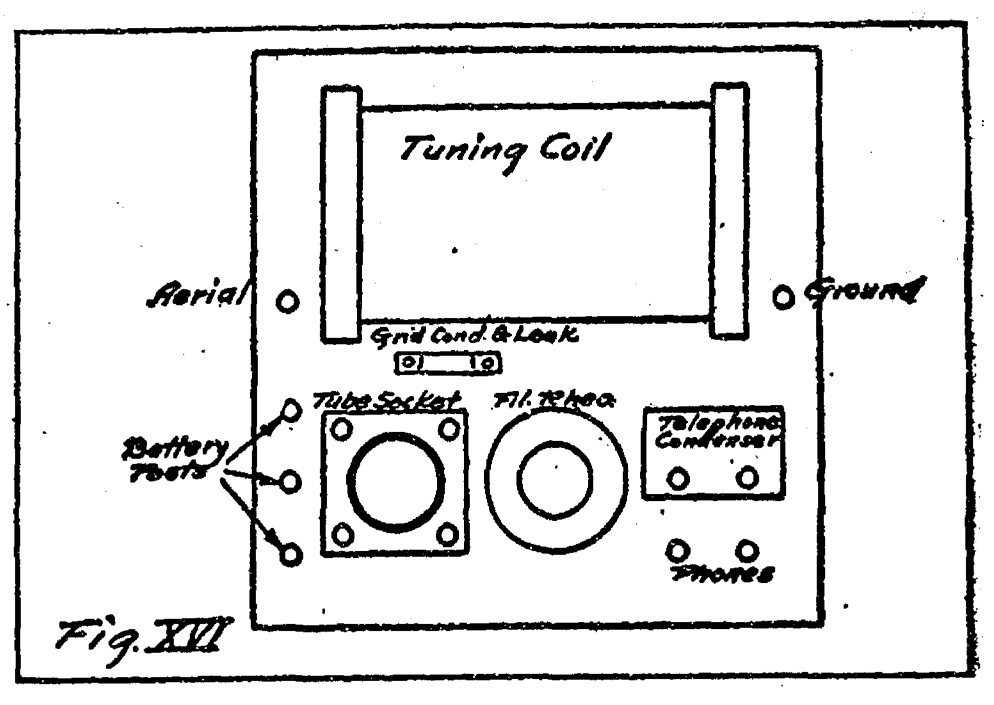

Fig. XVI

The first set described will be that of a tuning coil mounted on a horizontal base board. The following material is necessary for its construction:

The Tuning Coil.

A piece of cardboard tubing, outside diameter, three inches, and five inches long. It will cost about 10 cents.

One hundred feet of No. 22 DCC magnet wire. Cost about 25 cents.

One standard slider to fit ¼ by ¼-inch brass rod. Cost about 40 cents.

A six-inch length of ¼ by ¼-inch square brass rod. Cost about 20 cents.

Two circular blocks of wood, whose diameter is just equal to the inside diameter of the cardboard tubing and between ⅜ and ½ inch thick.

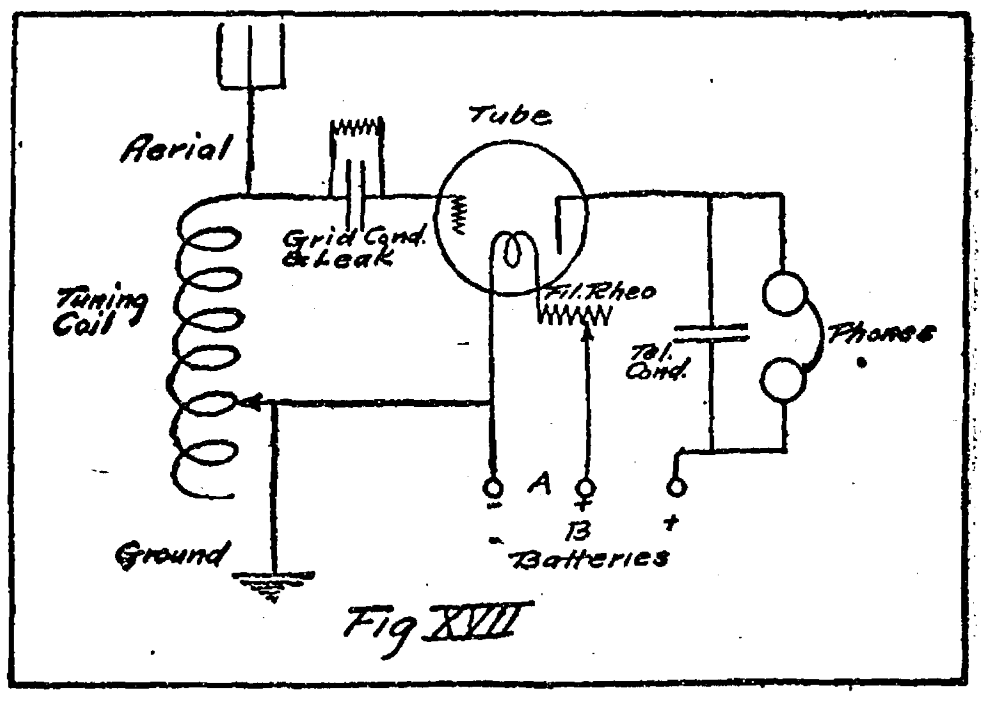

Fig XVII

Two binding posts. Some orange shellac.

The Detector.

A type U V Radiotron vacuum tube which sells for $5.

The standard vacuum tube socket costing about $1.

A *filament* rheostat of 6-11 ohms resistance costing about $11.

A combination grid condenser and grid leak for the U V 200 Radiotrom costing 55 cents.

In addition a phone condenser costing 50 cents.

One pair of Murdock No. 56 receivers costing $6.

For mounting on base board:

One piece of wood eight inches square.

Five binding posts.

This set requires, of course, an "A" battery to light the vacuum tube filament and a "B" battery to furnish the plate potential. The "A" battery should be a six-volt storage battery of not less than 20 ampere hours' capacity. One 22½-volt "B" battery unit is necessary for a source of plate potential.

Assembling the Coil.

Starting one-half inch from one end of the cardboard tube, wind on the No. 22 DCC wire until within one-half inch of the other end of the tube. Fasten one end of the winding to the tube, but allow some surplus wire on the other end for making a connection. After the winding is in place apply a thin coat of orange shellac to hold the turns in place.

Assemble the circular-cut pieces of wood in the geometrical center of square blocks and then shellac or varnish them for appearance' sake.

When thoroughly dry slip the two end blocks into the wound tube and by means of a few finishing brads driven through the cardboard tube fasten the end blocks to the wound tube.

The slider is to be mounted on top of the coil and should be capable of making contact with any turn of the wire on the tube. In order to remove the insulation from the wire, just under the rod where the slider moves back and forth wrap a piece of sandpaper around a thin piece of wood and, using another piece of wood as a guide, sandpaper the insulation from the winding.

Drill a hole one-eighth inch in diameter through the slider rod about one-fourth inch in from each end so that the rod is fastened in place; see that the contact finger on the bottom of the slider can at all times make good contact with the windings. Mount a binding post on either end of the coil, attaching one by means of a wire to the slider rod and the other to the end of the wire wound on the tube, and the tuning coil is complete.

Mounting the Set on Base Board.

It is only necessary now to mount the component parts on the base board and connect them up.

Fig. 16 shows the relative positions of the instrument mounted on an eight-inch square base board, with the actual wiring diagram. Fig. 17 shows a schematic diagram of the wiring of the same set.

GREAT PLANT IN MELBOURNE

Australian City is Building Radio Station for Direct Communication With Great Britain.

The work of establishing the mammoth Australian radio station in Melbourne for direct communication with Great Britain has been begun.

The substations for overseas traffic will be about three times as powerful as any European station today. It will take two years before the central and feeder stations are completed. As a normal performance the chief station will be able to speak direct over 12,000 miles for the greater part of any working day.

Receiving and sending stations to correspond will be built in Canada during the same period. The plant for the main station will be imported from England, but the plant for the feeder stations will be manufactured in Australia; one for each of the states.

The combined cost of all these stations will be about $5,000,000. The main station will consist of a transmitter and receiver terminal thirty miles apart, the latter including twenty-four towers each 800 feet high spread over a square mile.

The wireless rates will be one-third less than the present cable rates to Europe.

SHORT FLASHES

San Francisco is receiving concerts broadcast at Schenectady, N. Y.

In New York a squad of soldiers was drilled in an armory uptown at the commands of a superior on Governor's island.

At the Pacific coast seaside resorts, instead of burying themselves in the sand, the young ladies clamp on their ear-pieces and kill time between swims listening to radio music.

Educational experts say that radio will prove of great assistance in the development of the minds of subnormal children. The great obstacle in their education has been inability to arouse interest. It is believed that radio will greatly stimulate such interest.

And now it is the dentists who are profiting by radio. It is a great advantage to keep the mind of a patient off his troubles. When a radio ear-piece is clamped on, what registers on the ears of the sufferer makes him more or less indifferent to what is going on in his mouth. Great possibilities for the soothing talker.

Farm Bureau News

By R. M. Edwards

Clothing Schools Successful

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist from Ames, spent three days in Wright county last week conducting training schools on remodeling of clothes. These training schools were held at three different points in the county, one at the Chas. Hubbell home in Blaine township, one at the D. D. Paine cottage, Eagle Grove tonship, one at the Albert Thompson home in Norway township. About twenty-five were in attendance at the first meeting, forty at the second and about thirty at the last meeting. The plan of these meetings was to have two representatives from each township at one of the meetings so as to carry the work back to the ladies of the different townships. Miss Foster spent the time in lecturing on remodeling of old clothing and in demonstrating various kinds of fancy stitches which are used in giving made over garments a new appearance. Since Wright county is without a home demonstration agent the ladies feel that the training schools will be a great help in developing the home economics work in the county. All who attended these training schools seem to feel that the work is practical and that with a little cooperation among the ladies themselves the demonstration agent work can be carried on successfully in Wright county.

Wright County at State Fair

Wright county is to be represented at the Iowa State Fair this year especially in the club department. The county agent has spent considerable time during the past two months in training a livestock judging team to enter the state wide judging contest which will be held at the stock-pavilion Friday, August 25th.

The boys were taken to the Kirstem Bros., Polled Hereford farm last Thursday to work on several classes of beef cattle. They also spent part of the same day at the J. W. Watts' farm in judging his Poland China hogs. The following boys will enter the state wide individual and judging contest: Max Miller, Clarence Clark, Maurice Mechem, Everett Denby, Everett Woodley, Ross Mechem, Leo Woodley, Clyde Knight and John Bell. A livestock judging team consisting of Clarence Clark, Everett Denby, Clyde Knight with Ross Mechem as alternate will represent Wright county in the judging work at the state fair.

Miss Hill, assistant state leader of Girls' Club Work, was in Clarion Friday afternoon, to select the girls' garment demonstration team which will represent Wright county at the state fair this year. According to Miss Hill the Tri-G club of Grant township gave the best demonstration and this team will make the trip to Des Moines next Sunday so as to be ready for the demonstration on Monday, August 28th. Mrs. L. F. Dorr, who has worked so faithfully in training the girls for this demonstration, has selected Lola Flurer and Blanche Siberts with Blanche Flurer as alternate on the team which will make the trip to Des Moines. Wright county will also be represented by a poultry demonstration team consisting of Miss Marie Hinckley, Blaine township and Miss Amy Benson, Dayton township. The county agent, who has spent considerable time in training this demonstration team, will be in charge at the fair. Mrs. Dorr has made arrangements for the girls to stay at the girls' dormitory at the fair grounds. The boys are planning to camp with the county agent in one big tent on the farm bureau grounds. The county agent and boys will leave for Des Moines Thursday evening, August 24th, and Mrs. Dorr and the girls will leave Sunday afternoon, August 27th.

Lieut. Gov. Speaks at Dows

The community picnic which was held at the Dows Community park Thursday, August 24th, was attended by about 1200 to 1500 people from the city of Dows and the four townships in that vicinity. A good lively program consisting of music and a number of readings by local talent and a wonderful address was enjoyed by the picnicers. In spite of the fact that the day was hot everyone seemed to enjoy themselves at the picnic ground, which is a wooded lot with plenty of burr oak shade trees. The people of the Dows community are fortunate in having such a splendid picnic grounds for their community gatherings.

Lieut. Gov. John Hammil from Britt gave a most interesting and able address which was heard by many people from points several miles from the borders of Wright county. Farmers and business men from Clear Lake, Mason City, Hampton, Iowa Falls, Eldora and Webster City drove to Dows to hear the address by the lieutenant governor. Mr. Hammill made a strong plea for a closer cooperation between the business men and the farmers of any community and reminded his people of the interdependence between the farmers and the business man. He also reminded the farmers of the fact that it has been only during the last three or four years that the farmers have been organized and in a position to demand recognition from the commercial and industrial interests of our great nation. He told his farmer friends that now is the time to stay by their organizations, whether they be farm bureau, farmers' union, equity or what not, because it wil require organization and the closest cooperation among the farmers if the highest type of agriculture is to be maintained.

This is the third annual affair of its kind in the vicinity of Dows. It will be remembered that Blaine Township Farm Bureau cooperating with three other townships in that community purchased a picnic ground just north of Dows about two years ago and since that time the city of Dows has joined hands with the farmers and the ground now belongs to Dows and the four townships surrounding and it is used for a public community park and picnic grounds. It should be noted that the business men of Dows make this picnic an annual holiday and close their places of business in order to cooperate with their friends. Dows recently organized what is known as the Community club and we are told its membership is made of both farmers and business men of Dows and immediate community. This is surely a splendid example of team work in a public way.

Boys Judging Corn

Members of the livestock and grain judging class, who are going to the state fair next Friday, spent last Monday evening at the O. J. Pardun home judging several classes of corn. Mr. Pardun and the county agent arranged several classes of the different types in order that the boys might receive some points in judging work. Mr. Pardun, who makes a specialty of breeding corn, gave the boys many helpful points in the selection of good seed corn. Each required to judge two classes of each of horses, cattle (one of dairy and one of beef), and swine, consisting of three or more animals and not less than two varieties of corn of ten ears each. All contestants will be allowed fifteen minutes to place and write reasons substantiating their judgment on corn and each class of animals. The classes and written report when finished by the contestants will be judged and passed upon by experts. The highest ranking team in livestock judging will receive a special prize of a free trip to the Interstate fair at Sioux City. A prize of $200 and a silver trophy will be awarded to the boy having the highest total number of points in all classes of grain and livestock.

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BOY DROWNED AT HAMPTON

Recorder: Hampton people were shocked and grieved Tuesday evening by the tragic death of George Orrin Stilson, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Stilson, of this city, who was drowned in the swimming pool at Harriman park at about 8:30 o'clock.

Nearly 150 people were there and it was a scene of much hilarity and fun, as everyone was trying to cool off after the oppressively hot day. Young Stilson, with four other boys of about the same age, dived off the spring board at the same time, and his failure to come to the surface was not noticed by anyone except his little six-year-old brother, Donald, who told people standing near that "Billy did not come up," but no one paid any attention to his childish prattle as the little fellow does not talk pain.

After failing to make anyone understand, Donald ran home and told his mother, who immediately drove to the park in a hysterical condition and asked where her son, George, was. Persons at the park tried to quiet her by saying that the lad was round somewhere, but little Donald took his mother to the edge of the pool and pointed to the spot where he saw his brother go down. Five men then dived in the place indicated by the boy and brought the body up. Several Hampton physicians rushed to the park but were unable to resuscitate the body.

It is believed that the Stilson lad struck his head on the bottom of the pool, knocking him senseless, and that when he began to regain consciousness, his lungs filled with water. Orville Moore, son of Mrs. Bessie Moore, who was one of the five boys on the spring-board with the Stilson lad when he took the fatal dive, claims that he, too, struck his head on the cement and left the pool crying.

The boy's body was taken from the park to the family residence. Funeral arrangements are not completed, but in all probability services will be held at the home Thursday afternoon. —Recorder.

STRIKERS GET HEAVY SENTENCE

Federal Judge George C. Scott, at Sioux City, Saturday, jolted the Eagle Grove strikers who participated in a raid on the Frank Fisher home there about ten days ago. Jail sentences totalling 360 days and $500 fines, were the punishment fixed for the men, who plead guilty to violating the federal court injunction.

The men, Julius Puls, Al Ziegler, Martin Olson, Roy Taylor, and August Grandgeorge, raided the Fisher home in an attempt to destroy it by fire. Fisher had accepted employment with the Northwestern as stationary boiler fireman.

The union officials at Eagle Grove disavowed the act, and attributed it to moonshine liquor.—News.

CLARION SEWER JOB BEING HELD UP

The Clarion storm sewer job is slowing up on the big mains for lack of tile. The Belmond Construction Co., which has the contract for supplying the larger portion of the tile and is manufacturing the tile at Belmond, finds it almost impossible to get service even to Carion. Five carload of tile were loaded at the company's yards last week and the contractors here were impatient to get it shipped but the roads at Belmond could not move the shipment. Monday Supt. Fatherson and Roadmaster McCreery were in Belmond and told the contractors they would move the five cars to Clarion before Tuesday, but promises of other deliveries could not be made with any certainty.

A carload of tile from Fort Dodge billed to the local contractor, was shipped out of that city early last week the bill reaching Clarion Thursday, but it did not arrive until Monday.

The big ditching machine is manned by three men, who draw salaries by the month, it is said, and one of these men at $150 per month, has worked around three days in as many weeks. The hand work is being rushed by twelve men.

If the strike grows worse, as is possible, it may be the contract for the local job will be a losing one and filled with much vexation.—News.

One More

Teacher—Class, attention! What do we mean by plural?

Brilliant Pupil—By plural we mean the same thing, only more of it.

Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, AUGUST 24, 1922. No. 24

Now that Creamery Day is over and you have had a good time and enjoyed yourselves with the entertainment and meeting your friends and neighbors, we just want to tell you that we have everything you need in the way of farm implements. You know our line, the old reliable Deering and International. There are none better—if there was we'd handle them. It will soon be time to think of getting in the corn, but right now after harvest is a good time to fill silo. Come in and let us talk over with you the merits of our ensilage filler. It's a real machine that does the business in the right way.

Winter and its cold weather seems a long ways off just now, with the thermometer hovering around the 90 mark and stretching up, but just the same this is a good time to think a little about heating the home when winter comes. We have a full line of heaters for you to pick from, all sizes and prices. Next time you are in town drop in the store and let us show you and talk over a new heater Perhaps you have an old heater that is in good shape but needs a little repairs. We can fix you out in that case too.

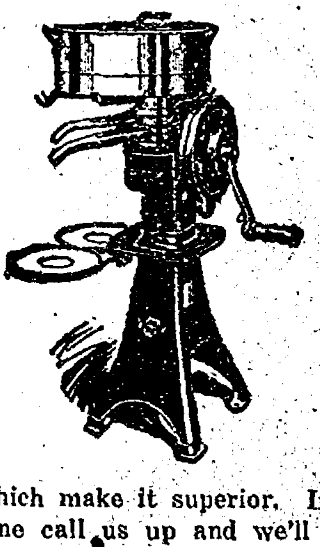
Along with our complete line of implements we have everything in the hardware line too, from bolts and screws to ranges and stew pans. Make our store your headquarters while in town; whether you want to buy or not we are always glad to see you.

If everything were taken out of politics except the politicians there would be still too much left.

Keeping your best foot forward sounds good, but alternating is what gets you there.

Don't rock the boat unless you know how to smim. The other fellow doesn't count.

And there's that Primrose Cream Separator we were telling you about. You need a good separator every month in the year, and the Primrose has them all beaten. There are so many fine points about the Primrose which make it superior. If you need one call us up and we'll come out and show you, or drop in when in town and see for yourself. With a Primrose every day will be Creamery Day for you.



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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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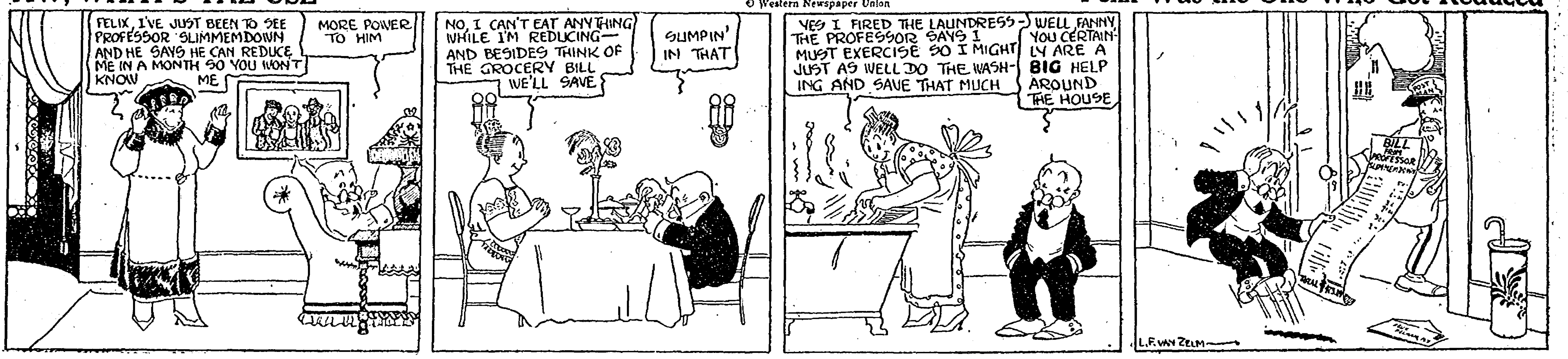
Felix Was the One Who Got Reduced


FELIX, I'VE JUST BEEN TO SEE PROFESSOR SLIMMEMDOWN AND HE SAYS HE CAN REDUCE ME IN A MONTH SO YOU WON'T KNOW ME
MORE POWER TO HIM
NO, I CAN'T EAT ANYTHING WHILE I'M REDUCING— AND BESIDES THINK OF THE GROCERY BILL WE'LL SAVE
SUMPIN' IN THAT
YES I FIRED THE LAUNDRESS— THE PROFESSOR SAYS I MUST EXERCISE SO I MIGHT JUST AS WELL DO THE WASHING AND SAVE THAT MUCH
WELL FANNY YOU CERTAINLY ARE A BIG HELP AROUND THE HOUSE
BILL from PROFESSOR SLIMMENDOWN
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EUROPEAN TRIP BY WEST BEND GIRL

(West Bend Journal,)

We have just returned from Versailles. It has been a great day for me. Everything here is so full of interest that I hardly know what to write.

We took the boat near Notre Dame, passing under sixteen bridges, all different and some very beautiful, especially the bridge of Alexandria. We saw the Statue of Liberty (like our own in New York harbor the Eiffel Tower, from which wireless messages are sent across the Atlantic; the Trocadero, with its beautiful grounds; the Louvre and the entrance to the Bois de Bologne.

The Seine is not wide, nor large, but very beautiful, when we were at the outskirts of Paris, and came to the gardens, and the low hills and then the higher hills—it was beautiful—much like along the Hudson. The tall populars and pines with red and white stone hidden in the pines and its brick-colored tile roof, the towers with tiny windows, and nearer the wild flowers and ferns; this on one side and on the other, perhaps, the same view or higher wooded hills—oh, it is so beautiful!

But we took the car at Seves for Versailles. Here in this village one sees the very narrow winding side streets and the very tiny shops, stone houses and every space in garden either of flowers, fruits or vegetables, and usually all three. Some of the homes here are very humble but each garden has some beauty about it.

Versailles is quite a city. Here the wide shady streets leading to the Palace of Versalles are paved and the court before the castle is very very spacious. A guard took us through the marvelous palace built by Louis XIV.

I had wondered when I saw the Tuilleres and palace at Paris why any king would build another palace at Versailles but when I saw the palace at Versailles! Just outside is the marble court and inside many many halls and spacious rooms, massive doors, gold trimmings, painting on the walls and ceilings, tapestries line in Louvre (it takes one man a year to make a yard and one could study tapestry for a long time for each tells some history) The statuary, the furniture—it is so beautiful. And all has something about Louis XIV, even the clock when it strikes has a king appear instead of a cuckoo. Here, you know, is the hall of mirrors, 245 feet long and 35 feet wide, where in June 1919, the Peace Treaty was signed, where also in January, 1871, the German Empire was founded. I couldn't have imagined the beauty of the castle with the inlaid marble tables, marble floors in some rooms, pillars, great gilded arches, tapestry rugs, and even a chapel—a beautiful chapel.

From the bedroom of Louis XIV, there is a view down the long avenues. Here also is a jeweled table, his bed with gold trimmings and tapestry covering and then a high canopy of velvet, gold and tapestry, the handmade chairs—all are still there. I can now much better imagine how much it costs to support a king. The windows in the castle open like double doors. This is true of all the windows I've seen here. From three sides of the castle one can look upon the prettiest gardens I have ever seen. As far as the eye can see there are flower gardens, statuary fountains, beyond them the lake and then more flowers. Also yew trees trimmed in so many shapes, rose trees and arbors. From the outside and in front of the castle, or outside the iron fence, the gardens can't be seen for the castle is built around and in front of the gardens. Only the sweetest perfume compares with the scent of the orange blossoms.

You know the queen of Louis the 16th had another castle built for her at a far corner of the gardens. We walked. It seemed a couple of miles and then at the end of a long avenue of high plane trees, so high that for a hundred feet above our heads there were no branches. The avenues boarded deep moors on both sides. It seemed that we were in the heart of a woods, the combination of the artificial and nature is so facinating. Nearer the castle there are many lakes and statues and the Temple of Love and beyond the Temple of Love where they say, Marie Antoinette came to hear the music, in her "model farm" her dairy, where she made cheese and butter for her Royal family. Here the vine covered mill, the dairy tower of Malborough are especially picturesque with thatched roofs and vines. Near the mill there are many fish in the little stream. We would have liked to stay there, the woods seem so satisfying and so quiet. We returned on the train to Paris.

Trains here aren't like at home. The first one I saw was at LeHavre where we landed. But I must tell you how happy we were Saturday evening when we saw land. We knew Saturday afternoon that we were nearing England, and, while we were at dinner about 7 o'clock the people rushed to the port holes (in the dinning room) and we could here a glad cry from the deck above us. I wondered why. Yes, we could see Bishop Lighthouse. We rushed to the deck. There we saw land, and the sea gulls were just thick and in the distance we could also see the sail boats. As darkness fell about us, far away we could see a tiny spark perhaps twenty miles away. An hour later the tiny spark blinking at us had grown larger and larger until is sent a shining ray across our deck about every seven seconds. That was the light at Plymouth England. That last night on the water was beautiful—the moonlight on the water, the sea breeze, the light house, and the cheerful, happy passengers caused us to forget for awhile that we were far from home. Sunday morning we could see France. It is home to many who were on board and you can imagine with what enthusiasm the strains of the Marseilles were sung as we landed safely in the harbor of LeHavre on Sunday afternoon.

It takes a long time to land but by 3:30 we were in the special train for Paris. Trains have first, second and third class compartments, and the express trains are very comfortable, but you sit facing your fellow travelers. In some coaches there are no corridors but in most of them there is a corridor along one side.

Three days we went to the Louvre, but time was too short. However, we saw our favorite paintings and many others, but we had little time to see the beautiful cameo dishes, pottery, chests, stained glass, carvings and ancient handwork and writings from Egypt, etc.

"The Last Supper" by Vinci, "The Last Supper" by Campaigne, "The Young Martyr," "La Jaconde," and many other paintings we went to see the second time, and on Sunday afternoon the Louvre was simply filled. When the doors closed at five o'clock, the court yards were packed with men, women and children.

On Monday mornings many of the stores and museums are closed. Yes, we went shopping some—mostly window shopping, or window seeing.

I should like to tell you about Reims, but later, perhaps. My French is very poor but I had no difficulty in going to Reims and Chatieu Thierry and back to the hotel here in Paris. Hoever, I'm sure the people were often amused as they kindly answered my questions, and sometimes gave directions in part German, part English and part French.

My heart was thrilled to see the dear Stars and Stripes on the Fourth of July and my thoughts were not in Paris all that day.

Diplomacy

During an equestrian performance a number of ladies in the front stood up, thus obstructing the view of those persons who were seated. In vain they were collectively requested to sit down, till at last a happy thought occurred to one of the sufferers. He called out in measured tones: "Will the pretty lady in front kindly sit down?" Whereupon about fifty women briskly seated themselves.

Locating Him

Man (who has been knocked down by a motor car)—Where am I?

Enterprising Street Soller—'Ere yer are, sir, map of Chicago—10 cents!

August 10, 1922.

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COUNTY ATTORNEYS
SHERIFFS
of Iowa

Gentlemen:

We have received many requests recently from the above for information regarding the workings and policies of this Department, and it is thought a brief outline of same will be of benefit to you. You will remember, of course, that this is merely an outline of the more important parts of our proceedure and that many other details of proceedure exist that are not mentioned here.

In the first place, the Board of Parole is concerned only with prisoners confined in the Anamosa Reformatory and at the Ft. Madison Penitentiary. Shortly after a prisoner is received at either of these institutions, the Board receives from the institution a report on the prisoner which includes a statement of the crime, the place from which sentenced, name of the trial judge, a brief life history of the prisoner, a report of his physical and mental examination, and the history of the prisoner's family.

Upon receipt of this report, our investigation of this prisioner begins. The proper enteries are made on our office records and a folder is prepared in which everything that comes to the office pretaining to this case is filed. At this time letters are written to the trail judge, county attorney and sheriff asking for whatever information or impression they may have regarding the man. We also check up and see if he has served time before in any penal or reformatory institution in the United States; as well as many other special letters to various places in an effort to chek this man's past life and character.

After the above is done and after a man has been in the institution about six or eight months, the Board has a personal interview with him at which time we ask him any questions we care to and he makes any statement in connection with himself and his crime that he desires. At this time, we have him give us the names of a number of people who have known him for a number of years, and upon our return to the office these people are written to for information. All of this interview is taken down in shorthand and later transcribed and placed in the man's file for future reference.

About three or four months after this interview and after all of the above information has had time to get to the prisoner's files, the Board reads the files through carefully and enters the first determination in this man's case which takes the form of a parole or a denial of a parole. If a parole is decided upon, the man is released from the institution as soon as a job can be secured for him, and if he is denied (which usually happens the first time) he must remain in prison.

After a man is denied he is entitled to have his case placed on the docket for reconsideration every year until he is paroled or released on expiration. Each time he is called before the Board for a personal interview at which time he is premitted to present any new evidence in his case and the Board notes his prison record as well as any evidence of reformation.

The above method of investigation is followed in every case (except life cases) irrespective of the crime or the length of the sentence. The fact that we start our investigation soon after a man enters prison leads many people to believe that the man is about to be parolled, but you can easily see that such is not necessarily the case, as it may just as readily mean that he will never be paroled.

When a man is parolled, a good and satisfactory job with some responsible person or firm within the state is secured for him before he is released. While on the job, the man, under supervision of his employer, sends us a very complete report of himself every month. He is also visited several times during a year by an Agent from this department who makes a personal investigation in that locality to find out if the prisoner is conducting himself as a useful and respectable citizen. After the man has been on parole for at least a year and everything is regular in his case, he is certified to the Governor for final discharge which relieves him from all further obligations under his sentence.

In many cases, the man on parole does not conduct himself properly and in such an event the Board revokes the parole and returns the man to prison.

When you know that we have from 250 to 300 men on parole all of the time and that we have to secure jobs for all of them and in some cases two or three jobs before the year is up, you can appreciate the enormous amount of work connected with this phase of the work alone. In fact, we are the largest employment agency in the state.

The general policy of the Board can be stated very briefly. We beleive that men who are a menace to society should be confined—not only for any definite period, but indefinitely and the only fault we find with the present law is that such men are released at the end of their maximum sentence and we believe that the law should allow us to hold them indefinitely. We also believe that men who are accidental criminals and not viscious or a serious menace to society, should be released at once under careful supervision and make industrious and useful citizens. The main criticism we have to make of ourselves is that we hold some of these latter named too long. This fact is largely due to our rules of procedure whereby it takes about a yar for us to complete our ivestigation of each case. Therefore, in the future if you have anyone who should receive earlier consideration, you can call our attention especially to the fact and we will take it up before the regular order.

As far as we know, the Board is biased only on one point, and that is in our actions towards the automobile thieves, and we admit that we don't give these men much consideration. Larceny of automobiles is such an easy and common occurance that we have made up our minds that we are going to make it so hot for those who are caught that this practice in Iowa will soon become as popular as the stealing of horses in years gone by.

Another thing we might call your attention to is that if a judge decides to parole a man before comitment, the law provides that he may turn him over to the Board of Parole in which event we handle his case the same as if he were a man paroled by us from one of the institutions. When this is done, the man can be discharged from his sentence at the end of his parole period in the regular manner and without causing the Governor any additional labor.

One very important thing to keep in mind is that the records show a very small percentage of paroled men ever get into trouble. You will usually find that the cases where ex-convicts return to crime or get into trouble in your community is when these men were released from prison by expiration of sentence. The main trouble with our prison system today is that when a man is released from prison by expiration of sentence, he is given a suit of clothes and a five dollar bill and, unless he has a home to go to, about the only thing he can do to keep from starving to death is to return to crime. If the legislature could work out some plan whereby this Board would be required to get a man a job and supervise him for a period of time the same as a man on parole, many of these men would become good citizens instead of repeaters.

As mentioned at the beginning of this letter, this office keeps very complete records of all men confined in our prisons and the information we have is public property (with the exception in some cases, or when requested, of the identity of our informant) and we will be glad to have you avail yourselves of this information at any time you desire.

Most people have an idea that the only function and utility of the Board of Parole is to restore criminals or moral derelicts to useful citizenship; but there is another phase to our work, and that is an economic one. The Board of Parole is not onlly self-sustaining, but it actually saves the State about $30,000.00 per year besides this, in this way—when a man is released on parole there is an actual saving to the State of about $20.00 per month which is the cost of keeping him confined. Besides this, society is benefited because the man becomes a producer and earns a wage which goes to maintain himself and his family, thereby, in many cases, relieving the community from the support of said family.

In conclusion, we wish to remind you that you are charged by statute with the duty of assisting in the execution of the parole law in this state and we hope that you will take this duty seriously and give us every assistance possible.

Sincerely yours,
IOWA BOARD OF PAROLE

MANY ARRESTS MADE

A total of 199 persons were arrested and property valued at $16,478 recovered during the month of July. The number of arrests was more than double that of the same month a year ago. The largest number of arrests were made for investigation. Forty-nine vagrants were picked up by detectives and eleven men were arrested for gambling. Four men were arrested for obtaining money by false pretense, five for breaking and entering, eleven for intoxication and one each for forgery, grand larceny and assault with intent to commit murder. Of the property recovered all but $3,444 represented the value of stolen automobiles. The automobiles recovered were exclusive of those returned to thir owners by the auto theft bureau which is entirely seperate from the detective department.

IOWA CORN SONG

E. E. Taylor of Traer, Tama county upon his return from a western trip, marveled at the prominence that has been given Iowa because of its famous corn song. Mr. Taylor's comment reached Sioux City Journal and that paper proceeded to state that both the words and the music of the famous song were written by John O. Knutson, of Sioux City. It constitutes the most effective bit of advertising for the state and its leading industry that has been devised up to date. It has spread the name and the fame of Iowa to the remotest sections of the country and even to foreign lands. It is sung by Iowans wherever they travel and whatever their business may be. It is played by bands on parade. It has been adopted and adopted. Iowa's neighbor in the middle weset—everyone from the land of the tall corn—claims it and proclaims it with a zest equal their songs, but none is equal to that of Iowa's. Other states have Iowa corn song in catchiness. The song is short and to the point: "We're from Iowa, Iowa. State of all the Land. Joy on every hand. We're from Iowa, Iowa. That's where the Tall Corn Grows."

Not in His Line

A salesman was trying to sell a vacuum bottle to a Louisville man.

"It will," explained the salesman "keep anything in the shape of a liquid hot or cold for seventy-two hours."

"I don't want it," said the Louisville man. "If I had anything worth drinking I wouldn't want to keep it seventy-two hours."

Why Fido Failed

"Just think of it! That fellow came in and actually stole the clock right off the mantel-piece."

"And your dog was in the very room?"

"Yes, but that doesn't count. Fido is only a watchdog, you know."

Something New Under the Sun

"Physical culture, father, is perfectly lovely!" exclaimed an enthusiastic young miss just home from college. "Look! To develop the arms I grasp this rod in both hands and move it slowly from right to left."

"Well, well," replied dad admiringly, "what won't science discover next? Why, if that rod had straw on the other end you'd be sweeping."

Mr. Merchant

Do you realize the importance of getting your advertising copy prepared early?

You know our old friend procrastination. He's a cousin to the cow's tail.

Why follow, when you can lead?

Supposing all your customers left their shopping in your store until an hour before you were closing up at night, what would happen? You know. It would make great confusion, you couldn't give service and your customers would leave the store dissatisfied.

Well, in a way, that's what you often ask the newspapers to do. You wait until the ninth hour to prepare your copy, and when it reaches the office you expect the compositors to do two hours' work in one.

It can't be done.

The result is that your advertisement is slapped together in great haste, with a chance for errors and without proper display. It can't be otherwise.

Stop that old habit of putting off till the last day, the last hour and the last minute to send your copy to the newspaper office.

Get it out early when you have time to think and prepare it properly. Then send it to the newspaper office two or three days ahead. That will give the newspaper time to prepare your advertisement properly.

You can see the logic of it. It will mean better ads, better service and better results.

That's what you want. That's why you advertise.
Give the newspaper a chance.
Apply the Golden Rule.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

FOR SALE—Small size Sharpless cream separator. Good skimmer. $8.00.—P. H. Pals. tfc

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Van Heukelom and family of Leighton Iowa were visitors at the home of his cousin, Mrs. H. K. Pals and family last week.

Mrs. B. Koenen entertained the Ladies Aid Society of the Reformed church last Thursday at her home.

L. B. Hulsebus accompanied by the Witte children motored to Mason City Tuesday on business.

Mr. A. J. Nissen was a Mason City caller Tuesday.

Miss Edna Kloster of Forest City was an over Sunday guest at the E. Thomas home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Boughton of Webster City and Mrs. Poffenberger and children of Blairsburg spent Sunday at the L. B. Hulsebus home.

The youngh folks who have been attending summer school at Cedar Falls have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Moyer children and grand children enjoyed a picnic at Clear Lake last Friday.

Heinie Waage, Grace, Anna, Wilma and Clarence Pals autoed to Austinville Sunday. Anna and Clarence stayed for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Nissen spent Sunday at the Thomas Sloss home at Ames.

Rev. J. Alber and wife of Clinton were over Sunday visitors at the Langlitz and Reif homes. Rev. Alber filled the pulpit in the Evangelical church Sunday both morning and evening.

Tom Wieman and family of Verona, N. Dak., who were here to attend the funeral of Mrs. F. Ruiter returned home Monday. The D. Wessel family and Geo. Gerdes returned with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wendel drove to Tama Saturday for a visit with relatives.

Dan Schmidt and family of Alexander were Sunday visitors at the parental H. J. Groen home.

Miss Mary Koenen and friend from Latimer spent Sunday at the Jno. Juiter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Quandt and baby left Sunday night for Bruce, Wis., for a visit with Moody's parents and brother and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Haferman entertained all their children and their families at dinner last Sunday. The occasion being Mrs. Haferman's birthday.

Among those who have been in attendance at the annual camp meeting which is now in session at Cedar Falls were the following: Rev. Schlesselman and family, H. Fischer and family, Mrs. Muller and son, Donald, Geo. Brater and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus.

Gottlieb Lauster and family returned home Saturday from their S. Dak. trip.

The Webster City Freeman-Journal tells this story: According to the story told by a Webster City dealer, one of the nation's leading cloth manufacturers has abandoned the idea of naming a fine piece of goods in honor of Presidenet Harding. The manufacturer had a fine suit of clothes made for the president and presented it to him. It was a very pleasing shade of blue. One day when the aforesaid Webster City dealer was in the east, the manufacturer told him of the plan to give this certain grade of cloth a boom and that they were going to name it "Harding blue." "Well," observed the w. c. d., "the west is so blue now over electing Harding that such a name fastened onto your goods will absolutely kill its sale out in our part of the country." It is the judgement of this dealer that the manufacturers made some inquiries about the popularity of the president in the west. At any rate the "Harding blue" cloth was never put upon the market under that name.

A Chance

"Grandma, can you help me with this problem?"

"I could, dear, but do you think it would be right?"

"No, I don't suppose so, but you might have a shot at it and see."

His Whereabouts

First Flea—Been on a vacation?

Second Flea—Nope, on a tramp.

"Mabel has just bought a new evening gown—one of the newest."

"What does it look like when it's on?"

"Well—very like Mabel, in most places."

Your local ad in the Independent goes to 1200 families—and brings the buyers. The next time you have something to sell try a "for sale" ad in the Independent.

READ THE ADS

A newspaper man in Missouri had the following diagnosis of an acute case:

Editing a newspaper is somewhat like preaching: The gospel truth must be presented in the form of a generism or some fellow will get up and howl, says a recent writer. Few persons like the truth, even in homepathic doses, if it hits them. But while preachers and editors are criticised for what they do say, no one thinks of giving them credit for what they do not say. Yet what they keep to themselves constitutes the major portion of what they know about people. Very many people harbor the belief that newspapers are eager to publish derogatory things. This is a mistake. There isn't a newsaper that could not spring a sensation in the community at any time by merely telling what it knows. There is not a newspaper that does not have under lock scores of derogatory things which never reach the public eye or reach the public ear. Deciding what not to print is the most troublesome part of the newspaper work. How many good stories are suppressed for innocent relatives and for the public good nobody outside a newspaper office knows. In some instances he who flies into a passion because a newspaper prints something about him which he considers uncomplimentary has every reason to feel profoundly grateful to the newspaper for publishing so little of what it knows about him. And oftimes the loudest howler is the most vulnerable to attack.

Mal-de-Mirthful

The steward insisted that the seasick passenger try to eat a little. "I will bring you some dinner," he said.

Very well," said the passenger wanly, as he gazed accross the bounding deep. "I guess you can bring me some on approval."

"On approval, sir? I don't understand."

"Yes, on approval," groaned the other weakly "You see I may not want to keep it."

Obvious

"Is dat dah Sassafras Simpson took a wife yit, Rastus?"

"Reckon he hain't, Bre'er Higins. He's workin'."

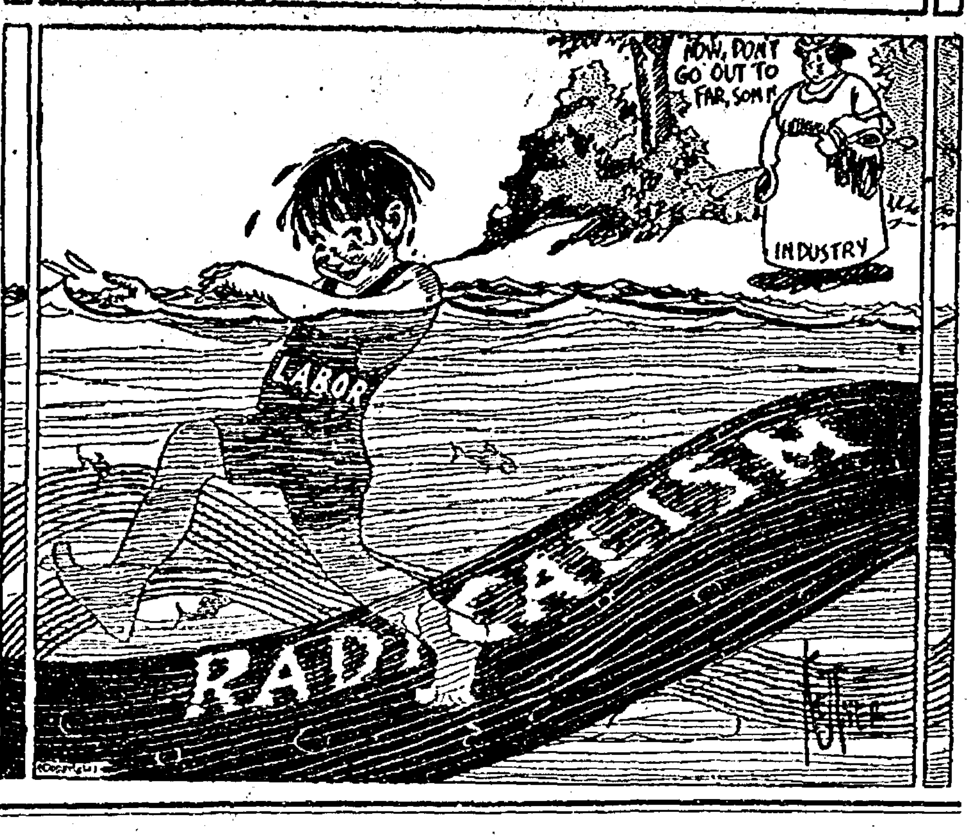
TRY LARKIN

Laundry Supplies
Aprons
Rugs
Kitchen Cutlery
Ice Cream Powders
Noodles

Perfumes
Rosewater & Glycerine
Orris Root
Derma Balm
Underwear
Cosmetics
Teas
Stationary

MARY GEALOW
Belmond Iowa

A Treacherous Undertow



Building Material Coal
Salt Lime Cement
Drain Tile Sewer Pipe
Steel Fence Posts
Cedar Posts Woven Wire
Barb Wire Screens

COME AND SEE US

H. J. Klemme Lumber Co.
Harm J. Groen, Mgr.
Meservey, Iowa
Office Phone 20 Residence Phone 17

IT PAYS TO READ THE ADS

SPECIALS
This Week

Cracker Jack	2 for 5c
50c U Ban Coffee	35c
Ceylon Tea	35c
Cream Flour	$1.85
Honest Abe Flour	1.85
Loyalty Flour	2.00
Climax Flour	2.00
Omar Flour	2.25

Hulsebus-Muller Company
Meservey, Iowa

Carload of...
WOVEN WIRE, NAILS
AND BARB WIRE
on Road

Give us your specifications and we will give you a price that is right.

C. J. Wendel

"Now, children," beamed the Sunday school teacher, "who can suggest the lesson we are taught by the downfall of Sampson. Very well, Georgie."

"Don't patronize women barbers, ma'am."

READ THE ADS

STATIONERY
BOX PAPER
TABLETS
INK
PENS
PENCILS
and
SCHOOL
SUPPLIES
At
P. O.
Confectionery
Meservey, Iowa

Undertaking
& Funeral Director
F. D. FULTON
Licensed Embalmer
Calls Answered Day or Night
HARM J. GROEN, Mgr.
Phone--Residence 17: Office 20
Meservey, Iowa

GET YOUR FINE JOB PRINTIN AT THE INDEPENDENT OFFICE

Taken up about July 25th—one black spring pig. Owner can have same by paying cost of advertising, etc.—U. J. Cooper.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.

The weekly services will be the same as usual.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
Rev. H. Pannkuk, Pastr.

Lost—Package containing shawl. Finder please leave at barber shop for reward.—Wm. Messelheiser, Meserve,y Iowa. 361c

Dr. F. S. Agler
Physician & Surgeon
Meservey - - Iowa

Meservey
Barber Shop
H. F. REIF, Prop.
Laundry Dry Cleaning

CHEERFUL ATTENTION

PROMPT SERVICE

The man or woman who patronizes a bank, whether depositing money in a savings or checking account, appreciates prompt service.

To render prompt service the bank must have complete equipment. It is because of its modern equipment and efficient service that this bank enjoys a steady growth in the number of its patrons.

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY
FARMERS SAVINGS BANK
FSB
MESERVEY, IOWA.

TIRES

Why buy tires made by jip companies when you can buy a standard make at a very low price. See us when in need of tires.

Meservey Garage
G. E. RAECKER, Prop.
Phone 44 Meservey, Iowa

ROWAN NEWS

Dr. Maker is driving a new Overland car since the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter, Faye, visited at Webster City Tuesday, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Diltz.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten and family spent last week at Orleans and Spirit Lake fishing. D. W. reports lots of fish—in the lake. They also stopped at Dickens and called on Rev. Nye and his family. They report them as well and doing fine.

Miss Gwendolyn Veenum and a girl friend, of Fort Dodge came to Rowan Saturday to visit relatives and friends. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sullivan, of Fort Dodge are spending several days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher.

Mrs. Gates of Sioux City came on Friday to visit at the homes of her sons, Harold and Ormal.

W. A. Duffy and daughters drove to Cedar Falls, Friday, after Miss Susan, who has been attending summer school there.

Miss Esther Fowler returned on Thursday from several weeks' visit in South Dakota, at the home of her sisters, Mrs. J. I. Drury and Mrs. Levi Johnson.

Mrs. Harm Brinkman and baby of Latimer spent Sunday with relatives at this place.

J. F. Howell went to Des Moines Monday evening on business.

Mrs. J. S. Farren, Dyrl and Bobbie went to Ft. Dodge Monday to meet Dale and Douglas who have been visiting at the home of their grandparents in Pringhar.

Mrs. Ed. Riley and daughter Dollie visited in Belmond on Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey.

Miss Mildred Duffy went to Dumont, Saturday, to visit some college friends. The Duffy family motored after her Sunday.

The M. E. Missionery picnic was quite well attended last Friday and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham, who have been doing light housekeeping at the J. F. Howell home, the past ten weeks, left last Tuesday for Ia. Falls where they will spend a few weeks renewing old acquaintancs before starting back for California, here they expect to make their home in the future.

Last Wednesday afternoon the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Frank Kercheval. Mrs. R. H. Keith was leader and a very pleasant and interestidg lesson was given. A solo by Violet Halbrook was much enjoyed. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

Pres. Mrs. L. A. McCallum; vice presidents Mrs. Wm. Tresidder and Mrs. J. S. Farren; sec. Mrs. Isenberger; treas. Mrs. R. H. Keith. Plans were made to take up the study of citizenship at an early date. A report was given of the county convention at Goldfield which was much enjoyed.

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. J. D. Pritchett entertained a few of the little cousins in honor of the third birthday of her little grandson Roger Williams who has been visiting for the past few weeks at her home. The little folks enjoyed a good time very much.

Mrs. Bert Harris and son Leland of Thornton visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson a few days the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlando McCallum and family of Strawberry Point are visiting relatives around Rowan.

E. Virden of Waterloo spent the week end with his cousin, Dick Virden and family. He went to Forest City on Monday morning to look after the canning factory at that place in which he has a half interest.

Mrs. T. K. Holliday and son Everet returned from Cedar Falls Saturday. Mr. Holliday is visiting his mother in Ohio before returning home. Miss Grace came Friday.

Russell and Enid Keith and Will Grant of Goldfield visited Sunday at the home of their uncle, R. H. Keith and family. They were accompanied home by Marian Keith who has been visiting here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsaa of Rake spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ed. Underdahl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten and daughters Wilda and Billie returned Saturday from St. Peter, Minnesota, where they have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Jurden Brinkman and family

Mrs. Anna Johnson who has been spending the past month at the home of her son Clarence, returned to her home at Allison, Wednesday.

Mrs. Esther Andrews and the Misses Byrd Peters and Robin LaGue were Clarion callers Friday.

Tyke Hearn and his two sisters of Bristow were over Sunday guests at the Clarence Johnson home.

The Charley Bowers family and the Benewitz family of Dows autoed to Clear Lake Sunday for an outing.

L. A. McCallum motored to Iowa Falls, Friday, to meet his daughter, Laura, who was returning from her summer term at Cedar Falls. Miss Letha Gunderson also returned home from Cedar Falls.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Congregational Church Notes.

Morning service at 11.

Sunday school at 12.

Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m.

Evening service at 8.

Mid week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8.

The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. J. F. Howell, Thursday afternoon of this week. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold a food sale of home baking at the D. W. Whitten store Saturday afternoon Don't forget the place to get good things to eat.

Last Sunday Rev. Hughs of Gowie preached two fine sermons in the Congregational church. After the evening meeting a business meeting of the church was called and it was voted to extend a call to Rev. Halbert, who preached a week ago Sunday.

The Young Ladies Mission Study club met with the Misses Mae and Frances Virden last Thursday afternoon. A good crowd attended and a very good lesson was enjoyed. Miss Ruth Emerson was the leader. After the lesson a picnic supper was served which was very much enjoyed. Our next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Fred Kercheval with the Misses LaVonne Ballou and Frances Virden as hostesses and Miss Stella Emerson as leader. This meeting will be our mite box opening for foreign missions so please keep place and time in mind and bring boxes well filled.

The M. E. Aid society will meet with Mrs. George Pritchett Thursday afternoon.

Quite a number of Rowan people attended the Mason City fair this past week.

Several are planning to attend the State Fair at Des Moines this week.

John Riker left for St. Louis the first of the week where he was called by the illness of his mother. He drove thru in his car.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Stumph and family spent the week end at the lake.

Mrs. H. J. C. Box is suffering with eczema again.

Mrs. A. A. Williams is suffering with eczema.

Will Azeltine visited his sister, Mrs. L. D. Bingham at Iowa Falls on Sunday. She is very low.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bingham and family of Iowa Falls were calling on Rowan relatives Sunday.

Mrs. W. A. Hoke left Thursday to cook for the Wilder grading gang near Parkersburg. Brown Hoke went to work in the pit.

Several of the boys who are working on the grading at Parkersburg spent Sunday with their home folks. Among them were Charles Emerson, Harvey Lineweaver and John Riker.

STAR THEATRE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AUG. 23rd.

Pauline Frederick

in MADAM X.

The greatest drama of mother love sacrifice ever written. A 7-reel special. 10 and 20.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

"THE JUCKLINS"

A beautiful story, delightfully depicted by some of the most characteristic types ever seen in a screen drama. The characters of Opie Reed's famous novel seem to have been lifted bodily out of the book and transformed into living, breathing, moving people. Monte Blue, who plays Bill Hawes, the country school teacher, seems a living double for the author's character creation, and so is Charles Ogle who interprets old Lem Jucklin to perfection.

WE THOUGHT MUNCHAUSAN HAD DIED LONG, LONG AGO

Hampton Recorder: Attorney B. H. Mallory, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Lee C. Robinson and son, Lee Junior, arrived home last Wednesday from a two weeks outing at Lake Nipigon, Canada, somewhat worse for the experience. Mr. Mallory is carrying his left arm in a sling and relates a rather remarkable story regarding the accident. His recital runs as follows:

"You see, it was this way. My daughters and Lee and Lee Junior, and I had gone down a river that runs either into Hudson Bay or the Berring Strait, and after successfully shooting the rapids north as far as Devils Run, alongside of Hell's Half Acre, we managed to propel our canoe out of the death dealing current of this mountain stream, and landed on a shore that was inhabited only by wild animals and a few Indians who had never seen a white man, and there made a camp for the night. After starting a number of large fires around our tent to keep the wolves away. we were ready to enjoy a little rest in prepartion for the next day's dangerous and arduous duties. During the night a Canadian Polar Bear broke into our food convoy and ate everything, even drinking the milk that we had brought along for Lee Junior.

"The next morning the two Indian guides and I started to run down a cow moose in order to get a supply of milk for my grandchild. We finally succeeded in capturing a large one and after fastening the animal securely between two giant pine trees of the forest I proceeded to get on the right side of the moose to milk her and she kicked me, breaking my wrist, and in so doing broke down both trees that were holding her, one of the giant trees falling on my injured wrist. The guide finally succeeded in getting the tree off my arm by rolling a big boulder down the side of a small mountain, which gathered sufficient momentum to knock the tree off from my arm and down into the river, where it immediately dammed the stream to such an extent that we were compelled to run for our lives up a steep precipice in order to get away from the over-flowing banks of the river. We finally got back to our camp and there I was informed that I could have avoided all this trouble if I had only milked the moose on the left side instead of the right. You see, we were north of the principal Meridian, 54:40, and it was '54:40 or fight.' I had forgotten my history."

Mr. Mallory also relates a number of large fish stories which he will be only too glad to tell anyone interested in listening to tales of this character.

Wise Little Susie

Teacher—The sentence, "My father had money," is the past tense. Now, Susie what tense would you be speaking in if you said, "My father has money?"

Little Susie—Oh, that would be pretense.

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent

Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

St. John's Evang. Luth. church

Sunday school at 2 o'clock, John Arends, Superintendent.

Preaching in German language. Everybody Welcome, 2:45.

C. J. Barth, Pastor.

M. E. Church

Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.

Preaching service at 9:30 a. m.

You are invited to attend.

Rev. W. A. Wilkinson, pastor.

Imo Hall and Edna Arends were Belmond callers last Saturday.

Karl Griemann visited with friends at Hampton Sunday.

Miss Eva Whetstone visited friends at Alexander a few days last week. Miss Whetstone has just returned from a trip out west. She is remembered here as principle of our schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winwood, Mrs. William Winwood and Miss Mary Winwood, autoed to West Bend last Sunday.

Mrs. W. G. Schanke and family of Minneapolis, Minn., are guests at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. R. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals were Sunday visitors at Belmond.

Chance Polmateer and family of Goldfield were visitors at the Henry Polmateer home on Sunday.

Miss Dorthea Ecklenbarger of Waterloo, who has spent the past week with her friend Miss Ethel Hall left Monday for her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Worsey, Mr and Mrs. Peter Bohlen and Carl Bohlen and family were Sunday visitors at West Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn and two children, Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson, Jessie Benard and Gertrude Berninghausen autoed to Des Moines last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens and Ethel Schulte were Belmond callers last Wednesday.

Mrs. Lloyd Wells and daughter, Helen Wuttke returned to their home at Waterloo Saturday after a visit with friends at Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Heikens of Fostoria were visitors at the J. C. Arends home a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and daughter, Virginia Ruth of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Nels Larson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hansen of Rowan visited at the Karl Kerch home last Sunday.

H. C. Yaw of Iowa Falls was a business caller in town the first of the week.

Alfred Anderson and family visited relatives at Meservey on Sunday. Claas Symens was transacting business at Belmond Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Frederick and Miss Jessie Bell visited with relatives at Waterloo the first of the week.

W. H. McDowell and wife of Clarion were callers at this place on Sunday.

Mrs. J. Harvill Pattillo and daughter, Elvise of Montgomery, Alabama and Miss Lu Huntzelman of Nora Springs, Iowa were visitors at the C. R. Clark home a few days the past week.

George Pals and daughter, Miss Jennie of Belmond were callers in town last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brewster are the happy parents of a fine baby girl born Monday, August 21st.

Remember Alexander has free outdoor picture shows every Saturday night, seven reels. They are fine. Do not fail to see them, you are welcome.

Every Moment Counted

Elihu Root was cross-examining a young women in court one day.

"How old are you?" he asked.

The young women hesitated.

"Don't hesitate," said Mr. Root. "The longer you hesitate the older you are."

Personal Liberty

Visitor—Which of these hotels is the better?

Town Guide—Wal. one of 'em has all rooms with baths. and the other believes in personal liberty—you can have a bath or not just as you like.

THEY CALL HIM BATTY

Batty, the young man sent to the penitentiary for automobile stealing, with Council Bluffs as his headquarters, started something when he declared that if the Missouri river were to be dragged there would be found reposing peacefully beneath its murky waters innumerable automobiles that had been plunged therein by fellows hired by their owners that insurance might be obtained on old and out of date equipment. A crew of eight professional river divers working with a steamboat equiped with a hoisting crane and several side barges secured five cars the first week. Some were in water 30 feet deep. The point of contact is 15 miles below Council Bluffs. The crew is working from a map furnished it by the insurance company by which they were retained. On this map are designated where the companys' agents believe cars have been run into the river by men desiring to collect insurance on them as stolen machines. Robert Shoemaker of New York is in charge of the crew. The crew came from Kansas City.

Them Was the Days

Sorry, but I can't insure you—you're too tall," said the agent to the man who wanted to take out an accident policy.

"Too tall? What's the matter with that?" protested the applicant, "And anyway I'm not as tall as my father was and he had no trouble getting insured."

"But your fther," the agent explained, "was insured years ago when there was no danger of a fellow having his head knocked off by a skidding airplane."

Not Hard

"How long did it take you to learn to run a motor car?"

"Oh, three or four."

"Weeks?"

"No, motor cars."

OBJECT TO TRUCKS

The commercial club at Boone is out with printed matter, making an appeal to the merchants of that town to refuse to send freight to neighboring towns over motor truck lines that are handling freight. Attention is called to the high taxes imposed in keeping up highways because of the damage done the roads by heavy freight motor trucks, and it is also cited that the railroads leave large sums of money in that city and pay heavy taxes and therefore ought to receive the carrying business of the city. Motor busses and motor freight trucks are playing havoc with the busciness of the branch railroads in Iowa. The state railway commossion looks upon the movement as a real hardship because most of the "plug" lines are operated at a loss, but communities are insistent that train service be not impaired.

LOOKING FOR TROUBLE

Hampton Chronicle: State officials have been here this week inquiring into the case where the road just north of Chapin was blocked with a rope a week ago Sunday night, when auto travelers were forced to stop their cars in order to proceed.

There is a heavy penalty against blocking the highway, and it is well that there is a penalty provided. First, because no person has any right ot blockade a highway except on official business. Second, travelers are to be protected from holdups and when they find a road blocked day or night, without any seeming reason, they are justified in using revolvers on any gang of boys who are blocking the roads just for the fun they are getting out of it. The traveler is not expected to know that the road was blocked as a joke. Thugs and robbers do these same stunts when they want to stage a holdup.

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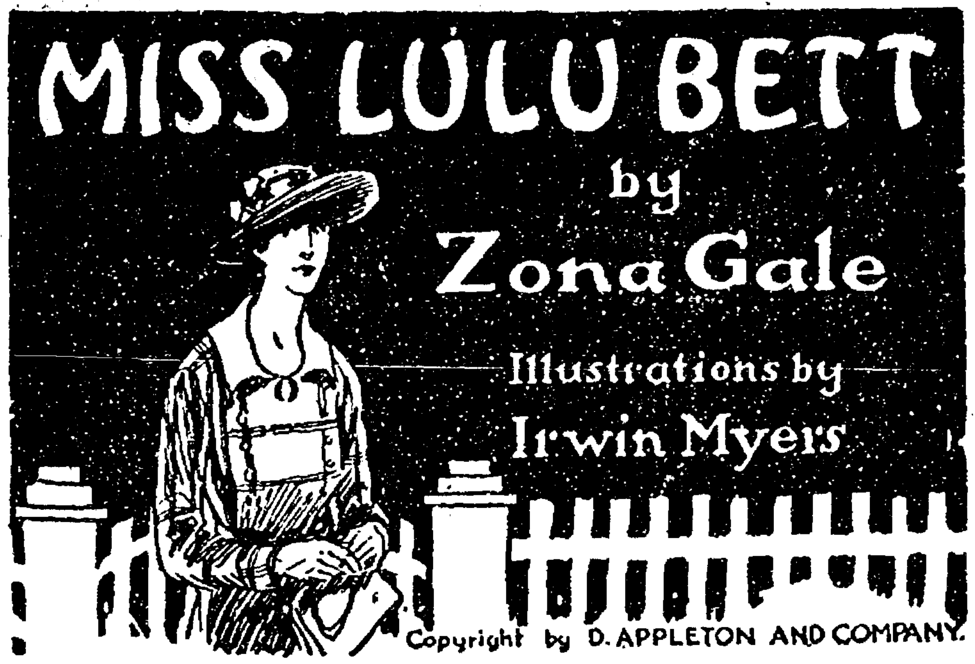

MISS LULU BETT

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"Good enough!" He applauded noiselessly, with fat hands. His diamond ring sparkled, his even white teeth flashed. "I've had twenty years of galloping about," he informed her, unable, after all, to transfer his interests from himself to her.

"Where?" she asked, although she knew.

"South America. Central America. Mexico. Panama." He searched his memory. "Colombo," he superadded.

"My!" said Lulu. She had probably never in her life had the least desire to see any of these places. She did not want to see them now. But she wanted passionately to meet her companion's mind.

"It's the life," he informed her.

"Must be," Lulu breathed. "I—" She tried, and gave it up.

"Where you been mostly?" he asked at last.

By this unprecedented interest in her doings she was thrown into a passion of excitement.

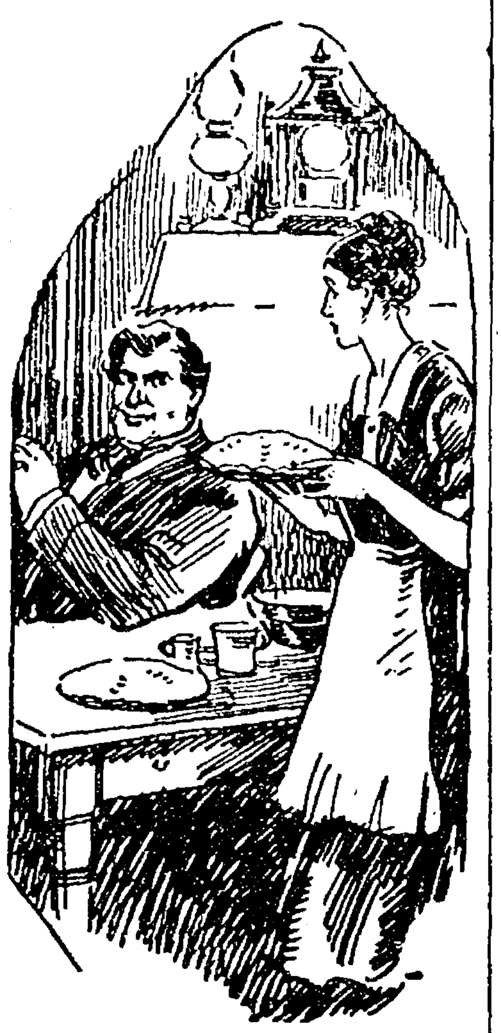
"Here," she said. "I've always been here. Fifteen years with Ina. Before that we lived in the country."

He listened sympathetically now, his head well on one side. He watched her veined hands pinch at the pies. "Poor old girl," he was thinking.

"Is it Miss Lulu Bett?" he abruptly inquired. "Or Mrs.?"

Lulu flushed in anguish.

"Miss," she said low, as one who confesses the extremity of failure.



Lulu Flushed in Anguish. "Miss," She Said Low.

Then, from unplumbed depths, another Lulu abruptly spoke up. "From choice," she said.

He shouted with laughter.

"You bet! Oh, you bet!" he cried. "Never doubted it." He made his palms taut and drummed on the table. "Say!" he said.

Lulu glowed, quickened, smiled. Her face was another face.

"Which kind of a Mr. are you?" she heard herself ask, and his shoutings redoubled. Well! Who would have thought it of her?

"Never give myself away," he assured her. "Say, by George, I never thought of that before! There's no telling whether a man's married or not, by his name!"

"It don't matter," said Lulu.

"Why not?"

"Not so many people want to know."

Again he laughed. This laughter was intoxicating to Lulu. No one ever laughed at what she said save Herbert, who laughed at her. "Go it, old girl!" Ninian was thinking, but this did not appear.

The child Monona now arrived, banging the front gate and hurling herself round the house on the board walk, catching the toe of one foot in the heel of the other and blundering forward, head down, her short, straight hair flapping over her face. She landed flat-footed on the porch. She began to speak, using a ridiculous perversion of words, scarcely articulate, then in vogue in her group. And, "Whose dog?" she shrieked.

Ninian looked over his shoulder, held out his hand, finished something that he was saying to Lulu. Monona came to him readily enough, staring, loose-lipped.

"I'll bet I'm your uncle," said Ninian.

Relationship being her highest known form of romance, Monona was thrilled by this intelligence.

"Give us a kiss," said Ninian, finding in the plural some vague mitigation for some vague offense.

Monona, looking silly, complied. And her uncle said, my stars, such a great big tall girl—they would have to put a board on her head.

"What's that?" inquired Monona. She had spied his great diamond ring.

"This," said her uncle, "was brought to me by Santa Claus, who keeps a jewelry shop in heaven."

The precision and speed of his improvisation revealed him. He had twenty other diamonds like this one. He kept them for those Sundays when the sun comes up in the west. Of course—often! Some day he was going to melt a diamond and eat it. Then you sparkled all over in the dark, ever after. Another diamond he was going to plant. They say— He did it all gravely, absorbedly. About it he was as conscienceless as a savage. This was no fancy spun to pleasure a child. This was like lying, for its own sake.

He went on talking with Lulu, and now again he was the tease, the braggart, the unbridled, unmodified male.

Monona stood in the circle of his arm. The little being was attentive, softened, subdued. Some pretty, faint light visited her. In her listening look, she showed herself a charming child.

"It strikes me," said Ninian to Lulu, "that you're going to do something mighty interesting before you die."

It was the clear conversational impulse, born of the need to keep something going, but Lulu was all faith.

She closed the oven door on her pies and stood brushing flour from her fingers. He was looking away from her, and she looked at him. He was completely like his picture. She felt as if she were looking at his picture and she was abashed and turned away.

"Well, I hope so," she said, which had certainly never been true, for her old formless dreams were no intention—nothing but a mush of discontent. "I hope I can do something that's nice before I quit," she said. Nor was this hope now independently true, but only surprising longing to appear interesting in his eyes. To dance before him. "What would the folks think of me, going on so?" she suddenly said. Her mild sense of disloyalty was delicious. So was his understanding glance.

"You're the stuff," he remarked absently.

She laughed happily.

The door opened. Ina appeared.

"Well!" said Ina. It was her remotest tone. She took this man to be a peddler, beheld her child in his clasp, made a quick forward step, chin lifted. She had time for a very javelin of a look at Lulu.

"Hello!" said Ninian. He had the one formula. "I believe I'm your husband's brother. Ain't this Ina?"

It had not crossed the mind of Lulu to present him.

Beautiful it was to see Ina relax, soften, warm, transform, humanize. It gave one hope for the whole species.

"Ninian!" she cried. She lent a faint impression of the double e to the initial vowel. She slurred the rest, until the y sound squinted in. Not Neenyun, but nearly Neenyun.

He kissed her.

"Since Dwight isn't here!" she cried and shook her finger at him. Ina's conception of hostess-ship was definite: A volley of questions—was his train on time? He had found the house all right? Of course! Anyone could direct him, she should hope. And he hadn't seen Dwight? She must telephone him. But then she arrested herself with a sharp, curved fling of *her starched skirts. No! They would* surprise him at tea—she stood taut, lips compressed. Oh, the Plows were coming to tea. How unfortunate, she thought. How fortunate, she said.

The child Monona made her knees and elbows stiff and danced up and down. She must, she must participate.

"Aunt Lulu made three pies!" she screamed, and shook her straight hair.

"Gracious sakes," said Ninian. "I brought her a pup, and if I didn't forget to give it to her."

They adjourned to the porch—Ninian, Ina, Monona. The puppy was presented, and yawned. The party kept on about "the place." Ina delightedly exhibited the tomatoes, the two apple trees, the new shed, the bird bath. Ninian said the unspellable "m—m," rising inflection, and the "I see," prolonging the verb as was expected of him. Ina said that they meant to build a summer house, only, dear me, when you have a family—but there, he didn't know anything about that. Ina was using her eyes, she was arch, she was coquettish, she was flirtatious, and she believed herself to be merely matronly, sisterly, womanly . . .

She screamed. Dwight was at the gate. Now the meeting, exclamation, banality, guffaw . . . good will.

And Lulu, peeping through the blind.

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When "tea" had been experienced that evening, it was found that a light rain was falling and the Deacons and their guests, the Plows, were constrained to remain in the parlor. The Plows were gentle, faintly lustrous folk, sketched into life rather lightly, as if they were, say, looking in from some other level.

"The only thing," said Dwight Herbert, "that reconciles me to rain is that I'm let off croquet." He rolled his r's, a favorite device of his to induce humor. He called it "croquette." He had never been more irrepressible. The advent of his brother was partly accountable, the need to show himself a fine family man and host in a prosperous little home—simple and pathetic desire.

"Tell you what we'll do!" said Dwight. "Nin and I'll reminisce a little."

"Do!" cried Mr. Plow. This gentle fellow was always excited by life, so faintly excited by him, and enjoyed its presentation in any real form.

Ninian had unerringly selected a dwarf rocker, and he was overflowing it and rocking.

"Take this chair, do!" Ina begged. "A big chair for a big man." She spoke as if he were about the age of Monona.

Ninian refused, insisted on his refusal. A few years more, and human relationships would have spread sanity even to Ina's estate and she would have told him why he should exchange chairs. As it was she forebore, and kept glancing anxiously at the overburdened little beast beneath him.

The child Monona entered the room. She had been driven down by Di and Jenny Plow, who had vanished upstairs and, through the ventilator, might be heard in a lift and fall of giggling. Monona had also been driven from the kitchen where Lulu was, for some reason, hurrying through the dishes. Monona now ran to Mrs. Bett, stood beside her and stared about resentfully. Mrs. Bett was in best black and ruches, and she seized upon Monona and patted her, as her own form of social expression; and Monona wriggled like a puppy, as hers.

"Quiet, pettie," said Ina, eyebrows up. She caught her lower lip in her teeth.

"Well, sir," said Dwight, "you wouldn't think it to look at us, but mother had her hands pretty full, bringing us up."

Into Dwight's face came another look. It was always so when he spoke of this foster-mother who had taken these two boys and seen them through the graded schools. This woman Dwight adored, and when he spoke of her he became his inner self.

"We must run up-state and see her while you're here, Nin," he said.

To this Ninian gave a casual assent, lacking his brother's really tender ardor.

"Little," Dwight pursued, "little did she think I'd settle down into a nice, quiet, married dentist and magistrate in my town. And Nin into—say, Nin, what are you, anyway?"

They laughed.

"That's the question," said Ninian.

They laughed.

"Maybe," Ina ventured, "maybe Ninian will tell us something about his travels. He is quite a traveler, you know," she said to the Plows. "A regular Gulliver."

They laughed respectfully.

"How we should love it, Mr. Deacon," Mrs. Plow said. "You know we've never seen very much."

Goaded on, Ninian launched upon his foreign countries as he had seen them: Population, exports, imports, soil, irrigation, business. For the populations Ninian had no respect. Crops could not touch ours. Soil mighty poor pickings. And the business—say! Those fellows don't know—and, say, the hotels! Don't say foreign hotel to Ninian.

He regarded all the alien earth as barbarian, and he stoned it. He was equipped for absolutely no intensive observation. His contacts were negligible. Mrs. Plow was more excited by the Deacons' party than Ninian had been wrought upon by all his voyaging.

"Tell you," said Dwight. "When we ran away that time and went to the state fair, little did we think—" He told about running away to the state fair. "I thought," he wound up, irrelevantly, "Ina and I might get over to the other side this year, but I guess not. I guess not."

The words give no conception of their effect, spoken thus. For there in Warbleton these words are not commonplace. In Warbleton, Europe is never so casually spoken of. "Take a trip abroad" is the phrase, or "Go to Europe" at the very least, and both with empressement. Dwight had somewhere noted and deliberately picked up that "other side" effect, and his Ina knew this, and was proud. Her covert glance about pensively covered her soft triumph.

Mrs. Bett, her arm still circling the child Monona, now made her first observation.

"Pity not to have went while the going was good," she said, and said no more.

Nobody knew quite what she meant, and everybody hoped for the best. But Ina frowned. Mamma did these things occasionally when there was company, and she dared. She never sauced Dwight in private. And it wasn't fair, it wasn't fair—

Abruptly Ninian rose and left the room.

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The dishes were washed. Lulu had washed them at breakneck speed—she could not, or would not, have told why. But no sooner were they finished and set away than Lulu had been attacked by an unconquerable inhibition. And instead of going to the parlor, she sat down by the kitchen window. She was in her chally gown, with her cameo pin and her string of coral.

Laughter from the parlor mingled with the laughter of Di and Jenny upstairs. Lulu was now rather shy of Di. A night or two before, coming home with "extra" cream, she had gone round to the side door and had come full upon Di and Bobby, seated on the steps. And Di was saying:

"Well, if I marry you, you've simply got to be a great man. I could never marry just anybody. I'd smother."

Lulu had heard, stricken. She passed them by, responding only faintly to their greeting. Di was far less taken aback than Lulu.

Later Di had said to Lulu: "I s'pose you heard what we were saying."

Lulu, much shaken, had withdrawn from the whole matter by a flat "no." "Because," she said to herself, "I couldn't have heard right."

But since then she had looked at Di as if Di were some one else. Had not Lulu taught her to make buttonholes and to hem—oh, no! Lulu could not have heard properly.

"Everybody's got *somebody* to be nice to them," she thought now, sitting by the kitchen window, adult yet Cinderella.

She thought that some one would come for her—her mother or even Ina. Perhaps they would send Monona. She waited at first hopefully, then resentfully. The gray rain wrapped the air.

"Nobody cares what becomes of me after they're fed," she thought, and derived an obscure satisfaction from her phrasing, and thought it again.

Ninian Deacon came into the kitchen.

Her first impression was that he had come to see whether the dog had been fed.

"I fed him," she said, and wished that she had been busy when Ninian entered.

"Who, me?" he asked. "You did that all right. Say, why in time don't you come in the other room?"

"Oh, I don't know."

"Well, neither do I. I've kept thinking, 'Why don't she come along.' Then I remembered the dishes." He glanced about. "I come to help wipe dishes."

"Oh!" she laughed so delicately, so delightfully, one wondered where she got it. "They're washed—" she caught herself at "long ago."

"Well then, what are you doing here?"

"Resting."

"Rest in there. He bowed, crooked his arm. "Senora," he said—his Spanish matched his other assimilations of travel—"Senora, allow me."

Lulu rose. On his arm she entered the parlor. Dwight was narrating and did not observe that entrance. To the Plows it was sufficiently normal. But Ina looked up and said:

"Well!"—in two notes, descending, curving.

Lulu did not look at her. Lulu sat in a low rocker. Her starched white skirt, throwing her chally in ugly lines, revealed a peeping rim of white embroidery. Her lace front wrinkled when she sat, and perpetually she adjusted it. She curled her feet sidewise beneath her chair, her long wrists and veined hands lay along her lap in no relation to her. She was tense. She rocked.

When Dwight had finished his narration, there was a pause, broken at last by Mrs. Bett:

"You tell that better than you used to when you started in telling it," she observed. "You got in some things I guess you used to clean forget about. Monona, get off my rocker."

Monona made a little whimpering sound, in pretense to tears. Ina said, "Darling—quiet!"—chin a little lifted, lower lip revealing lower teeth for the word's completion; and she held it.

The Plows were asking something about Mexico. Dwight was wondering if it would let up raining at all. Di and Jenny came whispering into the room. But all these distractions Ninian Deacon swept aside.

"Miss Lulu," he said, "I wanted you to hear about my trip up the Amazon, because I knew how inter-ested you are in travels."

He talked according to his lights, about the Amazon. But the person who most enjoyed the recital could not afterward have told two words that he said. Lulu kept the position which she had taken at first, and she dare not change. She saw the blood in the veins of her hands and wanted to hide them. She wondered if she might fold her arms, or have one hand to support her chin, gave it all up and sat motionless, save for the rocking.

Then she forgot everything. For the first time in years some one was talking and looking not only at Ina and Dwight and their guests, but at her.

III.

June.

On a June morning Dwight Herbert Deacon looked at the sky, and said with his manner of originating it:

"How about a picnic this afternoon?"

Ina, with her blank, upward look, exclaimed: "Today?"

"First class day, it looks like to me."

Come to think of it, Ina didn't know that there was anything to prevent, but mercy, Herbert was so sudden. Lulu began to recite the resources of the house for a lunch. Meanwhile, since the first mention of picnic, the child Monona had been dancing stiffly about the room, knees stiff, elbows stiff, shoulders immovable, her straight hair flapping about her face. The sad dance of the child who cannot dance because she never has danced. Di gave a conservative assent—she was at that age—and then took advantage of the family softness incident to a guest and demanded that Bobby go too. Ina hesitated, partly because she always hesitated, partly because she was tribal in the extreme. "Just our little family and Uncle Ninian would have been so nice," she sighed, with her consent.

When, at six o'clock, Ina and Dwight and Ninian assembled on the porch and Lulu came out with the basket, it was seen that she was in a blue cotton house gown

"Look here," said Ninian, "aren't you going?"

"Me?" said Lulu. "Oh, no."

"Why not?"

"Oh, I haven't been to a picnic since I can remember."

"But, why not?"

"Oh, I never think of such a thing."

Ninian waited for the family to speak. They did speak. Dwight said: "Lulu's a regular home body."

And Ina advanced kindly with: "Come with us, Lulu, if you like."

"No," said Lulu, and flushed. "Thank you," she added, formally.

Mrs. Bett's voice shrilled from within the house, startlingly close—just beyond the window blind, in fact: "Go on, Lulie. It'll do you good. You mind me and go on."

"Well," said Ninian, "that's what I say. You hustle for your hat and you come along."

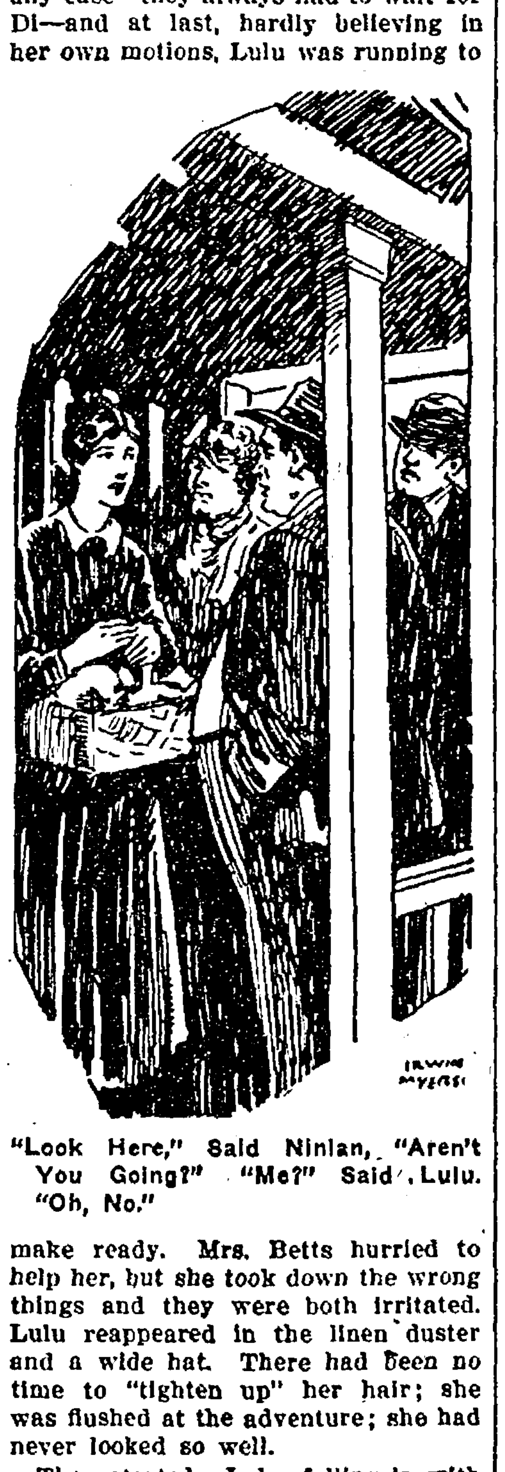
For the first time this course presented itself to Lulu as a possibility. She stared up at Ninian.

"You can slip on my linen duster, over," Ina said graciously.

"Your new one?" Dwight incredulously wished to know.

"Oh, no!" Ina laughed at the idea. "The old one."

They were having to wait for Di in any case—they always had to wait for Di—and at last, hardly believing in her own motions, Lulu was running to make ready. Mrs. Betts hurried to help her, but she took down the wrong things and they were both irritated. Lulu reappeared in the linen duster and a wide hat. There had been no time to "tighten up" her hair; she was flushed at the adventure; she had never looked so well.



"Look Here," Said Ninian, "Aren't You Going?" "Me?" Said Lulu. "Oh, No."

They started. Lulu, falling in with Monona, heard for the first time in her life, the step of the pursuing male, choosing to walk beside her and the little girl. Oh, would Ina like that? And what did Lulu care what Ina liked? Monona, making a silly, semi-articulate observation, was enchanted to have Lulu burst into laughter and squeeze her hand.

Di contributed her bright presence, and Bobby Larkin appeared from nowhere, running, with a gigantic bag of fruit.

"Bullylujah!" he shouted, and Lulu could have shouted with him.

She sought for some utterance. She wanted to talk with Ninian.

"I do hope we've brought sandwiches enough," was all that she could get to say.

They chose a spot, that is to say, Dwight Herbert chose a spot, across the river and up the shore where there was at that season a strip of warm beach. Dwight Herbert declared himself the builder of incomparable fires, and made a bad smudge. Ninian, who was a camper neither by birth nor by adoption, kept offering brightly to help, could think of nothing to do, and presently, bethinking himself of skipping stones, went and tried to skip them on the flowing river. Ina cut her hand opening the condensed milk and was obliged to sit under a tree and nurse the wound. Monona spilled all the salt and sought diligently to recover it. So Lulu did all the work. As for Di and Bobby, they had taken the pail and gone for water, discouraging her to the point of tears. But the two were gone for so long that, on their return, Dwight was hungry and cross and majestic.

"Those who disregard the comfort of other people," he enunciated, "cannot expect consideration for themselves in the future."

He did not say on what ethical tenet this dictum was based, but he delivered it with extreme authority. Ina caught her lower lip with her teeth, dipped her head and looked at Di. And Monona laughed like a little demon.

As soon as Lulu had all in readiness, and cold corned beef and salad had begun their orderly progression, Dwight became the immemorial dweller in green fastnesses. He began:

"This is ideal. I tell you, people don't half know life if they don't get out and eat in the open. It's better than any tonic at a dollar the bottle. Nature's tonic—eh? Free as the air. Look at that sky. See that water. Could anything be more pleasant?"

He smiled at his wife. This man's face was glowing with simple pleasure. He loved the out-of-doors with a love which could not explain itself. But he now lost a definite climax when his wife's comment was heard to be:

"Monona! Now it's all over both ruffles. And mamma does try so hard. . . ."

After supper some boys arrived with a boat which they beached, and Dwight, with enthusiasm, gave the boys ten cents for a half hour's use of that boat and invited to the waters his wife, his brother and his younger daughter. Ina was timid—not because she was afraid, but because she was congenitally timid—with her this was not a belief or an emotion, it was a disease.

"Dwight, darling, are you sure there's no danger?"

"Why, none. None in the world. Whoever heard of drowning in a river?"

"But you're not so very used—"

Oh, wasn't he? Who was it that had lived in a boat throughout youth, if not he?

Ninian refused out-of-hand, lighted a cigar, and sat on a log in a permanent fashion. Ina's plump figure was fitted in the stern, the child Monona affixed, and the boat put off, bow well out of water. On this pleasure ride the face of the wife was as the face of the damned. It was true that she revered her husband's opinions above those of all other men. In politics, in science, in religion, in dentistry, she looked up to his dicta as to revelation. And was he not a magistrate? But let him take oars in hand, or shake lines or a whip above the back of any horse, and this woman would trust any other woman's husband by preference. It was a phenomenon.

Lulu was making the work last, so that she should be out of everybody's way. When the boat put off without Ninian, she felt a kind of terror and wished that he had gone. He had sat down near her, and she pretended not to see. At last Lulu understood that Ninian was deliberately choosing to remain with her. The languor of his bulk after the evening meal made no explanation for Lulu. She asked for no explanation. He had stayed.

And they were alone. For Di, on a pretext of examining the flocks and herds, was leading Bobby away to the pastures, a little at a time.

The sun, now fallen, had left an even, waxen sky. Leaves and ferns appeared drenched with the light just withdrawn. The hush, the warmth, the color, were charged with some influence. The air of the time communicated itself to Lulu as intense and quiet happiness. She had not yet felt quiet with Ninian. For the first time her blind excitement in his presence ceased, and she felt curiously accustomed to him. To him the air of the time imparted itself in a deepening of his facile sympathy.

"Do you know something?" he began. "I think you have it pretty hard around here."

"I?" Lulu was genuinely astonished.

"Yes, sir. Do you have to work like this all the time? I guess you won't mind my asking."

"Well, I ought to work. I have a home with them. Mother, too."

"Yes, but glory! You ought to have some kind of a life of your own. You want it, too. You told me you did—that first day."

She was silent. Again he was investing her with a longing which she had never really had, until he had planted that longing. She had wanted she knew not what. Now she accepted the dim, the romantic interest of this role.

"I guess you don't see how it seems," he said, "to me, coming along—a stranger so. I don't like it."

He frowned, regarded the river, flicked away ashes, his diamond obediently shining. Lulu's look, her head drooping, had the liquid air of the look of a young girl. For the first time in her life she was feeling her helplessness. It intoxicated her.

"They're very good to me," she said.

He turned. "Do you know why you think that? Because you've never had anybody really good to you. That's why."

"But they treat me good."

"They make a slave of you. Regular slave." He puffed, frowning. "D—d shame, I call it," he said.

Her loyalty stirred Lulu. "We have our whole living—"

"And you earn it. I been watching you since I been here. Don't you ever go anywheres?"

She said: "This is the first place in—in years."

"Lord! Don't you want to? Of course you do!"

"Not so much places like this—"

"I see. What you want is to get away—like you'd ought to." He regarded her. "You've been a blamed fine-looking woman," he said.

She did not flush, but the faint, unsuspected Lulu spoke for her:

"You must have been a good-looking man once yourself."

His laugh went ringing across the water. "You're pretty good," he said. He regarded her approvingly. "I don't see how you do it," he mused. "blamed if I do."

"How do what?"

"Why come back, quick like that, with what you say."

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

ACTIVE REPRESENTATIVE—wanted by large wholesale house of high standing. Unlimited earning possibilities with opportunity to build permanent trade selling complete line of staples in constant us. A connection with a real future. State age and full details.—John Sexton & Co., Chicago, Ill.

A. H. Storm and son, Leland, of Sanborn, Iowa, were visitors several days last week at the home of Chas. Schmalle. Mr. Storm returned last week, but Leland remained for a little longer visit with his grandfather.

John Barry of Des Moines was in town a day or so last week, looking after some business interests here. He was formerly a resident of this place.

M. J. Thoe spent several days last week visiting with relatives at his former home, Lake Mills.

O. T. Jacobson is improving his store building by a new coat of paint, Jake Jacobs doing the work.

Mr. Bettin, former proprietor of the Hotel Case, left Saturday of last week for Sioux City, where he will make his home for the present. Mr. Bettin says he does not know what his future plans will be, but that he probably will go back to the hotel business.

Mr. Fred Shipley, the new proprietor of the Hotel Case, took possession on the establishment last Saturday morning. Mr. Shipley, who has resided both at Garner and Klemme, is given very high recommendations by the papers of these two towns, and Belmond people may expect the best service and accomodations from the new proprietor.

G. H. Jenison, one of Belmond's most progressive farmers and a raiser of Spotted-Polands, took second prize at the North Iowa Fair at Mason City on his entry in the Junior boar class. Mr. Jenison has also entered in the Fort Dodge fair.

Clarence Obrecht of Thornton was a visitor in town with friends over the week end.

Mrs. Sinplop of Iowa Falls was a visitor last week Thursday with Miss Ruth Polmateer, near Alexander.

Leo Kenefick, who expected to reach home the 15th on a two-weeks' vacation from his school duties at Ft. Collins, Colorado, was delayed and expects to be here some time this week.

Merle Hildebrand, who has been working near Des Moines, has been in town the past week or so. He may move his family here to live.

Mrs. T. D. Rankins was a visitor a couple of days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Leonard, at Swaledale.

Miss Gretchen Kubitschek will meet any prospective violin pupils Thursday afternoon, August 24, at the Sharon home. 401t*

The Independent is in receipt of a special booster edition of the Mankato, Minnesota, Free Press, a 40-page paper with a complete write-up of an Elks convention held there. Judging from the sheet,, Mankato is a live wire town. The paper was sent by J. S. Cook, a former resident of Belmond.

D. L. Mallory and wife are now at Rapid City, South Dakota, visiting relatives.

Harry Heuerman and family arrived Saturday night for a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Heuerman. Harry had to return to his duties in the railroad station at Fairbault, Minnesota, where they reside, Sunday night, but Mrs. Heuerman and two children will remain for a few days longer stay. Harry reports Fairbault as booming, with every factory hudming and generally behind on orders. There are a number of factories of various kinds there, Fairbault being a place of about 12,000.

Mrs. Douglas, an aunt of Mrs. O. T. Jacobson, is a guest at the Jacobson home, where she will remain a few weeks. Her home is in California.

While driving into town from the south Sunday evening, Chris Sorenson was blinded by an approaching auto's lights and ran his car into the ditch at the side of the road. No damage was done, the car not turning over, but Chris had to secure help to get into the road again. Drivers using glaring headlights should be jerked up and given everything the law has to give; they are a danger to every car they meet.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Jacobson drove to Rowan on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Webb spent Sunday with their son, Harry, at Ottoson, Iowa, where he has charge of the Methodist churuch. Harry is doing splendidly in his minister's duties and we are informed has very good sized congregations.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Steenblock son Peter, and Mrs. Sarah Zook left Monday of this week on a trip to West Bend, Sibley and Rock Rapids, where they will visit relatives, and then they go on to South Dakota for a short visit there. On their return they will visit several places in Minnesota.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

For Sale—Bicycle, in good condition. Will sell cheap.—Phone 74. 392c

For sale—Studebaker top-buggy, good as new. A bargain if taken at once. Also dapple gray mare coming four years old, broke to all farm work.—Bruno Bruns, Phone 2309. 402*

For Sale—Gentle driving horse, can be driven by any woman. Also good single harness for sale.—Ed. Jenison. 37tfc

NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In the Estate of Nellie Lein, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that on the 1st day of August, 1922, there was filed with and opened by the undersigned Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Wright County, a Written instrument purporting to be the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Nellie Lien, late of said County, deceased.

And you are further notified that the 5th day of September, 1922, at 1:30 p. m. of said day, has been set as the day for the final hearing and proof of said Will, before me at the Clerk's office in the Court House at Clarion, Iowa, at which time any person interested can appear and show cause why the same should not be admitted to probate.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at my office in Clarion in said County, this 1st day August, A. D., 1922.

R. V. GOSLIN,
Clerk District Court

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Miss Irene Hunter is a trimmer at The Hat Shoppe, coming from St. Paul, her home, last week. The formal opening of the Hat Shoppe will be this week Saturday, to which all the ladies are cordially invited.

Rev. S. U. Leinbach has started work on the erection of a fine new home on his farm about a mile east of town. Fred Leinbach, who is now at Ames, and the two other boys will farm the place next year, Rev. and Mrs. Leinbach residing in the new home with them.

Leo Kenefick arrived yesterday afternoon from Ft. Collins, Colo., for a short visit with his parents.

The Misses Emma Hanson, Clara Hanson and Marie Fremming and their mother, Mrs. Hanson, of Fort Dodge were visitors last Sunday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Jensen. They drove up in their Ford Sedan, and left for home late in the afternoon. The Jensen family accompanied them thru Tyrrell Park to Lake Cornelia and part way to Clarion on the return journey.

Joe Graham and wife of Titonka were visiting relatives here the first of the week.

Apples for sale by G. Gabrielson on the old Simerson farm. 403c

Supt. Guthrie of Mason City has moved to town and is now located in north Belmond. Mr. Guthrie will have charge of the local school this coming year, and is now on the job getting things in shape for the opening, Sept. 4.

LOST—Bunch of keys, on Main street. Leave at this office for reward.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey were visitors at Clear Lake on Sunday.

Mrs. Merle Hildebrand came Monday evening from Oxford Junction, for a visit with relatives here and to join her husband, who is working here at present.

E. A. Ely returned last Tuesday from his vacation which he spent in the northeastern part of Wisconsin, visiting relatives.

Albert Fetrow and family and Bert Anfinson returned Tuesday of this week from their vacation, spent in Minnesota enjoying the fishing. They secured some fine catches and brought some fine specimens home with them to prove their "fish stories."

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Garth from Palo Alto, California, were visitors the past week at the home of his uncle, W. C. Tyrrell, and family. They started Tuesday on the return trip.

Carl Braun started for Illinois last week, where he will spend a few days visiting with relatives. He made the trip by car.

The Belmond township farm bureau will meet on September 7 at the A. E. Martin home.

Mrs. Case, the librarian, now has at the library an unusual book, on Oriental rugs, which those who are interested may peruse at the library. The book is a very interesting one, is exceedingly difficult to get, and the copy which Mrs. Case now has must be returned in two weeks to the State Library Association at Des Moines. It is just loaned out for a short time.

Tom Brooks and family, accompanied by Miss Elaine Ditmer and Mr. Leo Dunn of Clarion, drove to Mason City last Friday to take in the fair.

Mrs. Alma LeBarron of Dows was in town Tuesday on legal business. She was accompanied by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Herschel LeBarron, of Swea City.

Wm. Dempsey and wife accompanied Mrs. Champlin to Clarion Monday evening, to visit Ole Cham- ..ho was injured there Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Cannon, and Miss Herwig, drove up from Independence last week to visit relatives here. Glen, a former Belmond boy, has ben running a garage at Independence.

Mrs. Fred Frohling was a visitor last week at the home of Mrs. Harry Brooks at Clear Lake. She and Mrs. Brooks also took in the fair at Mason City one day.

Mr. and Mrs. Hero Frohling were at Clear Lake on Sunday, visiting at the homes of Mrs. Harry Brooks and Mrs. Ben Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Fritz left Friday morning of last week for their home at Watseka, Illinois, after a week's visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Martin and daughter, Harriett, and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Fritz of Watseka, Illinois, spent Wednesday of last week with Dr. and Mrs. Kain of Algona, also viewing the grotto at West Bend.

Four room furnished house for rent Phone 318. 401c

Mrs. Wallace Remsay and daughter Ruth are visiting Walter Ramsay and family in Des Moines this week.

Miss Elaine Ditmer, of Clarion, was a guest last week with her friend, Miss Shirley Brooks.

Miss May Wallace, now residing in Minneapolis, is spending a part of her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Wallace in Belmond.

Rev. Wilkinson and family returned last week from their vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe of Holmes were guests at the Ed. Kiplinger home Sunday. Mrs. Wolfe is a daughter of Mr. Kiplinger.

Chester Cullinan is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cullinan, this week. He is now engaged in teaching at Cedar Falls.

H. J. Klemme and daughter, Miss Ruth, returned the first of the week from California and Colorado, where they have been the past winter and spring.

This vicinity has experienced some honest-to-goodness hot weather lately, but last week Thursday was the banner day for heat, when the thermometer registered 95 degrees. A rain following cooled it off somewhat, but Old Sol came back strong Sunday and very nearly met the mark again. Sultry, cloudy days have been the order the first of the week. Fine for corn.

Threshing is practically completed, but a few not having their grain finished. Yields are reported good, better than expected in some cases and a little lighter in others. On the average, however, this year's crop was a good one.

Quite a number of local people are planning on taking in the state fair at Des Moines, which starts this week Wednesday and lasts until September 1st. A fine program of amusements has been arranged, and the exhibits are said to be the best ever held.

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CLEANING PROCESS---

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We guarantee all work to be first class.

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F. J. Tuffree Phone 28

G. Snyder, from Fort Worth, Texas is a guest this week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Purcell and Mr. and Mrs. C. Kragh drove to Duncomb last Sunday afternoon.

Pauline Peterson was a guest at the Roosevelt home in Clarion the first of the week.

Ward Martin and daughter Harriett, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Fritz, were North Iowa Fair visitors Thursday last.

Mrs. E. F. Biley and daughter Doris went to Charles City to spend the week end at the Satterly home.

The Chain of Ten will meet in two weeks at the home of Mrs. H. F. Lujck.

Harry Boelman, R. Mossel and G. Koehler were visitors at the home of their friend, Raymond Watermiller, last Sunday.

Splendid milk cow for sale. Also thorobred Ancona chickens.—Harold Claussen. 401c

CLEANLINESS--

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City Meat Market

Nissen & Harbison, Props.

Phone 207

Kinseth's Store News

Well the big day has come and gone and today we're all holding the "post mortem." It was a pretty good all-round day, wasn't it? We hope you had a good time and that Belmond will see you often in the future. You came in to see us yesterday, and we were mighty glad to see you and hope you will come again soon. Every day is a big day with us, and we will be with you if you trade at The Store on the Corner. Any day when you can get what you want when you want it and save money too is a good day, and good goods at living prices—if you have been here you know it, and if you haven't you'll soon find it out when you come. For of course you're coming—they all do finally to the biggest little store in town, The Store on the Corner, where your dollar is worth 100 cents.

Jack Frost Will Get You

Unless You Fix that Stove or Furnace NOW!

It means a saving to you to place your order NOW. It costs less to order parts for your furnace or stove along with your neighbor's than to order them individually. And besides---your stove or furnace will be ready when you need it.

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The Store of Service

Phone 34

Belmond, Iowa

Announcement

The ladies of Belmond and vicinity are cordially invited

to attend the opening of

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ON SATURDAY, AUGUST TWENTY-SIXTH

Showing a complete line of new stock in the latest styles

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WRIGHT COUNTY BOYS WIN AT STATE FAIR

College Program Is Splendid Affair

Program At Community Club Meeting Draws Many Approving Remarks.

ALL BY BELMOND GIRLS

The college program given by the Belmond college girls at the Community Club last Friday was certainly a fine one. Everyone spoke of the remarkable talent we have among our home town girls. The club certainly appreciated the work of the leader, Miss Beatrice Leinbach, in arranging such a splendid program, and the kindness of all the girls who so willingly gave their time in taking part. Someone said admission should have been charged to such a program.

The first number was the college high school quartette. Mrs. R. H. Klemme read a very interesting paper on the early history of Iowa colleges. Miss Florence Simerson sang a beautiful solo. Miss Dorthea Okrueg played a piano solo. The quartette gave a second selection after which two Morningside girls gave an original stunt. Next came an Iowa City State University song. Mrs. R. H. Klemme, Mrs. Glenn Klemme and Mrs. L. R. Parsons sang a Cornell College song. A tragedy in two acts by Coe College girls was so tragical that the audience almost wept, after they were unable to laugh any more.

Different colleges gave yells and cheers for their Alma Matre. The college girls on the program were Esther Harwick from Ames, Erma Wilkinson, Clara Johnson, Marjorie Purcell from Morningside, Luella Christie, Olive Butts, Dortha Okrueg, Beatrice Leinbach and Elizabeth Leinbach from Coe and Florence Simerson from St. Olaf.

GOOD RESULTS ON COUNTY ROAD PROBLEM

Monitor: By the end of the present year Engineer Hilton expects to have the road work in Wright county in such shape that he will be able to dispense with about one-half of his present force. It is apparant to all that the completed gravel roads in this county are second to none the state over, many declaring that they prefer them to paving. It takes time to build good roads, but Engineer Hilton has demonstrated that it can be done.

A brief review of the road work the county over shows the following progress to have been made:

The two mile connecting link with the Wilson highway between Dows and Williams was completed Saturday and thus opens another four and one-half miles of good gravel road for travel.

The work of graveling the Clarion-Woolstock road south is progressing nicely and before winter sets in will be fully completed. The gravel on the first three miles from the Clarion end has been spread for some weeks. Several miles additional gravel has been hauled and will soon be spread. The entire length of this project is 13 and 1-2 miles and was awarded to two contractors, each beginning work at the opposite end.

On the Holmes-North road the gravel is now being hauled on the fifth mile, which completes the same to the Olson school house. None of the gravel has been spread as yet. It is proposed to continue the graveling yet this fall two miles north from the school house and two miles east. From this point to the Hancock county line is but three miles, the same being the main south road into Kanawha. In all probability this section will be graded, drained and graveled next season.

The work of grading and draining the Woolstock-Eagle Grove road is about two-thirds completed. Good progress is being made on the same.

The same work on the Clarion-Eagle Grove road is about one-half finished. This work proper starts at the Harry Sumners corner three miles south of Clarion, thence five miles west, thence one and one-half miles south and then direct into Eagle Grove on a three mile stretch.

The south nine and one-half miles of the Wilson highway in this county will have been completely graded and drained this fall, all ready for the gravel next season.

In the northeast part of the county the work of graveling the Belmond-East road is about half completed at the present time. This is a five mile stretch between that town and the Hancock county line.

It is plain to be seen that the governor of New York is not a politician. He used $8,000 of his own salary to pay state bills.

A mother with her first baby does not have much in the way of ignorance on the man with his first automobile.

TRINITY CHURCH

Mid-week service will be conducted at the church Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock.

Saturday morning the classes meet at 10 o'clock.

Sunday morning English service will be conducted at the usual hour, 11 o'clock. At this service we receive the annual offering for our Snyodical church extension fund. Please come prepared for this. We need the encouragement for the poor and needy brethern, who are without a church home. Let us therefore have a good congregation and and a good offering. It will gladden the hearts of those who give and benefit those who receive. Please come and tell others to come.

Sunday morning our Sunday school meets at the usual hour. Remember that Sunday, Sept. 10, is Rally Sunday. Let pupils and teachers take a big interest in Sunday school.

Sunday evening at 8 o'clock service will be conducted in the Norwegian language.

ST. OLAF CHURCH

Wednesday afternoon, at 1:30 the class meets at the church. Wednesday evening cottage prayer will be held at the home of Andrew Scott. As many as possible should attend these meetings. Therefore come and take someone with you.

Sunday morning Sunday school will be conducted at the church at 10:30. Let the parents and children meet together in the Sunday school. There is something worth while for all.

Wednesday afternoon Sept. 6th the North Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Andrew Linning. Better attendance is hoped for at this meeting.

Thursday afternoon Sept. 7th the South Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Elling Ellingston. We look for a good attendance at this gathering.

IOWA TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU MEETING

The next meeting of the Iowa township Farm Bureau organization will be held at the A. C. Lieuwen home two miles west and one-half mile south of Alexander, two miles east and three and one-half miles north of Rowan, and three and one-half miles south and four miles east of Belmond, Tuesday evening, September 5th. Ice cream and cake will be served, the small charge of 10 cents a dish being made to defray expenses. The following program will be given:

Music ---------- Meeker's Orchestra
Instrumental Duet ----------------
Edna Arends and Gail Thompson
Song ---------------- Arnold Myers
Talk: Woman's Work in the Farm Bureau ------ Mrs. A. E. Martin
Reading -------------- Carol Tyrrell
Duet ------------------------------
Mrs. Lyle Hall and Mrs. Lee Reed
Address —O. P. Morton of Lincoln township.
Reading ------------- Ralph Whitten
Remarks —R. M. Edwards, County Agent.
Community Singing.
Music ---------- Meekers' Orchestra

A good attendance is desired.

ALL IN A DAY

"It's all in a day," we hear men say. But what is a day—for a man, and for the woman? Custom says that eight hours is the proper amount of time that should be consumed in work in a day. The remaining sixteen hours are for rest, recreation and sleep. The husband works his eight hours at his place of business and then goes home to his supper. His day's labor is at an end. After supper he lights his pipe, picks up the paper and proceeds to post himself on the affairs of the day. Or perhaps he goes to his lodge, or "out among the boys."

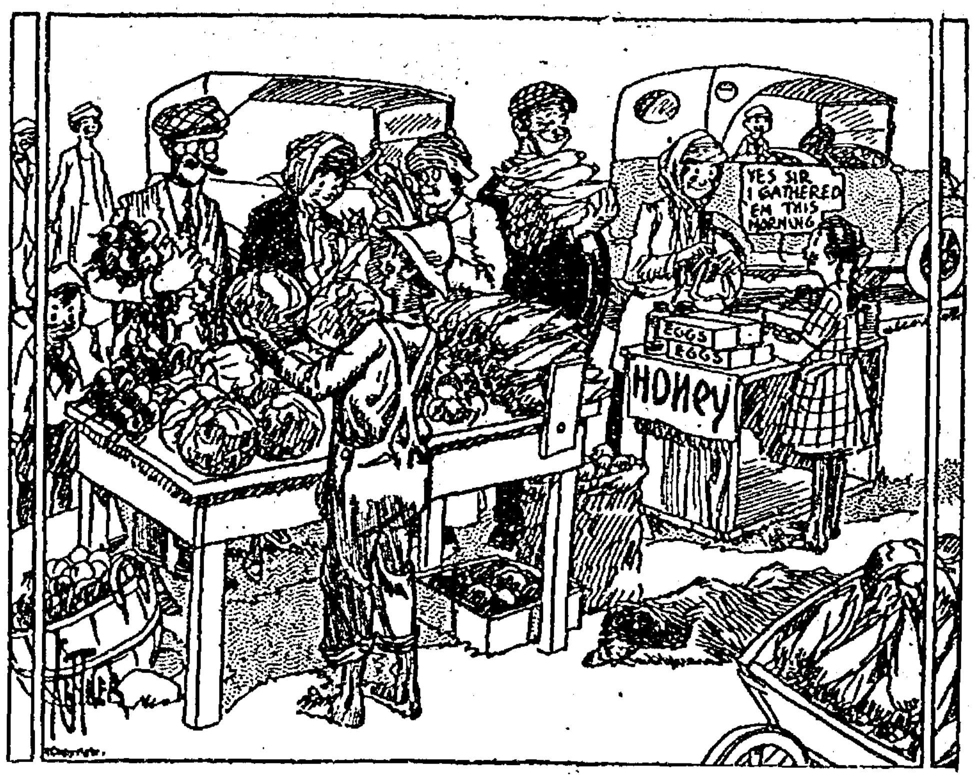
But what of the wife? Does she hunt a comfortable chair, and immerse herself in her favorite book, or spend the evening with her neighbor, or in a hundred other different ways that are possible? Occasionally, but not often. The dishes must be washed up and put away after the evening meal and the kitchen and dining room must be cleaned. Then the husband has a pair of sox that need mending and some buttons to be sewed on, and possibly there is some ironing to be done, and some clothing to be made or mended for the children. The kiddies, too, need some assistance in their lessons, and the baby has to be rocked and put to sleep in its cradle. And many other things must be done of which a mere man can not think.

Yes, "it's all in a day," both for the man and the woman, but the woman seldom gets the best of it.—Exchange.

FARM BUREAU BOX SOCIAL

The Pleasant township farm burea will hold a box social on Monday, September 4th, in the evening, at the S. A. Anderson home one-half mile east and two and one-half miles north of Belmond. Everybody is invited, and ladies are requested to bring baskets. The proceeds of the social will go toward the short course to be held next winter. Mr. Anderson lives on the old Matt Sullivan place. Here's your chance to have a good time.

From Producer to Consumer


YES SIR I GATHERED THIS MORNING
HONEY

13-STRAIGHT TEAM LOSES NUMBER 14

Livermore Has Record Broken Sunday When Belmond Is Victorious In Game.

The much-touted ball team from Livermore, who claimed that they had not lost a game in thirteen played, lost their reputation Sunday on the local diamond when the Belmond team very neatly trimmed them by an easy score of 7 to 1. It was all Belmond's game from the start, and the ultimate result was a foregone conclusion. The boys started pounding the Livermore pitcher in the very start, and kept it up thruout the entire game. Chapman on the mound for Belmond was a Chinese puzzle for the enemy, and they never got half a dozen balls in the outfield. John threw a very nice game, and out classed his opponent in all angles of the art. Some fine playing was displayed by the local team. The line-up was as follows:

Chapman, pitcher
Fulton, catcher
Packard, 1st base
Jones, 2nd base
Nelson, 3rd base
Madsen, short stop
Dillon, left field
Foss, center field
Wenzel, right field

THIS OUGHT TO BE A RECORD BREAKER

Quite a number of Belmond folks went to Thornton last Thursday to take in the big day, but chiefly to witness the ball game between Dows and Hampton. This was certainly the most wierd and astonishing exhibition of the national sport seen in many moons. The score was 14 to 11, won by Dows, and the game was featured by thirteen—count 'em—home runs. Hampton secured eight of the thirteen, and lost the game. The Hampton second baseman only had four of the eight. Some of the drives were the hardest ever seen, several of the batters crossing the plate before the ball was touched. This many home runs in one game ought to set a record. An immense crowd was present, and at 35 cents a head Thornton made about enough to pay the day's expenses. The town entertained the largest crowd in history it is reported, running out of roast ox to feed the mob.

BARRY LOCATES HIS CAR

M. C. Barry's stolen Buick Six auto was found in the ditch near Woolstock last Wednesday, where the parties who took it from in front of the Lyric theatre a night or two before, had left it. The thieves, of whom it is believed there were four, two men and two women, had left the car in the ditch after vainly trying to get it out. In making a short detour near Woolstock where the road was blocked they got into the ditch, and after hitting a tree and burning out the clutch they left their stolen property and skipped to other parts. No one seems to know who they were or where they went, altho farmer's wife saw two men and two women walking up the road the next morning. It is thought that they were from Webster City, where it is said there is a gang of car thives hangs otu, a sort of sub-gang for Des Moines headquarters in this line of business. The car was taken to Mason City for repairs, the insurance company we understand standing the repair bill.

Last Monday evening Carl Dorenkamp was much surprised by a party of friends and relatives who gathered at his home in honor of his birthday. Those present were Mr. and Jacob Dorenkamp, Sr., and children, Mr. and Mrs. Hughie Sharp and children, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Ainger and baby, Jake Dorenkamp, Jr., and Miss Bena Dorenkamp. Delicious refreshments were served and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

SUITS BEING FILED FOR NEXT COURT TERM

What Is Going On In District Court—One Case Entered From Belmond. 9

Monitor: B. F. Hollingshead has filed suit against W. N. Bump and Geo. Smalridge to collect the sum of $350 alleged to be the balance due on an oral contract to manage their 80 acre farm.

P. C. Rand [illegible] R. W. Frank, et al is a suit to recover amount due on a $6,000 note.

Tillinghast & Company ask for a judgment against E. L. Hollenbeck for the sum of $199 for groceries sold the defendant. About two hundred chickens were attached to secure a portion of the obligation. A second attachment was issued on Tuesday.

Thirty property owners residing within the corporate limits of Clarion have filed suit in the district court asking that their respective farm lands be severed and set apart from the said corporation. This move is made principally to get away from the excessive taxes which the city can by law levy against their lands for public improvements. This fact was brought out very forcibly when the city proposed to gravel the four main roads into Clarion. In at least one case the amount of tax to be assessed was over $1,500. If the above petition is granted, four additional miles of county road will be secured and Clarion will then be able to gravel the four remaining miles without burdening those owning agricultural tracts.

Phoebe White, admisistrator of the estate of W. H. White, brings suit against Adam Hollman, et al to recover on a note for $3,090.

The Wright county board of supervisors was in session Monday with the Franklin county board at Hampton considering matters pertaining to a joint drainage district.

County Engineer Hilton received an awful wallop on the head the other day. One might think a mule had kicked him, but not so. The gallant gentleman was assisting a lady to start her auto when the engine backfired and the crank flew off striking him a stunning blow.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to Milan Curtis Corwin and Veta Pearl Butler, both of Clarion, Lester Thomas Bicket of St. Louis and Inez Lenore Boughton of Belmond, Chas. H. Latch and Edna Schoon, both of Iowa Falls.

SCHOOL OPENS HERE ON SEPTEMBER FOURTH

The Belmond public schools will open Monday, September 4th. The superintendent and the principal of the high school will be in the building the Thursday, Friday and Saturday previous for the purpose of enrolling students. The seniors are asked to come Thursday morning, August 31, the Juniors Friday afternoon, the Sophomores Friday forenoon and the Freshmen Friday afternoon, September 1. New pupils entering the grades are asked to present their report cards or promotion slips to the superintendent Satuday morning.

There will be a meeting of all the teachers of the corps Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.

DEMPSEY BUYS BURKE'S POP CORN STAND

"Bill" Dempsey has purchased the pop corn stand of E. Burke and took possession last Friday morning of the business. The deal includes the stand itself, all supplies and so forth, the consideration not being known at this time. Bill has already started doing a very nice business he will increase the size of his sacks, is using real butter and endeavoring in all ways to give his patrons the full value of their money. He is a live wire and we predict that he will do a good business. We do not know what Burke's future intentions are.

PRIZE WINNERS CREAMERY DAY

Following is the list of prize winners in the various contests and races held Creamery Day:

50 Yards, 6 years, 1st. Framer Morris, 2nd. Alfred Menke, 3rd. Harley Henn.

50 Yards, 8 years, 1st. Stanton Christie, 2nd. Herman Frohling, 3rd. Curtis Baker.

50 Yards, 10 years, 1st. Henry Johnson, 2nd. Tiaus Menke, 3rd. Donald Buchanan.

100 Yards, 12 years, Orland Rierson, 2nd. Wm. Henn, 3rd. Jos. Munson.

100 Yards, 14 years, 1st. Francis Baker, 2nd. Chas. Studebaker, 3rd. Fred Pals.

100 Yards, 16 years, 1st. Edwin Christie, 2nd. John Henn, 3rd. Kenneth Wright, of Ft. Dodge.

100 Yards, free for all, 1st. Everett Parsons, 2nd. Forest Beemer, of Hampton, 3rd. Floyd Mortimer.

50 Yards, girls 12 years, 1st. Everil Hauge, 2nd. Mildred Stapley, 3rd. Ruth Melvin.

100 Yards, girls free for all, 1st. Veone Lobdell, 2nd. Mildred Stapley, 3rd. Lucile Hauge.

Fat men's race, 1st. R. D. Box, 2nd. Oren Bamford, 3rd. P. J. Bamford.

Sack race, 1st. John Henn, 2nd. Geo. Thompson, 3rd. Geo. Menke.

Three-legged race, 1st Ed. Hauge and Elmer Johnson, 2nd. Forest and Leslie Beemer, of Hampton, 3rd. Jno. Henn and Geo. Menke.

Boxing, 12 years, 1st. Geo. Hartman, 2nd. Frances Baker.

16 years, 1st Joe Sprenzel, 2nd. Sheldon Dahlgren.

Free for all, 1st. Lyle Sands, 2nd. Jas. Trees.

Pillow fight, 1st. Peter Steenblock.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

S. S. Matson accompanied his daughter, Mrs. Mildred Stacy, of Indianapolis, as far as Chicago and returned on Friday.

John Rust and Elmer Schneiders' with their families attended the fair last week.

Wm. Cunningham returned from Hampton last Wednesday. He is much improved but will be unable to work for some time.

L. W. Wesenberg and Geo. Ruka drove to Des Moines last Thursday to attend the fair.

Dan Miller and Harvey Hubbard drove to Hampton and brought Mrs. Miller home. She is much improved.

Friday Dr. Snearlys' and Sumner Trumbell's autoed to Des Moines and took in the fair, returning Sunda.

Mr. and Mrs. Eiffert and son and wife of Monona visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Schneider on Wednesday.

The town of Goodell is to have a well. The drillers have their machine up on the north side of Main street just east of Savogue's restaurant.

Roy Cline of Buffalo Center was in Goodell on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Graeber visited at the home of Wm .Graeber of Corwith on Sunday.

S. C. Pollock of Garner will speak at the morning service of the U. B. church Sept. 3.

The County Sunday School Convention will be held at the Liberty M. E. church on Sept. 14. Those going will bring their dinners.

The Women's Missionery society will hold the third quarterly business meeting at the home of Mrs. L. W. Sherwood on Friday afternoon, Sept. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. James Trumbell of Mason City looked after Sumner Trumbell's work while he attended the fair.

Del Church and son Caryl came over from Clear Lake on Monday.

Earny Wilkins is working for Roscoe Willies while he is at the state fair.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Owen Conwell left for a two weeks' vacation.

BITES DYNAMITE CAP —JAWS BLOWN OPEN

At the home of a farmer named Lon Nagel near Greenleafton, a hired man gave a two-year-old daughter of the man of the house a stick of gum from his suitcase. He left the suitcase in his room and went about his work. Later the little one went to his room and found the open suit case and looking in it found a dynamite cap. She placed it in her mouth and bit it hard enuf to explode the cap. The force of the explosion blew her jaws open so wide that her mouth was torn and a physician had to take several stitches in her cheek to close the wound. The inside of her mouth was also badly burned and lacerated, but it is believed she will recover. —Humboldt Republican.

Three men from South Dakota, on their way to Texas in a Winton Six touring car, had the misfortune to have their car catch fire Monday afternoon near the Adolph Meinders' farm. The fire, starting it is believed from a short circuited wire from the battery, burned the top, back seat and floor of the car, but fortunately the engine and gears were uninjured and they were able to proceed on their way.

Cato Griesy is holding a demonstration on Majestic ranges from the 4th to the 9th of September.

Stock Judging Team Wins Over State

Judging Team Captures First Honors In Livestock Judging Contest For Boys.

MAY GO TO CHICAGO SHOW

A signal honor came to Wright county last week when the Wright county team of the boys' stock judging won first place in the statewide livestock judging contest at the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines.

The winning of the boys in the state contest entitles them to enter the Inter-State Fair, which will be held at Sioux City, with all their expenses paid. At [illegible] judge in competition with teams from Illinois, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas and Missouri for national honors. Should they win here they will be given a free trip to the International Livestock Show at Chicago. In addition to this the State Superintendent of Agriculture awards a trophy which if won two years in succession will become the property of that particular county.

The members of the prize-winning team from Wright county are Clarence Clark, of Lake township, Clyde Knight, of Liberty township, Everett Denby, of Lake township, and Ross Mechem, of Lincoln township, alternate.

Clarence Clark of the team won first prize in the state Individual judging contest, with a total of 711, which entitles him to a scholarship at Iowa State College and a silver loving cup valued a $50. Clyde Knight took sixth place in this contest.

Club work for boys and girls was originated in Wright county a number of years ago, and it was from here that it spread over the state, the nation, and internationally. The county has every right to be proud of the judging team that has been its representative at the state fair, and much credit should be given to County Agent Edwards for his work in developing a winning team.

TRAVEL BY AUTOMOBILE

A fleet of automobiles manned by a desperate band of gypsies invaded the business section of Rockwell City in Calhoun county, and proceeded to use high-handed methods in extracting coin from unsuspecting by-standers. Finally two women entered the First National bank when the assistant cashier, Earl Lemen, was all alone. They asked for a canvas money bag and were handed a discarded one. To show their appreciation they offered to tell Mr. Lemen's fortune which one of them proceeded to do in regulation gypsy style, and while the process was on the other women deftly extracted from a money till $65 in bills. Immediately after the departure of the women, Mr. Lemen became suspicious and decided to check up the cash. He found that he was $65.00 short. Sheriff Wolie was notified and the two women were placed under arrest. When brought to the bank by the sheriff, one of the women asked Earl Lemen for his handkerchief. As the handkerchief passed, the women slipped $40 of the money under Mr. Lemen's belt, nd pointed it out to the sheriff. He counted the money and demanded the remaining $25. The gypsy after some remonstrance, finally attempted to return the $25 in the same manner but, in her excitement, was too clumsy with her slight of hand work. The women were arrested and a fine of $15 and costs was imposed which was paid by one of the men of the party.—Garner Leader.

BANK AT SHEFFIELD IN TROUBLE

Hampton Recorder: The Sheffield Bank, owned and managed by the Carhart family at the town which bears its name, an institution that for forty years has successfully passed through many financial storms, is in trouble. Monday the Carhart brothers voluntarily closed its doors giving as a reason that they were unable to make required collections on papers.

It is said that depositors will lose nothing and there is reason to believe that the bank will reopen after readjustment is made to facilitate necessary liquidation.

The bank was organized on Jan. 1, 1880, by the late L. B. Carhart and since his death, which occurred two years ago, has been under the management of his sons, Herman L. and Ralph R. Carhart.

Ole Champlin, who was injured in an accident with a railroad speeder at Clarion last Sunday, was brought home last Friday, Wm. Dempsey bringing him home in his car. Ole is able to walk around and is on the job again, but is still pretty sore and bruised.

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THE CARNIVAL

Eagle Grove Times: A number of cities over the country are putting the taboo on carnival companies and refuse to let them come into the city at any price. The larger cities are making a fight against these shows which leave their marks in every town. The Minneapolis Journal in urging the ban on carnivals says:

"The carnival shows that have flooded the country of recent years are all bad, or so nearly so that there should be no hesitation in shutting them out of Minneapolis. They provide a low grade of amusement in a town already provided with high grade amusement. The usually bring surething gambling schemes as a side issue. They take away large sums of money, without leaving any valuable equivalent. But the worst charge laid at the carnival's door is that it is a traveling focus of disease. This charge is supported by the testimony of many mayors and health officers in communities that have had sad experience of carnivals."

The Marshalltown Times-Republican says it has been urging this advice upon the community for years and voices its approval of the indictment of the carnival:

"The average town big enough to attract a carnival is supplied with legitimate amusements, often oversupplied. These amusement ventures are, or should be, properly regulated. They are legitimate and part of the activities and business enterprise of the town. From their point of view they deserve protection from cheap, fly-by-night carnivals, with their cheap shows, crooked methods and general uncleanliness. And their argument is sound. The carnival season is at hand. Keep the carnival out. There isn't a single good reason why it should be let in," says the Times-Republican.

Eagle Grove has had two carnivals this year and everyone knows that the community is worse off for having them. During the railroad strike the companies have stayed away from railroad towns, but we are due for one or two more before the season ends. Other towns have passed laws to keep these shows out. Laws can be passed in Eagle Grove to keep them out. Some action should be taken now before another carnival comes in.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.
THE CHRISTIAN'S MISSION: reach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.—Matthew 10: 7, 8.

Monday.
SIN SEPARATES:—Your iniquities have separhted between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.—Isaiah 59: 2.

Tuesday.
LAW OF LOVE:—Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.—Romans 13: 10.

Wednesday.
GOD LOVES THE GOOD:—Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart.—Psalm 73: 1.

Thursday.
TRUTH MAKES FREE:—Then said Jesus, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. —John 8: 31, 32.

Friday.
THE POWER OF THOUGHT:—As he thinketh in his heart, so is he.—Proverbs 23: 7.

Saturday.
SUPPLY IS SURE:—Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thóu shalt be fed.

THE SENSE GOD GAVE HENS

He was saying things about another man. Evidently he ranked the other fellow's intelligence rather low, for he said: "He hasn't the sense that God gives hens."

It's an attractive phrase in its way. It seems to cover the ground.

It's a little unfair to the hen, however. At times the hen seems to display more intelligence than humans.

The highway used to be strewed with the remains of hens which had misjudged the speed of the automobiles. If you notice now there is a comparatively small amount of dead poultry along the highways. Most of these are youthful chickens. But a few hens indeed .

So, the hen does learn. "With the sense that God gives hens," she soon learns to keep out of the way of the speeding machines. She rolls in the dust and picks along the road, but she has learned that there are forces she must calculate upon and avoid.

We don't do it. Big public utility strikes, extravagances in government, class struggles for advantage one over another, those and other things leave wrecks along the highways.

The automobile is the hen's disaster. When it hits her she becomes bankrupt as a hen. But God seems to have given her sense to adapt her self to a changed condition.

A hen never tries to pass a law which shall bring corn and worms and bugs to her bill without effort on her part. She gets down from the perch and scratches. She hunts worms and chases grasshoppers. And that is the way she gets along. She's an egg producer, hatches a clutch and provides for them. That is what a hen is for. That is her business.

Take note of the hen. Consider her ways and be wise. She knows enuff to come in out of the rain, God gave her sense enuff to know what hurts her. She has intelligence enuff to know that good, hard steady scratching uncovers the worm. And she waits to cackle euntil she has laid an egg.

After all, that is knowing a good deal. There are many things that we might learn from hens.—Stockport, Iowa, News.

DID YOU EVER THINK—

That you should be either for or against your city. If you are for it you should boost it! If you are against it you should leave it!

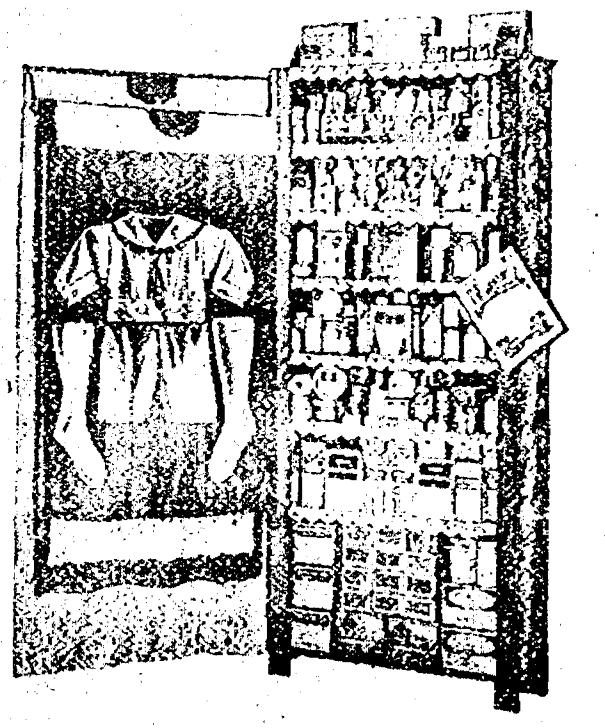
That you should clean up your city and keep it clean.

That you should seize every opportunity to help to exploit in your community a spirit of better and bigger business.

That most cities are big and generous enough to realize that in order to go ahead they must destroy and do away with much of the littleness, narrowness and staleness of some of their backward citizens.

That the one big thing behind all achievments is opportunity.

That many firms are waiting for business to pick up; others are realizing the opportunities of today and are forcing business by newspaper advertising.—Ackley World Democrat.



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CLIPPINGS

More men are beaten by success than by failure. There are men who cannot be defeated by difficulty nor disappointment; but before praise, reward and recognition, they go tumbling down. The man who is not ahead of what the people praise him for, who is not willing to forego their praise to fulfill his program, is already on the down grade. The man who thinks he has done something, has not many more things to do. One's program should be so long and so complete that when praise comes to him it will seem to him to be trivial, or for some accomplishment which he made long ago and has left behind. The man who cannot see more things yet to do, than the public praise him for having done, is nearly through.—Ford.

In the old days it didn't make much difference what our neighbors said about us, for it couldn't be heard more than a block, but now with wireless, we are liable to have our shortcomings spread from one end of the country to the other. At the Brenner wireless a few days ago, they listened in to a speech being made at the Alta fair, and this speech, broadcasted far and wide, was made by a fair speaker. He told of the value of a fair and then disgressed to tell about Wright county letting its fair go to the wall. It made the ears of the Brenner family tingle to hear a gentle roast for the good old Wright county people going thru the air, but what could one do? Nothing!—News.

Dr. Sams says every few days people come up to his office to get permission to camp out at the fair grounds. Two young men touring the country dropped into his office Monday afternoon and asked if Clarion had a tourists camp. The doctor told them to go out to the fair grounds and camp. He says many travelers drive in and make themselves at home without permission. This matter of a public tourist camp is something that business men should get interested in. Hampton, east; Belmond, north; Goldfield, west; and Eagle Grove, southwest, and Webster City, south of us are offering the traveling public tourists camp accomodations. We know we haven't one, and from the standpoint of civic pride, if not for business benefits, we should have a tourist park.—News.

Many West Benders have doubtless been curious from time to time as to where all the cars come from that visit our city ostensibly to see Father Dobberstein's grotto and park. W. G. Wilson is one of these and to satisfy himself he made a chart and during his spare moments jotted down the county or state from which cars acme. The system of auto license numbers making this possible. During the last couple of months he has noted cars here from 73 different counties in Iowa and from 28 different states. The states represented were from each of the coasts and as far south as the Gulf. Truly the Grotto is advertising West Bend in great shape.—West Bend Journal.

Two men lived side by side, and each owned a dog. Each day as one man went home his dog would rush to greet him, joyful over the return of its master. Whenever the other man entered his gate his dog would slink out of sight. Dogs are good judges of the true inwardness of a man.—Hampton Recorder.

BUSINESS PERSONALS

The Variety Store recently got in around $55 worth of harmonicas, or mouth organs, and has but a few left, having sold the biggest share of them. Harmonicas were difficult to get during the war, and we believe these were the first brought to town since then.

O. T. Jacobson has had the second coat of paint put on his store, and now has a nifty looking place of business.

Townsan Hardware have just received a large shipment of Pyrex kitchen ware. This ware is one of the best, stands the hard knocks, and the Townsan Hardware report that they are one of their best sellers.

The opening of the Hat Shoppe occured last Saturday, and Mrs. Rosecrans, the genial proprietor, entertained a good many of the ladies of this vicinity that day. The shop has been very nicely remodeled and makes an attractive place.

B. K. Kinseth made a wise remark the other day. When asked how business was he said it was FINE. Asked if he thought his advertising was worth while he remarked "If it didn't pay I wouldn't be doing it." Judging from his crowded store then, it must be paying.

Jim Adams has put in a complete line of supplies for school students, and this week takes space in the Independent to tell parents about them. Jim has been doing a nice business.

With the boss gone on a vacation, Griesy's hardware store has been under the able charge of Leppo Dorenkamp. Leppo has been with Cato some years, and knowing the business from table forks to corn cultivators he has given comlete service and satisfaction.

E. M. Lathrop returned the first of the week from the north, where he had been on business. During his absence E. A. Pierce was in charge of the produce business and he reports good trade.

RADIO

ALL ABOUT VACUUM TUBE AS AMPLIFIER

Connected Up to Furnish Rated Filament Current and Maintain Plate Potential.

Figure XXIV shows a three-electrode vacuum tube connected with the "A" battery to furnish the rated filament current and a "B" battery to maintain rated plate potential. In the plate circuit is a current meter to read the plate current. A "C" battery is connected in the grid circuit to maintain the grid at the positive potential O-A in order to have the tube operate at the point A on the characteristic curve. To T-T will be connected the alternating difference of potential having a maximum positive value equal to A-O and a maximum negative value equal to A-B.

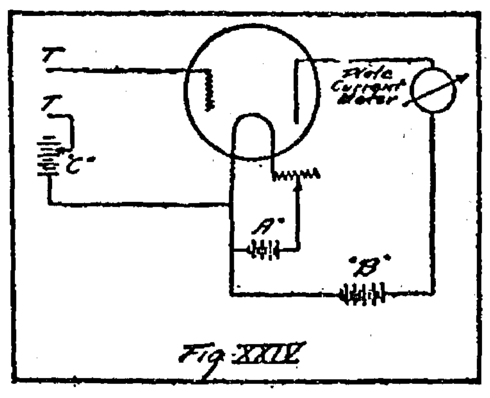

Fig XXIV

The resulting variation in plate current is shown in Fig. XXV. Inserting the tube functioning as an amplifier, with an amplification factor of K, between the supply of alternating difference of potential at T-T, was just K times what it actually is.

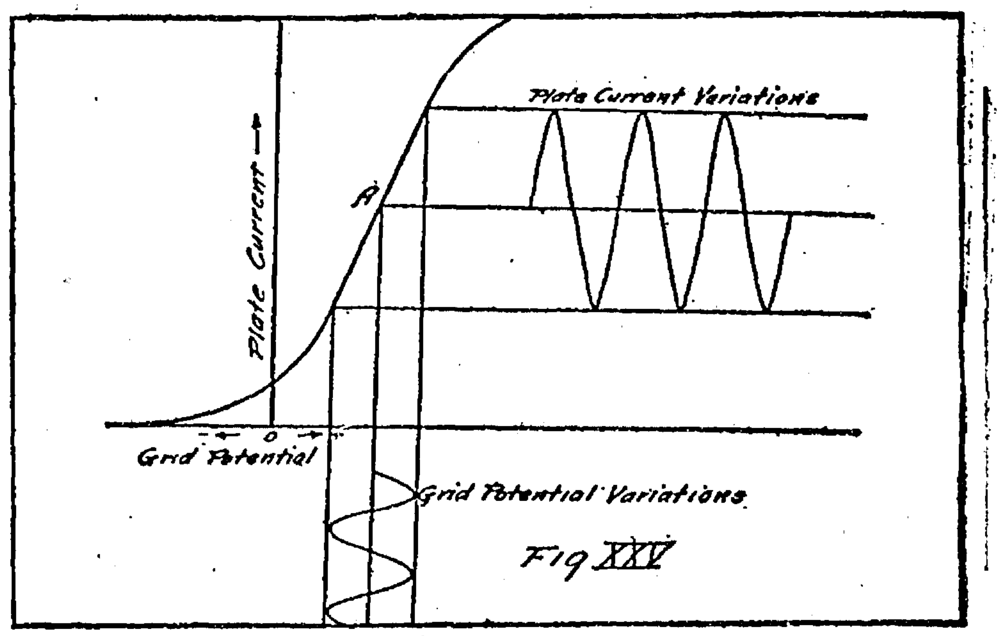

Fig XXV

All these considerations have been based on the assumption that the total impedance (resistance to the flow of an alternating current) of the entire plate circuit existed internally in the tube between the filament and the plate, and that the external electrical circuit from the plate to the filament had zero impedance. Of course, this condition never exists in practice. The external plate circuit always has impedance in it in the form of telephone receivers, resistance choke coils, or transformer primaries, depending upon the means that is employed to couple the successive tubes together.

It is only where the external plate circuit of a vacuum tube has zero impedance that the plate voltage is equal to that of the "B" battery. As soon as an impedance is introduced into the external plate circuit, part of the total potential of the "B" exists as a drop across the external impedance, so that only a portion of the total "B" battery is available at the plate.

Fig. XXVI represents the characteristic curve of the tube as we have been discussing it, with no impedance in the external plate circuit. This curve is called the "static" characteristic curve, to differentiate from the others. Suppose that we introduce into the external plate circuit an impedance in the form of a resistance as shown by R in Fig. XXVII. When the current flows around through the plate circuit, there will be a voltage drop across the resistance R equal in value to R times I, where I is the plate current in amperes. If the internal impedance of the tube be denoted by Z, then the drop in voltage from the plate to the filament inside of the tube is ZI. The sum of these two voltage drops, ZI plus RI, is always equal to the applied voltage of the "B" or plate circuit battery. The voltage of the "B" battery is constant.

As the plate current increases, the value of RI increases because R, the external plate resistance, does not change in value. So if the sum of ZI plus RI is always equal to a constant when RI increases, ZI must decrease. This means that when a constant "B" battery potential is applied to the plate circuit of a vacuum tube, containing external resistance, an increase in plate current causes a decrease in the potential existing between the plate and the filament.

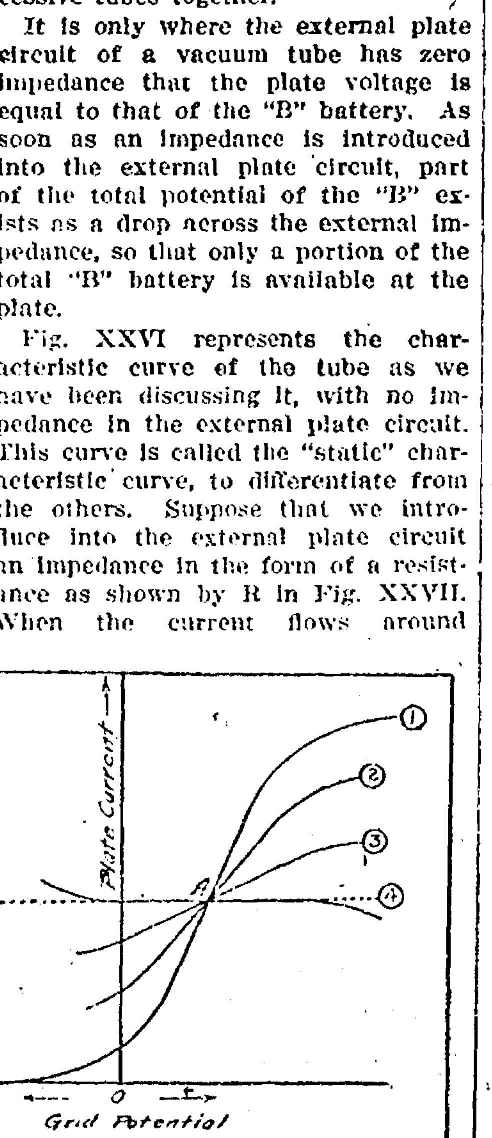

Fig XXVI

The "static" characteristic curve was drawn on the assumption that the difference in potential between the plate and the filament remained constant, obviously then, when the external plate circuit has other than zero impedance, the static characteristic curve no longer holds true.

The characteristic curve of a tube having other than zero impedance in the external plate circuit is the "dynamic" characteristic. The greater the variations in plate current, the greater the variation in the voltage existing between the plate and the filament. If the value of R, the external plate impedance, is increased, the greater will be the variation in the plate to filament voltage for the same variation in plate current.

In Fig. XXVI (2) is represented the dynamic characteristic of a tube with a certain definite value of R in the plate circuit. Curve (3) represents the dynamic characteristic of the same tube with a larger value of R in the plate circuit. Finally the extreme condition is reached, in which R is made infinitely high and the dynamic characteristic becomes parallel to the grid voltage axis as in (4). This shows that variations of grid potential would produce no variation of plate current, but maximum variations of plate variations of plate potential. These would be amplified variations of grid potential variations.

This last condition of having the variations of plate potential amplified variations of grid potential variations is the ideal condition sought for in vacuum tube amplifiers.

In Fig. XXVII as the current of the plate circuit flows through the resistance R there is a drop in potential across R between the points X and Y that will be proportional to the current flowing. If the value of R and the plate potential are high enough this potential variation between X and Y will be exactly proportional to and K times that applied to the grid of the tube at T-T.

To amplify a signal from a radio receiver then, it is only necessary to have a circuit whose output is to be amplified connected to T-T and the amplified output taken off at X and Y. If greater amplification is desired the output from X and Y is run through another circuit similar to that shown in Fig. XXVII.

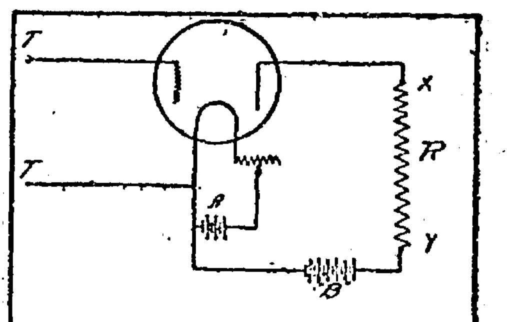

Fig XXVII

SPARKS

The "Totemites," a society of radio fans at Seattle, decided that receiving code signals during broadcast programs is inevitable, and instead of registering complaints, opened a free school to its members for instruction in the code.

People living in isolated sections are getting great satisfaction from radio, as it is a cure for loneliness. They not only feel that they have friends within "speaking distance" but that entertainers of the highest grade are next door neighbors.

Major General Squire, chief signal officer, U. S. A., told the graduates of the Camp Vail signal school there had been greater developments in radio in the past decade than in any other science. Also that in future wars barrages and bombardments would be laid down by radio.

The British have developed a two-purpose vacuum tube for use in conjunction with radio. The new tube, or valve, as it is called in England, is the Mullard Ora. The plate voltage is given as 30, and the filament voltage at 3.6 to 4. The base of the tube is of the four-prong type. It is said to combine efficiently the qualities of the rectifier and amplifier, which make it possible to use one tube for all purposes.

Farm Bureau News

Vernon Holds Social

One of the livliest social meetings ever held in Vernon township was staged at the Glen Knox home southwest of Dows on last Monday evening, August 21st, when about 300 farmers, their wives and families gathered for this occasion. The Knox home was beautifully decorated and ample seating capacity was provided on the front lawn of the farm home.

R. E. Lee Aldrich of Iowa township was the principal speaker of the evening and gave a most able address on farm conditions of the present day. Mr. Aldrich, who is one of the progressive farmers of Iowa township, is not only a good farmer but is also a man who is capable of expressing himself very convincingly before an audience. His address at the Vernon social is evidence of the fact that he is a student of national problems, particularly along lines of agriculture and the farmers of Vernon township seemed very much pleased with the thoughts presented by Mr. Aldrich.

Another feature of this meeting was the poultry club demonstration which was put on by Miss Amy Benson of Dayton township and Marie Hinckley of Blaine township, the two girls who are representing Wright county at the state fair this year. A varied program consisting of dialogues, readings, recitations and several musical numbers was also given at this social and everyone seemed ed to have a very enjoyable time.

Club Teams At Fair

County Agent Edwards and Mrs. L. F. Dorr are in Des Moines this week in charge of the three club teams which are demonstrating at the fair this week. The grain and live stock judging team consisting of Clyde Knight, Clarence Clark, Everett Denby and Ross Mechem, alternate, will judge classes each of draft horses, fat steers, fat hogs and dairy cattle, also two classes of corn. The poultry club team team will demonstrate the method of culling and the garment club team will demonstrate the different home made dresses which have been made by th club girls this year.

The county agent took the live stock judging team to Fort Dodge fair last Tuesday and the boys entered the individual judging contest where about four counties were represented. Clarence Clark of Lake township placed third in the individual judging work. The Wright county boys took third place in the team judging contest. The boys spent last Thursday afternoon judging horses and Duroc hogs at the home of W. F. Mechem east of Clarion.

This is the first year that Wright county has had club teams at the Iowa state fair and it is hoped that the boys and girls will make a good showing for their county, because all club work, state national and international had its origin in Wright county a few years ago. It is certain that these youngsters will benefit greatly by their trip to the state fair and it is hoped that the club work in Wright county will continue and that next year Wright county will have a larger representation than ever in the club department.

Garment Teams Changed

Amy Benson of Daytown township has consented to help the Grant township girls in their demonstration work at the fair this year. Lola Flurer, who was selected originally as a representative on the garment club team, decided not to take part and Mrs. Dorr decided in the eleventh hour to ask Amy Benson to substitute and we are told that the girls have prepared a very good demonsration in the short time they have had to prepare for the work.

Mrs. L. F. Dorr should be commended very highly for her untiring efforts put forth in training the girls for the garment club demonstration which has taken considerable time and a lot of patience to train the girls for his demonstration and bring home the bacon.

Creamery Celebration a Success

The creamery day celebration which was held at Belmond, Wednesday, August 23rd, was a big success from the standpoint of attendance and general community interest. The city park and streets of Belmond were literally packed with about 3,000 people of Belmond and surrounding community.

A splendid program consisted of a very able address by W. A. Wentworth of Des Moines and a short talk by G. H. Tellier of Cedar Rapids. The Belmond picnic celebration was really a community affair and the spirit of co-operation which was in evidence at this celebration is the community spirit which cements the people of any community closer together.

HAMPTON MEN GET FIVE YEARS

Hampton Chronicle: Judge Thompson, of Webster City, held court in Hampton yesterday and sentenced several men who were being held for trial. The men had all plead guilty to the charges against them so there was no need for them to wait until court convened in September to have their sentence fixed.

Edward Schoemer and Ernst Hanna were sentenced to not over five years in the state reformatory at Anamosa for breaking into and entering the office of the farmers elevator Company in this city and stealing an automobile and driving it to Chapin.

Harold Walsh was sentenced to four months in the county jail for breaking and entering the W. G. Atzbaugh garage in this city.

Louis Crawford was given a fine of $300 or ninety days in the county jail for stealing an automobile and driving to Chapin.

Else Eden and Dallas Bailey were both given fines of $200 on a bootlegging charge. Niles Anderson, who was arrested at the same time on a similar charge will have to appear before the grand jury in September as he did not enter a plea of guilty at the time of his original hearing.

FORD TO SHUT DOWN ALL PLANTS SEPT. 16TH

Henry Ford's great motor plants in and around Detroit will be closed down Sept. 16 because of lack of coal it was announced. In the neighborhood of 60,000 men will be thrown out of work here as a result.

Mr. Ford recently failed in his efforts before the interstate commerce commission to make arrangements for hauling coal over his own railroad into Detroit from connecting railroads leading from the Kentucky fields.

Assembly plants of the Ford company thruout the country also will be closed, it was stated bringing the number of employees effected by the suspension to approximately 85,000.

Concerns that supply the Ford company with material were notified today to stop shipments.

Explaining the order to close the plants, Mr. Ford said that by Sept. 16 the company's reserve stock of fuel will have been exhausted and only sufficient fuel will be left to keep the furnaces and ovens warm.

Asked when he hoped the plants could resume oprations Mr. Ford declared he had not the remotest idea.

The shutdown Mr. Ford added comes at a time "when we are doing a greater business than ever before in our history."

The normal daily coal consumption of the Ford industries here is 3,800 tons. Officials of the company declined to estimate the exact amount of fuel on hand but declared the company engineers held that by Sept. 16 it would be reduced to the point where only sufficient coal would be left to keep the ovens and boilers warm.—Des Moines Sunday Register.

Belmond Local News

George Snyder, who has been a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Snyder, the past week or so, started on his return trip to Fort Worth, Texas, Friday last. He will visit relatives at Harcourt and Kansas City, Missouri on the way.

Alma Stapley returned last week from her visit with relatives at Goldfield.

Clare Pierce went to Clarion, Sunday, where he is now working.

Harry Mantle from Goldfield was calling on friends here last Sunday.

The Belmond township Farm Bureau will meet at the home of Earl Martin on the evening of September 7th. Further details will be given next week.

Miss Iris Trumbell began her fall term of school near Meservey on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm.
guests of relatives at Des Moines and Perry last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Strieby moved yesterday to Odeboldt, where Mr. Strieby has accepted a position. They moved their household goods by train.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Madsen are moving into the house vacated by the Strieby family.

Floyd Alden and family from near Latimer spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Heuerman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Martin and daughter Harriett, drove to Minneapolis last Saturday.

Miss Carol Tyrrell spent the week end with her friend, Miss Christianson, at Eagle Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Berry and family of Winterset, Iowa, were guests last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doctorman. Mrs. [illegible] is a sister of Mr. Doctorman. From here they went to Alexander, Minnesota, on a fishing trip. Miss Lucile Doctorman accompanied them.

Lost, Creamery Day, child's black hat. Finder please return to H. H. Doctorman. 411c

The Standard Bearers held a business meeting Monday evening at the M. E. Parsonage.

Albert Reinke and family of Hartley visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jenison last week.

We sell genuine American woven wire fence. Barb wire, American Hog, 80-rod spools, for $4.00.—Bock Lumber Co. 41tfc

Four children of the John Kessler family had their tonsils removed at the hospital here Tuesday.

Mrs. Howard Moore entertained the Kensington club at the Country Club last Thursday.

Lost—Man's raincoat, Tuesday, between John Lowenberg's corner and Simon Bohnings. Finder please return to Arne Skaar, Phone 287. Reward. 411*

Frank Berkow of Kanawha underwent an operation at the local hospital last Friday. He is recovering *nicely.*

Geo. Lutz and family will move Saturday of this week to Lincoln, Nebraska, we understand.

Frank and Cecelia Finn underwent minor operations for the removal of their tonsils last Tuesday.

Seven children of Martin Wirson from near Kanawha had their tonsils removed at the hospital here last week.

"111" cigarettes
They are GOOD!
10¢ plus Iowa State Tax
Buy this Cigarette and Save Money

ROBINSON'S

Bakery and Grocery

Chocolate Cream and Butternut Coffee

Peaberry Coffee, bulk	30c
Rio Peaberry	25c
Jap Tea	50c
Black Java Tea	40c
Cocoa, bulk	20c
Rolled Oats, 5 lbs.	25c
Macaroni and Spaghetti	10c lb.
SPLENDID Flour	$2.25
NAKOTA Flour	2.00
PEACOCK Flour	1.80

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We are holding for you a book of intense interest to ambitious young people. We will send it to you FREE if you will ask for it.

The name of this book is "MOVING YOUR FUTURE FORWARD." It is handsomely printed and illustrated. It tells you how you can create a bigger market for your services---and a PROFITABLE market. It tells you how you can secure a good position---one which pays a good salary right from the start, and one which offers excellent opportunities for advancement.

There is no expense to you whatever. There is no risk---no obligation. We will send this book with our compliments. It is our contribution to ambitious young men and women, and especially to those who come from modest homes. You will find it both interesting and helpful, as have hundreds of others.

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Very truly yours,
THE HAMILTON UNIVERSITY

Fall Term Opens September 5, 1922

Mr. W. R. Hamilton,
Mason City, Iowa
Dear Sir: I shall be glad to receive with your compliments and without expense or obligation to me, a copy of your illustrated book, "MOVING YOUR FUTURE FORWARD."

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We cordially invite you to make this bank your headquarters for business or other purposes where we can be of service.

Our loyalty to the community extends to you whether or not you are a customer of ours today.

We are here to "serve" and your call at any time will be a pleasure to us.

We welcome your account, no matter how small or how large, pay you 5 per cent interest on your time deposits, and give you SERVICE at all times.

Belmond Savings Bank

Griesy's Store News

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Demonstration
- of the -
Great Majestic Range

September 4th to 9th

Special factory representative will be here to explain the merits of this great sale.

During this sale we will also offer bargains in KITCHENWARE

You are invited to make our store your headquarters.

Candies--

THIS WEEK WE WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE DELICIOUS CANDIES WE HAVE FOR YOU--CHOCOLATES, FONDANTS, CARMELS, PEANUT BRITTLE--ALL KINDS, ALWAYS FRESH AND MADE BY OURSELVES, ASSURING YOU OF THE BEST MATERIALS AND CLEAN HANDLING.

In package lots or boxes. The next time you get that sweet-craving spell come in and get a sack of our delicious home-made candy, take home a sack or a box to the wife and kiddies. It hits the right spot every time.

Belmond Candy Kitchen

Steve Antonio, Mgr.
Phone 65

FOR SALE

Two used Fordson tractors, A-1 condition, at a big saving. Come in and look them over.

Belmond Auto Co.
Phone 108-258

SPECIAL SATURDAY, September 2

- 500 lbs. of -
Midland Skinned Hams
25 to 30 lbs. each
at 22c per lb.
- 12 to 14 lb. average at -
26c per lb.

The very best grade of high quality hams, at rock bottom prices. Get yours early.

City Meat Market
Nissen & Harbison, Props.
Phone 207

Cash Paid for---

CREAM

Eggs and Poultry

JOE S. WHITE
"THE FARMER'S FRIEND"

Phone 272 Belmond, Iowa

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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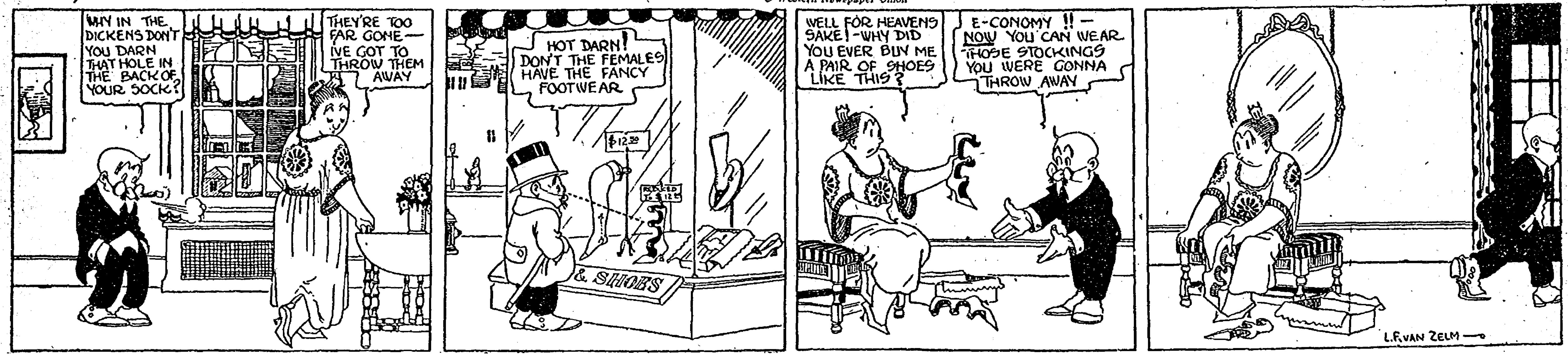
What Could be Sweeter?


WHY IN THE DICKENS DON'T YOU DARN THAT HOLE IN THE BACK OF YOUR SOCK?
THEY'RE TOO FAR GONE— I'VE GOT TO THROW THEM AWAY
HOT DARN! DON'T THE FEMALES HAVE THE FANCY FOOTWEAR
$12.50
REDUCED TO $1.25
& SHOES
WELL FOR HEAVENS SAKE! -WHY DID YOU EVER BUY ME A PAIR OF SHOES LIKE THIS?
E-CONOMY !! — NOW YOU CAN WEAR THOSE STOCKINGS YOU WERE GONNA THROW AWAY
L.F. VAN ZELM

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Muller on Wednesday, Sept. 6th, from 2 to 4. Mrs. Kinney from Mason City will be present and will speak on "Christian Citizenship." All members are urged to be present and bring others with you.

One very learned man said the people nowadays are no worse than they were hundreds of years ago, they only look worse.

Ernest Eckoff motored to Mason City, Monday.

"Bing" Jones was a Waterloo business caller Monday.

The Schlesselman and H. Fischer families arrived home Monday from Cedar Falls, where they had been for 10 days attending the Convention and Camp Meeting at River View Park.

SICK
With a Bad Cold
"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa.
Get it from your druggist at 35 cents per bottle, large size 60 cents.

Frank Hafferman was a business caller at the county capital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pieper are visiting at the C. Bier home, and with other relatives and friends.

ONE MORE WEEK WANTED

(Livermore Gazette)

Cabbage week is over. Far and wide, no doubt, the great event was celebrated, the delicious incense from its shrine has floated forth upon many benighted mortals who might have passed unawares. The lovers of the toothsome morsel have had their fill.

In company with the dainty corn beef, in the briny ferment of sauerkraut or in the mystery of the salad, the lordy cabbage has paraded for a whole week down the paths of boarding house menu. No unkind word has been allowed to mar its journey. It was Cabbage Week, so designated by those in the seats of the mighty. What epicurean would dare to turn, at the thought of the splendid vegetable.

Smile week has gone, and we have to smile about it still. Gingham week is past, and sales may now begin. We have had home-coming week, and tree week, and flower week, apple week, and paint week, in fact every little kind of a week that the advertising manager can think about, and induce a gullible mayor, or governor, or somewhat higher to issue a proclamation about.

Nearly all the weeks are pretty well filled, but there should be one left. Just one week, officially proclaimed, dedicated, consecrated, and set aside. Let's have one week for pure undiluted buncombe.

Here's to Bunk Week.

For the sake of your intelligence don't buy a "best seller." Select something fit to read.

School Days

---Glorious vacation days are dreams of the past---laggard childish feet again walk along the paths of learning, and careful mothers the country over turn their thoughts to

School Togs

For boys---and many of those who consider thrift and economy in the outfitting of their boys, think first of Patton's where the best grades of merchandise the market affords are offered at the lowest prices consistent with quality.

Investigate our offerings in boys' school wear.

Suits with two pair of knickers $8.50 up.

Mail orders get prompt attention.

Patton Brothers Company
Where A Dollar Does Its Duty
Mason City and Manly, Iowa

FORMER HUMBOLDTER GETS 300 PATENTS —FIREPROOF LIQUID

Humboldt Republican: Arthur Arent, former Humboldt citizen, has at last been granted his patents on his fire- liquid with which he paints any known combustable material and makes it impervious to fire or heat.

It has been known in Humboldt that Arthur Arent has been several years in persuit of the United States patent office to secure patents on his compound. He has at last succeeded. He is also the first man who has received such a patent. The government has steadfastly refused to grant a patent on such compounds, but at length were prevailed on, owing to the value of the discovery, to allow the patent.

Mr. Arent's patent will make the use of his fluid universal. When applied to wood the wood cn be placed in a fire, and it will become red hot like a piece of iron, but will not burn. Silk treated with the Arent solution can not be burned. Wood treated by this same solution will neither burn nor rot. Ships treated with this solution will neither rot nor burn. They can be made almost everlasting.

The above information was received at this office in a letter from Mr. Arent's business associates, and we feel certain that they would not have given out the information had it not been authentic.

IOWA'S BEAUTIFUL GIRLS

(Waukon Republican and Standard.)

A Des Moines newspaper has been conducting a beautiful girl contest to find the most beautiful girl in Iowa. They're on the wrong track. We have discovered the way to find 'em. Just go up to Spirit Lake or Okoboji and wander down to the bathing beaches. There you can look 'em over—all over and see so much more than you can in a photograph. Beauty is not confined to the face—not by a darn sight. Why at Okoboji one hardly ever has a chance to look at the face. We saw attractions that would be none the less interesting, face or no face. Rear views, profiles, birdseye, telescopic—that's the way to find the beauties, and they're all at the summer beaches.

HE SAYS IT'S WRONG

Prof. L. H. Pammel of Ames, president of the Iowa Conservation Commission is deeply concerned in the conservtion of the natural resources of the state. He looks upon lakes, ponds, swamps, marshes and the like as valuable in that they afford a breeding place for fish and wild fowls as well as fur bearing animals. He states that not a single lake that has been drained has afforded land suitable for farming as was expected because of wild and acid conditions of the soil. He contends that in most cases the straightening of streams is a mistake in that it destroys the breeding places of fish because of the elimination of deep holes. According to Dr. Pammel the lake area in Iowa is about 43,000 acres. Spirit Lake, the largest body of water has an erea of 5,660 acres. West Okoboji has an expanse of 3,788 acres, Clear Lake, 3,640 acres and Storm Lake, 3,683 acres.

GRAND OLD MEN

However severe may be the strain of life in America, it has not prevented the attainment of old age, and in most cases of vigorous old age, by a number of our leading citizens. America's list of grand old men embraces various professionals. John Wanamaker, who has just celebrated his 84th birthday, stands out as a pioneer merchant. Uncle Joe Cannon, at 86, is still active in political life. John A. Stewart, 100 years old, attends to his banking business in Wall street and is a remarkable active force in modern life. Lyman Abbott, clergyman and editor, can still make a good speech at 87 years. Chauncey Depew and Charles W. Elliot have seen 176 years between them. The list complete would cover the names in a considerable part of the political, edcuation and public affairs since 1850. Most noticeably absent from the list of octogenarians are men prominent as artists. Politics, banking and medicine seem to agree best with the human constitution.—New York Sun.

A goodly number from this place spent last Thursday at Thornton at the "Big Day" celebration.

A Five-Minute Sermon on Church Advertising

DID you ever think of the church as a business proposition? Why should a church always be considered a subject for charity? How often have you heard men say: "I don't go to church very often, but when I do go they are always begging for money. That's the reason I don't go oftener."

It's a narrow point of view, of course, for a church needs money to run it, just the same as a business. But why shouldn't a church be run as a business and be INdependent and not DEpendent? It can be, but business methods must be adopted.

All successful businesses advertise. The greatest competitor of the church on Sundays—the movies—advertises liberally. You have attractions in your church. You have a story to tell. You have a minister who can preach with a punch. The "regulars" may know it, but it isn't the "regulars" you want to reach—it's the "irregulars" and the "neverwuzzers." That's where the church has got to grow. And you have got to go after them the same as the business house goes after business.

You know that every business man keeps track of his sales every week and every month and he compares them with a year ago. And if he isn't running ahead he wants to know why. Do the churches keep track of their attendance? They know what the subscriptions are, for that's vital; yet increased attendance would mean increased subscriptions.

The church should cease to be DEpendent. It should go after business Ministers who have tried it have been well compensated. Supposing this advertisement should appear in this paper this week:

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
This Sunday Evening at 7:45
THE REV. JOHN KNOX ALLEN, D. D.
will preach on "OUR TOWN"
Front Seats Free. Rear Seats, Ten Cents Each.
You'll be surprised. Come out and hear a worth-while sermon. A special invitation to all. We would like to see YOU in church. Special music.

Don't you think it would help? Wouldn't it start some talk about the church? Wouldn't the people say, "Well, I guess the church people are waking up?" The cost of the advertisement would be small, but the results would be big.

Think it over. Why shouldn't our churches stand on their own feet and be run in a businesslike way? Why shouldn't the people be educated to the fact that it takes money to run a church, that it is not a charity organization and that people ARE EXPECTED to contribute to it.

What would this town be without churches? You would not live in it, for it wouldn't be a fit place to live in. You need the church. The church needs you and the church needs advertising.

ANOTHER MAIL ROBBERY AT BRITT DEPOT

Another mail robbery took place at Britt, Thursday night between the hours of ten and twelve-thirty o'clock at the M. & St. L. depot, when a thief or thieves broke in the door to the waiting room where the mail sacks and pouches are stored for the night trains, and got away with one pouch of fist class mail going out from Britt on No. 3. Alac Anderson, the depot agent was there until ten o'clock that evening and reports there was no sign of any one around that would attempt such an act and the robbery was discovered by the night man, Del Redmond, at twelve-thirty when he was due on duty. No clue to the robbery has been found.

One of the windows to the waiting room was opened about six inches; it is thot they attempted to gain entrance there first nd did not succeed.—News-Tribune.

GAYER TINTS FOR MOTOR CARS

Automobiles in brighter colors is the prediction in the automobile world Crimsons, lilacs and sea greens will not be so unusual, they say, from now on, and some day, a thronged boulevard may look like a moving rainbow.

Being a machine the motor may never develop the attractive lines of grace of the horse, but it has possibilities of gorgeousness, from gay colors to gilding.

The man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo would have probably driven a gold-plated gasoline chariot if such vehicles had existed in his day.

Once the highly decorated automobile comes into vogue, its splendor might be emphasized until the magnificence of a rhinestone-encrusted car dazzles the eye of the world.

THE CARELESS SMOKER

A fool there was and his pipe he lit
(Even as you and I)
On a forest trail where the leaves were fit
To become ablaze from the smallest bit
Of spark—and the fool he furnished it.
The day was windy nd dry.

The forest was burned to its very roots,
Even beneath the ground,
With the flowers, the birds and the poor dumb brutes,
Old hoary oaks, and the tender shoots
Which might have made logs but for such galoots
Allowed to wander around.

The lumber jack has now passed on
His pay-day comes no more
And the screech-owls hunt the camp at dawn
Where the cook's tin pan woke the men of brawn.
But the mill's silent, the trees are gone,
The soil and the forest floor.

A deadly sight are those hills of rocks
Which once were beds of green
No hope for the human, no food for the flocks
The floods must be held by expensive locks
And the harbor is silted to the docks,
The ships no more are seen.

But the fool smokes on in the forest still
Leaves camp-fires burning too,
While the patient public pays the bill
And the nation's wealth is destroyed for nil
If the law doesn't get him, Old Satan will
When his smoking days are through.

—Harris A. Reynolds
with apologies to Kipling.

KNOCKS OVER LAMP POST

Some automobile driver ran into the lamp post at the intersection of Broadway and Jackson Avenue on Sunday evening and broke off the post at its base. Those who witnessed the accident state that the car was badly damaged but the driver failed to stop to investigate the extent of the damage and passers by failed to secure the license number of the car.—Eagle Grove Times.

THREE PLACES ARE ROBBED

Someone evidently thought we needed a little excitment here, so volunteered to play the robbery game. Some time after 12:30 Thursday morning someone broke into the Hulsebus-Muller store, gaining entrance by cutting thru an upstairs window, taking about $55 in silver. Nothing else was missed except Mr. Muller's revolver, which was later found in the Raecker garage. Next they went to the Jones' restaurant, gaining entrance thru the basement window. About a dozen packages of Bull Durham tobacco was all that was missed here. The Raecker garage was next entered thru a window, where about $5 was taken from the cash register, and a Ford touring car, well filled with gas and oil, was taken thus making their getaway. Indications point to local talent work. Sheriff Marsh was immediately notified and arrived about 10 o'clock to investigate. Raecker's car was located at Mason City and returned the same day, but the thieves and Mr. Muller's cash and Mr. Jones' tobacco are still missing.

MEAT MARKET IS SOLD

On Thursday afternoon the meat market was sold at public auction, Engel Ruitter and Heinie Waage being the successful bidders. Patrons congratulate themselves on having these fine young men starting out in this business, both being well qualified for this work. Now it is up to us to do our share to back them up in their new undertaking by giving them a liberal share of our patronage. Success to you, boys!

Those who motored from here Sunday to attend the Tabernacle meetings at Cedar Falls were Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Raecker and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and daughters. There was a large crowd in attendance, people from near and far, it being the last day of the Assembly. The principal speakers of the day were Bishop L. H. Seager, of Naperville, Ill., and Rev. W. H. Beachler, pastor of First Brethern church at Waterloo. C. H. Wieand, Harrisburg, Pa., had charge of the song services, and the sacred concert was given by the choirs of Waterloo 1st and Calvary churches.

SCHOOL OPENS HERE ON SEPTEMBER 6TH

The public schools here will open on Wednesday, Sept. 6th. Owing to teachers' institute at Mason City the first of the week school will begin Wednesday instead of Monday. The teachers have all been secured.

Corps of Teachers

J. G. Herbster, Milford, Supt.
Lois F. Holroyd, Plymouth, Principal.
Louise Humke, Ackley, Home Economics.
Hazel Hawthorne, Renwick, 7th & 8th grades.
Amalia Huenemann, Garner, 5th & 6th grades.
Viola F. Thomas, Meservey, 3rd & 4th grades.
Esther M. Anderson, Story City, 1st & 2nd grades.

NOT TOO LATE FOR GARDEN

If the farm garden is to continue producing until late in the fall, the late crops must be planted very soon says C. V. Holsinger, extension specialist in small fruits at Iowa State College. Three late crops are recommended by Mr. Holsinger, radishes, lettuce and endives.

If the latter are to produce before frost, they must be planted at once, according to Mr. Holsinger. Radishes, which require only about four or five weeks to produce, can be planted as late as Aug. 15 to 25.

Mr. Holsinger suggests that the best results can be secured with the flat leaf endive rather than the curled leaf. The seed should be planted rather thick and later thinned so that the plants are from a foot to 15 inches apart in rows.

A practical way to bleach the endives is to gather the leaves together into a loose bundle and tie them up with a string. The result is a plant very much like head lettuce with white crisp leaves, which make an excellent salad material.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. K. C. Ruigh was a Mason City caller Monday.

John Meci and family of Ft. Dodge were visitors at the Gar. Raecker home Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Mildred Gealow Sundayed with home folks at Belmond.

Miss Grace Pals went to Mason City, Friday, where she is receiving medical treatments at the Park hospital.

Miss Rena Boelman is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ostendorf returned from their trip to different points in Illinois, where they have been visiting relatives. They made the trip in their car.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kolb departed Saturday by auto for Des Moines, where they will take in a few days of the fair, also to visit with Mrs. Kolb's brother, Crist Enabnit and family. They were accompanied by their grandchildren, Wayne Waddingham and Arlene Nissen.

E. Strasburg paid his regular visit to the dentist Friday.

We all feel better since the big heat spell was broken Thursday night. A good shower of rain visited this section and since then the weather has been grand and one can breathe with more ease.

Wm. Messelheiser has rented his farm to R. F. G. Gobeli for next year. The Messelheisers expect to remain in the farm home and take things more easy, and Robert expects to be batchelor in the small house formerly occupied by the ired men. We understand however, that there is nothing in the contract to prevent him from taking in a helpmate in the kitchen.

H. T. Swenson of Huxley has been here for several days looking after his farm interests north of town.

Jesse Brogan of Thornton and A. C. Brogan of Marinette, Wis., were greeting old friends here last Friday.

The W. F. Butz family left Friday morning via auto for Des Moines where they will spend several days at the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pieper arrived here Thursday from Iowa Falls, where they had been spending a week with the former's parents having left their home in Naperville, Ill., via the auto route on Wednesday the week previous. They left Friday for River View Park, Cedar Falls, to attend Camp Meeting in session there. Mr. and Mrs. C. Bier accompanied them.

A. E. Muller, Henry Proost and Harm Groen motored to Mason City Friday afternoon on a business errand.

C. E. Brogan, Marvel and Vere motored to Garner Friday to make arrangements to move the family into the house they will occupy about Sept 1s.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus, George Brater and Donald Muller returned from Cedar Falls, Thursday, where they had spent the fore part of the week attending the Y. P. A. and S. S. convention at River View Park. Mrs. Hulsebus represented the local Young People's Alliance and George Brater was the delegate chosen for the Sunday school.

Mrs. Bert Frey had the misfortune of falling down cellar at her home, Thursday, while busy about the home duties. At present she is resting fairly well, but the extent of her injuries has not yet been fully determined.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats is spending a few days at the parental home, while Mr. and Mrs. Loats and two daughters are visiting in the southwestern part of the state with relatives. They made the trip in their car.

Mrs. A. E. Muller returned from Cedar Falls the first of the week, where she had been in attendance at the annual assembly at River View Park as a delegate for the Woman's Missionery society.

Miss Eletha Taylor has been spending a few days with friends here.

Crist Enabnit of Des Moines is spending a week here with relatives and friends.

Thelma Thomas who has been confined to her room for a number of weeks, is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Nordman and Mr. and Mrs. Abbes of Ackley spent several days at the Ben Gruis home. They left Saturday for Buffalo Center where they will visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Vierkant and two younger children spent a few days with relatives at Buck Grove, Iowa, and vicinity, returning Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nissen and children accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. H. Reif departed Sunday for Des Moines where they will take in the fair for a few days.

"So you graduated from a barber college? What was your college yell?" "Cut his lip, cut his jaw, leave his face raw, raw, raw!"

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Fischer and daughter Gladys motored to Mason City Sunday to spend the day at the Geo. J. Fischer home.

Supt. Herbster was in town Friday attending to matters pertaining to the school work here.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Freese and two children from Dike, and Crist Boike wife and son, of Cedar Falls, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. Gruis. Mrs. Freese and Mr. Boike are daughter and son of Mrs. Gruis.

Miss Rose Nicolet of Thornton spent a few days the fore part of the week with Mildred Gealow at the A. J. Nissen home.

Harm Groen and family and Dan Smith and family were Sunday visitors at the Henry Groen home at Belmond.

David Mosher from Colorado was greeting him many old time friends here the first of the week. From here he went to Soo Rapids to visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Leighton.

The Crist Wendel family returned from Tama last Thursday, where they had been visiting relatives of Mrs. Wendell.

The C. E. Brogan family loaded their household effects and had them trucked to Garner, Monday, where they will make their future home. The Brogans have made this their home for the past 15 years and they will be greatly missed. The move was made so the children might gain the advantage of an accredited school. Here's hoping that the school problem here may soon be changed for the better, thus avoiding any more exodus of school patrons who have the welfare of their children at heart. Mr. Brogan will remain here for the time being, to conduct the business of the grain and cream station as heretofore.

Tenus Johnson of Alexander was in town last Saturday greeting his friends. Mr. Johnson has just returned from a year's stay in Germany. He reports that Mr. and Mrs. Hulsebus are well and happy but are anxious to get home. They expect to sail Oct. 18 which is the earliest date on which they could secure passage.

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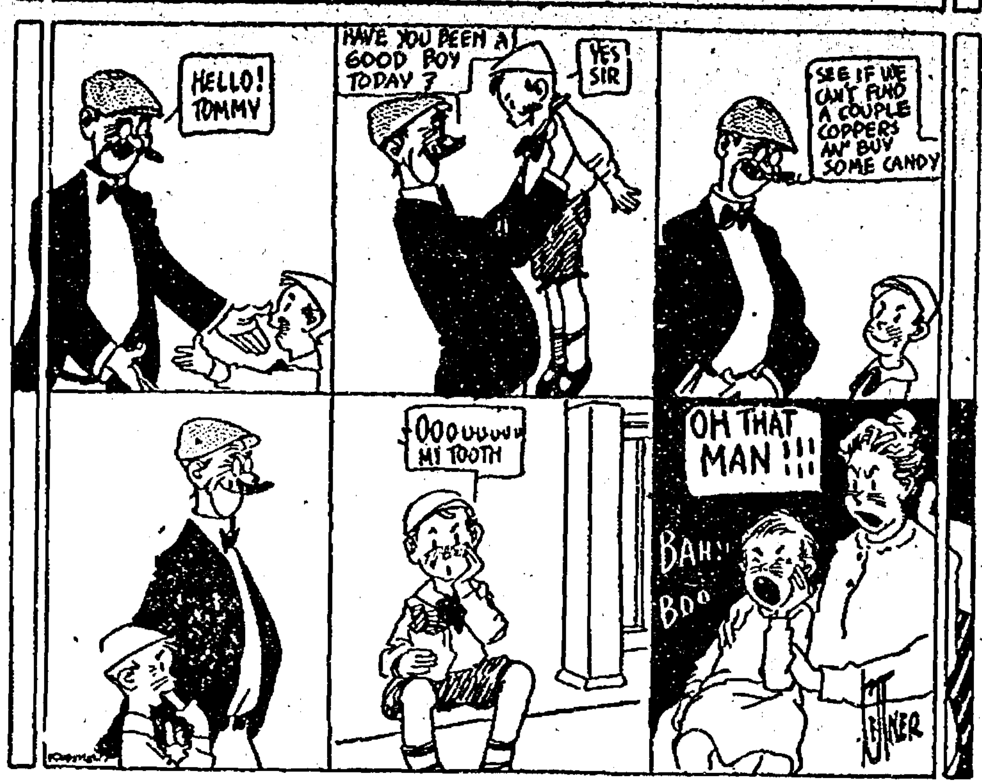
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ROWAN NEWS

Last Monday night Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Virden entertained the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box, and the Misses Florence Box, Ruth and Esther Emerson. The evening was spent in music and game after which delightful refreshments were served.

The M. E. Ladies Aid society met with Mrs. George Pritchett Thursday afternoon. A good crowd attended. The hostesses served lunch to about 20.

The Cong. Ladies Aid society met with Mrs. J. F. Howell Thursday afternoon. Two comforters were tied. The hostesses, Mrs. E. Bingham and Mrs. Howell served lunch to about 30.

Thursday evening a number of the young people surprised Miss Florence Box, with a farewell reception. It was planned to go to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Aldrich for the evening but the bad looking clouds stopped them from going there. As Miss Box was out there it was necessary to send for her to come. She was very much surprised. The evening was spent in games and various stunts after which refreshments were served and the crowd departed leaving many good wishes with Miss Box.

Friday afternoon Mrs. O. F. Braden and Mrs. J. F. Howell were hostesses at a surprise for Mrs. J. D. Pritchett, the occasion being her birthday. Mrs. Pritchett was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

Friday evening the American Legion and Auxiliary served fried chicken in the Cong. basement. A large crowd attended. They cleared $25. It was one of the best dinners of the season and all for the modest sum of 25 cents.

The Cong. Sunday school held their annual picnic at the Frank Drury picnic grounds last Wednesday. A good crowd attended and a very pleasant time is reported by all present, as well as a fine picnic dinner which was served at noon.

Ed. Riley left Friday evening for a week's visit with relatives at Savana, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Bowers and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Bennewitz at Dows.

Prof. Rosenberry of Waverly was in town Thursday tuning pianos.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mesdames Mary Braden and Minnie Pelly were Clarion shoppers Tuesday, where Mrs. Braden purchased a new Holland piano.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum and daughter Laura, and Jim Burt spent several days at Des Moines attending the fair. Mr. E. Bingham took care of the electric lights for Mr. McCallum while he was gone.

Ray Williams of Washington came Tuesday to spend a week's vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Williams, and other relatives here. His wife and children have been visiting her parents here for the past several weeks.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum went to Clarion Monday to visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Jennings and family.

Congregational Church Notes

Morning service at 11.

Sunday school at 12.

Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m.

Evening service at 8.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8.

We expect to have the new pastor with us next Sunday. Rev. Halbert of Arion has accepted the call which the church has extended him. Let us all turn out and give him a helping hand.

Members of the Mission Study club please keep in mind the meeting at the home of Mrs. Fred Kercheval on Sept. 21.. This is mite box opening for our foreign missions. We want a good crowd with full mite boxes.

R. E. Lee Aldrich is at Des Moines at the fair.

Gay Fletcher purchased a gravel truck Saturday and is going to haul gravel at Belmond.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moon, Sunday, but only survived a short time. Their friends extend their sympathy to the bereaved parents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Whitten and daughter Elfrieda, Mr. and Mds. Will Whitten and daughter Gladys, Mr. and Mrs. Will Rietz and daughter Kathern and Miss Susan Duffy motored to West Bend, Sunday, to view the grotto. They also drove to Humboldt to see the fountain which was built by the same man.

Mr. and Mrs. George Liming and family attended the Des Moines fair the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey from Belmond stopped for a short visit Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Riley. They were enroute to the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitten came up from Aplington Saturday to spend Sunday with relatives at Rowan and also at Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drury went to Des Moines on Monday to attend the fair.

Wm. Baines of near Spirit Lake came Saturday to visit relatives in Rowan and Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baines and son Darrell of Dows spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hannah Whitten.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Scott of Waterloo and Mrs. Merla Bangs of Dows called at the R. C. Hyde home Sunday.

Miss Virginia Noonan of Dubuque was visiting at the R. E. Lee Aldrich home Thursday and Friday, and called on friends in Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitten and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley spent a part of last week at Sioux City visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zeigler. They returned home Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Almon Drury of Dows stayed at the Hadley home to take care of things while they were gone.

Chas. Keith and Chas. Aldinger went to Des Moines Monday to attend the fair.

Miss Elsie Keith has been visiting her brother R. H. and family. They motored to Vincent, Sunday, to visit a short time before she leaves for Montreal where she expects to make her home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten and family motored to the ball game at Buckeye Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and children, Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter LaVonne, Mrs Viola Tibbets and Mrs. Hattie Ballou attended the funeral of Mrs. Ogden at Galt on Monday.

ROWAN SCHOOL NOTES

The Rowan school begins Monday, Sept. 4. The first day school will be in session from 9 to 2:30 in order to give the teachers some time for arrangements of their programs. It is hoped that all pupils intending to go to school this fall will be present to enroll and plan for work.

The following teachers will have charge of the work opposite their names:

Primary: Miss Etta Parks

2nd and 3rd grades: Miss Carrie Hoven

4th and 5th: Miss Erma Barker

6th and 7th: Miss Mary Draheim

Music: Miss Gertrude Mohr

Hist. and English: Mrs. T. K. Holliday

Domestic Science: Miss Dorothy Hillyard.

Principal: Miss Maude Cowley

Supt: T. K. Holliday.

Leslie Andrews and Ray Swope were Forest City callers Thursday.

E. Bingham went to Iowa Falls on Thursday to visit at the home of his brother L. D. and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham of Iowa Falls were calling on Rowan relatives Wednesday.

Word has been received by relatives of the marriage of Mrs. Lizzie Lawson, formerly of this place, to Mr. Herman Lyle of Wessington Springs, S .D.. Aug. 2. Mr. Lyle is a U. S. Marshal.

The Fred Brooks family are spending the week at the fair. Mr. Brooks is showing a patent folding drag evener which belongs to him and R, H. Keith.

Tice Streveler has been enjoying a visit from his parents the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bailey, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kruger and Mr. and Mrs. Perle LaGue left Saturday for the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval and Fred, Frances and James Kercheval left Saturday for Spirit Lake to camp this week.

Eugene Harson of Kanawha spent a few days with his mother, Mrs. Edith Harson, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter LaVonne were at Iowa Falls Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham and daughter Faye spent Sunday at Webster City at the home of her parents.

The Misses Lydia and Beatrice Wilbur of Cedar Falls were calling on old friends in Rowan, Sunday. Both girls will work in the office of Pres. Searley at the State Teachers College this next year. Miss Beatrice has held a confidential position in this office for several years.

Duane Bingham is on the sick list.

Miss Luella McKinley went to Cedar Rapids last Monday to visit an aunt.

Mrs. Fred Weber and daughter Irene are back from the hospital at Cedar Rapids. They are recovering nicely after their operation.

Frd Hackley's and C. W. Fowler's enjoyed the fair at Des Moines last week.

O. F. Braden and wife went to the fair Sunday.

Mrs. Wright Letts of Webster City is visiting her cousin Mrs. Frank Kercheval and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sellers are camping at the state fair this week.

The musical recital at the M. E. church last Friday evening by the members of Miss Charter's class, was a splendid success. There was a large number of parents and friends there and each item on the program was given due praise.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson were over to the community social last week at Thornton.

Several of the Rowan people are invited to the Old Settlers' Picnic at Goldfield next Friday.

Supt. Holliday and family are back from their summer school and vacation at Cedar Falls. Robert, the oldest son, met with a severe accident while playing tennis last week.

Robert Holliday has secured a position on the school staff at Postville, Ia.

A number of the American Legion boys, including Post Commander Tomkinson, and F. Retcliffe, Ping Braden and Guy Toyne are planning on being present at the state convention at Waterloo, Sept. 7 and 8.

Preparations are being made for the opening of school on Monday.

Methodist Episcopal Church

10:30 "The Man Who Was Too Busy"

11:30 Sunday school.

7:30 Epworth League

8 "The Accidental Man"—is there such?

If you believe that there is such a person as an "Accidental Man," an accidental rich man, or great man, or good man, come and hear Rev. Tomkinson next Sunday. Now that the holiday season is over, and you have had your visits with your friends, we would like to see you at your church again. The congregations have been splendid during the summer, but now we desire to have the church crowded again.

The Rev. Dr. J. J. Bushnell, district supt. of the Algona district, will hold the fourth quarterly conference at Rowan on Wed. Sept. 6 at 7:30 p. m. The reports of the different societies will then be given and the work for the year will be closed.

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

The Cemetery society will meet at the home of Mrs. P. C. Bohlen on Sept. 7.

The hostesses are Mrs. John Arends Mrs. Peter Bohlen and Mrs. Clause Symens. Everybody is cordially invited to attend

Evan. Luth. St John's Church Notes

Sunday school at 9:30 to 10:30.

John Arends, Supt.

There will be no preaching services at Alexander. Everybody is invited to the Missionery meeting at Emanuel church, Marion Center.

C. J. Barth, Pastor

H. A. Peters and Arthur Peters were Mason Ctiy callers Sunday.

J. C. Arends and John Shipper were business callers at Eldora on Wednesday.

R. L. Carlock, real estate agent, left Monday for Fargo, N. D., where he will make an indifinite stay.

Miss Emma Eickmeyer of Sheffield visited with friends at this place on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Reeds and two daughters of Chapin were visitors here the last of the week.

Arthur Winwood was a business caller at Hampton last Wednesday.

Elsie Reed was a caller at Hampton one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Peters returned to Alexander Friday after a several months' visit at different points in California.

Carl Grieman, the M. & St. L. agent, spent Saturday and Sunday at Hampton.

Rudolph Beenen was a business caller at Des Moines several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Clay of Mason City were Sunday visitors at the Forrest Gillet home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bakley from Spirit Lake were guests at the L. S. Born home the past week.

H. C. Yaw ad Albert Yaw of Iowa Falls were business callers at Alexander the last of the week.

Miss Louise Aldinger of Hampton visited at the William Aldinger home last week.

Rev. H. C Bode and family from Wellsburg and Mrs. C. Bode of Austinville were visitors at the J. C Arends home a few days last week. From there they went to attend the mission feast at Kanawha.

C. I. McCallum of Rowan is a guest at the home of his son Bernard at this place.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Eldora visited at the Beenen home last week.

The Misses Evanetta Bell and Jessie Joims, Lloyd Sellic and Calvin Green of Waterloo were visitors at this place last Sunday.

Clarence Bohlen was transacting business at Hampton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich Beenen, A. L. Nelson and family, Merle Hansen, Jack, Will and Earnest Kew, Jack Hill and Rudolph Beenen attended the state fair the first of the week.

Lewis Seegar has bought the Manhattan gas truck from Cornelius Stoffer and will take the work up in the near future.

Alice Ersland of Belmond was a visitor at the Carl Greenfield home a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were callers at Dows last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals left Friday for Rochester, Minn., where Mrs. Pals went for medical aid.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Tinkey and daughters Dilene and Lois of Osterdock, came Saturday for a visit with relatives and friends at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen and two sons were Hampton callers last Wednesday.

John Arends was a visitor at Belmond on Tuesday.

Alexander M. E. Church Notes

Regular services each Sunday.

Preaching services at 9:30 a. m. followed by the Sabbath school at 10:30. If you are not attending any other church service at this hour, you are invited to meet with us. We know you will be benefited by attending. Come out next Sunday. You are welcome!

On Sept. 6th the Dorcas society will meet with Mrs. A. L. Nelson. Let us have as many of the members present as possible

The fourth qaurterly conference will be held here on Sept. 7 at 2:00 p. m. All interested in the welfare of the church are requested to be present. Meet Dr. Bushnell and hear the message he has for us.

The Part That Bothered

Proffessor (giving examination)—Does any question embarrass you?

Bright Student—Not at all, sir. Not at all. The questions are quite clear. It is the answers that bother me.

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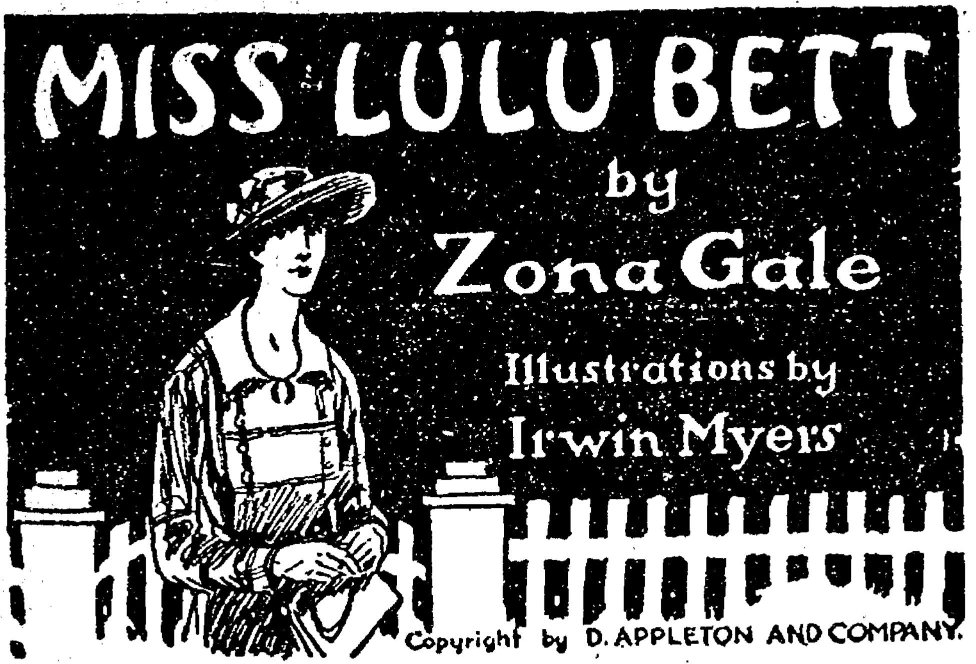

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Lulu's heart was beating painfully. The effort to hold her own in talk like this was terrifying. She had never talked in this fashion to anyone. It was as if some matter of life or death hung on her ability to speak an alien tongue. And yet, when she was most at loss, that other Lulu, whom she had never known anything about, seemed suddenly to speak for her. As now:

"It's my grand education," she said.

She sat humped on the log, her beautiful hair shining in the light of the warm sky. She had thrown off her hat and the linen duster, and was in her blue gingham gown against the sky and leaves. But she sat stiffly, her feet carefully covered, her hands ill at ease, her eyes rather piteous in their hope somehow to hold her vague own. Yet from her came these sufficient, insouciant replies.

"Education," he said laughing heartily. "That's mine, too." He spoke a creed. "I ain't never had it and I ain't never missed it."

"Most folks are happy without an education," said Lulu.

"You're not very happy, though."

"Oh, no," she said.

"Well, sir," said Ninian, "I'll tell you what we'll do. While I'm here I'm going to take you and Ina and Dwight up to the city."

"To the city?"

"To a show. Dinner and a show. I'll give you one good time."

"Oh!" Lulu leaned forward. "Ina and Dwight go sometimes. I never been."

"Well, just you come with me. I'll look up what's good. You tell me just what you like to eat, and we'll get it—"

"I haven't had anything to eat in years that I haven't cooked myself."

He planned for that time to come, and Lulu listened as one intensely experiencing every word that he uttered. Yet it was not in that future merrymaking that she found her joy, but in the consciousness that he—some one—anyone—was planning like this for her.

Meanwhile Di and Bobby had rounded the corner by an old hop-house and kept on down the levee. Now that the presence of the others was withdrawn, the two looked about them differently and began themselves to give off an influence instead of being pressed upon by overpowering personalities. Frogs were chorusing in the near swamp, and Bobby wanted one. He was off after it. But Di eventually drew him back, reluctant, frogless. He entered upon an exhaustive account of the use of frogs for bait, and as he talked he constantly flung stones. Di grew restless. There was, she had found, a certain amount of this to be gone through before Bobby would focus on the personal. At length she was obliged to say, "Like me today?" And then he entered upon personal talk with the same zest with which he had discussed bait.

"Bobby," said Di, "sometimes I think we might be married, and not wait for any old money."

They had now come that far. It was partly an authentic attraction, grown from out the old repulsion, and partly it was that they both—and especially Di—so much wanted the experiences of attraction that they assumed its ways. And then each cared enough to assume the pretty role required by the other, and by the occasion, and by the air of the time.

"Would you?" asked Bobby—but in the subjunctive.

"She said: "Yes, I will."

"It would mean running away, wouldn't it?" said Bobby, still subjunctive.

"I suppose so. Mamma and papa are so unreasonable."

"Di," said Bobby, "I don't believe you could ever be happy with me."

"The idea! I can, too. You're going to be a great man—you know you are."

Bobby was silent. Of course he knew it—but he passed it over.

"Wouldn't it be fun to elope and surprise the whole school?" said Di, sparkling.

Bobby grinned appreciatively. He was good to look at, with his big frame, his head of rough, dark hair, the sky warm upon his clear skin and full mouth. Di suddenly announced that she would be willing to elope now.

"I've planned eloping lots of times," she said ambiguously.

It flashed across the mind of Bobby that in these plans of hers he may not always have been the principal, and he could not be sure . . . But she talked in nothings, and he answered her so.

Soft cries sounded in the center of the stream. The boat, well out of the strong current, was seen to have its oars shipped; and there sat Dwight Herbert gently rocking the boat. Dwight Herbert would.

"Bertie, Bertie—please!" you heard his Ina say.

Monona began to cry, and her father was irritated, felt that it would be ignominious to desist, and did not know that he felt this. But he knew that he was annoyed, and he took refuge in this, and picked up the oars with: "Some folks never can enjoy anything without spoiling it."

"That's what I was thinking," said Ina, with a flash of anger.

They glided toward the shore in a huff. Monona found that she enjoyed crying across the water and kept it up. It was almost as good as an echo. Ina, stepping safe to the sands, cried ungratefully that this was the last time that she would ever, ever go with her husband anywhere. Ever.

Dwight Herbert, recovering, gauged the moment to require of him humor, and observed that his wedded wife was as skittish as a colt. Ina kept silence, head poised so that her full little chin showed double. Monona, who had previously hidden a cooky in her frock, now remembered it and crunched sidewise, the eyes ruminant.

Moving toward them, with Di, Bobby was suddenly overtaken by the sense of disliking them all. He never had liked Dwight Herbert, his employer. Mrs. Deacon seemed to him so overwhelmingly mature that he had no idea how to treat her. And the child Monona he would like to roll in the river. Even Di . . . He fell silent, was silent on the walk home, which was the signal for Di to tease him steadily. The little being was afraid of silence. It was too vast for her. She was like a butterfly in a dome.

But against that background of ruined occasion, Lulu walked homeward beside Ninian. And all that night, beside her mother who groaned in her sleep, Lulu lay tense and awake. He had walked home with her. He had told Ina and Herbert about going to the city. What did it mean? Suppose . . ., oh no; oh no!

"Either lay still or get up and set up," Mrs. Bett directed her at length.

IV

July.

When, on a warm evening a fortnight later, Lulu descended the stairs dressed for her incredible trip to the city, she wore the white waist which she had often thought they would "use" for her if she died. And really, the waist looked as if it had been planned for the purpose, and its wide, upstanding plaited lace at throat and wrist made her neck look thinner, her forearm sharp and veined. Her hair she had "crimped" and parted in the middle, puffed high—it was so that hair had been worn in Lulu's girlhood.

"Well!" said Ina, when she saw this coiffure, and frankly examined it, head well back, tongue meditatively teasing at her lower lip.

For travel Lulu was again wearing Ina's linen duster—the old one.

Ninian appeared, in a sack coat—and his diamond. His distinctly convex face, its thick, rosy flesh, thick mouth and cleft chin gave Lulu once more that bold sense of looking—not at him, for then she was shy and averted her eyes—but at his photograph at which she could gaze as much as she would. She looked up at him openly, fell in step beside him. Was he not taking her to the city? Ina and Dwight themselves were going because she, Lulu, had brought about this party.

"Act as good as you look, Lulie." Mrs. Bett called after them. She gave no instructions to Ina, who was married and able to shine in her conduct, it seemed.

Dwight was cross. On the way to the station he might have been heard to take it up again, whatever it was, and his Ina unmistakably said: "Well, now, don't keep it going all the way there"; and turned back to the others with some elaborate comment about the dust, thus cutting off her so-called lord from his legitimate retort. A mean advantage.

The city was two hours distant, and they were to spend the night. On the train, in the double seat, Ninian beside her among the bags, Lulu sat in the simple consciousness that the people all knew that she too had been chosen. A man and a woman were opposite, with their little boy between them. Lulu felt this woman's superiority of experience over her own, and smiled at her from a world of fellowship. But the woman lifted her eyebrows and stared and turned away, with slow and insolent winking.

Ninian had a boyish pride in his knowledge of places to eat in many cities—as if he were leading certain of the tribe to a deer-run in a strange wood. Ninian took his party to a downtown cafe, then popular among business and newspaper men. The place was below the sidewalk, was reached by a dozen marble steps, and the odor of its griddle-cakes took the air of the street. Ninian made a great show of selecting a table, changed once, called the waiter "my man" and rubbed soft hands on "What do you say? Shall it be lobster?" He ordered the dinner, instructing the waiter with painstaking gruffness.

"Not that they can touch your cooking here, Miss Lulu," he said, settling himself to wait, and crumbling a crust.

Dwight, expanding a bit in the aura of the food, observed that Lulu was a regular chef, that was what Lulu was. He still would not look at his wife, who now remarked:

"Sheff, Dwightie. Not cheff."

This was a mean alvantage, which he pretended not to hear—another mean advantage.

"Ina," said Lulu, "your hat's just a little mite—no, over the other way."

"Was there anything to prevent your speaking of that before?" Ina inquired acidly.

"I started to and then somebody always said something," said Lulu humbly.

Nothing could so much as cloud Lulu's hour. She was proof against any shadow.

"Say, but you look tremendous tonight," Dwight observed to her.

Understanding perfectly that this was said to tease his wife, Lulu yet flushed with pleasure. She saw two women watching, and she thought: "They're feeling sorry for Ina—nobody talking to her." She laughed at everything that the men said. She passionately wanted to talk herself. "How many folks keep going past," she said, many times.

At length, having noted the details of all the clothes in range, Ina's isolation palled upon her and she set herself to take Ninian's attention. She therefore talked with him about himself.

"Curious you've never married, Nin," she said.

"Don't say it like that," he begged. "I might yet."

Ina laughed enjoyably. "Yes, you might!" she met this.

"She wants everybody to get married, but she wishes I hadn't," Dwight threw in with exceeding rancor.

They developed this theme exhaustively, Dwight usually speaking in the third person and always with his shoulder turned a bit from his wife. It was inconceivable, the gusto with which they proceeded. Ina had assumed for the purpose an air distrait, casual, attentive to the scene about them. But gradually her cheeks began to burn.

"She'll cry," Lulu thought in alarm, and said at random: "Ina, that hat is so pretty—ever so much prettier than the old one." But Ina said frostily that she never saw anything the matter with the old one.

"Let us talk," said Ninian low, to Lulu. "Then they'll simmer down.

He went on, in an undertone, about nothing in particular. Lulu hardly heard what he said, it was so pleasant to have him talking to her in this confidential fashion; and she was pleasantly aware that his manner was open to misinterpretation.

In the nick of time the lobster was served.

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Dinner and the play—the show, as Ninian called it. This show was "Peter Pan," chosen by Ninian because the seats cost the most of those at any theater. It was almost indecent to see how Dwight Herbert, the immortal soul, had warmed and melted at these contacts. By the time that all was over, and they were at the hotel for supper, such was his pleasurable excitation that he was once more playful, teasing, once more the irrepressible. But now his Ina was to be won back, made it evident that she was not one lightly to overlook, and a fine firmness sat upon the little doubling chin.

They discussed the play. Not one of them had understood the story. The dog-kennel part—wasn't that the queerest thing? Nothing to do with the rest of the play.

"I was for the pirates. The one with the hook—he was my style," said Dwight.

"Well, there it is again," Ina cried. "They didn't belong to the real play, either."

"Oh, well," Ninian said, "they have to put in parts, I suppose, to catch everybody. Instead of a song and dance, they do that."

"And I didn't understand," said Ina, "why they all clapped when the principal character ran down front and said something to the audience that time. But they all did."

Ninian thought this might have been out of compliment. Ina wished that Monona might have seen, confessed that the last part was so pretty that she herself would not look; and into Ina's eyes came their loveliest light.

Lulu sat there, hearing the talk about the play. "Why couldn't I have said that?" she thought as the others spoke. All that they said seemed to her apropos, but she could think of nothing to add. The evening had been to her a light from heaven—how could she find anything to say? She sat in a daze of happiness, her mind hardly operative, her look moving from one to another. At last Ninian looked at her.

"Sure you liked it, Miss Lulu?"

"Oh, yes! I think they all took their parts real well."

It was not enough. She looked at them appealingly, knowing that she had not said enough.

"You could hear everything they said," she added. "It was—" she dwindled to silence.

Dwight Herbert savored his rarebit with a great show of long wrinkled dimples.

"Excellent sauces they make here—excellent," he said, with the frown of an epicure. "A tiny wee bit more Athabasca," he added, and they all laughed and told him that Athabasca was a lake, of course. Of course he meant tabasco, Ina said. Their entertainment and their talk was of this sort for an hour.

"Well, now," said Dwight Herbert when it was finished, "somebody dance on the table."

"Dwightie!"

"Got to amuse ourselves somehow. Come, liven up. They'll begin to read the funeral service over us."

"Why not say the wedding service?" asked Ninian.

In the mention of wedlock there was always something stimulating to Dwight, something of overwhelming humor. He shouted a derisive endorsement of this proposal.

"I shouldn't object," said Ninian. "Should you, Miss Lulu?"

Lulu now burned the slow red of her torture. They were all looking at her. She made an anguished effort to defend herself.

"I don't know it," she said, "so I can't say it."

Ninian leaned toward her.

"I, Ninian, take thee, Lulu, to be my wedded wife," he pronounced. "That's the way it goes!"

"Lulu daren't say it!" cried Dwight. He laughed so loudly that those at the near tables turned. And, from the fastness of her wifehood and motherhood Ina laughed. Really, it was ridiculous to think of Lulu that way . . .

Ninian laughed, too. "Course she don't dare say it," he challenged.

From within Lulu, that strange Lulu, that other Lulu who sometimes fought her battles, suddenly spoke out:

"I, Lulu, take thee, Ninian, to be my wedded husband."

"You will?" Ninian cried.

"I will," she said, laughing tremulously, to prove that she, too, could join in, could be as merry as the rest.

"And I will. There, by Jove, now have we entertained you, or haven't we?" Ninian laughed and pounded his soft fist on the table.

"Oh, say, honestly!" Ina was shocked. "I don't think you ought to—holy things—what's the matter, Dwightie?"

Dwight Herbert Deacon's eyes were staring and his face was scarlet.

"Say, by George," he said, "a civil wedding is binding in this state."

"A civil wedding? Oh, well—" Ninian dismissed it.

"But I," said Dwight, "happen to be a magistrate."

They looked at one another foolishly. Dwight sprang up with the indeterminate idea of inquiring something of some one, circled about and returned. Ina had taken his chair and sat clasping Lulu's hand. Ninian continued to laugh.

"I never saw one done so offhand," said Dwight. "But what you've said is all you have to say according to law. And there don't have to be witnesses . . . say!" he said, and sat down again.

Above that shroud-like plaited lace, the veins of Lulu's throat showed dark as she swallowed, cleared her throat, swallowed again.

"Don't you let Dwight scare you," she besought Ninian.

"Scare me!" cried Ninian. "Why, I think it's a good job done, if you ask me."

Lulu's eyes flew to his face. As he laughed, he was looking at her, and now he nodded and shut and opened his eyes several times very fast. Their points of light flickered. With a pang of wonder which pierced her and left her shaken, Lulu looked. His eyes continued to meet her own. It was exactly like looking at his photograph.

Dwight had recovered his authentic air.

"Oh, well," he said, "we can inquire at our leisure. If it is necessary, I should say we can have it set aside quietly up here in the city—no one'll be the wiser."

"Set aside nothing!" said Ninian. "I'd like to see it stand."

"Are you serious, Nin?"

"Sure I'm serious."

Ina jerked gently at her sister's arm.

"Lulu! You hear him? What you going to say to that?"

Lulu shook her head. "He isn't in earnest," she said.

"I am in earnest—hope to die," Ninian declared. He was on two legs of his chair and was slightly tilting, so that the effect of his earnestness was impaired. But he was obviously in earnest.

They were looking at Lulu again. And now she looked at Ninian, and there was something terrible in that look which tried to ask him, alone, about this thing.

Dwight exploded. "There was a fellow I know there in the theater," he cried. "I'll get him on the line. He could tell me if there's any way—" and was off.

Ina inexplicably began touching away tears. "Oh," she said, "what will mamma say?"

Lulu hardly heard her. Mrs. Bett was incalculably distant.

"You sure?" Lulu said low to Ninian.

For the first time, something in her exceeding isolation really touched him.

"Say," he said, "you come on with me. We'll have it done over again somewhere, if you say so."

"Oh," said Lulu, "if I thought—"

He leaned and patted her hand.

"Good girl," he said.

They sat silent, Ninian padding on the cloth with the flat of his plump hands.

Dwight returned. "It's a go all right," he said. He sat down, laughed weakly, rubbed at his face. "You two are tied as tight as the church could tie you."

"Good enough," said Ninian. "Eh, Lulu?"

"It's—it's all right, I guess," Lulu said.

"Well, I'll be dished," said Dwight.

Ninian meditated, his lips set tight and high. It is impossible to trace the processes of this man. Perhaps they were all compact of the devil-may-care attitude engendered in any persistent traveler. Perhaps the incomparable cookery of Lulu played its part.

"I was going to make a trip south this month," he said, "on my way home from here. Suppose we get married again by somebody or other, and start right off. You'd like that, wouldn't you—going south.

"Yes," said Lulu only.

"It's July," said Ina, with her sense of fitness, but no one heard.

It was arranged that their trunks should follow them—Ina would see to that, though she was scandalized that they were not first to return to Warbleton for the blessing of Mrs. Bett.

"Mamma won't mind," said Lulu. "Mamma can't stand a fuss any more."

They left the table. The men and women still sitting at the other tables saw nothing unusual about these four, indifferently dressed, indifferently conditioned. The hotel orchestra, playing ragtime in deafening concord, made Lulu's wedding march.

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It was still early next day—a hot Sunday—when Ina and Dwight reached home. Mrs. Bett was standing on the porch.

"Where's Lulie?" asked Mrs. Bett.

They told.

Mrs. Bett took it in, a bit at a time. Her pale eyes searched their faces, she shook her head, heard it again, grasped it. Her first question was:

"Who's going to do your work?"

Ina had thought of that, and this was manifest.

"Oh," she said, "you and I'll have to manage."

Mrs. Bett meditated, frowning.

"I left the bacon for her to cook for your breakfasts," she said. "I can't cook bacon fit to eat. Neither can you."

"We've had our breakfasts," Ina escaped from this dilemma.

"Had it up in the city, on expense?"

"Well, we didn't have much."

In Mrs. Bett's eyes tears gathered, but they were not for Lulu.

"I should think," she said, "I should think Lulie might have had a little more gratitude to her than this."

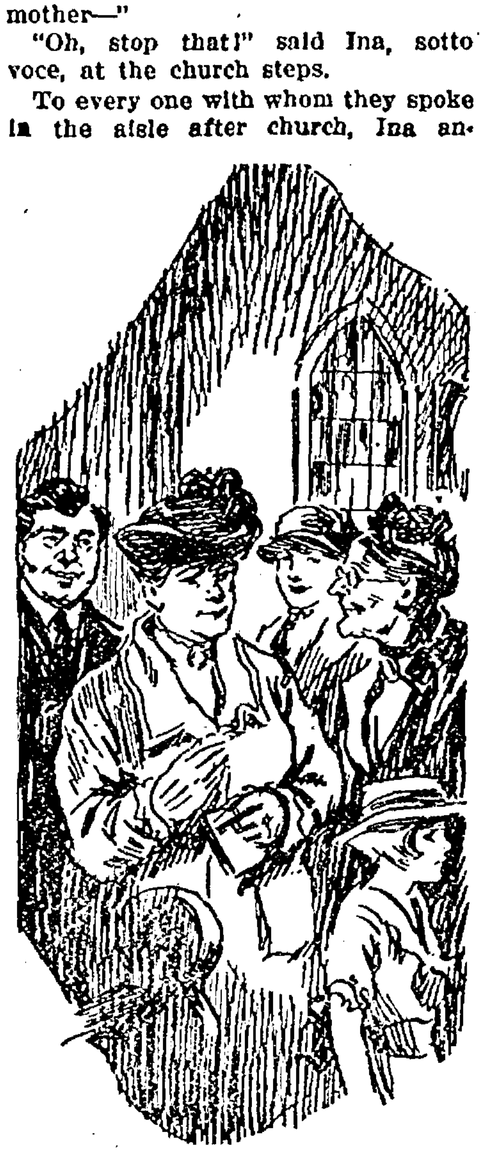
On their way to church Ina and Dwight encountered Di, who had left the house some time earlier, stepping sedately to church in company with Bobby Larkin. Di was in white, and her face was the face of an angel, so young, so questioning, so utterly devoid of her sophistication.

"That child," said Ina, "must not see so much of that Larkin boy. She's just a little, little girl."

"Of course she mustn't," said Dwight sharply, "and if I was her mother—"

"Oh, stop that!" said Ina, sotto voce, at the church steps.

To every one with whom they spoke in the aisle after church, Ina announced their news: Had they heard? Lulu married Dwight's brother Ninian in the city yesterday. Oh, sudden, yes! And romantic . . . spoken with that upward inflection to which Ina was a prey.



To Every One With Whom They Spoke in the Aisle After Church Ina Announced Their News.

V

August.

Mrs. Bett had been having a "tantrim," brought on by nothing definable. Abruptly as she and Ina were getting supper, Mrs. Bett had fallen silent, had in fact refused to reply when addressed. When all was ready and Dwight was entering, hair wetly brushed, she had withdrawn from the room and closed her bedroom door until it echoed.

"She's got one again," said Ina, grieving. "Dwight, you go."

He went, showing no sign of annoyance, and stood outside his mother-in-law's door and knocked.

No answer.

"Mother, come and have some supper."

No answer.

"Looks to me like your muffins was just about the best ever."

No answer.

"Come on—I had something funny to tell you and Ina."

He retreated, knowing nothing of the admirable control exercised by this woman for her own passionate satisfaction in sending him away unsatisfied. He showed nothing but anxious concern, touched with regret, at his failure. Ina, too, returned from that door discomfited. Dwight made a gallant effort to retrieve the fallen fortunes of their evening meal, and turned upon Di, who had just entered, and with exceeding facetiousness inquired how Bobby was.

Di looked hunted. She could never tell whether her parents were going to tease her about Bobby, or rebuke her for being seen with him. It depended on mood, and this mood Di had not the experience to gauge. She now groped for some neutral fact, and mentioned that he was going to take her and Jenny for ice cream that night.

Ina's irritation found just expression in her office of motherhood.

"I won't have you downtown in the evening," she said.

"But you let me go last night."

"All the better reason why you should not go tonight."

"I tell you," cried Dwight. "Why not all walk down? Why not all have ice cream . . ." He was all gentleness and propitiation, the reconciling element in his home.

"Me, too?" Monona's ardent hope, her terrible fear were in her eyebrows, her parted lips.

"You, too, certainly." Dwight could not do enough for every one.

Monona clapped her hands. "Goody! goody! Last time you wouldn't let me go."

"That's why papa's going to take you this time," Ina said.

These ethical balances having been nicely struck, Ina proposed another:

"But," she said, "but, you must eat more supper or you cannot go."

"I don't want any more." Monona's look was honest and piteous.

"Makes no difference. You must eat or you'll get sick."

"No!"

"Very well, then. No ice cream soda for such a little girl."

Monona began to cry quietly. But she passed her plate. She ate, chewing high, and slowly.

"See? She can eat if she will eat," Ina said to Dwight. "The only trouble is, she will not take the time."

"She don't put her mind on her meals," Dwight Herbert diagnosed it. "Oh, bigger bites than that!" he encouraged his little daughter.

Di's mind had been proceeding along its own paths.

"Are you going to take Jenny and Bobby too?" she inquired.

"Certainly. The whole party."

"Bobby'll want to pay for Jenny and I."

"Me, darling," said Ina patiently, punctiliously—and less punctiliously added: "Nonsense. This is going to be papa's little party."

"But we had the engagement with Bobby. It was an engagement."

"Well," said Ina, "I think we'll just set that aside—that important engagement. I think we just will."

"Papa! Boby'll want to be the one to pay for Jenny and I—"

"Di!" Ina's voice dominated all. "Will you be more careful of your grammar or shall I speak to you again?"

"Well, I'd rather use bad grammar than—than—than—" she looked resentfully at her mother, her father. Their moral defection was evident to her, but it was indefinable. They told her that she ought to be ashamed when papa wanted to give them all a treat. She sat silent, frowning, put-upon.

"Look, mamma!" cried Monona, swallowing a third of an egg at one impulse. Ina saw only the empty plate.

"Mamma's nice little girl!" cried she, shining upon her child.

The rules of the ordinary sports of the playground, scrupulously applied, would have clarified the ethical atmosphere of this little family. But there was no one to apply them.

When Di and Monona had been excused, Dwight asked:

"Nothing new from the bride and groom?"

"No. And, Dwight, it's been a week since the last."

"See—where are they then?"

He knew perfectly well that they were in Savannah, Georgia, but Ina played his game, told him, and retold bits that the letter had said.

"I don't understand," she added, "why they should go straight to Oregon without coming here first."

Dwight hazarded that Nin probably had to get back, and shone pleasantly in the reflected importance of a brother filled with affairs.

"I don't know what to make of Lulu's letters," Ina proceeded. "They're so—so—"

"You haven't had but two, have you?"

"That's all—well, of course it's only been a month. But both letters have been so—"

Ina was never really articulate. Whatever corner of her brain had the blood in it at the moment seemed to be operative, and she let the matter go at that.

"I don't think it's fair to mamma—going off that way. Leaving her own mother. Why, she may never see mamma again—" Ina's breath caught. Into her face came something of the lovely tenderness with which she sometimes looked at Monona and Di. She sprang up. She had forgotten to put some supper to warm for mamma. The lovely light was still in her face as she bustled about against the time of mamma's recovery from her tantrim. Dwight's face was like this when he spoke of his foster-mother. In both these beings there was something which functioned as pure love.

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Bohning and Mr. and Mrs. George Bohning left last week Wednesday morning on an auto trip to Lenox, South Dakota, where they will visit friends and relatives.

A week ago Sunday Perry Loomis gave a picnic in Tyrrell Park to all the threshing crew in his neighborhood. A fine time was enjoyed.

Fred Bohning of Cedar Falls has been visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bohning, the past week.

Dressmaking, suits, coats and dresses.—Miss Tegland, 5th St. 3rd Ave N. W. 412*

An Armenian girl was in town a few days last week, selling Armenian fancy work. She stated that she in company with her father, were selling the work in an effort to secure funds enough to bring the balance of the family, the mother and several smaller children, to America. They expected to have money enough this next month to bring the family across. The father had been here a couple of years, making money enough to bring over the eldest daughter, and th girl had been here but a few months. She told some horrible tales of life and conditions in Armenia, and her hatred for the Turks was intense. She claimed that there would soon be nothing left of the Armenian nation.

Thursday evening of last week it looked like this vicinity was going to have a real storm. With a heavy, black sky and a high wind things did look pretty dubious for awhile, but it all went around and we had nothing but the wind. At other points around hard storms were experienced that evening.

Miss Jennie Gealow, who has been linotype operator for the Independent, has resigned her position and will leave soon in company with Miss Agnes Rikensrud of Kanawha, for Des Moines, where she will attend the Des Moines University, taking a stenographic course.

Geo. W. Griggs from near Goodell was in town last week Wednesday on some business matters. Mr. Griggs conducts a wholesale fur business at his place near Goodell, and buys from all parts of the country.

Quite a number of lacal people attended the annual blow out held at Thornton alst Thursday. They report a good time thruout the day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Adams were among the local visitors at Thornton last Thursday.

Chas. Sampson and son Joe were business callers at Meservey one day last week.

Will my pupils, or any others desiring to take piano lessons, please notify me as soon as possible? Classes for children from five to eight years of age will be started.—Gertrude Ely. 411c

Martin Thoe was among the Belmond folks who were in attendance at the Fort Dodge fair held last week.

The Clarion News last week carried an article advocating a tourist park at that place. It seems that tourists have been parking at the old fair grounds, now owned by Mr. Sams, the city having no proper accomodations for them.

Richard Ziska, the city mail carrier, is taking his vacation now and Willard Moses is taking his place on the route.

Quite a number from here drove over to Belmond yesterday to take in the Cramery Day celebration. The celebration was well attended and there was plenty doing all of the time. Today quite a few went over to Thornton to help those people eat roast ox.—Times.

Miss Laura Brooks, Mrs. LuVerne Smith and the Joe Staines family all drove to Belmond yesterday to take in the Creamery Day celebration.—Times.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spitler, of Belmond were callers in town Saturday night.—Times.

Mrs. Chris Enger and children of Belmond spent Friday with Mrs. Hake.—Times.

Mrs. Dan Wenzel celebrated her birthday last Sunday with the help of all her children, who came home to help her observe the day.

Miss Margaret Gehm from Peru, Illinois, is spending a few days at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Henry Schultz.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Immel from Granville, Illinois, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Philip Geitz and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thayer and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sheriff drove to Des Moines on Tuesday to take in the state fair.

Friends here learned of the birth last Friday of a son, Joseph Mathew, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Edge. Rev. Edge was former minister of the Methodist church here.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Norris of Garner were visitors at the W. A. Brewer home last week.

Children's Day at The Hat Shoppe, Saturday, September 2nd.

The opening of the Hat Shoppe was very well attended, many ladies of the community coming in to wish Mrs. Rosecrans success in her new business. Tea and wafers were served to all and each visitor given a flower.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday here with relatives. She is employed in the Mesrvey bank.

Mr. and Mrs. John Greenlander and family drove to Des Moines on Monday, where they attended the state fair. Mrs. E. Purcell and daughter, Dorothy, accompanied them on the trip.

LOST—Bunch of keys, on Main street. Leave at this office for reward.

Cecil Jennings of Tilton, Iowa, who has been a guest at the home of his uncle, Clyde Jennings for several weeks, returned to his home on Monday.

The sugar beet crop in this part of the county is cetainly looking like ready money to those farmers who have a crop in. The crop is excellent and should make a big return this fall.

The sugar factory will begin firing the boilers some time the fore part of September.

Friend Bras came up from Fort Dodge last week to spend a vacation with relatives and friends in this vicinity. He expects to be here for a couple of weeks.

Peacock Flour $1.80 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace & Co. 41tfc

Mrs. C. R. Trumbell recently celebrated her 86th birthday. Fourteen relatives were present to participate in the event.

Scott Smith from Cedar Rapids spent the week end at the home of Dr. and Mrs. McBurney.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Graham of Titonka were guests of relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hawley and family drove to Dumont, Sunday, to visit at the home of N. D. Benson and family, former residents of this place.

Bring in the kiddies and let them select their school hats at The Hat Shoppe, Saturday, September 2nd.

Mrs. Russell and daughter Doris went to Mason City last Friday, where Doris is to take treatments from an eye specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Borne from Elgin, Illinois, arrived last Wednesday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin.

Mrs. W. O. Butterfield went to Mason City on Saturday, to spend the week end with relatives.

Mrs. Joe Stebbleton from Britt has been visiting relatives and friends here the last few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brooks from Clear Lake visited at the Fred Lynch home Sunday.

NOTICE

To the people and kiddies of Belmond: I have purchased Mr. Burke's pop corn stand and will have in a few days a stock of roasted and salted peanuts, cracker jack and chewing gum, in addition to pop corn. Service is my motto. Once a customer always a customer.—Wm. Dempsey.

Miss Marie Haynes of Forest City returned home Monday morning after having spent the past week with Miss Loretta Barry.

Mrs. F. M. Hanson, Mrs. W. S. Pritchard, the Misses Kathrine, Marian and Betty Pritchard, Mrs. G. F. McMann, Mrs. Austin Pruitt, Mrs. Chas. Bailey, Mrs. Carl Schnieder, and C. E. Barnes from Garner drove down Saturday and had a picnic dinner in the Tyrrell Park. Afterwards attending the opening of the Hat Shoppe.

Miss Kathleen Ryan, who has spent her vacation with the Barry families here, left Tuesday for her home in Jackson, Nebraska.

Miss Grace Reed leaves this week for Beaman, Iowa, where she will teach this coming year.

Alvin, Emil, August and Herman Traeger, John Waltzing and all their families drove to Peru, Illinois Friday to attend the golden wedding of the Traeger boys' parents, which occured Sunday.

Messrs. Frank McGuire of Clear Lake and Francis Hayes of Forest City were guests at the J. F. Barry home a few days the past week.
tertained a number of the Sodality girls at her home last Friday afternoon. They also enjoyed a picnic at Lake View park.

Good hats for good kiddies at The Hat Shoppe Saturday, September 2. Also a surprise for them.

Zella and Virginia Stapley from Chicago are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stapley.

B. F. Detra of Rushville, Illinois, visited the first of the week at the homes of Mrs. J. S. White and Mrs. Legge Wallace. Mr. Detra is an old friend of the Legge family.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris from Garner spend Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brewer.

Will all persons having books from the Public Library which are overdue please return them this week. A book mender, sent out by the State Library Commission, is expected here within a short time and the books must be in so that there will be no delay in the work of putting them in as good repair as possible and returning them to circulation.

Fred Loats and family and Ben Vierkant and family returned the first of the week from Buckeye, Ia., where they had been the past week on a visit. They made the trip by auto.

Mrs. Golden returned to her home at Cedar Rapids last Saturday, after a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Moore, and family.

Miss Helen Harberts returned on last Friday from her visit to Canton, South Dakota, where she was visiting Harry Harberts and family the past few weeks.

Keith Scarbro was in town a couple of days the first of the week visiting old friends. Keith has grown to beat the cars and has a big start toward being as big as his father. He reports everything as going nicely at Brookings.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey went to Des Moines on Sunday where they attended the state fair. They were thinking of driving on from there to visit relatives in Illinois.

Miss Belle Brewer of Walker, Ia., is a guest at the home of her brother, W. A. Brewer, and wife this week.

Fine building lot for sale, one and one-half blocks from school house Inquire of John L. Preston. 413*

Friends of Dr. Gowdy and family, from Britt and Goldfield, enjoyed a week-end party at the Gowdy home here.

Many of the swell guys you see riding aroung in upholstered limmozines got their start cranking a flivver.

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For sale—Studebaker top-buggy, good as new. A bargain if taken at once. Also dapple gray mare coming four years old, broke to all farm work.—Bruno Bruns, Phone 2309. 402*

For Sale—Gentle driving horse, can be driven by any woman. Also good single harness for sale.—Ed. Jenison. 37tfc

TOURISTS BADLY BITTEN WHEN ASKING DIRECTION

Hampton Chronicle: W. S. Bergundthal and daughter, of Topeka, Kansas, stopped at the Keefe farm east of Hampton last Monday evening to ask if they were traveling on the Glacier trail and the big collie dog owned by Mr. Cummings attacked them and bit both Mr. Bergundhal and his daughter. The dog caught Mr. Bergundthal on the right arm near the elbow and tore the flesh and muscle loose clear to the bone. The dog badly lacerated both of the girls' legs.

The party was returning from a touring trip to Minnesota and were headed for St. Louis before returning to Topeka. After the dog attacked them they came to Hampton where they received medical attention and from here they changed thier course and headed for home.

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CUT CORN AT RIGHT TIME

Corn that is to be cut for the silo wants to be matured enough so that the kernels are hard and at least one fourth of the leaves and husks have turned brown, says the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station experts. Corn that is cut when too immature lacks the nutriment value the more mature corn has.

However, when corn becomes too dry before cutting, it is not likely to have enough moisture for the fermentation process. If the corn is dry when cut it is a good plan to add water, as this not only helps in the fermenting but serves to pack the silge and drive out air spaces. It is in the air pockets that form in the silage that molds start and ruin part of the silage.

Corn that is cut too green produces a high acid content in the silage so that considerable trouble to stock often follows its use.

In cutting the silage it has been found that inch lengths are the easiest to pack properly. Be sure that the silage gets tamped around the edges, as it is here that the air pockets form the easiest. Due to the incoming silage from the blower the center of the silo is packed the hardest and the tampers should keep the outside edges as solid.

It a silo is half filled in the afternoon and left to stand over night, it is a good plan to operate the blower fast for a few minutes and force fresh air into the silo before starting to fill it. Often there is in the silo an accumulation of gas thrown off by the new cut corn and this is dangerous. The blower will soon remove this.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bras from Canada are visiting relatives here this week.

Earnest Cameron and family from Cedar Rapids were visitors at the Cameron home here the first of the week. They were nroute home from Okoboji.

CLEANLINESS--

Is one thing we do say we give our customers. The meats you get from us are handled clean and kept clean. Consider this when you buy fresh or salt meats the next time.

City Meat Market
Nissen & Harbison, Props.
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Kinseth's Store News

Canning time is just about over, but there is still time to can some good peaches, and we have some fine ones here for you. Big juicy ones that make the finest kind for winter sauce. Come in and see them, and if you don't want a box we'll be badly mistaken.

All the sugar you need to can with too, but it's going up, just as we told you awhile back. We'll sell you all you need at a reasonable price tho.

All kinds of coffee, at different prices. Buy it in bulk and save your money. Coffee is very likely to go higher we believe, and advise you to lay in a supply before it goes higher.

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Have you seen the line of overalls that we are carrying? They are bargains, real ones, and of mighty good quality goods. We have some dandy work shirts too, and some work shoes that are worth twice what we ask. They will wear you a long time and give you value received for every cent they cost.

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SCHOOL BEGINS WITH LARGEST ENROLLMENT

List Of Jurors For Next Term

Belmond Folks Who Will Have A Chance To "Tell It To The Judge."

$3,000,000 MORTGAGE FILED

The ladies and gentlemen from this part of the county who will have the opportunity of telling the judge how busy they are and therefore will be seriously convenienced by having to do jury duty are the following, whose names have been drawn to appear at Clarion on October 9 for the next term of court:

Those from Belmond are J. W. Baldridge, Joe H. Barton, C. E. Jenison, A. Swenson, A. R. Dorr, Lillian Nelson. From Rowan, Ira Stumph.

A three million dollar mortgage was placed on record last week in the recorder's office by Miss Vaughn. It was given by the Iowa Falls Electric Co. to the Harris Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago, to secure an authorized issue of first mortgage gold bonds. The recording fees on this instrument was $30 and the wording of the same covered thirty four and one-half pages of large record sheets in closely typed matter. The mortgage is to run ten years.

Messrs. Reese, Richardson and Stewart, the gentlemen comprising Wright county's inheritance tax commission, met in Clarion, Friday, and made an appraisement of the property of the estate of A. B. Morse of Ionia, Mich., which consisted of a 320-acre farm near Belmond. They performed a like service in the Hugh Bennett estate appraising a 219-acre estate near Cornela. The estate of Minnie Furuseth included a house and lot in Belmond and $22,000 i personal property.

OLAF ITEMS OF INTEREST

S. O. Windecker spent Tuesday and Wednesday of last week in Clear Lake and Mason City on a business mission.

Henry Shurson and family drove down from Minneapolis and spent a part of last week visiting at the Jacob Thompson home. Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Shurson are sister and brother.

Andrew Scott and wife and John Shurson and wife drove to Morris, Ill., last week. While there they will attend the 71st anniversary of the Norwegian Lutheran church at that place. All ministers who have preached to this congregation, and also all who have been members, were requested to be present if possible.

Mrs. Torres Scott accompanied her brother, Rev. Severson of Eagle Grove, to Illinois to attend the 71st anniversary of their home church.

Martin Paulson was an over Sunday visitor with relatives in Belmond.

Arthur Ericson accompanied Cryder Wicks and family in an auto trip to Montana where they expect to visit relatives for about a month. On the way out they will visit at several places in North Dakota.

Olaf school began Monday with Miss Nellie Delaney of Belmond as teacher. [redacted]

Otis Thompson of Britt has been plowing on the Peter Swenson farm which he will tenant next year.

E. O. Munson and family drove to Roland, Sunday, where they will visit for several days.

Mrs. Orpha Anderson went to Belmond, Saturday, to stay with her parents for a week or ten days, while her husband is taking an outing at various places in north central Minnesota. Harry Bohning and Wm. Morse going with him.

Marjorie and Daryl Lein started to attend school in Kanawha Monday.

Jake Erdman and family, Philip Erdman and family, Geo. Rieter and family attended a birthday dinner at the Groh home Sunday, Miss Anna being 17 on that day.

Mrs. John Wirtz who was operated on for hernia at the Steele hospital last week, is reported as doing nicely.

Relatives from Story county visited at the Halverson home last week.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening the choir will take up its' work again at 7:30. Old members are requested to be present and new members are invited. We want as many as possible to take a live interest in our choir work. Please come and make up your minds to continue. We like to have a good strong choir.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. John Kalvig. All members are asked to be present. Thursday evening the prayer meeting will be conducted at the church at 8 o'clock. The classes meet at the church Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Next Sunday is rally day for our Sunday school. Let it be a rally day in every sense of the word. Let us not forget that success in our Sunday school work depends largely upon the interest of the individual.

Sunday afternoon the lay people conduct a service at 2:30 in the afternoon.

ST. OLAF

The North Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. A. Linning, Wednesday afternoon.

Wednesday evening cottage prayer meeting will be conducted at the home of Jacob Thompson.

Thursday afternoon the South Ladies Aid meets at the home of Elling Ellingston.

Saturday afternoon at 1:30 the class meets at the church. The change has been made to accomodate those attending school.

Sunday morning Norwegian service will be conducted at 10:30. In the evening the young people will conduct their meeting. We want a good attendance. Come and bring someone with you.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

The regular services next Sunday morning and evening.

Sunday school at 10.
Morning worship at 11.
Christian Endeavor at 7:30 p. m.
Evening worship at 7:30.

A very enjoyable time was spent at the Sunday school picnic last Thursday at Mr. Hinman's. A good old fashioned picnic dinner was served for all at one long table. Over two hundred were present. One very enjoyable part of the day was the ball game between the women's Bible class and the men's Bible class. Of course the women won the game even tho a few of them didn't know whether to carry the bat along with them when they ran for first base or not. The feature of the day was a game between the men of Mrs. Peterson's and Mr. Leinbach's classes and those of Mrs. Tyrrell's and Mrs. Schlieffarth's.

WHAT THIS COUNTRY NEEDS

What this country needs is not a new birth of freedom, but the old-fashioned $2 lower birth.

What this country needs isn't more liberty but less people who take liberties with our liberty.

What this country needs is not a job for every man, but a man for every job.

What this country needs isn't to get more taxes from the people, but for the people to get more from the taxes.

What this country needs is more tractors and less detractors.

What this country needs isn't more young men making speed, but more young men planting spuds.

What this country needs is more paint on the old place and less paint on the young face.

What this country needs isn't a lower rate of interest on money, but a higher interest in work.

What this country needs is to follow the footsteps of the fathers instead of the footsteps of the dancing master.—St. Paul Crescent.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT HAT SHOPPE PLEASES KIDDIES

Children's Day last Saturday at The Hat Shoppe was very successful, many of the school children of the vicinity coming in to try on the hats displayed for them, an event which they enjoyed to the utmost. As a reseut of the day Mrs. Rosecrans had successful sales.

Doughnuts

OH, BEN-OH! CAN I COME IN?
HUM-M-M-M GEE BUT THEY SMELL GOOD
GEE! SMELL'EM BILL?
ASK YOUR MA IF SHE NEEDS ANYTHING FROM THE STORE?
OH, MA, DO YOU NEED A PAIL OF FRESH WATER YET?

CHICKEN THIEVES TAKE FOUR DOZEN FINE ONES

Wm. Dampsey And Wife Lose Best Ones In Their Flock Saturday Night.

Last Saturday evening, or rather early Sunday morning, some thief or thieves took four dozen of the best chickens of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dempsey. The majority of the fowls taken were capons, averaging six pounds each, and altogether the loss to the owners comes to about $50. Mr. Dempsey, after coming home from his pop corn stand about 12 o'clock, secured a chicken for Sunday dinner, and looked the flock over at that time, all of them being there. About four in the morning he was awakened by the barking of the dog, and upon getting up heard someone out by the chicken house. He secured a loaded shotgun and went out the back door, but the thieves, evidently taking alarm, went around by the front way and escaped in a car. The night-watch reports seeing a car coming from the south and turning East on Main street about that time. All the produce houses in the neighboring towns have been notified to be on the watch for a batch of chickens such as those stolen, and if the guilty parties are apprehended they certainly ought to get the limit of the law. Stealing chickens is one of the most contemptible things anyone can do, and ought to be classes in the same category as horse stealing was in days gone by.

SONG OF THE LAZY FARMER

(From Praire Farmer)

Most everybody's on a strike because of something they don't like, it seems their wages are too low or else they work too hard, and so to get the thing fixed up the men lay down their tools and strike again. And so, while men and bosses fight and quarrel 'bout which side is right, the rest of us must bear the curse and thank the Lord it ain't no worse. If trains don't run we'll have to walk and still the strikers sit and talk. If coal ain't dug we'll have to freeze or else cut down a few big trees and saw wood till our back is lame, the strike keeps going just the same.

Perhaps the farmers better strike and show 'em what a real one's like. We'll turn the calves in with the cows and turn the horses and the sows out on the pasture for a spell, we'll sit around the store and tell the world where it gets off if it don't raise our price a little bit. We'll let our wheat set in the shock, we'll be too mean to wind the clock, we'll set around and rest and smoke and laugh about our little joke. We just won't do a bloomin' thing until we win that strike, by jing! Then when the people haven't et for several days they'll come, I'll bet, and tell us if we'll get to work that they'll work too, and never shirk. They'll hang each walking delegate and shoot the men who speculate in grain to submarine the price, they'll treat us mighty kind and nice, they'll greet us mighty kind and nice, they'll greet us friendly-like and sweet if we will work so they can 'eat!

GALT TEAM PROVES EASY MARK SUNDAY

Nothing To It After Belmond Gets Started—To Play Wall Lake Here Sunday

The ball game Sunday between the Galt team and the locals was an easy affair, the locals winning by 9 to 2. Chapman pitched eight innings, his curves being something the Galt players had heard about but never before seen, and consequently they failed to do much. Two Galt heavers were batted freely, the first three men in the 1st inning getting on and coming home by a homer by Fred Fulton. In the ninth the boys considered they had enough, and set about having a little variety by putting Thomas in the box, Nelson on first, Packard on third, Jones to the short stop and Chapman second. The "new team" was as successful as the "old". Louie Foss featured the game by a beautiful balancing act in center field when after a fly ball.

Sunday of next week, September 10, the local club will meet the team from Wall Lake. This certainly ought to be a worth while game. Wall Lake has lost but two games this summer, they have a strong, fast bunch, and with the Belmond team delivering the brand of ball which we know they are capable of this should be a real affair.

DR. HOXIE TO PRACTICE AGAIN

Hampton Chronicle: Dr. W F. Hoxie will again engage in the practice of medicine in Hampton, and has already leased the rooms in the office building just west of the city park, and recently vacated by Dr. D. A. Rice.

Dr. Hoxie will leave for Chicago in a few days to take some post-graduate work, after which he will return to Hampton and open his office for the practice of his profession. A full new equipment has been ordered for his office. On account of a large amount of business matters to look in connection with the Hoxie estate during the past few years he quit the practice of medicine here as he was unable to look after the practice properly, but now with the added burdens off his hands he will be able to give his personal business his careful and undivided attention. Dr. Hoxie has hundreds of friends in this county who will be pleased to learn that he will again practice medicine here.

"FOR LIGHT WINES AND BEER"

Fred P. Hageman of Waverly, the democratic candidate for Congress in this district against T. J. B. Robinson of Hampton, republican, was in the city Tuesday greeting voters. Mr. Hageman was county superintendent of the Bremer county schools for two terms, and state senator four years. Across the top of his card he has "I am for light wines and beer." It is a question whether this will win him as many votes as he thinks, but one must give credit for having the nerve to publicly announce that he is for them, there are candidates who are but wouldn't admit it for the world.

SHOWER FOR INEZ BOUGHTON

On August 17th the Misses Elizabeth Leinbach and Esther Hardwick were hostesses at a kitchen shower at the Hardwick home, in honor of Miss Inez Boughton.

The afternoon was spent in games and the bride-to-be was put thru many tests. The gifts were presented in rather a unique way. Miss Boughton was taken a part where she was dressed as a bride in lace curtains and artificial flowers. To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march she stepped down an isle of pink and white crepe paper streamers held by the guests who were arranged so as to form an isle. At the end of her march she found a basket decorated with crepe paper and bows in which the gifts were piled.

From teaspoons to baking dishes the gifts ranged and when the last gift was unwrapped we could scarcely think of a utensil which the bride-to-be did not have for her kitchen.

At 5:30 the hostesses served dainty refreshments after which the guests having extended their best wishes to Miss Boughton, departed.

BOUGHTON-BICKET

Miss Inez L. Boughton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Boughton of Belmond, was united in marriage to Mr. Lester Bicket, of St. Louis, Mo., on Wednesday, August 30, at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. U. Leinbach of the Sands Memorial Congregational church, assisted by Rev. Seth R. Huntington of Dinsdale, Iowa. Only the near relatives of the contracting parties were present.

The ceremony took place at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Seth R. Huntington played the wedding march, and little Miss Jeannette Huntington was the ring bearer. The happy couple left that evening on the Rock Island for Grundy Center, to spend a few days visiting relatives before proceeding to St. Louis, where they will make their future residence and where they will be at home after October 1st.

The bride is among Belmond's fairest young ladies, a graduate of the 1921 class of the Belmond High School, and for the past year has resided at home with her parents.

Mr. Bicket is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bicket of Dinsdale, and is connected with the Federal Bank at St. Louis.

The out-of-town guests present at the wedding were Mrs. Thomas Bicket of Dinsdale, Mr. Wm. Bicket of Dinsdale, Miss Marjory Innes from Reinbeck, Mrs. Will Stark and two children William and Gladys from Grundy Center, and Rev. and Mrs. Seth Huntinton of Dinsdale.

The Independent very heartily joins with the many friends in extending best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple.

RECENT SALES OF FORD CARS AND TRUCKS

T. C. Cullinan, Belmond, coupe.
Delmer Lobdell, Belmond, touring.
Erling Larson, Kanawha, coupe.
Casey Blank, Belmond, roadster.
Peter Luppeine, Kanawha, touring.
Heiko Koenen, Meservey, touring.
John Halfpop, Belmond, touring.
Oscar Nelson, Belmond, coupe.
J. W. McLaughlin, Belmond, touring
D. Bishop, Belmond, truck.
Fletcher & son, Rowan, truck.
Geo. Abbas, Kanawha, tractor.
Percy A. Swenson, Belmond, tractor.
C. W. Melvin, Clarion, tractor.
Gerhard Thompson, Belmond, tractor.
Ed. Nigg, Clarion, tractor.
Gotlieb Lauster, Meservey, tractor.
Thos. Wicks, Kanawha, tractor
Dick Barkema, Belmond, tractor.
Pearl Nelson, Belmond, coupe.
Max Baker, Belmond, coupe.

FARM BUREAU MEETS AT MARTIN HOME TONIGHT

The Belmond Township Farm Bureau will meet at the Earl Martin home Thursday evening, September 7. The program will consist of music, speeches and readings. Refreshments will be served, a moderate charge being made for same. All are cordially invited. Come and have a good time yourself and help others have a good time.

More Teachers To Be Employed

Nearly Every Grade Has Heavy Enrollment—Classes To Be Held All Over

MEANS NEW BUILDING?

The local school opened on Monday of this week with the largest enrollment of scholars in its history, there being a total enrollment of 528 pupils.

This is the largest enrollment that that the school has ever had by quite a ways. From the present indications this enrollment may increase, and it is now probable that in order to take care of the present enrollment, to any more, that one or two more teachers will have to be employed in the near future. There are as many as 50 to a class, which is more than any teacher can give adequate attention. The enrollment Monday was forty in the Kindergarten, fifty in the primary, forty six in the second grade, 54 in the third, thirty two in the fourth grade, fifty one in the fifth, thirty five in the sixth and twenty seven in the seventh. The eighth grade hnd a totalal of 21. We are given to understand that in the Freshmen class there are sixty pupils enrolled.

From the looks of things now, as they seem to be going, it is but a question of a short time before Belmond will have to erect another school house. The present building with the present enrollment is crammed to the doors and the teaching force are hard put to nd room for the various classes. Undoubtedly in the not very distant future either the present building will have to be turned into a grade school and a high school building constructed, or more room will have to be built onto the present building.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Tuesday of this week Mr. and Mrs. Matson and daughter Alva autoed to Mason City.

Supt. O. Nelson came down from Albert Lea, Thursday.

Fred Graeber and family came down from Minnesota, Saturday. They stopped a short time in Goodell, and then drove on to Kanawha where they will live after Oct. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood of Marshaltown came Saturday and spent Sunday with Mrs. Africa, returning on Monday.

Chas. J. Nelson and family from Lake Mills visited at the Sandberg home Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Beier spent the week end with relatives at Waterloo, returning Sunday.

S. C. Pollock of Garner gave a very interesting address at the U. B. church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Graeber were in Belmond on Thursday afternoon having dental work done at Dr. Parsons.

Peter Benson of Kanawha visited at the O. Sandberg home Sunday.

The Misses Hill, McCormick and Butts are the new teachers for the Goodell school. Miss Butts teaches primary, Miss McCormick in high school and domestic science. Miss Hill is the new principal.

The teachers spent Monday in organization and arranging the program of studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNutt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allaben and daughter Dorothy went to Clear Lake on Monday to attend the mail carriers' picnic.

J. W. Griggs and Miss Maude of Ventura spent Sunday here, returning Monday.

Wm. Nelson visited his sister here Monday.

The Woman's Missionery society will hold their third quarterly business meeting at the home of Mrs. L. W. Sherwood on Sept. 8.

The Hancock county Sunday school convention will be held on Thursday, Sept. 14 at the Liberty M. E. church.

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DO UNTO OTHERS

Why is it that, when a fellowman falls from grace, we are so prone to kick him down yet a little farther? Instead of offering him a helping hand, endeavoring to assist him to rise again and be one of us, we go out of our way to push him down farther. Is it just? Is it Christian? Is it "Doing unto others as we would have them do unto us?"

Why is it that so many people think a prison is to punish, when as a matter of common sense it should be to reform? Why is a person forever damned because they have disobeyed once the laws of God or man? Is it so awful that we should fall from the dictates of ourselves occasionally? How many people would there be outside of prison if all were in who have broken the law? Mighty few, folks, mighty few! The next time you feel inclined to swing the hammer on some one who is down, just stop to think whether you have any cause to make a noise—are you so free from taint that you can condemn? If you are, order your casket, you're too good to live much longer.

But, some of you will say, we must do something to protect ourselves; if there were no laws and no public opion where would we be? Better off with fewer laws most emphatically enforced, and do not confuse public opinion with back-fence gossip, there is a wide difference. Public opinion may justly condemn the offender for the act, but only gossip and narrow-minded prejudice will kick him or her down further. Because an individual has once gone wrong it is no sign that such is to be expected always, that there is no decency in them. It is narrow-minded, rather let us say feeble minded, fools who knock and jeer and gossip over the back fence, the store counter and the supper table that deny the fallen one a chance to rise. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you, for you may need tomorrow the help you deny another today.

CLIPPINGS

Last Thursday afternoon as Wm. Sarber was taking Irvin Rubendall home his Studebaker car went over the embankment just west of the river bridge and turned completely over. Mr. Rubendall was thrown from the car in such a way as to break his hip bones and he was also injured internally. Medical aid was administered to him as soon as possible and he was rushed to the hospital at Iowa Falls, where he lies in a critical condition. Mr. Sarber received a broken shoulder, a broken rib and some minor bruises and is getting along fairly well.—Dows Advocate.

Guy Lynch of Belmond was a caller in Klemme, Thursday.—Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Munson have a flock of chickens at their place near the dam on the west river, that is the admiration of everyone who visits the home. These birds are given excellent care, and their ration consists a liberal feeding of grain, and all the clams that Will gathers in his work of clamming in the river northwest of town. This combined ration seems to suit the fowls exactly, and the way they thrive would make an Ames poultry expert envious.—Humboldt Republican.

A visitor called at this office last week and wanted to see several copies of the Advertiser, saying that in getting a line on the town as a place to invest money, or in which to live, it was possible to make a decision without seeing what kind of a newspaper the town was supporting. And among the things after looking carefully thru the papers she asked whether we had only the one general store, and commented that she never saw a town yet that had a better paper than the town was willing to support. The lady complimented Alta on the two fine banks which served us and assured us that she was not an agent or solicitor, but had been attracted to the town by newspaper reports of the fine schools and other advantages.—Alta Advertiser.

Wm. Johnson, of the Johnson Drug Co., and Miss Naomi Baldridge went to Belmond, Thursday morning where they underwent an operation for the removal of their tonsils. They returned home Friday and are getting along fine.—Kanawha Reporter.

Frank Landt of Tama county was passing along the public highway in front of the residence of Mrs. Charles Novotny. His wagon was loaded with various articles and behind trailed a mowing machine. A dog belonging to Mrs. Novotny rushed for the passing team and caused a vicious runaway and Mr. Landt was thrown from the wagon, falling in front of the mower, resulting in serious injuries that have laid him up all summer, and he is reported to still be practically helpless. Suit for damages against the owner of the dog will be brought in the October term of court, the amount asked being $2,300, including costs of medical attendance and nurse hire.—Exchange.

Levi Ridder received severe burns from gasoline last Thursday while working in the shed back of the H. Ridder garage. A gasoline blow torch, which he was using, exploded and threw gasline on him and then caught ablaze. His father was close by and extinguished the flames with a chemical gun but not until Levi had received bad burns on one leg and arms. He is getting along well at this writing but will have some ugly scars to show for his experience.—Klemme Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Sigurd Anderson of Belmond spent Sunday here with Mrs. Anderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Fryslie.—Dows Advocate.

Mrs. Ed. Murphy of Belmond came Tuesday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roths.—Klemme Times.

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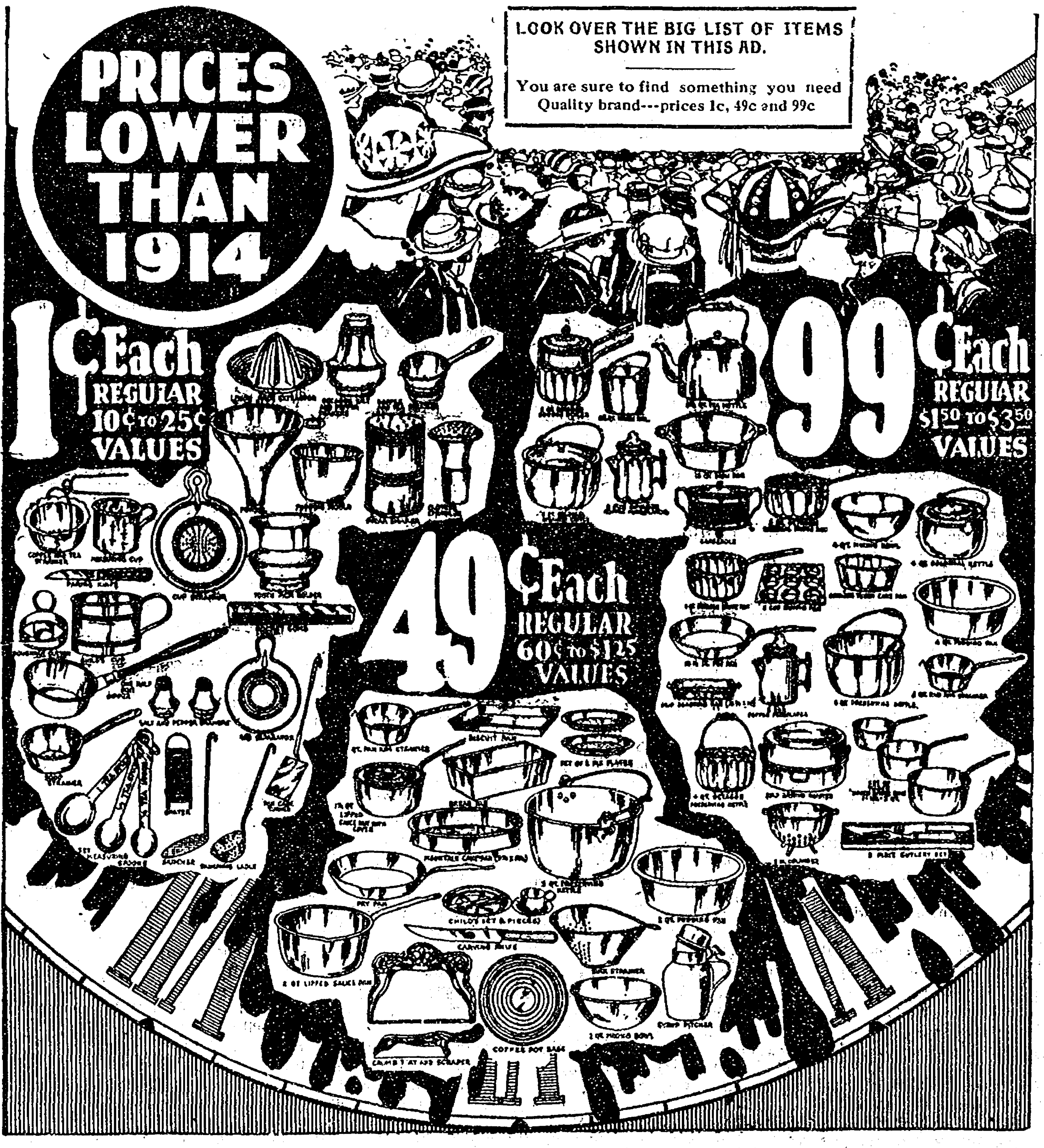

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RADIO

USE OF CHOKE COIL AND TRANSFORMERS

Latter Provide the Most Practical Method of Coupling for the Amateur.

Figure XXVIII shows the actual circuit of a three-stage resistance coupled amplifier. The output of such a circuit is K times K times K the input or assuming the amplification factor of each tube to be 10, the output would be 1,000 times the input. The resistance R is the coupling resistance whose function it is to transform the plate current variation to potential drops to be applied to the grid of the next tube.

The capacity C is simply a means of allowing the potential variations across the coupling resistance R to be applied to the grid of the next tube, yet not allowing the "B" battery applied to the plate circuit of a tube to be applied to the grid of the next. Because of using the condenser to, what one might say, insulate the grid from the "B" battery potential, it is necessary to use a grid leak, to keep the charge which collects on the grid from becoming excessive and reducing the plate current to zero.

One of the chief disadvantages of the resistance coupled amplifier is that very high plate battery potentials are necessary. The amplification per tube of a resistance-coupled amplifier is not as high as it is for some other methods but it is stable and does not distort the input as much as do some other methods used which give greater amplification per tube.

Resistance-coupled amplifying may be used to amplify either radio or audio frequency.

A method of transforming the change in plate current of a vacuum tube to differences in potential is by means of a choke coil. A choke coil consists of a number of turns of wire wound up in a multilayer coil and may or may not have an iron core. A coil of this kind offers a high impedance to the flow of alternating current, but has a relatively low direct current resistance.

The choke coil on account of having a low ohmic resistance, will have a smaller method of coupling, so that lower "B" battery potential can be used on choke coil coupled amplifiers and the batteries can be of smaller capacity.

The choke coil not only has inductance but a certain amount of distributed capacity. The distributed capacity of the coil plus the capacity of the plate with respect to the filament, together with the inductance of the coil, give to the plate circuit a certain definite period. That is, the plate circuit is an oscillating circuit whose resonant frequency is determined by the total capacity and inductance in the circuit.

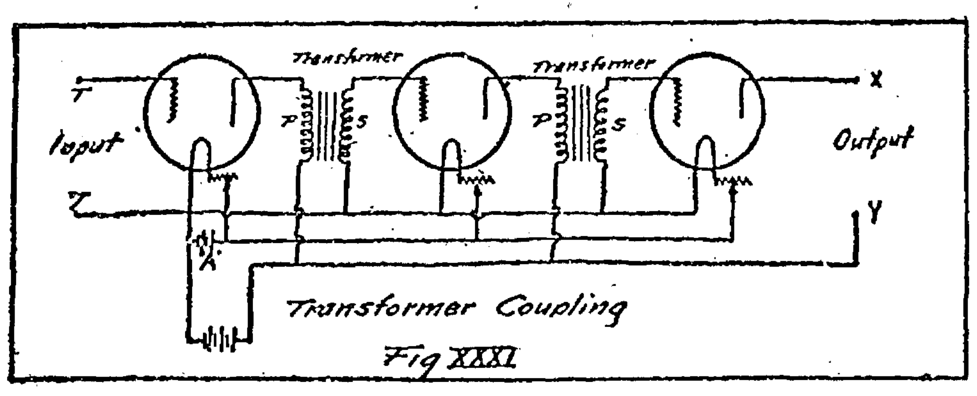
If the choke coil be made variable, it will not only serve to transform the plate current variation with maximum plate potential variations, but it will also serve to tune out unwanted frequencies. When the plate circuit of the amplifier is tuned, the resonant frequency is amplified K times, but all other frequencies are amplified to a less degree.

Another and by far the most widely used method of coupling successive tubes in a cascade amplifier is by means of transformers. The transformer method of coupling amplifier tubes may be considered a development and a refinement of the simpler choke coil method. Coupling tubes by means of properly designed transformers will give a greater amplification per tube than any of the other methods.

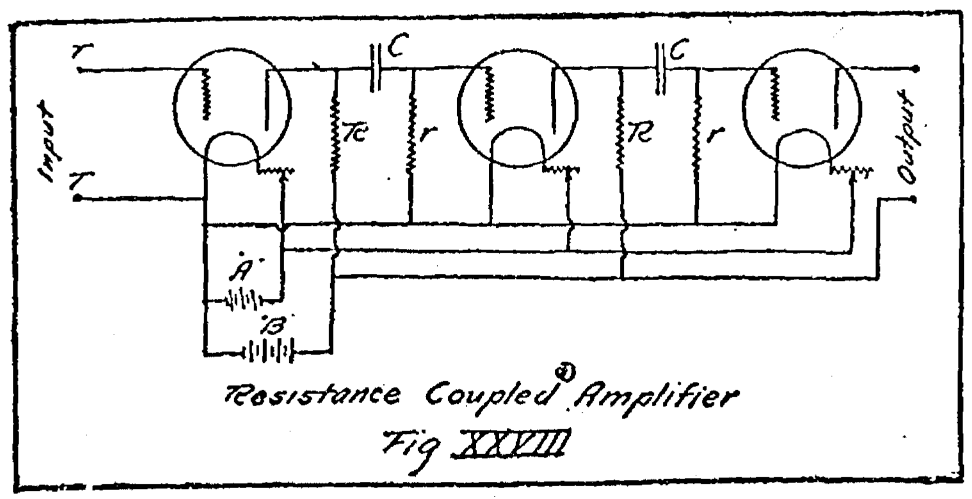
Figure XXXI shows the diagram of a three-stage transformer coupled amplifier, where P and S are respectively the primaries and secondaries of the coupling transformers. The transformer as a whole is so designed as to convert the plate current variations into maximum potential variations. The plate circuit of each tube which includes the primary winding of a coupling transformer must be assigned for maximum power amplification, while at the same time the ratio of the transformer must be such as to deliver maximum potential to the grid circuit of the next tube.

The greatest advantages of the transformer method of coupling audio frequency amplifiers are the high degree of amplification, the relative simplicity of operation, and the low plate voltage required.

Chief among the disadvantages of the transformer coupled frequency amplifier is noise. Also the transformers amplify different frequencies to different degrees, which means that when this type of coupling is used for radiophone reception, the voice is distorted by the amplifying transformers. However, from a practical standpoint, the average amateur will have better results using transformer coupled audio frequency amplifiers than from any other method that can be used with the tubes and equipment now available.



Transformer Coupling
Fig XXXI



Resistance Coupled Amplifier
Fig XXVIII

GREAT BRITAIN VS. AMERICA

Radio Amateurs of Those Countries Pursuing Distinct Courses in Development of Receivers.

Two separate and distinct courses are being followed by the radio amateurs of this country and Great Britain in the development of receiving apparatus for continuous-wave telegraphy and wireless telephony. Both courses are of the utmost importance to the art, and each will exert a great influence on the future of radio communication and entertainment.

The American amateurs have gone along the lines of regeneration and amplification of audible signals, as well as development of long-distance reception on short waves by the superheterodyne principle.

On the other side of the Atlantic the British amateurs, restricted in their hobby by ultra-conservative government regulations, have turned their attention solely to radio-frequency amplification. This has given excellent results on all long and medium wave lengths, but its success on shorter wave lengths has depended solely upon the expert handling of the operator, who has been compelled to use tuned coupling circuits between each of the radio-frequency vacuum tubes.

It is too early yet to tell which of the two systems will ultimately triumph, but there is no doubt that the laurels at the present moment rest upon the American amateurs through the latest achievement of their leader, Armstrong, in the production of the super-regenerative system.

SHORT FLASHES

The enormous popularity of radio has started out a new crop of solicitors offering the stock of fake companies, with alleged glittering prospects. A general warning is being broadcast for fans to be on the lookout for these smooth gentlemen.

A young radio sharp at Ogdensburg, N. Y., recently heard through his set: "Come home with the car, Howard; I have to go to the store." Who can say that a set in the pasture will not soon call the cows at milking time: "Come bos!"

In making a regenerative set employing two variometers and a variocoupler be careful not to get the instruments too close together. If they are, the set will howl. A set of this type should be mounted in a box not less than sixteen inches long.

Dr. John J. Carty, often referred to as "the wizard of the telephone," has had added to his many complimentary college degrees that of doctor of science, Yale university. Doctor Carty, who ranks as a brigadier general in the signal corps reserve, U. S. A., was given this last honor for being a radio expert.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle predicts communication with the dead by radio within four years. Sir Arthur is firm in the belief that within that time "we will have the direct communication that Edison hoped for," and that those who have passed beyond will "have transmitters in the line of ether and all that we will need will be the receiver."

LUCKY STRIKE
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IT'S TOASTED

It's toasted. This one extra process gives a delightful quality that can not be duplicated

Farm Bureau News

Judging Team Will Make Tours

The boys on the livestock judging team which took first place in the state wide livestock judging team contest will make several trips with the county agent to various livestock farms within the county during the next few weeks. The boys will also attend a few of the neighboring county fairs making the trip to the interstate fair at Sioux City which will be held the week of September 18 to 25.

The county agent has an invitation from the head of the Animal Husbandry Department of the college at Ames to bring the livestock judging team to Ames for a work-out with the livestock at the college. If this invitation is accepted the boys will be given some first hand information from the college authorities on points in livestock judging. The Wright county boys, who will represent Iowa in the Interstate livestock judging contest, should be given all encouragement possible from every source.

Club Exhibits Win at State Fair

Ruth Dorr, a member of the Tri-G club of Grant township, has the honor of winning two second premiums at the state fair, one on a dress made with sewing machine attachments, a prize of $2.00, and the other on a three-piece suit of underwear, a prize of $4.00. Pearl Woodley, a member of the same club, won fifth place with a prize of $2.00 on a dress for the tall, slender girl.

Club exhibits were entered from every county in the state and the girls should be commended for their winnings in the club department.

Reorganization Of Grain Growers

Sec. Cunningham of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, who has recently been elected president of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., due to the reorganization of the board of directors, makes a few statements which are of particular interest at this time to all people of Iowa.

"The U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., involves the supreme effort on the part of the American farmer to follow his own product closer to the ultimate consumer. The movement was born of the highest minded sincerity on the part of the grain farmer, necessity forcing him to seek improved methods of marketing the product of his toil. As the new management comes into control of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., we have no Utopian schemes to propose, no visionary plans to work out. We recognize certain economic laws which cannot be flouted, and certain business principles which cannot be ignored without inviting disaster. We have no fight against existing agencies or methods. But we do believe most sincerely that the men who grow grain have the right to sell what they produce.

"And we plan to create a producers' selling agency, which shall function in strict accordance with sound business methods, and procedure. We do not expect to establish any great and spectacular reforms while the farmer waits. We hold out no flattering promises to producers that we will be able to reach out into space and get 25, 40 or 50 cents a bushel more for their grain than the market justifies. Our grower members must recognize that fact in the beginning, and they will be called upon to exercise patience, as well as co-operation.

"The U. S. Grain Growers is in a deplorable condition financially. A general statement of liabilities and assests shows a net deficit of $285,267.27. While that is significant enough to trained financiers, it gives the general public no conception of the financial entanglements and complications that will have to be ironed out before we can hope to attempt actual grain marketing operations. We are in no position to say definitely when we can hope to market grain. There are a few markets where we may be able to begin marketing as soon as the financial entanglements of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., can be unraveled."

Griesy's Store News

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Demonstration

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Great Majestic Range

September 4th to 9th

Special factory representative will be here to explain the merits of this great sale.

During this sale we will also offer bargains in KITCHENWARE

You are invited to make our store your headquarters.

ROWAN NEWS

SEPTEMBER 8 and 9
"ALWAYS AUDACIOUS" featuring Wallace Reid. In this picture Mr. Reid portrays two entirely different types of men, one the hero and the other the scheming villian, and he puts them both over to perfection. A delightful love romance adds much to the interest of the play.
STAR THEATRE SEP. 8 AND 9

S. F. Stout had the misfortune to be kicked by a horse last Saturday. He was leading a team from the pasture when another horse whirled, kicking with both hind feet and striking him in the back of the head. It was necessary to take several stitches. He was also hit in the shoulder and had some ribs cracked in his chest, also his face skinned up quite badly. He was knocked unconscious when kicked and lay there awhile before getting able to call for help. Taking it all around it was a very lucky accident for he would have been killed had the horse not been as close as it was. He is doing very nicely.

Another accident last Wednesday night between the S. F. Stout and Chas. Moon homes when the fill in the buggy came down in which Mr. and Mrs. Ormal Gates and baby and Ormal's mother, Mrs. Gates of Sioux City, were riding. It jerked the buggy into the ditch throwing them al out. Both ladies had their ankles sprained, it becoming necessary to take the elder Mrs. Gates to the hospital at Belmond. Mrs. Ormal Gates is able to be around again. Ormal and the baby escaped uninjured.

Miss Maude Cowley spent the past week in Lake Park attending the wedding of a friend. She returned home Monday.

Mrs. Fred Aldrich and daughters spent last week at Mason City at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Buchanan, returning home on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller and daughter Blanche spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Guy Stumph.

Mrs. Ellen Lanner of Glendale, Cal., spent the past week with her friend, Mrs. D. A. French.

A number of our local girls began their school work Monday morning. Among them were Letha Gunderson who has the Pepper school south of Dows; Mildred Duffy at the Davenport school; Susan Dugy at the Maple Grove school; Izetta Fletcher at the McCormick school; Laura McCallum in Blaine No. 3, and Dollie Riley at the Pink Trees school. The Misses Susan Duffy and Izetta Fletcher did not begin their duties until Wednesday as they were attending a teachers' meeting at Hampton the first two days of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bingham and Daune and Loreta and Mrs. J. F. Howell were Dows callers hursday.

D. W. Whitten and Lyden and Evelyn and Harry Steffens were Dows callers Thursday, Lyden and Evelyn having dental work done.

A. H. Emerson and son were at Belmond, Wednesday, having home troublesome teeth removed.

The Charles Bowers family visited relatives at Eldora and Iowa Falls Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson and family have gone to Allison where they will visit his mother and attend the Butler county fair.

John Dix of Hampton was a Rowan business caller Thursday.

L. D. Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bingham of Iowa Fals spent the week end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler motored to Ft Dodge, Wednesday.

J A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Men must wear pants. We sell Strus Bros. "Master Tailored Clothes" also clean, press and alter suits, coats, hats, etc.—Hyde's Panitorium, Rowan, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Kjar and family have gone for a visit with the Walter Carmon family in Wisconsin.

Elberta Peters and Floyd Smith, who have been visiting relatives here left for their home at Highmore, S. D., Tuesday.

Miss Florence Box left Wednesday for Chicago where she will enter the hospital for training in a nurses' course. We wish her success in her new line of work.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Adams of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. F. O. Kennison and mother Mrs. Charlotte Flick of Waterloo were guests at the S. F. Stout home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Crozier, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Guyer and daughter, Mr and Mrs. E. J. Margertz and Darrel and Garaldene of Waterloo came Saturday to spend a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hyde.

Dr. and Mrs. Evans and Mrs. John Cousins of New Hartford spent Sunday at D. W. Whitten home.

The funeral of the late Mrs. L. D. Bingham was held in Rowan, Friday at the Methodist church. After a short service at her home in Iowa Falls the friends accompanied the body here. Rev. H. Tomkinson conducted the service and Rev. Dr. Clinton of Iowa Falls delivered the address. The church and school room were filled to capacity. The cympathy of the whole comunity goes out to the bereaved husband and family.

Mrs. Frank Toyne has returned from a visit at Lake City and Lanesboro where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hinkley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson are enjoying a visit from the following guests: Mrs Mary Beavers of Goldfield, Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Short and children of Vincent, and the Misses Martha and Marsell Stevenson of Minneapolis.

The Rowan Consolidated school started Monday with 96 in high school There were try outs the first day for a school orchestra and glee clubs. The class sponsors are as follows:

Seniors, Supt. Holliday; Juniors: Miss Hillyard; Sophomores, Mrs. Holliday; Freshmen, Miss Cowley; 8th grade, Miss Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. Will Stout, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stout and Della Langdon, and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hagen and children Sundayed at Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams and children returned to Washington, D. C. Monday night after a visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bingham left early Tuesday morning for Long Beach, Cal. They are to meet Mr. and Mrs. Ford of Iowa Falls at Boone who will accompany them.

Monday evening about 30 friends of Miss Faye Bingham met on the lawn at the J. F. Howell home and spent the evening with her before she left for Cal. The evening was spent in games after which watermelon was served.

Last Saturday afternoon Mrs. A. H. Emerson and Mrs. Ben Hadley entertained the Cradle Roll members of the Cong. church and their mothers. There were 95 present. Four new names were received on the roll. A short program was given by the members. A lovely lunch was served at the close of the afternoon. Several pictures were taken of the children.

Mrs. J. A. Whitten was a Belmond caller Thursday where she had a number of teeth removed.

Dan Fletcher is carrying his hand in a bandage since the latter part of the week when he hurt it quite badly while unloading some wire.

Fred Hackley met with a severe accident Saturday while on the way to the Farmers Union annual picnic. He was taking a table out there on a wagon and was riding on it to hold it on when it fell off, hurting his leg between the knee and ankle. He has been to Dows to have it dressed several times.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Patton of Eller, spent several days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Joe Patton this

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STRENGTH SERVICE

Where Do You Bank?

It's a question which is asked frequently. Your banking connection is an identification. When you are in good standing with a good bank you possess a distinct advantage.

A checking account with the State Bank of Belmond means more than safety and convenience in paying bills. It places our complete service at your disposal. We try to make this a "good place to bank."

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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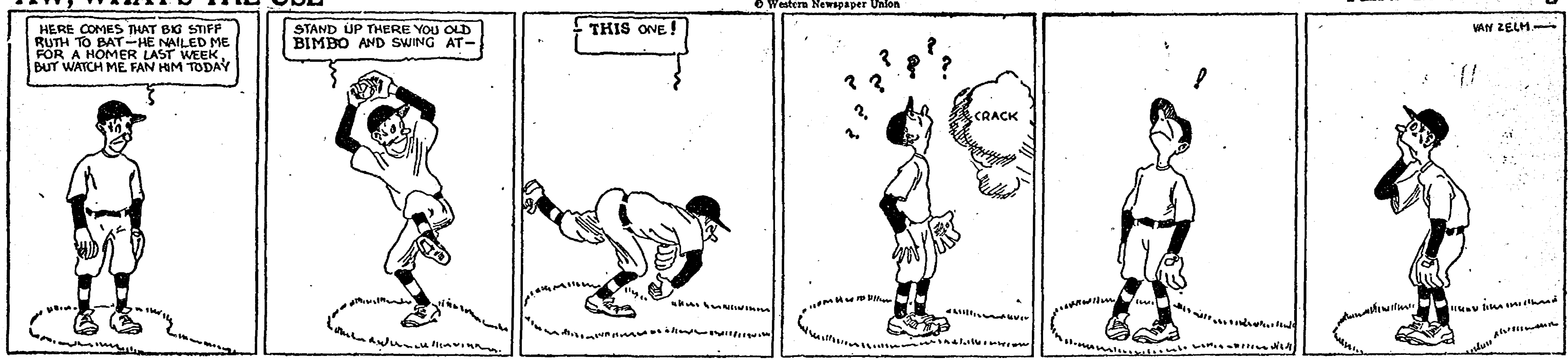
HERE COMES THAT BIG STIFF RUTH TO BAT—HE NAILED ME FOR A HOMER LAST WEEK, BUT WATCH ME FAN HIM TODAY
STAND UP THERE YOU OLD BIMBO AND SWING AT—
THIS ONE!
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CRACK
!
VAN ZELM—

BOYS' SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENTERTAINS

The "S. O. S." Sunday school class entertained the Pollyanna class last Tuesday evening in the Evangelical church parlors. Those present report an enjoyable evening. Both classes held their regular business meeting after which the girls were served cafeteria style to what proved a delicious lunch, prepared by the boys. Following was the bill of fare the girls had to order from:

Go-Betweens, Predicaments, Jumbles, Transparent Perplexities, Orchard Gages, Crystals, A Tight Squeeze. And this what the girls received: Sandwiches, pickles, rolls, buns, cookies, fruit salad with whipped cream, green plums, water and fruit juice.

The Pollyannas voted the S. O. S. boys novel entertainers.

Be a Banker Bookkeeping Shorthand Telegraphy

Positions are plentiful for those well trained. Students may work for board. Tuition low. Write for Catalog C. Boyles Business College, Omaha, Neb.

FAREWELL SURPRISE

Last Friday evening 31 young people gathered at the home of Harm Dierks for a farewell party for Rev. Eilert Dierks, who will leave soon for the East, where he has accepted a pastorate, it being his first charge, having completed his school work at New Jersey Theological Seminary last May. A royal good time was spent. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served. As a token of esteem the young people clubbed together and presented Mr. Dierks with a parting gift of money, amounting to $15.50, all wishing him well in his new field of labor.

FOR SALE—Small size Sharpless cream separator. Good skimmer. $8.00.—P. H. Pals. tfc

How Far Will Your Dollar

Go Today

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What you get for a dollar determines its value. Every week this newspaper contains information. The man or woman who is best informed is the one who buys to best advantage.

Every week this newspaper contains information that you should have in order to increase your buying power. The advertisements are intimate little lessons in economy. They are notices of how---where---when and for what your dollar will go farthest.

This advertising awaits your pleasure. It does not force itself upon you. At your convenience you can study it to learn where to go for the product or service you require---to discover where and how you can buy most easily and to best advantage.

It's a fascinating and worth-while practice to see just how you can make your dollar do its best for you.

The Advertisements Will Tell You

FINISHING YOUR EDUCATION

Any young man who can finish his education and does not, is handicapping himself in the race of life. It is the weakness of the young that they cannot see into the future. Older people who have traveled the path that lies before the young man, know that he will find his greatest handicap a lack of education.

Education is a means of profiting by the experience of others. Let us illustrate the statement. When a man goes to school to learn farming he is taught all that the past generations have learned by experience in farming. He is taught the best sort of grain to raise on certain soil and in certain climates. He is taught the most nourishing foods to feed his stock, and the most profitable stock to raise. All the things that the stock raisers and land farmers have learned by experience in the past are taught to this young farmer. Suppose that a young man should discard the wisdom of the ages and start to learn by experience. How long would it take him to accumulate even a small per cent of the knowledge that is his for the asking in school? You and I know that he could not do it in a life time.

It is the same in every walk of life. No matter whether you are studying for the farm or the office or a profession. Education teaches you what the generations before you learned by experience and research. You positively can't take time to learn by experience. You must have an education if you are to succeed. If you have brains, you must cultivate them. If you have energy, you must direct it with good education. There is no other way.

You can not find a really successful man in the world today who lacks an education, who will not admit that his greatest handicap was that very lack of education.

Some people point to certain successful men and argue that because they have limited educations it is not necessary to be educated to succeed. Successul men who are not well educated have accomplished their success by sheer force of character and dogged perseverance. The same force of character and perserverence had they been coupled with an education, would have landed their owner much further up the ladder of success. These men achieved success in spite of their lack of education, and not because of it.

Other people point to some of life's failures that are very well educated indeed. Again they are the excption. An educated fool is the greatest fool of all, because fools can not profit by either the experience of others or themselves. To such people an education is useless. If you are a fool, get out of school and make room for someone who will utilize an education.

Did you ever stop to think what a narrow margin separates success and failure? Fifteen per cent will turn a failure into success. The man who makes seven and one-half per cent less than cost will go broke—be a failure. The man who makes seven and one-half per cent on his investment is a success. That fifteen per cent is available to the man who "knows his business"—was taught it by education.

Many boys are being lured away from school today by the prospect of good money for manual labor. These boys do not stop to think. Suppose it takes fifteen years to finish that education. Which will be best twenty years from today, fifteen years of high priced labor such as is paid experts, or twenty years of low priced labor such as is paid common laborers? Every boy knows that an educated will earn more in fifteen years than an uneducated man will earn in twenty years. And yet everyone of the boys quitting school to-day should live more than twenty years.

Young men who contemplate quitting school should take a long look into the future. If they do so they will not quit school if there is any possible means of avoiding it. No wages that can be paid to-day for manual labor will pay any boy for sacrificing an education. He will be a heavy money loser in the end.

Harold Blewitt and family and A. E. Muller and family attended the big Masonic picnic held at Sheffield in the tourist park last Friday. They report it a most enjoyable event. Masons and their families from Hampton, Rockwell, Geneva, Swaledale, Thornton, Meservey and Sheffield were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Heiko Kuhlers and Edward and Dena autoed to Britt on Thursday where they will attend the fair for a few days and visit relatives. From there they went to Woden, Ia., to visit at the Helms home. Mrs. Wilkinson and children accompanied them to Britt for a few days' visit with friends.

Mrs. Andrew Reevert and daughter from Pella, Iowa, arrived Friday for a visit at the Rev. Pannkuk home. Mrs. Reeverts and Mrs. Pannkuk are sisters.

WHITTEMORE OFFICER NABS ALGONA MASHERS

There is a rather common practice of boys and young men driving around town of an evening, and when they see a bunch of girls they swing to the curb and intreat them to go with them for a joy ride, said last week's Whittemore Champion. "Sometimes the boys are rather insistant in their demands. Last Sunday evening four lads were driving around pulling off such a stunt and stopped four Whittemore girls, some of them hardly in their teens. It just happened that Marshall Ed. Walsh was close by and he collared the lads before they could get away. They told him their home was in Algona, and that this was their first visit to Whittemore. Mr. Walsh invited them to visit the mayor and then they began to beg like goodfellows. They solemnly promised that if he would let them go they would never come to Whittemore again, and that they would never bother the girls again. Mr. Walsh being of a kind disposition let them go on their way, and they exceeded the speed limit in getting out of town. Algona boys are not the only ones disturbing the young ladies out walking, our own boys are just as handy as any of the outsiders. Some day some of them will get picked up as an example to others."

To Secretaries of Local Organizations

Why not let this newspaper save you labor?

Labor-saving devices are the modern methods.

They spell efficiency.

Why stay in the old rut?

This is what you have been doing for years—wasting your time and energy in sending out separate notices of meetings regarding your lodge to each member. This means that you have to address from 50 to 100 postal cards or envelopes in addition to preparing the notices for mailing out.

Why not put your notice in an advertisement under "Lodge Notices" in this paper? You could do it for $1.25 and save all that labor.

It's the modern way. It's the way most lodges are doing in the up-to-date communities.

What would be more interesting in this paper than a column or two of such notices? Your members would look for this feature in every issue. And then, *think of the labor it would save you.*

Just write out *one* notice and bring it to us. That's all. Simple, isn't it? You bet. Try it and you won't do it any other way.

We are here to serve you and ready to make suggestions.

SICK

With a Bad Cold

"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

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WAAGE & RUITER.

Mr. and Mrs. John Humke of Ackley called at the C. Bier home Saturday.

Mrs. H. Meinderts and daughter Miss Jennie left the fore part of the week for an extended visit in South Dakota. They expect to go to Sioux Falls, Avon and Tyndall.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Karjens and children of Bradford arrived here last Wednesday for a visit with the latter's mother, Mrs. Eckoff. Mr. returned home the next day, accompanied by Carl Eckoff, Mrs. remaining for a longer visit.

Hijo Pals has been spending a few days at the parental home, before school opens. He has a position in the Belmond high school, where he will have charge of the manual training classes and athletics.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Reif have been entertaining at their home Mrs. C. F. Reif, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fuerst, Cora and Lydia Fuerst, all of Greeley, Colorado. They arrived Friday night by auto, pleasantly surprising Mr. and Mrs. Reif.

L. B. Hulsebus and wife left Sunday for a two weeks' auto trip to different points in Minnesota, making Simon Eckoff and a Thornton Minneapolis their first stop. friend left for Colorado the first of the week for a two weeks' pleasure and sightseeing trip. They made the trip by auto.

A. J. Nissen and family, Mrs. Jacob Nissen and Crist Enabnit motored to Allison, Sunday, where they spent the day at the G. Gobeli home.

Dick Wessels and family and Geo. Gerdes returned last Tuesday from a motor trip thru different points in North Dakota. They report a fine trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Quandt returned from their visit in Wisconsin the fore part of the week.

The Cemetery society will meet with Mrs. Otto Strassburg, Tuesday p. m. Sept. 12. Everybody welcome.

A. E. and Mrs Muller and daughters motored to Renwick Sunday, visiting at the Rev Beckman home, and also with Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ostroth at the Blumer home. Rev. and Mrs. Ostroth's home is in Sommerville, Mass. He is presiding elder of the New England conference. Mrs. Ostroth and Mrs. Muller were girlhood friends, and it is needless to say they enjoyed the meeting after 19 or 20 years.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Janssen and children and Mrs. Aug. Prelipp and younger children visited at Renwick Sunday at the P. Thiel home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Sprau and four youngest children left last Thursday by auto for Farmer City, Ill., where they visited with relatives of Mrs. Sprau.

Mr. and Mrs. Reif with their visitors motored to Latimer, Sunday, where they attended church and visited at the homes of Fred Dolman and Wm. Shumberg.

Simon Fischer and W. R. Prelipp with their families motored to Mason City, Sunday, where they were the guests at the Geo. J. Fischer home.

Dan Wenzel, Adolph Wenzel, Walter Braga, Fred Ralston and Harold Blewitt with their families made up a party who visited the famous grotto at West Bend, built by the Rev. Father Dobberstein.

Ernie Strassburg and the Jay Griggs family also motored to the same place Sunday.

On Monday the A. E. Muller family took advantage of the half holiday to visit this wonderful piece of work. Those who have not been permitted to view this work of real art, should avail themselves of this opportunity at your earliest convenience.

Rev. J. Shemp of Germany will speak at the Evangelical church Tuesday evening, Sept. 12, at 8 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

Wilbur Clyde Hilt, 7 weeks old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hilt, residing 19 miles north of here, was brought to this place for burial last Friday afternoon. Short services were held at the grave. We failed to get particulars of the little one's sickness and death.

George Dirks, Albert Pals, Alice Kuhlers and Ollie Pals visited the grotto at West Bend, Sunday.

A. J. Nissen, Adrian Brogan, H. Waage, Nels Faburg and wife and Will Hartfelder and wife witnessed the ball game between the Indians and Bayside Cubs, Monday p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Waddingham and Wanda motored to West Bend several days ago to see the grotto.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bier and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pieper went to Swea City, Wednesday to visit at the Charles Bier home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Pals are rejoicing over the arrival of a new daughter, born Wednesday of last week.

CHURCH DEDICATION AND MISSION FEAST HELD

Wednesday, Aug. 30, was a proud day for the pastor and members of the Reformed church at this place. During the spring and summer months workmen have been busy, building the new addition to the church, which was found it would be necessary to add to make adequate room for the ever increasing membership. The cost of addition was about $5,500, and the entire sum has been raised, leaving the church free from debt. Big crowds came from far and near on this day to be present at the dedication, and in connection with this the Annual Mission Feast was held, making it an unusually interesting event. The amount collected during the day was $784.68, a share of which goes to Missions. Ministers who took part at the services during the day and in the evening are Rev. F. Reeverts, Stout, Ia; Rev. Theilken, Forreston, Ill; Rev. W. F. Janssen, Chapin, Ia; Rev. Barth, Hampton, Ia; Rev. Depping, Klemme, Ia; Rev. H. Kruse, Woden, Ia; Rev. E. Dirks, Rev. Schlesselman and Rev. Pannkuk, Meservey. All gave suitable, inspiring talks, or led in prayer, and altogether it was a most enjoyable and profitable day for those who attended. The music rendered by the choir and male quartette was much appreciated.

Jesse Brogan of Thornton was seen on our streets last Wednesday.

K. C. Ruigh and family departed Friday by auto for Friend, Nebr., where they will spend their vacation visiting relatives.

Taken up about July 25th—one black spring pig. Owner can have same by paying cost of advertising, etc.—U. J. Cooper.

C. J. Janssen and family accompanied by J. C. Janssen returned on Sunday from a motor trip to Minnesota where they visited friends and relatives. They also visited with the Kraghs family in South Dakota, who moved from here about three years ago. They are enjoyng good health and are prosperous.

Mrs. Wallace and granddaughter, Lucile Legge, Mrs. J. S. White and small son, Robert Kendall of Belmond were visitors at the Muller home last Thursday.

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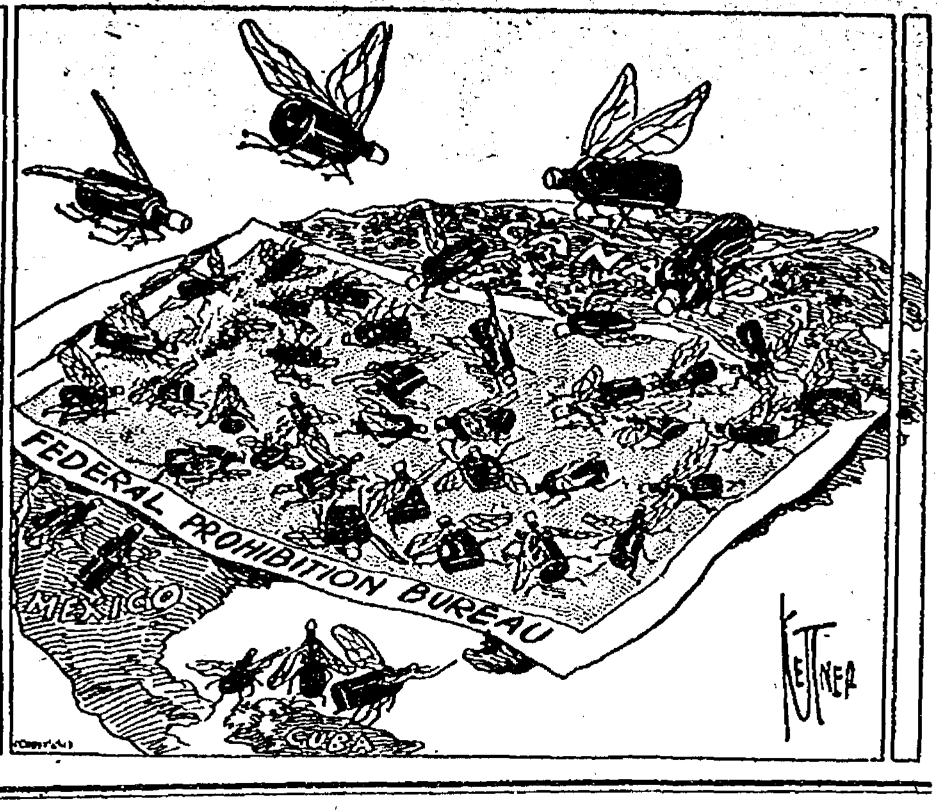

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Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and Alma Witt were motor passengers to Mason City last Wednesday.

Miss Bertha Gartz of near Belmond and gentleman friend were calling in town Thursday.

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Leo Halfpop and Mabel Eggers of Thornton were quietly married at Mason City a week ago Saturday. We have not learned where they will reside, but we join in wishing these young people a happy and prosperous journey thru life.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.
The weekly services will be the same as usual.

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ROWAN NEWS

(Continued from page 3)

past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Heath and baby, Brooks Nye, of Mason City were calling on relatives here last Monday.

Herb Hadley and Roy Fitz have purchased new Ford trucks and expect to haul gravel at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cupp and family returned Monday morning from a two weeks' vacation in the Black Hills, S. D. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder have been caring for their things at the farm.

Mrs. Emily Alder came over Monday from Clarion to visit at the home of Mrs. Daniel Whitten. She expects to return to Long Beach, Cal. in two weeks to spend the winter.

Mrs. Wilbur Lineweaver and baby spent last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Klemenson at Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow and Mr. Snow's father stopped at the G. W. Whitten home Friday enroute to the town of Traer.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn and children left last Thursday for Wis., to visit her sister, Mrs. Tim Weld and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Winkleman were in town last Friday and Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sullivan accompanied them from Ft. Dodge.

A family reunion was held at the Harm Brinkman home Sunday. The relatives met after church.

Miss Dorothy Ramsey returned on *Monday from a visit at Belmond and* from there to Latimer to stay a while with her sister, Mrs. Chris Klemenson.

Mrs. A. A. Williams was called to Hayfield on Monday by the serious illness of her grandson, Samie Schreck

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stout and baby and Mrs. Roy Stout were week end guests at the S. F. Stout home last week. Mrs.Roy . Stout's mother and father Mr. and Mrs. Waters, went home with them to spend some time.

The Misses Gwen and Carol Vennum came Monday and spent the week with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrf. Will Bingham were Belmond callers Tuesday where Mrs. Bingham had dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Williams and son Ray who have been spending the past week here, were Dows visitors Wednesday. Mrs. Williams has been suffering very much from her eczema but is beginning to get relief.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Watt went to Marshalltown Thursday where they will visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Butler, Miss Fern Bond and Mrs. Gene Burt and Elmer Burt went to Des Moines on Monday to attend the fair. They returned Thursday reporting a fine time.

Jim Lindsey of Clarion visited at the home of O. E. Ballou on Friday and attended the funeral of the late Mrs. L. D. Bingham.

Mrs. Milton Brown of Marengo is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler.

Messrs. Hubbard McCallum of Mason City and J. W. McCallum of Nebraska were visiting relatives here the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Elmer Burt accompanied her parents from Kanawha to Rochester last Monday where they went for medical examination. She returned home Thursday.

Mrs. Bert Harris and son of Thornton came down Friday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson. Bert motored down Sunday and they returned with him.

Mrs. Glen Jennings and children of Clarion were visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum on Wednesday.

Mrs. A. A. Woods was on the sick list the latter part of the week.

Mrs. L. A. Fitz of Clarion visited her daughter Mrs. Gay Fletcher, and attended the Cradle Roll party on Saturday afternoon.

The Rev. Dr. J. J. Bushnell, supt. of the Algona district, will conduct the fourth quarterly conference next Wed., Sept. 6. He will deliver a *sermon at 7:30 p. m. and then conduct* the business of the conference.

The Farmers' Union held their annual picnic at Drury's Woods last Saturday, there being a large number of the members and friends present. A picnic dinner was served after which the program was given. Mr. Earl Patton, the local president, presided. The program was opened by the singing of the national anthem, after which the Rev. H. Tomkinson pastor of the M. E. church, gave the invocation prayer. The speaker of the afternoon was J. Kennedy from Grand Junction, who discussed the many problems that are confronting the farmer at this time. At the close Rowan and Galt played an exciting game of ball.

Paul Ramsay and Joe Sams of Clarion were over last Saturday morning and played a few games with the Rowan boys. The tennis season is rapidly drawing to a close.

Methodist Episcopal Church
Pastor Rev. H. Tomkinson

10:30 worship. 11:30 Sunday school. 7:00 p. m. Epworth League, 8:00 p. m. Evensong.

The Women's Home Missionary society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. D. French next Wednesday p. m. with Mrs. Tomkinson as the leader.

OBITUARY

Sarah May Azeltine was born at Guttenburg, Clayton county, Iowa, May 23, 1864. She passed away at the family home in Iowa Falls about 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, August 30, 1922. Obtaining welcome relief from long and intense suffering. She had thus reached the age of 58 years, 3 months and 7 days. She is survived by her husband Lorenzo D. Bingham, one son, Harold C. Bingham of Washington, D. C., and her aged father, Andrew J. Azeltine, of Rowan, Iowa. She also leaves five brothers and two sisters: Mrs. F. H. Fowler, William W. Azeltine, Edward W. Azeltine, John Wesley Azeltine, Ray A. Azeltine, Henry O. Azeltine, and Mrs. A. C. Rietz, all of Rowan or vicinity.

During her early childhood she moved with her parents from her birth place in Clayton county to a farm in Grundy county, where they remained until 1873 when the family removed to the prairies of Nebraska and Kansas. Misfortunes, due to crop failures, compelled the family to return in 1875 to Grundy county. Nearly eight years later, in the spring of 1883, the family again left Grundy County for a future home in Wright county where they settled on a farm near Rowan. In and near this community she and the surviving members of the parental family have remained.

She was the second of a family of ten children. The oldest brother and one younger brother died in infancy leaving her the oldest living child in the family of eight children. She early assumed unusual responsibilities with the little brothers and sisters and she participated in the various hardships with which all pioneer families were confronted. From her Clayton county home she rode to church on an ox-drawn wood rack and in Kansas and Nebraska she attended schools conducted in primitive sod houses. In spite of the limitations of her time and surroundings she persevered in her efforts to prepare for a life of service. By taking full advantage of her meager opportunities for study she managed to obtain at the age of 18 a license to teach in the rural schools of Grundy county. Here and in the district schools of Franklin and Wright counties she taught continually until 1886. Much of her school service was rendered under primitive conditions when the blizzards of the open Iowa prairies often made the school house almost inaccessible.

In November 1886 she was united in marriage to Lorenzo D. Bingham. To this union one son was born. Until November, 1904, they lived continuously on a farm near Rowan when they moved to improve the educational opportunities for the son to Iowa Falls where they made their later home. She followed with rare interest and insight his progress in school work. The winters of later years were quite frequently spent in the home of his family in Boston, Mass., or Washington, D. C. She was always eager to learn and these visits in eastern cities were to her a source of much satisfaction.

Aftr the birth of the only child she never enjoyed the full vgor of health. For a few years she was a near invalid from which she recovered slowly and only partially, but for several years prior to her fatal illness she enjoyed moderate health. In the fall of 1917 she submitted to an operation which was repeated in 1921. Altho various kinds of medical aid was sought there was from this time a gradual decline in her vitality. For about a year prior to her departure from this life she suffered immeasureable pain and endured with wonderful resignation the tortures of her illness. During the period of this illness she made her final plans with full composure and in complete detail.

Thruout her life and her last illness she was in her quiet way cheerful, patient and deeply devout. She was always eager to serve, but cautious lest her service be not the best. Her christian life began in her childhood when she learned to pray at the knees of her parents. At different stages her christian experience was vividly heightened. She united with the Methodist Episcopal church at Rowan in 1890, when this church was dedicated, where her membership has always remained. During her residence in Iowa Falls she participated in the activities of the Methodist church at that place.

Outstanding in this life was the spirit of warm sympathy and the ability to exert a soothing influence on those who were intimate with her. In her quiet way she counselled helpfully with many friends about the problems of their hearts. To her husband she was a true and intimate companion and with him was thoroly versed in all phases of the family business. To the son she was always a devout teacher and wise leader and in his work she was to the end remarkably interested and helpful.

Albert Berhow was taken to the Steele hospital at Belmond, Friday, where he was operated on for hernia. The case was diagnosed by Dr. Sharon of this city.—Reporter.

Alexander Department

Miss Nellie Bell, Correspondent
Oscar Walsh, Business Agent

Alexander Local News

Evang. Luth. St. John's Church

Sunday school at 2 o'clock. New scholars are always welcome to study the word of God with us. John Arends, Supt.

Preaching services at 2:45 in the English language. All members and friends are cordially invited to worship with us.

C. J. Barth, Pastor.

M. E. Church

Preaching service at 9:30. Sabbath school at 10:30. All are cordially welcome.

On Friday the 8th at 2 the fourth quarterly conference will be held at the church. Let us have a large attendance. Dr. Bushnell will be with us and all those that can get out to hear him will enjoy the sermon which he has for us. All are welcome.

Miss Nellie Bell is visiting relatives at Waterloo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Tinkey and two daughters returned to their home at Osterdock after a week's visit with Mrs. Tinkey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Frederick were visitors at Rowan on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Finkle and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veedder and daughter of Hampton spent Sunday afternoon at the Nels Larsen home.

A family reunion was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pals, when their sons and daughters and their families all gathered to spend the day. The sons present were Hans, Hilko, Herman, Joe and Pete, the daughters Mrs. Kate Frohling, Mrs. Grace Tinkey, and Henrietta.

John Bell was transacting business at Belmond on Wednesday.

Bernard Arends and Miss Alice Ersland of near Belmond were visitors at West Bend on Sunday.

Last Friday evening Miss Clara Arends entertained several of the young people of the community with a party given at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Arends. All present report an exceptionally fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and children were visitors at Latimer on last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Green were callers at Mason City last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and children were Latimer callers Saturday.

Mrs. Harm Suntken and two daughters Alice and Helen were visitors at West Bend last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son were business callers at Belmond on Wednesday.

Little Ethel Schulte underwent a very successful operation for the removal of her tonsils at Belmond on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and baby, Joe Pals and Mr. and Mrs. Will Tinkey and children autoed to West Bend Tuesday to see the grotto at that place.

Harry Scales and Mrs. Annabel Overman of Ackley were visitors at the home of their sister Mrs. Mary Hall last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Surballe and daughters of Garner visited at the Peter Bohlen home last Thursday.

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1 pkg. chocolate	28c
1 can Bunte cocoa	10c
1 pkg. Ivory soap chips	15c
1 pkg. Star washing powder	7c
1 pkg. Gold Dust	7c
2 bars Castile hard water soap	15c
1 8-oz. bottle bluing	20c
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1 Corn Planter
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1 Frame Building, 24x32

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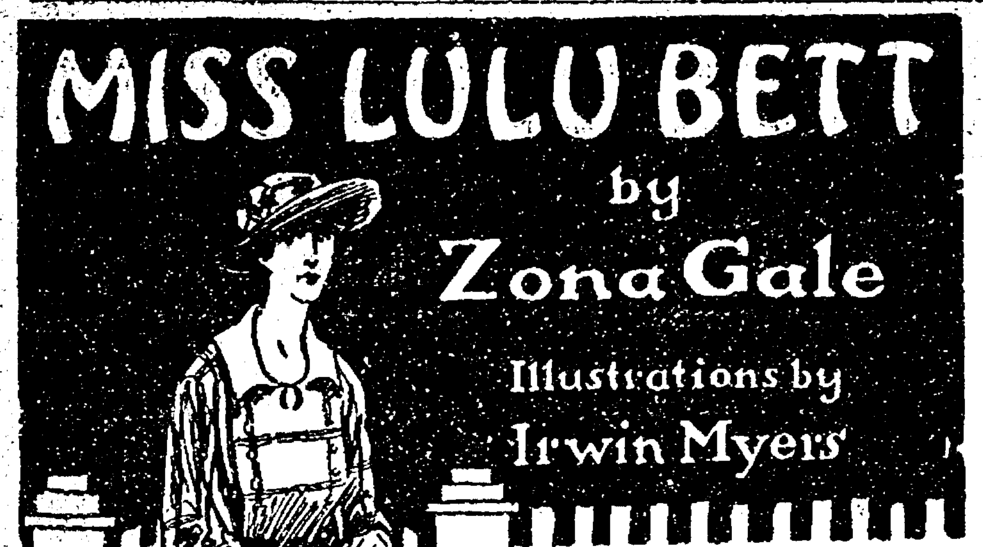

MISS LULU BETT

by

Zona Gale

Illustrations by Irwin Myers

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Mamma had recovered and was eating cold scrambled eggs on the corner of the kitchen table when the ice cream soda party was ready to set out. Dwight threw her a casual "Better come, too, Mother Bett," but she shook her head. She wished to go, wished it with violence, but she contrived to give to her arbitrary refusal a quality of contempt. When Jenny arrived with Bobby, she had brought a sheaf of gladioli for Mrs. Bett, and took them to her in the kitchen, and as she laid the flowers beside her, the young girl stopped and kissed her. "You little darling!" cried Mrs. Bett, and clung to her, her lifted eyes lit by something intense and living. But when the ice cream party had set off at last, Mrs. Bett left her supper, gathered up the flowers, and crossed the lawn to the old cripple, Grandma Gates.

"Inie sha'n't have 'em," the old woman thought.

And then it was quite beautiful to watch her with Grandma Gates, whom she tended and petted, to whose complainings she listened, and to whom she tried to tell the small events of her day. When her neighbor had gone, Grandma Gates said that it was as good as a dose of medicine to have her come in.

Mrs. Bett sat on the porch restored and pleasant when the family returned. Di and Bobby had walked home with Jenny.

"Look here," said Dwight Herbert, "who is it sits home and has ice cream put in her lap like a queen?"

"Vanilly or chocolate?" Mrs. Bett demanded.

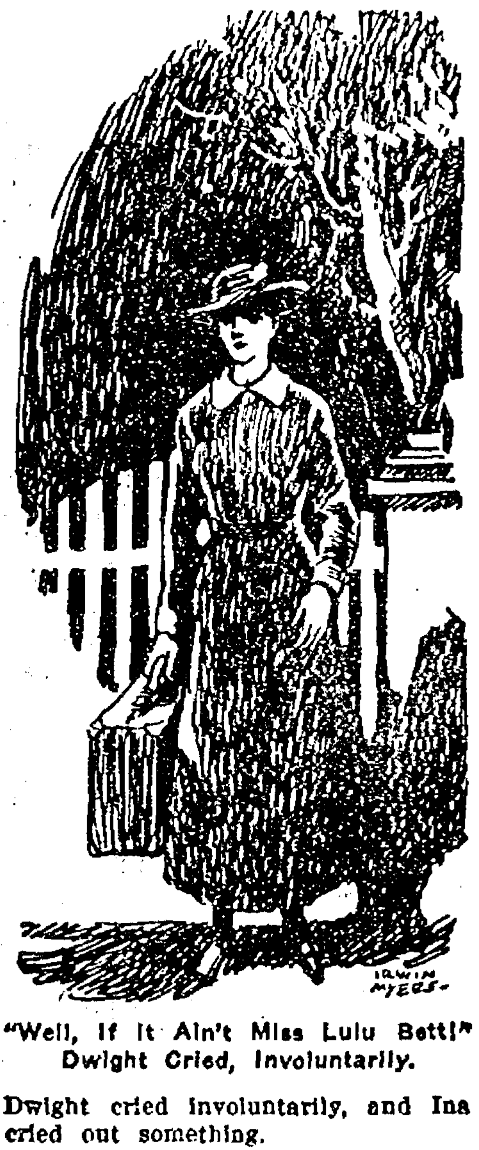
"Chocolate, mamma!" Ina cried, with the breeze in her voice.

"Vanilly sets better," Mrs. Bett said.

They sat with her on the porch while she ate. Ina rocked on a creaking board. Dwight swung a leg over the railing. Monona sat pulling her skirt over her feet, and humming all on one note. There was no moon, but the warm dusk had a quality of transparency as if it were lit in all its particles.

The gate opened, and some one came up the walk. They looked, and it was Lulu.

"Well, if it ain't Miss Lulu Bett!"



"Well, If It Ain't Miss Lulu Bett!" Dwight Cried, Involuntarily.

Dwight cried involuntarily, and Ina cried out something.

"How did you know?" Lulu asked.

"Know! Know what?"

"That it ain't Lulu Deacon. Hello, mamma."

She passed the others and kissed her mother.

"Say," said Mrs. Bett placidly. "And I just ate up the last spoonful o' cream."

"Ain't Lulu Deacon!" Ina's voice rose and swelled richly. "What you talking?"

"Didn't he write to you?" Lulu asked.

"Not a word." Dwight answered this. "All we've had we had from you—the last from Savannah, Georgia."

"Savannah, Georgia," said Lulu, and laughed.

They could see that she was dressed well, in dark red cloth, with a little tilting hat and a drooping veil. She did not seem in any wise upset, nor, save for that nervous laughter, did she show her excitement.

"Well, but he's here with you, isn't he?" Dwight demanded. "Isn't he here? Where is he?"

"Must be 'most to Oregon by this time," Lulu said.

"Oregon!"

"You see," said Lulu, "he had another wife."

"Why, he had not!" exclaimed Dwight absurdly.

"Yes. He hasn't seen her for fifteen years and he thinks she's dead. But he isn't sure."

"Nonsense," said Dwight. "Why, of course she's dead if he thinks so."

"I had to be sure," said Lulu.

At first dumb before this, Ina now cried out: "Monona! Go upstairs to bed at once."

"It's only quarter to," said Monona, with assurance.

"Do as mamma tells you."

"But—"

"Monona!"

She went, kissing them all good-night and taking her time about it. Everything was suspended while she kissed them and departed, walking slowly backward.

"Married?" said Mrs. Bett with tardy apprehension. "Lulie, was your husband married?"

"Yes," Lulu said, "my husband was married, mother."

"Mercy," said Ina. "Think of anything like that in our family.'

"Well, go on—go on!" Dwight cried. "Tell us about it."

Lulu spoke in a monotone, with her old manner of hesitation:

"We were going to Oregon. First down to New Orleans and then out to California and up the coast." On this she paused and sighed. "Well, then at Savannah, Georgia, he said he thought I better know, first. So he told me."

"Yes—well, what did he say?" Dwight demanded irritably.

"Cora Waters," said Lulu. "Cora Waters. She married him down in San Diego, eighteen years ago. She went to South America with him."

"Well, he never let us know of it, if she did," said Dwight.

"No. She married him just before he went. Then in South America, after two years, she ran away again. That's all he knows."

"That's a pretty story," said Dwight contemptuously.

"He says if she'd been alive, she'd been after him for a divorce. And she never has been, so he thinks she must be dead. The trouble is," Lulu said again, "he wasn't sure. And I had to be sure."

"Well, but mercy," said Ina, "couldn't he find out now?"

"It might take a long time," said Lulu simply, "and I didn't want to stay and not know."

"Well, then, why didn't he say so here?" Ina's indignation mounted.

"He would have. But you know how sudden everything was. He said he thought about telling us right there in the restaurant, but of course that'd been hard—wouldn't it? And then he felt so sure she was dead."

"Why did he tell you at all, then?" demanded Ina, whose processes were simple.

"Yes. Well! Why indeed?" Dwight Herbert brought out these words with a curious emphasis.

"I thought that, just at first," Lulu said, "but only just at first. Of course that wouldn't have been right. And then, you see, he gave me my choice."

"Gave you your choice?" Dwight echoed.

"Yes. About going on and taking the chances. He gave me my choice when he told me, there in Savannah, Georgia."

"What made him conclude, by then, that you ought to be told?" Dwight asked.

"Why, he'd got to thinking about it," she answered.

A silence fell. Lulu sat looking out toward the street.

"The only thing," she said, "as long as it happened, I kind of wish he hadn't told me till we got out to Oregon."

"Lulu!" said Ina. Ina began to cry. "You poor thing!" she said.

Her tears were a signal to Mrs. Bett, who had been striving to understand all. Now she too wept, tossing up her hands and rocking her body. Her saucer and spoon clattered on her knee.

"He felt bad, too," Lulu said.

"He!" said Dwight. "He must have."

"It's you," Ina sobbed. "It's you. My sister!"

"Well," said Lulu, "but I never thought of it making you both feel bad, or I wouldn't have come home. I knew," she added, "it'd make Dwight feel bad. I mean, it was his brother—"

"Thank goodness," Ina broke in, "nobody need know about it."

Lulu regarded her, without change.

"Oh, yes," she said in her monotone. "People will have to know."

"I do not see the necessity." Dwight's voice was on edge. Then too he said "do not," always with Dwight betokening the finalities.

"Why, what would they think?" Lulu asked, troubled.

"What difference does it make what they think?"

"Why," said Lulu slowly, "I shouldn't like—you see they might—why, Dwight, I think we'll have to tell them."

"You do! You think the disgrace of bigamy in this family is something the whole town will have to know about?"

Lulu looked at him with parted lips.

"Say," she said, "I never thought about it being that."

Dwight laughed. "What do you think it was? And whose disgrace is it, pray?"

Ninian's," said Lulu.

"Ninian's! Well, he's gone. But you're here. And I'm here. Folks'll feel sorry for you. But the disgrace—that'd reflect on me. See?"

"But if we don't tell, what'll they think then?"

Said Dwight: "They'll think what they always think when a wife leaves her husband. They'll think you couldn't get along. That's all."

"I should hate that," said Lulu.

"Well, I should hate the other, let me tell you."

"Dwight, Dwight," said Ina. "Let's go in the house. I'm afraid they'll hear—"

As they rose, Mrs. Bett plucked at her returned daughter's sleeve.

"Lulie," she said, "was his other wife—was she there?"

"No, no, mother. She wasn't there."

Mrs. Betts' lips moved, repeating the words. "Then that ain't so bad," she said. "I was afraid maybe she turned you out."

"No," Lulu said, "it wasn't that bad, mother."

Mrs. Bett brightened. In little matters, she quarreled and resented, but the large issues left her blank.

Through some indeterminate sense of the importance due this crisis, the Deacons entered their parlor. Dwight lighted that high, central burner and faced about, saying:

"In fact, I simply will not have it, Lulu! You expect, I take it, to make your home with us in the future, on the old terms."

"Well—"

"I mean, did Ninian give you any money?"

"No. He didn't give me any money—only enough to get home on. And I kept my suit—why!" she flung her head back, "I wouln't have taken any money!"

"That means," said Dwight, "that you will have to continue to live here—on the old terms, and of course I'm quite willing that you should. Let me tell you, however, that this is on condition—on condition that this disgraceful business is kept to ourselves."

She made no attempt to combat him now. She looked back at him, quivering, and in a great surprise, but she said nothing.

"Truly, Lulu," said Ina, "wouldn't that be best? They'll talk anyway. But this way they'll only talk about you, and the other way it'd be about all of us."

Lulu said only: "But the other way would be the truth."

Dwight's eyes narrowed: "My dear Lulu," he said, "are you sure of that?"

"Sure?"

"Yes. Did he give you any proofs?"

"Proofs?"

"Letters—documents of any sort? Any sort of assurance that he was speaking the truth?"

"Why, no," said Lulu. "Proofs—no. He told me."

"He told you?"

"Why that was hard enough to have to do. It was terrible for him to have to do. What proofs—" She stopped, puzzled.

"Didn't it occur to you," said Dwight, "that he might have told you that because he din't want to have to go on with it?"

As she met his look some power seemed to go from Lulu. She sat down, looked weakly at them, and within her closed lips her jaw was slightly fallen. She said nothing. And seeing on her skirt a spot of dust she began to rub at that.

"Why, Dwight!" Ina cried, and moved to her sister's side.

"I may as well tell you," he said, "that I myself have no idea that Ninian told you the truth. He was always imagining things—you saw that. I know him pretty well—have been more or less in touch with him the whole time. In short, I haven't the least idea he was ever married before."

Lulu continued to rub at her skirt.

"I never thought of that," she said.

"Look here," Dwight went on persuasively, "hadn't you and he had some little tiff when he told you?"

"No—no! Why, not once. Why, we weren't a bit like you and Ina."

She spoke simply and from her heart and without guile.

"Evidently not," Dwight said dryly.

Lulu went on: "He was very good to me. This dress—and my shoes—and my hat. And another dress, too." She found the pins and took off her hat. "He liked the red wing," she said. "I wanted black—oh, Dwight! He did tell me the truth!" It was as if the red wing had abruptly borne mute witness.

Dwight's tone now mounted. His manner, it mounted too.

"Even if it is true," said he, "I desire that you should keep silent and protect my family from this scandal. I merely mention my doubts to you for your own profit."

"My own profit!"

She said no more, but rose and moved to the door.

"Lulu—you see! With Di and all!" Ina begged. "We just couldn't have this known—even if it was so."

"You have it in your hands," said Dwight, "to repay me, Lulu, for anything that you feel I may have done for you in the past. You also have it in your hands to decide whether your home here continues. That is not a pleasant position for me to find myself in. It is distinctly unpleasant, I may say. But you see for yourself."

Lulu went on, into the passage.

"Wasn't she married when she thought she was?" Mrs. Bett cried shrilly.

"Mamma," said Ina. "Do, please, remember Monona. Yes—Dwight thinks she's married all right now—and that it's all right, all the time."

"Well, I hope so, for pity sakes," said Mrs. Bett, and left the room with her daughter.

Hearing the stir, Monona upstairs lifted her voice:

"Mamma! Come on and hear my prayers, why don't you?"

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When they came downstairs next morning, Lulu had breakfast ready.

Well!" cried Ina in her curving tones, "if this isn't like old times."

Lulu said yes, it was like old times, and brought the bacon to the table.

"Lulu's the only one in this house can cook the bacon so's it'll chew." Mrs. Bett volunteered. She was wholly affable, and held contentedly to Ina's last word that Dwight thought now it was all right.

"Ho!" said Dwight. "The happy family, once more about the festive toaster." He gauged the moment to call for good cheer. Ina, too, became breezy, blithe. Monona caught their spirit and laughed, head thrown well back and gently shaken.

Di came in. She had been told that Auntie Lulu was at home, and that she, Di, wasn't to say anything to her about anything, nor anything to anybody else about Auntie Lulu being back. Under these prohibitions, which loosed a thousand speculations, Di was very nearly paralyzed. She stared at her Aunt Lulu incessantly.

Not one of them had even a talent for the casual, save Lulu herself. Lulu was amazingly herself. She took her old place, assumed her old offices. When Monona declared against bacon, it was Lulu who suggested milk toast and went to make it.

"Mamma," Di whispered then, like escaping steam, "isn't Uncle Ninian coming too?"

"Hush. No. Now don't ask any more questions."

"Well, can't I tell Bobby and Jenny she's here?"

"No. Don't say anything at all about her."

"But, mamma. What has she done?"

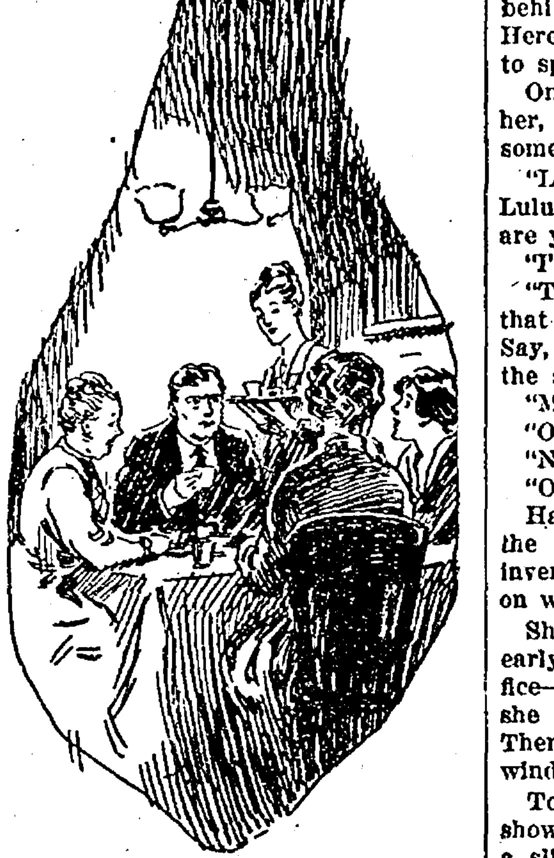
"Di! Do as mamma tells you. Don't you think mamma knows best?"

Di of course did not think so, had not thought so for a long time. But now Dwight said:

"Daughter! Are you a little girl or our own grown-up young lady?"

"I don't know," said Di reasonably, "but I think you're treating me like a little girl now."

"Shame, Di," said Ina, unabashed by the accident of reason being on the side of Di.



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"I'm eighteen," Di reminded them forlornly, "and through high school."

"Then act so," boomed her father.

Baffled, thwarted, bewildered, Di went over to Jenny Plow's and there imparted understanding by the simple process of letting Jenny guess, to questions skillfully shaped.

When Dwight said, "Look at my beautiful handkerchief," displayed a hole, sent his Ina for a better, Lulu, with a manner of haste, addressed him:

"Dwight, it's a funny thing, but I haven't Ninian's Oregon address."

"Well?"

"Well, I wish you'd give it to me."

Dwight tightened and lifted his lips. "It would seem," he said, "that you have no real use for that particular address, Lulu."

"Yes, I have. I want it. You have it, haven't you, Dwight?"

"Certainly I have it."

"Won't you please write it down for me?" She had ready a bit of paper and a pencil stump.

"My dear Lulu, now why revive anything? Why not be sensible and leave this alone? No good can come by—"

"But why shouldn't I have his address?"

"If everything is over between you, why should you?"

"But you say he's still my husband."

Dwight flushed. "If my brother has shown his inclination as plainly as I judge that he has, it is certainly not my place to put you in touch with him again."

"You won't give it to me?"

"My dear Lulu, in all kindness—no."

His Ina came running back, bearing handkerchiefs with different colored borders for him to choose from. He chose the initial that she had embroidered, and had not the good taste not to kiss her.

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They were all on the porch that evening, when Lulu came downstairs.

"Where are you going?" Ina demanded, sisterly. And on hearing that Lulu had an errand, added still more sisterly: "Well, but mercy, what you so dressed up for?"

Lulu was in a thin black and white gown which they had never seen, and wore the tilting hat with the red wing.

"Ninian bought me this," Lulu only said.

"But, Lulu, don't you think it might be better to keep, well—out of sight for a few days?" Ina's lifted look besought her.

"Why?" Lulu asked.

"Why set people wondering till we have to?"

"They don't have to wonder, far as I'm concerned," said Lulu, and went down the walk.

Ina looked at Dwight. "She never spoke to me like that in her life before," she said.

She watched her sister's black and white figure going directly down the street.

"That gives me the funniest feeling," said Ina, "as if Lulu had on clothes bought for her by some one that wasn't—that was—"

"By her husband who has left her," said Dwight sadly.

"Is that what it is, papa?" Di asked alertly. For a wonder, she was there; had been there the greater part of the day—most of the time staring, fascinated, at her Aunt Lulu.

"That's what it is, my little girl," said Dwight, and shook his head.

"Well, I think it's a shame," said Di stoutly. "And I think Uncle Ninian is a slunge."

"Di!"

"I do. And I'd be ashamed to think anything else. I'd like to tell everybody."

"There is," said Dwight, "no need for secrecy—now."

"Dwight!" said Ina—Ina's eyes always remained expressionless, but it must have been her lashes that looked so startled.

"No need whatever for secrecy," he repeated with firmness. "The truth is Lulu's husband has tired of her and sent her home. We must face it."

"But, Dwight—how awful for Lulu . . ."

"Lulu," said Dwight, "has us to stand by her."

Lulu, walking down the main street, thought:

"Now Mis' Chambers is seeing me. Now Mis' Curtis. There's somebody behind the vines at Mis' Martin's. Here comes Mis' Grove and I've got to speak to her . . ."

One and another and another met her, and every one cried out at her some version of:

"Lulu Bett!" Or, "W-well, it isn't Lulu Bett any more, is it? Well, what are you doing here? I thought . . ."

"I'm back to stay," she said.

"The idea! Well, where you hiding that handsome husband of yours? Say, but we were surprised! You're the sly one—"

"My—Mr. Deacon isn't here."

"Oh."

"No. He's West."

"Oh, I see."

Having no arts, she must needs let the conversation die like this, could invent nothing concealing or gracious on which to move away.

She went to the post office. It was early, there were few at the post office—with only one or two there had she to go through her examination. Then she went to the general delivery window, tense for a new ordeal.

To her relief, the face which was shown there was one strange to her, a slim youth, reading a letter of his own, and smiling.

"Excuse me," said Lulu faintly.

The youth looked up, with eyes warmed by the words on the pink paper which he held.

"Could you give me the address of Mr. Ninian Deacon?"

"Let's see—you mean Dwight Deacon, I guess?"

"No. It's his brother. He's been here. From Oregon. I thought he might have given you his address—" she dwindled away.

"Wait a minute," said the youth. "Nope. No address here. Say, why don't you send it to his brother? He'd know. Dwight Deacon, the dentist."

"I'll do that," Lulu said absurdly, and turned away.

She went back up the street, walking fast now to get away from them all. Once or twice she pretended not to see a familiar face. But when she passed the mirror in an insurance office window, she saw her reflection and at its appearance she felt surprise and pleasure.

"Well!" she thought, almost in Ina's own manner.

Abruptly her confidence rose.

Something of this confidence was still upon her when she returned. They were in the dining room now, all save Di, who was on the porch with Bobby, and Monona, who was in bed and might be heard extravagantly singing.

Lulu sat down with her hat on. When Dwight inquired playfully, "Don't we look like company?" she did not reply. He looked at her speculatively. Where had she gone, with whom had she talked, what had she told? Ina looked at her rather fearfully. But Mrs. Bett rocked contentedly and ate cardamom seeds.

"Whom did you see?" Ina asked.

Lulu named them.

"See them to talk to?" from Dwight. Oh, yes. They had all stopped.

"What did they say?" Ina burst out.

They had inquired for Ninian, Lulu said; and said no more.

Dwight mulled this. Lulu might have told every one of these women that cock-and-bull story with which she had come home. It might be all over town. Of course, in that case he could turn Lulu out—should do so, in fact. Still the story would be all over town.

"Dwight," said Lulu, "I want Ninian's address."

"Going to write to him!" Ina cried incredulously.

"I want to ask him for the proofs that Dwight wanted."

"My dear Lulu," Dwight said impatiently, "you are not the one to write. Have you no delicacy?"

Lulu smiled—a strange smile, originating and dying in one corner of her mouth.

"Yes," she said. "So much delicacy that I want to be sure whether I'm married or not."

Dwight cleared his throat with a movement which seemed to use his shoulders for the purpose.

"I myself will take this up with my brother," he said. "I will write to him about it."

Lulu sprang to her feet. "Write to him now!" she cried.

"Really," said Dwight, lifting his brows.

"Now—now!" Lulu said. She moved about, collecting writing materials from their casual lodgments on shelf and table. She set all before him and stood by him. "Write him now," she said again.

"My dear Lulu, don't be absurd."

She said: "Ina, help me. If it was Dwight—and they didn't know whether he had another wife, or not, and you wanted to ask him—oh, don't you see? Help me."

Ina was not yet the woman to cry for justice for its own sake, nor even to stand by another woman. She was primitive, and her instinct was to look to her own male merely.

"Well," she said, "of course. But why not let Dwight do it in his own way? Wouldn't that be better?"

She put it to her sister fairly: Now, no matter what Dwight's way was, wouldn't that be better?

"Mother!" said Lulu. She looked irresolutely toward her mother. But Mrs. Bett was eating caradmom seeds with exceeding gusto, and Lulu looked away. Caught by the gesture, Mrs. Bett voiced her grievance.

"Lulie," she said, "Set down. Take off your hat, why don't you?"

Lulu turned upon Dwight a quiet face which he had never seen before.

"You write that letter to Ninian," she said, "and you make him tell you so you'll understand. I know he spoke the truth. But I want you to know."

"M—m," said Dwight. "And then I suppose you're going to tell it all over town—as soon as you have the proofs."

"I'm *going* to tell it all over town," said Lulu, "just as it is—unless you write to him now."

"*Lulu!*" *cried Ina.* "*Oh, you wouldn't.*"

"I would," said Lulu. "I will."

Dwight was sobered. This unimagined Lulu looked capable of it. But then he sneered.

"And get turned out of this house, as you would be?"

"Dwight!" cried his Ina. "Oh, you wouldn't!"

"I would," said Dwight. "I will. Lulu knows it."

"I shall tell what I know and then leave your house anyway," said Lulu, "unless you get Ninian's word. And I want you should write him now."

"Leave your mother? And Ina?" he asked.

"Leave everything," said Lulu.

"Oh, Dwight," said Ina, "we can't get along without Lulu." She did not say in what particulars, but Dwight knew.

Dwight looked at Lulu, an upward, sidewise look, with a manner of peering out to see if she meant it. And he saw.

He shrugged, pursed his lips crookedly, rolled his head to signify the inexpressible. "Isn't that like a woman?" he demanded. He rose. "Rather than let you in for a show of temper," he said grandly, "I'd do anything."

He wrote the letter, addressed it, his hand elaborately curved in secrecy about the envelope, pocketed it.

"Ina and I'll walk down with you to mail it," said Lulu.

Dwight hesitated, frowned. His Ina watched him with consulting brows.

"I was going," said Dwight, "to propose a little stroll before bedtime." He roved about the room. "Where's my beautiful straw hat? There's nothing like a brisk walk to induce sound, restful sleep," he told them. He hummed a bar.

"You'll be all right, mother?" Lulu asked.

Mrs. Bett did not look up. "These cardamon hev got a little mite too dry," she said.

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In their room, Ina and Dwight discussed the incredible actions of Lulu.

"I saw," said Dwight, "I saw she wasn't herself. I'd do anything to avoid having a scene—you know that." His glance swept a little anxiously his Ina. "You know that, don't you?" he sharply inquired.

"But I really think you ought to have written to Ninian about it," she now dared to say. "It's not a nice position for Lulu."

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

F. L. Greenfield of Alexander was in town last week Saturday attending to business matters.

The most discriminating buyer can be pleased with our pattern hats at The Hat Shoppe.

Men are begnning to drift into town ready for the opening of the sugar factory campaign this fall.

Bill Butts is the new "devil" in the Independent office. Bill is making good nicely, and intends to devote most of his efforts to learning the mysteries of the linotype.

Hans Barkema, Jr., of near Goodell, was a business caller here one day last week.

Just about the hottest day of them all was last Friday. We don't know what the mercury did say, but we do know what most everybody in town said!

Bill Dempsey last week installed two electric lights at "Horse Shoe Camp" and the devotees of the ancient and honorable sport of pitching horse shoes can now play until bed time, and do.

Miss Bernice Butts is one of the teaching force at Goodell this year in the Goodell school.

Joe White was a business caller at Mason City one day last week.

C. L. Murphy of Alexander was in town last Saturday, getting some bills for his sale. He is engaged in the implement business at Alexander and is closing out. See his ad in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elder and family returned Wednesday of last week from their trip to various parts of the West, where they have been visiting relatives and seeing the natural wonders the past couple of months.

Miss Edna Stedman drove up from Des Moines last week Thursday, on her way to Forest City where she is teaching in the public schools this year. She was one of the teaching force here last year.

Billie Moore returned Thursday, after a few weeks' visit at the home of his grandparents at Lidderdale, Iowa.

Geo. Hunst and family have been quarantined for scarlet fever the past week or two, the children having the disease in a light form.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Obrecht are the parents of a baby boy, who came to their home on Thursday of last week.

Lud Simerson returned Wednesday last from North Dakota, where he had been for a week or so looking after his farming interests in that country.

Louie Balridge was in town over the week end, visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Baldridge, and greeting old friends. Louie is now employed in a freight house of the Rock Island road at Waterloo.

Matt Holtzbauer and family drove to West Bend last week to see the grotto, and also to visit relatives at Algona.

The Independent had an item handed in this week that bore the notation at the end, "please criticise." Never mind who it was, but we want to say that the item needed no changing, and the fact that the writer of it was willing to have it changed if necessary speaks much. We are very glad to have such items come in. Let's have many of them.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Townsan drove to West Bend on Sunday to visit the famous grosto. Clarence reports that there must have been in the neighborhood of two thousand people there Sunday afternoon to view this wonderful work.

The Cemetery Aid society will meet at the home of Miss Helen Harberts on Friday, September 8th.

Richard Ziska is back on the city mail route after his two weeks' vacation.

Maurice Dillon and family moved Monday into the Parker house in north Belmond.

Miss Wilma Thompson, who is employed at Fort Dodge as stenographer, was home for the week end with her parents.

Good styles and reasonable prices at The Hat Shoppe.

The Chain of Ten met Wednesday of this week with Mrs. H. F. Luick, instead of the regular day, Monday next.

The Standard Bearers entertain their mothers at the home of Miss Dorris Bailey on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Fred Mortimer has been enjoying a visit from two nephews of Minneapolis the past week. They returned to their home the latter part of the week.

George Mortimer left for St. Paul on Sunday night for a few days' at the fair.

Word was received here Monday of the death of A. C. Wright at West Cliffe, Colorado. Mr. Wright was a tinner in Belmond several years, and at Clarion and Eagle Grove. Mrs. Wright is a sister of Mrs. Snyder. He was still a member of the Yoeman lodge here.

Messrs. Willard Morse, Joe Bohnning and son Harry, and Orpha Anderson left Sunday for a fishing trip to Minnesota.

Orlie Brooks, Marie Leavy, Ennis Allen and Marjorie Flynn attended Normal school at Hampton on Monday and Tuesday. Ennis Allen and Marie Leavy go to Latimer where they teach this year in the town school.

Miss Grace Allen began her school Monday in Grant township.

M. I. Allen was a caller at Lakota on Saturday of last week.

Miss Loiena Schwieteit of Burt, was a guest of her cousin, Mrs. Allen over the week end. She goes from here to Latimer to start a dressmaking shop.

Mrs. Fox and baby and her father S. W. Bemer of Olden, spent Sunday at the Allen home.

Erma Wilkinson began her school in District No. 5 on Monday morning.

The Womens' Foreign Missionary society meets Thursday of this week at the home of Mrs. Ottto Hanson. There will be election of officers.

Messrs. Ralph and Harry Forrestal spent a couple of days at the state fair last week.

Messrs. Ed. Bailey and E. M. Lathrop returned last week from their trip to North Dakota.

Miss Marjorie Purcell and Miss Clara Johnson went to Duncombe on Sunday to begin their work Monday teaching in the public school at that place. Miss Johnson has the 3rd and 4th grades and Miss Purcell the 1st and 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynch visited last week at Bird Island, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McGuire and family drove to Minneapolis to attend the fair last week Thursday. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Webb drove to Ottosen on Sunday to visit their son Harry, and attend his services.

Miss Kathleen Ryan of Jackson, Neb., returned to her home last week after a few weeks' visit at the Barry homes.

Joe S. White has rented part of the old livery barn a half block north of his office, for the handling of poultry this fall. He has been rather handicapped by his small building, but can now handle any amount of poultry. One reason for his renting this building is that the Iowa pure food laws will not permit the handling of poultry in the same building in which cream is handled.

C. M. Morse is taking a vacation this week from his duties at the State Bank.

Frank Walters is having his farm buildings improved by a new coat of paint.

Joe Scott drove to Iowa Falls on Sunday afternoon to be present at a family picnic supper that evening.

Fred Bohning, who has been visiting at the home of his parents the past week, left last week Friday for Rock Rapids, Iowa, where he will teach this year.

I specialize in the fitting of glasses and taking care of the eyes. I do nothing else. See me with your eye troubles.—C. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa. 424c

Be sure to attend the demonstration of the Majestic Range at Griesy's this week. An expert will be present from the factory to show you the many points of usefulness in this wonderful range. 1c

A set of silverware will be given away at Griesy's this week, during the demonstration of the Majestic Range.

PERMANENT POSITION

For Salesman with car, familiar with farm trade. Write Mr. C. B. Jenkins, Lincoln Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. 422c

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hall and son Jesse, Mrs. A. Hereim and grandma Hereim of Roland visited at the T. A. Hereim home Sunday.

Mrs. Sharon, Miss Adeline Sharon, Mrs. Pat Dillon, Miss Agnes Dillon, the Misses Cecelia and Beatrice Barry, Mrs. A. E. Martin, Mrs. D. E. Finch and Mrs. Rosecrans drove up to Garner last Sunday where they were iniated into the Catholic Daughters of America. The iniation was in the afternoon. Twenty members were taken in. A big banquet was served at 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

Alex McGregor of Des Moines was in town on business the first of the week.

Lucretia Morse leaves Friday of this week for Fairbault, Minnesota, where she will teach again this year.

Miss Grace Boughton was a Mason City shopper on Tuesday of this week.

FURNITURE FOR SALE

At the house:
Oak dining room table,
2 dressers,
1 Davenport,
1 Sanitary couch,
1 Single bed,
1 Double bed,
2 Bedroom stands,
Dining room and kitchen chairs,
Kitchen table,
Linoleum,
2 Heaters,
2 Wash stands.
GEO. LUTZ.

Mrs. Robinson and daughter Valda went to Mason City on Tuesday where Miss Valda is taking treatment of an eye specialist.

A new steam furnace is now being installed at the city hall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Butterfield have gone to Mason City to make their home at the Odd Fellows home at that place.

Rev. and Mrs. Northrop and family of Parkersburg were in town on Thursday of last week to attend the Congregational Sunday school picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mallory have returned from their trip to various points in the west.

40 ACRES OF MELONS!

Reporter: Just think of it. Forty acres of fine, luscious water melons, cantaloupes and musk melons, just east of the city limits of Clear Lake. The writer visited the farm one day last week, with a guard to see that we did not run off with any of this choice fruit. A few o the melons are just getting ripe, and are being placed on the market. They are of the very best and sweetest varieties, and are far superior to most of those shipped from other places. When a melon is really ripe it will not stand shipping and handling and lying around for several days without spoiling. These are not picked until ripe, because they are to be consumed here and consumed at once.

But we should not bring this little notice to a close without adding one more word. A live, active, non-sleeping individual, accompanied by two bull dogs with sharp teeth, make it their duty each night to see that none of these melons get away. If you want to visit the patch for any purpose whatever, go in the daytime. Night time visits will be attended with danger.

Mrs. Ray Morris and children of Belmond, former residents of this place, were here Thursday visiting old time friends.—Reporter.

WHITE
Buys
Cream and Eggs

TRAIN WRECK AT GARNER SATURDAY

Signal: The Milwaukee had a wreck in Garner Saturday evening that would undoubtedly have been very serious had it happened at a point where the train was going at a high rate of speed. As it was the train was moving slowly and not much damage was done, except that a couple of cars were more or less torn to pieces.

The regular time freight going east was pulling into town and at a point near the water tank the rear trucks on the next to last freight car of the train broke loose from the car and left the track. The front trucks on the next car went over the loose trucks, burying them in the dirt and this tipped the rear car over on its side.

The way-car was derailed but did not tip over. However the conductor said the way-car rocked like a cradle.

The conductor and two brakeman were in the way-car and had the car tipped over they might have been injured. As it was they were not in the least injured.

The car from which the trucks came loose stayed right side up and was not otherwise damaged. The car that was tipped over was loaded with shelled corn which was later transfered to another car. The roof and front platform of the way- car were damaged some.

The wreck happened at a very convenient place, for though the main track and the regular passing track were blockaded by the wreckage, the house track was cleared and the evening passenger and the Sunday trains could get by.

A wrecking crew came from Mason City Sunday morning and worked all day clearing it up. The rails were twisted and bent so that it was necessary for the trains to pass at slow speed until the damage could all be repaired.

Had the accident occurred as the train was coming down the hill west of town, it is likely that it would have been much more serious, as the derailed cars very likely would have pulled the other cars from the track.

FARM FIRE AT KLEMME

Times: The Melvin Whitesell farm, four miles north of Klemme on the Wilson Highway, was the scene af a bad fire which was first noticed at about eight o'clock Monday morning. At that time the roof of the barn was all ablaze and it was seen that the fire could not be controlled to save the other buildings near by and so efforts were directed toward saving the house.

A large barn, a good sized granary containing 3,000 bushels of oats, corn crib, 200 bushels of corn, some hay, some machinery and harnesses were destroyed.

The fire was on Mr. Whitesell's south farm and was tenanted by Mr. C. C. Nelson, who will be the heavy loser as he had no insurance on the grain or machinery. Whitesell carried some insurance on the buildings.

Most of Mr. Nelson's good machinery was standing under the trees as he had used it recently and had not as yet put it away in the sheds, but he will lose quite a large sum anyway.

Permanent
Position

For salesman with car, familiar with farm trade. Write Mr. C. B. Jenkins, Lincoln Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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SPECIAL
5 bars White Naptha Soap..30c
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LOCAL AND WANT ADS

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Dressmaking, suits, coats and dresses.—Miss Tegland, 5th St. 3rd Ave N. W. 412*

Peacock Flour $1.80 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace & Co. 41tfc

Fine building lot for sale, one and one-half blocks from school house Inquire of John L. Preston. 413*

For Sale—Three Guernsey bulls, full bloods.—Joe Simon, Rowan, Ia. Phone 1013. 424*

For Sale—Good milk cow, now fresh.—Joe Simon, Rowan. 424*

For Sale—South Bend malleable range, nearly new. Phone 150. 1*

After School

After school is out in the afternoon, drop in to the CANDY KITCHEN and get a cool drink of malted milk or a soda to cool you off after the hot afternoon in school. It will make you feel refreshed and liven you up.

And remember that we have many things for your school lunch. Let us fix you up something tastety that will make the noon hour a delight.

CANDIES OF ALL KINDS
ICE CREAM SODAS
SOFT DRINKS

Belmond Candy Kitchen
Steve Antonio, Mgr.
Phone 65

We sell genuine American woven wire fence, Barb wire, American Hog, 80-rod spools, for $4.00.—Bock Lumber Co. 41tfc

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F. J. Tuffree Phone 28

CLEANLINESS—

Is one thing we do say we give our customers. The meats you get from us are handled clean and kept clean. Consider this when you buy fresh or salt meats the next time.

City Meat Market
Nissen & Harbison, Props.
Phone 207

Kinseth's Store News

We're pretty hoarse just now, the result of our auction experience at the Farm Bureau meeting at Sig. Anderson's Monday night. We sell things in the store on the corner as well as we do by "hollering". But we want to say right here that we didn't go out to that fine meeting to exhibit our vocal powers, they were heard by request! But say wasn't there a fine attendance? The farmers gain much thru these get-together meetings.

And they will gain much by trading at the Store on the Corner. So will the town people. We have bargains for both all the time, right now in Bartlett pears in either bushel baskets or boxes. Can a box. We will get them to you right away: Service is our middle name.

A fine line of cookies folks, and 12 different kinds. Fresh, crisp and good-all-the-way-down. Only 35 a package.

Good serviceable overalls and work shirts are selling fast. Look them over if you need a pair or a shirt.

Why Worry About Eats?

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Bring your families along and enjoy our
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THE SUGAR FACTORY STARTS STEAMING UP

Land Deals Up In District Court

Purchasers Who Bought At Peak Prices Have Hard Job To Pay Up Now

$5,000 DAMAGE SUIT IS UP

Monitor: The board of supervisors was in session Saturday at which time they transacted a portion of the regular September business. No session was held on Labor Day, but Tuesday saw the balance of the work cleaned up.

The force with the county engineer has been devoting some time to the making of cement reference posts for use on primary road work. The posts are 4 x 4 inches in size and six feet long and made of cement. The forms were made last week in the court house basement and the manufacture of the posts is now in progress.

Chas. Rotzler petitions the court for judgment against Thos. Russell on a judgment for $184.04 granted in this court twenty years ago this coming October, at which time it will outlaw if not renewed. The interest and costs now amount to $475.

Wm. Wehrhein, who is defendant in an action brought by W. H. Smalley, on a land contract, has filed his answer and counterclaim. The deal in question involved the exchange of an interest in seven sections of Montana land and a $3,340 mortgage for a quarter section of Minnesota land and a mortgage for $17,022, of which amount $5,000 was to be paid by Smalley. He alleges misrepresentation regarding the Minnesota land by Smalley, who stated it was good tillable soil with no quack grass and good buildings, all of which this defendant alleges is untrue. He also alleges he has been damaged in the sum of $4,000 and asks judgment for that amount.

Leuthold & Hinkley vs L. R. Woodward is a suit to recover on a note and mortgage in the sum of $153.

Another suit growing out of a land deal in 1920 is that of Sam McComber vs. W. H. Short et al, who asks the court to foreclose a second mortgage for $16,000. A first mortgage for $12,000 is held by the Citizens State Bank.

John Lindstrom of Clarion is made defendant in a suit brought by the Chippewa Shoe Mfg. Co. for the sum of $169.20, being for goods sold defendant.

During the past two and one-half years seventy patients from Wright county have been sent to Iowa City for treatment under the Perkins law for children and the Haskell-Klass measure for adults. The last patient, Mrs. Jeff Tudor of Clarion, departed for the state institution on Saturday.

A $5,000 damage suit growing out of an auto accident near Rowan on last Christmas eve has been filed by Arthur Hanson against Geo. Aldrich. In his petition plaintiff alleges himself and family were returning home from the Christmas exercises at Rowan in their Ford touring car when the lights went out and the car stopped; that he spent several minutes trying to start the car, but was unable to do so; that he heard defendant's stripped Ford approaching at a high and dangerous rate of speed; that in order to protect his car and family he went back some distance and waved his arms in signalling defendant to stop or turn out; that the highway was of sufficient wdth and the night sufficiently bright to have avoided a collision; that this plaintiff was knocked down and seriously and permanently injured; that his skull was crushed rendering him unconscious; two bones of the left leg were broken, also both bones of the right arm, besides cuts and gashes, mental and physical pain, for all of which he claims he was damaged in the above amount.

Monday evening after the concert by the Rainbow band there will be a dance at the opera house.

OLAF NEWS ITEMS

Miss Alma Ericson returned Tuesday of last week from Aitken, Minn., where she had spent several months for her health. We are glad to note that Alma is looking very well and says she feels as well as she ever did.

Clarence Scott and wife, accompanied by Miss Blanche Baker and Mr. Stevenson drove to Minnesota Saturday to spend a week's vacation at the lakes.

The Ladies Aid society met with Mrs. A. Lunning last Wednesday and was quite well attended. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Andrew Olson, Sept. 20.

A reunion of cousins was held at the Anton Olson home last Sunday. There were 12 children and families of Ole Thompson and several cousins from Thor. The reunion was the children and nieces and nephews of Mrs. Ole Thompson. A fine picnic dinner was served.

Harold Simerson goes to Harvard University this week, where he will attend school this year.

Silo filling is the order of the day among the farmers.

A much-needed rain refreshed the earth Friday night. The hot winds of the past week damaged the corn and beets to some extent.

A heavy frost fell Sunday night, doing little damage however, except to corn in the peet beds.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Miss Alva Matson spent Sunday with friends near Belmond.

Friday evening Eddie Boller and John Miller left for Cedar Rapids where they will attend Coe College the coming year.

John McCorckle and family from Kanawha visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Graeber on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritter of Klemme called on Mr. and Mrs. Beier on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Conwell returned Sunday from a two weeks' vacation.

There was a light frost in the low places around Goodell on Sunday night. It was so light that no damage was done.

Monday noon Miss Dorothy Okrueg left for Coe College. This is her second year. She was accompanied by the Misses Louisa Ahrenkeil and Louise Mason, who will enter the Freshman class at Coe. Goodell will be represented at Coe by five of its' finest young people.

The educational program at the U. B. church Sunday night was well attended. The choir was out in full force and rendered a fine anthem. Addresses were made by Miss Okrueg, Supt. Nelson, and Rev. Miller.

The Women's Missionary Association of the U. B. church will hold their third quarterly business meeting at the home of Mrs. L. W. Sherwood on Sept. 15. at 2 p.m. Because of the rain last Friday it was postponed to this date.

WALL LAKE LOSES 6 TO 0

The Wall Lake team went down to defeat Sunday before the Belmond team by a white-wash score of 6 to 0. It was a good game despite the one-sided result, and some very good playing was exhibited. The Wall Lake team is a good outfit, and they put up a hard fight, but they were simply outplayed by the local bunch. The Belmond team was handicapped by the absence of Fulton, Packard and Foss, three of the best players and batters, all three being out of town. However with Edwin Christie in right field, Claire Christie at first, and Quigley in center, the boys put up a real exhibition and had the Wall Lake bunch helpless. Chapman on the mound for Belmond was a regular mystery to the Lakeites, who simply could not connect with his offerings. John has pitched some of the best base-ball that has been seen in this neck of the woods this summer. And "Barney" Dillon drove one for a complete circuit of the sacks, bringing Thomas ahead of him, as the feature of the game. The Eagle Grove shopmen were only able to trim the Wall Lake team 4 to 2 after a hard-fought contest. When are we going to have another game with these same shopmen? The last one went 15 innings.

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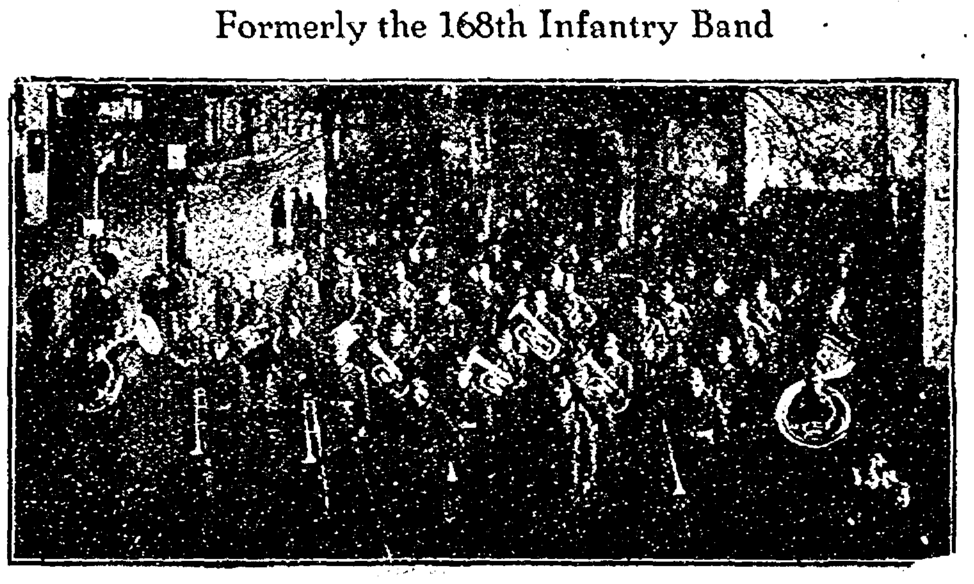

25 - Musicians and Soloists - 25

Monday Evening, Sept. 18th

CONCERT AT 8:00 P. M. AT CITY PARK

ADMISSION---CHILDREN 25c. ADULTS 50c

NO OPPORTUNITIES TODAY?

It is the common cry of failure and weakness—there are no opportunities today like there were when the rich and prominent in other ways "made their stake."

Come here boy. When any one gives you that kind of stuff don't take time to listen to it. Walk away.

Someone has compiled a little list that you'd much better memorize than to listen to the husky whiner who has failed because he hated to work and wait and to the conclusions of the fellow who thinks the way to success should be a moving stairway run by the exertion of others. Here's the list. Read it. It starts out "thirty years ago—

The world's most famous automobile manufacturer and rated as the richest individual in America, was a day laborer in a bicycle factory.

The country's most famous hotel owner and a millionaire many times over, was a bell boy in a rooming house.

The man who is today the "steel king" of America was working 16 hours a day as a stoker in a blast furnace.

The man who is today one of the country's most powerful bankers, a financier of international repute, was fireman on a locomotive.

The president of the United States was working as a day laborer in a printing office.

One of the greatest merchants in America was a peddler traveling over the country with a pack on his back.

The president of one of the nation's biggest railroad systems was pounding a key in a telegraph.

That's only a short list. It doesn't say anything about Thomas Edison, erstwhile telegraph operator at $30 a month.

It doesn't include the men you know personally, the boy who was selling magazines and peanuts as a train butcher and who is a bank president the other who come to town to clerk in somebody's store and now has a big store of his own; the list doesn't include the boy who worked on a farm for $16 a month 35 years ago and now has a farm for each of his boys and another for his son-in-law; the leading professional men who "worked their way thru;" there's a lot of men whom you know personally that are not in that list but who would make a mighty imppressive list of their own, a long list.

When somebody tells you that stuff walk away from him. Start out and take a little census of the men you know, of those who have succeeded in business, industry, professions. Find out what they were doing 30 odd years ago.

When you have completed your investigation you'll know more about opportunity.—Times-Republican.

HORSE CAUSES EXCITEMENT

A horse belonging to Clyde Duncan, which he had driven to town and tied on the south side of the J. U. Johnson store, became frightened Tuesday eve about ten thirty, broke loose and started north on the run. In the square by the banks it changed its mind as to the direction it wished to go and turned around and went south. In front of the Judd Sign Co. building it bumped into the John Peters Ford and tipped the buggy over. Hearing the band practicing it headed straight for the open door of Tande & Heckerson building where the practice was being held, but just before getting there, stumbled and fell, but soon regained its footing, broke loose from the buggy and continued on its southward journey. Aside from a broken harness no damage was done. —Reporter.

TO HAVE FOOT BALL IN HIGH SCHOOL NOW

We understand that the faculty of the school are planning on a foot ball team this fall, and preliminary pracice work has begun. Supt. Guthrie, we are informed, first put it up to the board of education, and then sent personal letters to the parents of the boys asking hem to state their deboys asking them to state their dejority it is understood replied favorably. We believe that a foot ball team will go nicely in the local school and that a fast team can be developed. With the proper coaching and training the danger of injury, which heretofore has held back such sport, is very small, and in Mr. Pals the school has a man who has had several years of foot ball in college, who knows the game and how to prepare the boys for it. Under his care and training parents need not fear that their sons will be sent into "battle" unprepared and untrained. We anticipate some good exhibitions of this popular sport when the team gets into shape.

CASH MARKET IS SOLD

A deal was recently consumated by which the Cash Market is sold to the Larsen Brothers of Klemme. Possession is to be given on October 1st. We did not learn the consideration, or what the present proprietor, Thos. Tyrrell's, future plans are. The Larsen Brothers are well established in the meat market business, operating the shop at Klemme and one at Garner. We understand that they plan to do all their butchering for the three towns at Klemme, hauling the meat to the various shops by truck.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening the choir will meet in the church for practice at 7:30. Let us meet and help in our church work.

Thursday evening the mid-week service will be conducted at the church at 8 o'clock.

Saturday morning at 10 o'clock the classes will meet in the church.

Sunday morning the services will be conducted in the English language. We hope to see the pupils, teachers and parents present. We begin a new year's work then. Let us begin with co-operation. In the evening Hon. L. A. Jensen of Forest City, now a member of the Parole Board, will speak. We want the many people especially to hear him. He will have something good for all.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday evening prayer meeting will be conducted at the home of Ole Tegland. Come!

Saturday afternoon at 1:30 the class meets at the church. Remember we have review work now and nobody must be absent. Sunday school will be conducted next Sunday morning at 10:30. You should be there.

NOTICE!

To the members of the Farm Bureau and Others: Let me know when you are to hold a meeting, and where, and I will pop corn, also have fresh roasted peanuts, gum, cracker jack and cigars. I can go to any meeting, picnic, party or dance. Just notify me and I will be there. Public sale easily handled.—Wm. Dempsey, at Burke's old stand.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

The teachers should not forget the first study center at Clarion, Saturday Sept. 16. at 9:15 o'clock.

Pleasant township is well represented in the Belmond high school this year; there are now about 30 attending.

Hajo Goeman had the misfortune of turning turtle with his Lizze last Sunday, and breaking his shoulder.

Little Lorine Hoppel is suffering from a slight attack of scarlet fever.

Henry Goeman and Fol. Mennenga returned last Friday from Dakota, where Mr. Mennenga consulted a physician.

Mrs. Edvin Dipple left last week for a few days' visit with her mother at Peterson, Iowa.

Mr. Dziewanowski and children and Miss Nora Finn were Sunday visitors at the Walter Courtney home n Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Halfpop, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gartz, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barkema and families and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halfpop visited at the parental W. A. Gartz home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling and children were Sunday visitors at the home of Henry Schulte, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Goeman spent Sunday afternoon at the Jake Smidt home.

CREAMEY DAY EXPENDITURES

Total collected by contributions	$654.00
Total collected from Street Concessions	$134.00
Total Receipts	$788.00
Total Expenditures	
1 pr. pillows for pillow fight	$ 2.00
Baseballs for ball game	4.00
Ball game	100.00
Street sports	67.00
Band	160.00
Advt. and prtg.	61.65
Umpires for ball game	10.00
One free street act	125.00
Extra police	31.90
Telephone expense	3.33
Lumber	2.05
Electric Store for lighting band stand	2.25
Draying	8.85
Postage	2.00
Digging trench for baloon	5.00
Miscellaneous	42.55
Total Expenses	$627.08
Balance on Hand	$160.92

COMMITTEE.

Dance at the opera house Monday night after the concert by the Rainbow Band.

Getting Ready For Campaign Opening

Fire Up To Test Out Machinery Now Being Overhauled— Have Plenty Of Coal.

GOOD CROP OF BEETS TOO

The boilers at the factory were fired up for the first time yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of testing out the machinery now in process of being overhauled.

The company now has 250 tons of coal on hand, and have plenty more coming. Six thousand tons of Iowa coal has been purchased, and a thousand tons of coal from another state. There seems to be no question but what the plant will have plenty of fuel to operate. The machinery is rapidly being placed in shape for the campaign, and men are beginning to come to town for the operating season.

The factory will have, from present indications a splendid crop of beets for the campaign. Everything looks decidedly favorable for a successful operating campaign, and if this is the case the factory will be practically an assured success from now on.

A COE STUDENTS PARTY

Miss Olive Butts was hostess to a group of young ladies last Thursday evening when a party was given at her home for present and past students of Coe Collee. Nine young ladies were present. The time was spent in games and music, and later refreshments were served. A very enjoyable time was had by those in attendance.

HIGH WAGES TO MINERS

The union miners have already bad five month's vacation, and the "strike benefits" they have received amounts to probably half of the salary they would received if they had been working. The people of this country have paid the miners sufficient wages, so that when working they have contributed to the "strike fund" enough money to pay them half the time while loafing on the job for five months.

This is the kind of system which is going to break down the unions in this country. The public is not going to stand for any such holdups. They want the miners as well as all other labors to receive good wages, but they do not care anything about them receiving such wages which plainly show that they do not need the present rate of pay when they can put away half of it to be paid out for strike benefits on a "five months' lay off."

How can the unions convince the public that their present wage scale is not high enough?

—Hampton Chronicle

ALUMINUM SALE BIG SUCCESS

The aluminum sale of Townsan Hardware held Saturday evening was a huge success from every angle. The sale was well advertised, and was certainly proof aplenty of the power and value of advertising. The store was crowded to the last inch of space even before the sale opened, and for an hour or more the boys were selling aluminum as fast as they could hand it out, which wasn't fast enough to fill orders. They sold practically every piece in the store.

HIGH SCHOOL LYCEUM DATES ARE RECEIVED

Supt. W. J. Guthrie has received notice from the Redpath Vawter management that the dates and attractions for the coming season will be as follows:

Oct. 24: Oakley Concert Company.
Nov. 30: Montraville M. Wood.
Jan. 13: Welsh Singers.

Cut this out and paste it in your hat, so as to reserve these dates and make your plans to attend the entire course. Watch this paper for later announcements giving full details of attractions and date of ticket sale.

Business Directory

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ATTORNEY AT LAW
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1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

J M JENSEN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Belmond, Iowa
Office Over State Bank of Belmond
Phone 86

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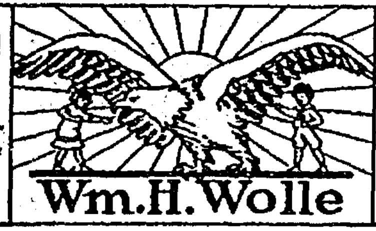

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MINNESOTA VS. IOWA

The Independent received a letter last week from a subscriber in Minnesota, containing some figures on the wonderful progress being made and the material wealth being gained, in Minnesota. We present some of the figures below:

"Leading all American counties in butter production per square mile, Steele county, Minnesota, this year will manufacture 5,000,000 pounds of rich, pure butter valued at two and one-half million dollars. This output is greater than the 1920 combined creamery butter production of the entire states of Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, Connecticut, Deleware, Louisiana, Maine, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Maryland and West Virginia."

"This little Southeastern Minnesota district, producing more butter to the square mile than any other county in all America, has a population of just 18,000 people. Eighteen thousand cows, one for each inhabitant, supply the milk for the 23 co-operative creameries, the manufactured products of which are responsible, to a great extent, for the $7,000,000 deposited in Steele county's 11 banks."

The foregoing was sent by a former Belmond boy, Walter Sorenson, and we trust that Walter has a goodly part of the stated seven million. It is a fine example of what dairying will do for the farmer, and something which might well be seriously considered by every farmer of Iowa, and by those of this vicinity who are letting one of the greatest sources of revenue escape them on the farm. It has been the universal story the past four years that the man who had cows, chickens and hogs was the man who had a little ready cash, while he who depended upon grain alone has been hard up against it.

But lest Walter get the idea that Iowa is so far behind that there is nothing but dust, we quote a few statistics recently put out by the Greater Des Moines Committee, and labeled "KNOW IOWA!"

"Altho Iowa is 16th in population and 23rd in area of land, she ranks:

In value of corn, oats, horses, hogs, poultry	First
In value of farm lands and buildings	First
In total value of farm products	First
In combined value of live stock	First
In total value of farm property	First
In percentage of farm land improved	First

The farms of ten Iowa counties are worth more than all the combined farms in the six states of Arizona, Florida, Maine, Maryland, New Jersey, and Nevada.

"The farms of two Iowa counties are worth more than the combined value of all the farms in the states of New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

"The taxable wealth of Iowa is over twelve billion dollars.

"One tenth of all the food products in the United States come from the state of Iowa.

"The factories of Iowa in 1920 had an output worth seven hundred and forty-five million dollars, and have over four hundred million dollars invested in plants and machinery.

"Iowa's grain products for 1921 totaled 609 668,000 bushels. This amount divided by Iowa's number of square miles—55,586—gives an average of 10,750 bushels per square mile. No other state begins to equal these figures.

"The per capita wealth for Iowa is $3,539. The per capita wealth for the remainder of the United States is $1,965.

Iowa has over 200,000 farms. The average size of each is about 160 acres, and the value of these farms and the property thereon is over eight and a half billion dollars.

"No point in Iowa is over 12 miles from a railroad, and no one walks to the railroad station, as Iowa has a total of over 400,000 cars, and has more automobiles on farms than any other state in the Union."

All of which, when you look it over seems to show that Iowa doesn't have to take a seat so very far back for any of them. It's a pretty good little old place, is Iowa, a good place with good homes and good schools, with good business and good farms, a place where people are folks, interested in you and yours and ready to help out. We don't question friend Walter's pride in Minnesota, but just the same we believe that Iowa is as good a place—if not just a little bit better!

Dr. H. E. Meyer has sold his interests in the Hampton Clinic and closed his work at the Lutheran hospital last Saturday night. It is reported that Dr. Meyer plans on leaving Hampton and moving his family to California. He has been a member of the Hampton Clinic since its organization a few years ago, when the Lutheran hospital was opened.

Harry Morehouse, of West Fork township, was bound over to the grand jury yesterday afternoon by Judge Sharpe for driving an automobile while intoxicated. The crime was committed at Sheffield, August 30th. Morehouse was unable to furnish the$350 bond demanded by the court, so he is now sojourning in the county jail. —Chronicle

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If it were not for the fools, the wise men would not be given the credit that is their due.

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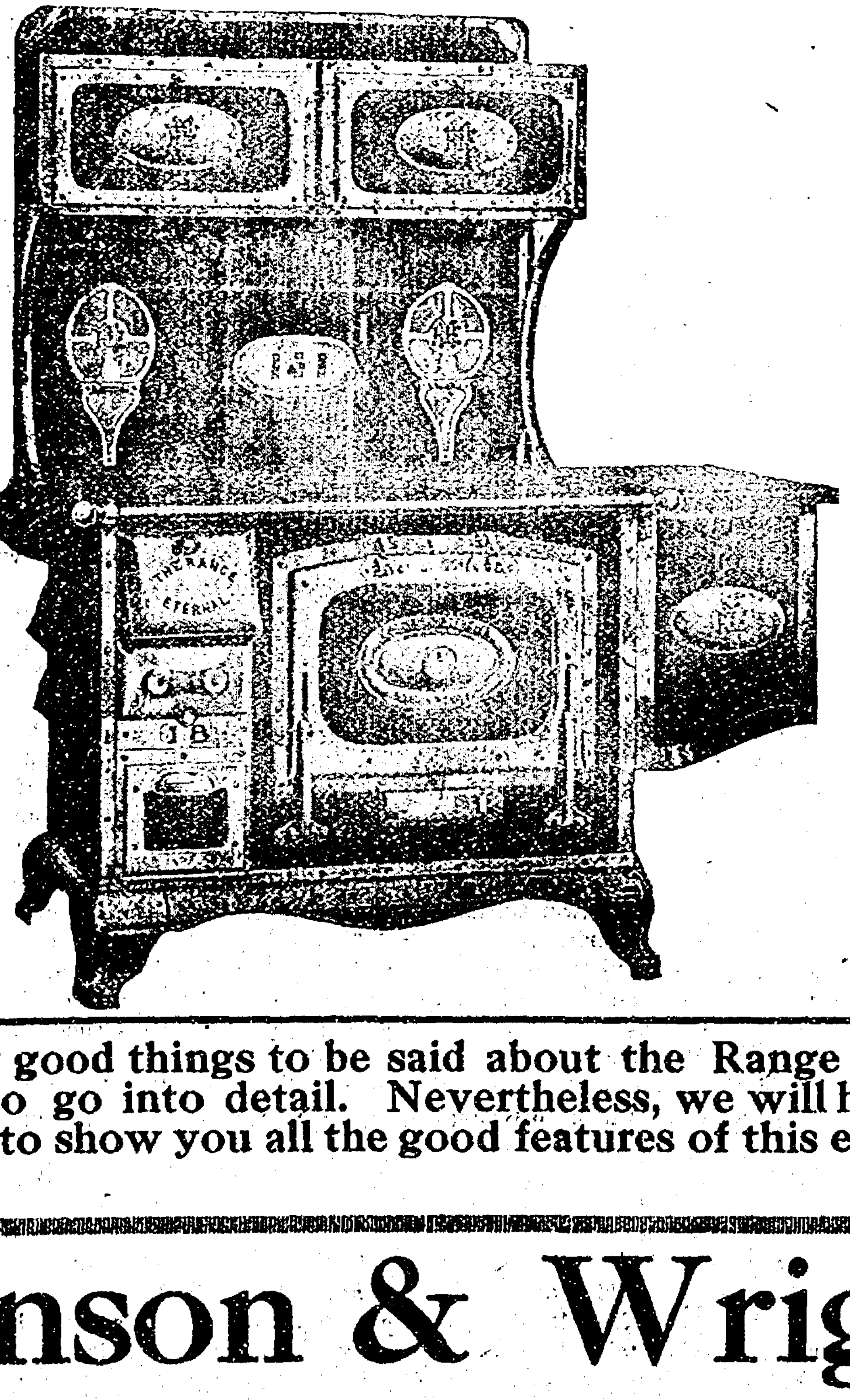

Plan to attend this Demonstration whether you buy or not.

There are so many good things to be said about the Range Eternal that space will not permit us to go into detail. Nevertheless, we will have a demonstrator here from the factory to show you all the good features of this excellent stove. Be sure to come.

Johnson & Wright
Phone 40 Belmond, Iowa

Farm Bureau News

Judging Team Attends Fairs

The Wright county boys of the state champion livestock judging team accompanied by the county agent made three trips last week for work-outs in the livestock judging work. Tuesday was spent at the Webster City fair working over separate classes of horses, hogs and cattle. On Thursday the boys drove to the Algona fair where they were allowed to take part in the Kossuth county livestock judging contest. Saturday was spent at Ames at the college where the boys worked over the college livestock and rceived valuable suggestions from Prof. Kildee, head of the animal husbandry department. In making these trips to the neighboring county fairs and to the state agricultural coullege the boys have received some valuable points along livestock judging lines.

The county agent and the judging team will leave Clarion, Sunday, September 17, for Sioux City, where the team will spend five days at the interstate livestock judging contest. In the competitive livestock judging contest with seven other states the boys will be required to judge one ring of draft horses, one ring of breeding horses, one ring of fat hogs, three rings of breeding hogs, one ring of fat sheep, one ring of breeding sheep, two rings of beef cattle (one ring of breeding and one ring of fat) and two rings of dairy cattle. Each member will place the 12 rings of livestock and fifty points will be given for places on each ring. Oral reasons will be given on six of the rings and fifty points will be given for reasons on each of these, thus a total of 600 points for placings and 300 points on reasons, may be won.

Veterinary Specialist in County

Dr. K. W. Stouder, veterinary specialist from the extension department at Ames, spent one day in Wright county last week on special cases from two points within the county.

Part of the day was spent at the Geo. Dipple farm, two miles east of Belmond, where special instructions were given by the doctor in the case of a diseased horse where it was found the animal was effected with what the doctor termed malignant tumor of the nose.

Part of the day was also spent on several herds of hogs and the doctor gave special instructions for treatment and recommended that in case the disease continued in the herds that one of the diseased animals be shipped to the department of Veterinary invesigation at Ames.

Wright County Farm Tour

Arrangements have been made with the Extension department at Ames for three specialists to come to Wright county October 11th and 12th for a two-day farm tour. Rex Beresford, animal husbandry, F. G. Churchhill, farm crops and soils, and Miss Avis Talcott will be in the county at that time to lecture on these various subjects wherever stops are made.

No definite plans have been worked out as yet for this farm tour but the general plan is to cover part of the county the first day making stops at the various points of interest. A schedule is now being worked out and plans will be made to stop at several of the purebred livestock farms, at a number of the experiment plots and various points of interest thruout the county. Those who are interested in spending the day or two with the county agent and the specialists from Ames in visiting some of the points of interest within the county are urged to plan their work so as to be able to make the trip Wednesday and Thursday, October 11 and 12.

Clothing Specialist Coming

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist, will spend three days in this county, Ssptember 26, 27, 28, in demonstrating "Renovation of clothing and hats." A schedule of Miss Foster's meetings was worked out by the ladies at the last regular Board of Director meeting and it was planned to hold the training schools for Miss Foster as follows:

Boone township, Sept. 26.
Iowa township, Sept. 27.
Troy township, Sept. 28.

The places of meeting within these townships will be announced later.

Three Live Farm Bureau Socials

Last week was a mighty busy one for the Wright county farm bureau when three township organizations managed to hold community gatherings. Pleasant township started the week off with a box social at the S. A. Anderson home, three miles north of Belmond. An interesting program was held in connection with this social and we understand that a neat sum was realized from the sale of the baskets. The proceeds from this box social will go toward financing the Belmond short course this winter.

Iowa township came on Tuesday night with a rousing big meeting at he A. C. Lieuwen home, southeast of Belmond, where two or three hundred farmers and business men and their families from Belmond, Rowan, Alexander and surrounding territory gathered for a real community get-to-gether meeting. A. L. Middleton of Troy township gave the address of the evening and a short program consisting of recitations and musical numbers was also enjoyed by the Iowa people.

The A. E. Martin home, northeast of Belmond was the scene of a lively community social on Thursday evening when about 300 people from the vicinity of Belmond gathered to enjoy the splendid program which was arranged for this occasion. Rev. Fr. Eardley of Belmond gave a very outstanding address at this meeting. Those who had the pleasure of hearing his address were very much pleased with his discussion of our present day problems. Rr. Eardley's address was very timely and it brought out many interesting points in connection with the industrial conditions thruout the nation. A short program of readings, recitations, and musical numbers by the Luick orchestra and other local talent was also given at this meeting.

Miss Viva Rourk who taught in the Belmond schools the past two years was engaged to teach there again this year and left Sunday afternoon to take up her duties.
—Reporter.

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Belmond Local News

For Rent—Six room house, in good repair, with two lots.—Henry Eimbrink, Phone 1708. 432*

NOTICE!
No hunting allowed on the W. S. Pritchard farm.—H. H. Larsen. 431*

The Misses Gay Bohning and Iris Hercim left for Story City and Des Moines last Wednesday where they visited a few days at the home of relatives and friends.

Public Sale of Big Type Chester White and Poland China Hogs, Thursday, Oct. 5th. 75 head of Boar Gilts and Sows. Write for catalogue. R. C. Ludeke, Klemme, Iowa. 431c

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Mr. and Mrs. Clogh moved Saturday to Dows, where they will make their future home. Mr. Clough drove the Community truck here, and has a similar position at Dows.

Leo Kenefick retrned Saturday to Fort Collins, Colorado, to resume college studies. He has been spending the past two weeks visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Kenefick.

We note by the Hampton Chronicle that Dr. H. E. Meyer has disposed of his practice and interest in the Lutheran hospital at Hampton and is planning to move with his family to California. Dr. Meyer was located in Belmond previous to moving to Hampton, moving from here when he went. Another of Belmond's former physcians, Dr. Hoxie, will soon start his profession again at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weigands and baby came last week from Cedar Rapids for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wiegands. Ray is employed with the Sinclair people in the packing house at Cedar Rapids, where he has resided the past three years, and is doing nicely.

Griesy's Store News

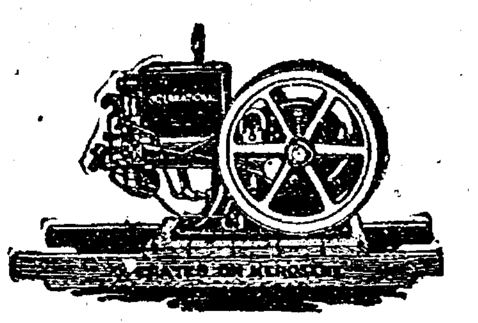
Vol. 1 BELMOND, SEPTEMBER 14, 1922. No. 27.

Considerable interest was shown in our stove demonstration last weeek, and the following are now owners of The Great Majestic Range:

Louise Veeder
Andrew Bohning
John Kreins
Fred Lynch
D. L. Pals
Meno Frohling

Blowing Some!

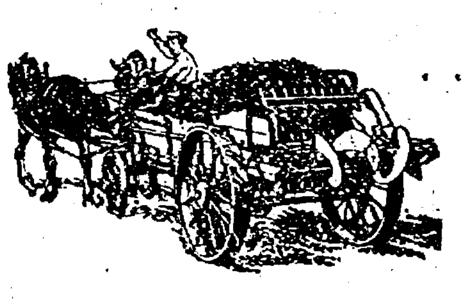
Senator Capper says that whenever there's a debate in the Senate it furnishes enough agitation of atmosphere to turn every windmill in the country.



But, when Senate adjourns, what are you going to do for fresh water? Get an International Kerosene Engine, of course. It's as faithful and willing a helper as you can find in a lifetime of searching. The powerful 1 1-2 H. P. International will do almost anything that no one else wants to do, and for only 3 cents an hour—no overtime pay. Larger sizes too, if you need more power. Come and see them.

Keep The Boys At Home

The International manure spreader takes drudgery out of a disagreeable job, and it does its full share in keeping boys on the farm. It saves labor, saves time of a man and team and



makes the manure go farther. It increases yields and makes more money for you. You can't afford to be without a machine that will do all these things. So why not come in and talk it over while the price is lower than it ever will be again?

A Milkhouse Queen

A "handsome blue machine" set up in the center of your milkhouse is a "crown of glory" considering the many things it will do for you. It is the sentinel-queen carefully guard-

ing the milk and cream so that each is separated to the last drop. Otherwise known as the Primrose Cream Separator, this "handsome blue machine" will save enough cream to make three cows worth as much as four. It will give you an income all the year around and supply sweet, warm skimmilk for the calves, pigs and chickens. Truly, the Primrose is a queen.

Art Cuppett came Monday night of this week for a few days' visit with old friends and relatives here, while he attends to some business matters. Art is now located on a 200-acre farm at Ft. Ripley, Minnesota, where he is making a splendid success as a farmer.

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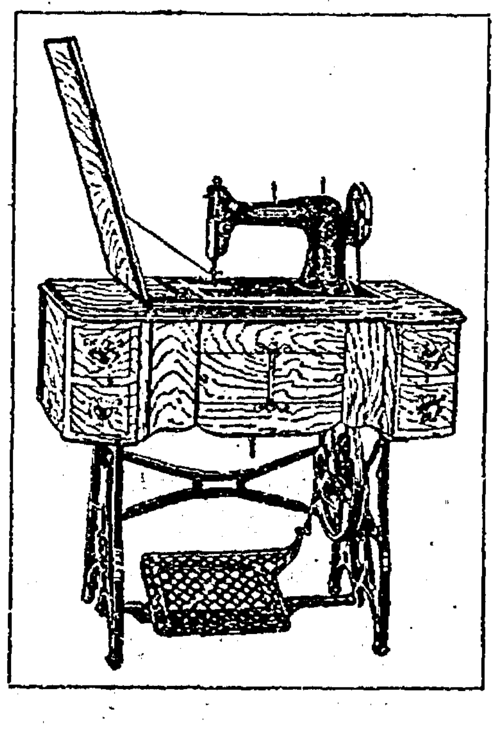

We have a lady coming for the week of October 9th to 14th to demonstrate these machines.

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MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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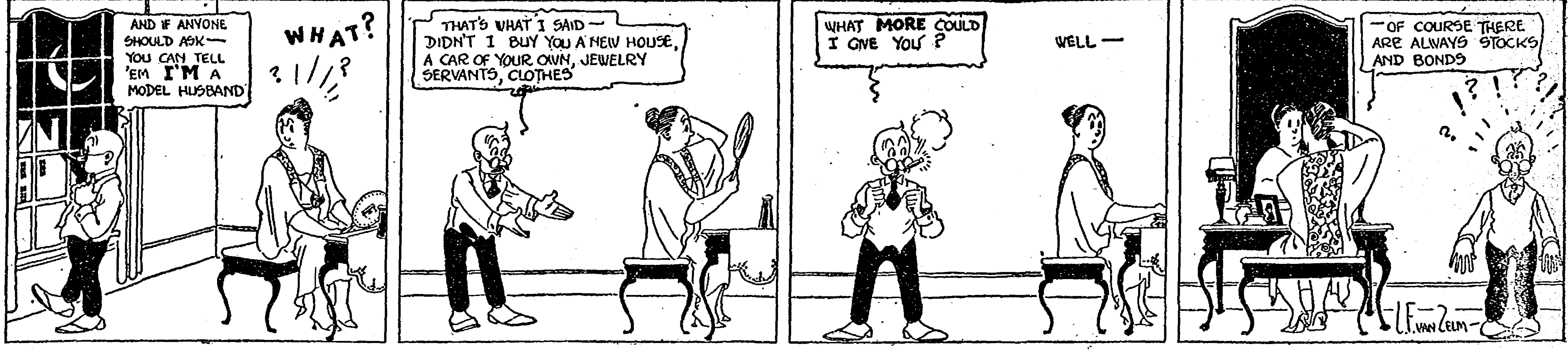
Hold 'Em Sheriff


AND IF ANYONE SHOULD ASK— YOU CAN TELL 'EM I'M A MODEL HUSBAND
WHAT?
? ! / / ?
THAT'S WHAT I SAID— DIDN'T I BUY YOU A NEW HOUSE, A CAR OF YOUR OWN, JEWELRY SERVANTS, CLOTHES
WHAT MORE COULD I GIVE YOU?
WELL—
—OF COURSE THERE ARE ALWAYS STOCKS AND BONDS
! ? ! ? ?
L. F. VAN ZELM

MR. HENNING IS RIGHT

Having failed to break down the too few immigration restrictions with pleas to sympathy the time-worn appeal to selfish interest is being attempted thru powerful business insitutions.

The increase in production has brought a scarcity of labor in some quarters, and corresponding demand for higher wages. The suggestion, therfore, is made to repeal the three percent law to permit the hordes from southeastern Europe to enter.

The interests constantly at work on behalf of the undesirable aliens believe that powerful manufacturers have more influence with Congress than have the great mass of real Americans who are seldom aroused from their state of inarticulate unobtrusiveness. They hope by waving the flag of cheap labor before influential manufacturers that Congress may be induced to open wide again the doors.

E. J. Henning, assistant secretary of commerce, who has been most active in safeguarding the country against the undesirables, in an address in New York, gave voice to some facts regarding the cheap labor fallacy which deserve general attention.

If you have labor that will do fairly well for a year or two or five, but thereafter goes on the shelf into the poorhouse, the jail, the cost of that individual to the community will be greater than any asset he may have produced," said Mr. Henning. "When you talk of filling the country with cheap labor, largely because it is mentally not capable of reaching a high stage, you are putting on an overhead that you cannot shake off for centuries to come, because the same people will reproduce their like.

"The cheapest labor in the world is the labor that is educated to the equivalent of a high school, has learned a trade, that is patriotic, and that has citizenship in the country. The man who is married and owns a home and is rearing a family, and who takes an active part in government, will ultimately be your cheapest labor, instead of the ignorant, illiterate labor, which big business often says we need in this country to compete with the world.—Dearborn Independent.

GRADE CROSSINGS

The C. B. & Q's. propaganda department, always active and on the job, has been making a little survey at a grade crossing and reports that out of 1,500 drivers of autos only two heeded the railroad's anxious request to come to a dead stop before crossing the track, and adduces this as sufficient reason why it kills so many on its grade crossing. Let's see: How many of its trains come to a dead stop at grade crossings? That's unreasonable, perhaps; so is the railroad idea that autos must come to a stop. But this can be depended upon: If the C. B. & Q. wrecked as many trains at grade crossings as it destroys autos, and killed as many trainmen as it kills auto passengers, it would devise some plan that would save its rolling stock and its employees. As little damage results to trains and employees it contents itself with foolish and impractical requests designed to relieve it from the appearance of blame when the anticipated and inevitable calamity occurs. And while the argument goes on the grade crossing reap their thousands of lives. And the C. B. & Q. is only one of the many railroads equally to blame. What do the railway commissions think, if anything?—Knoxville Express.

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Every week this newspaper contains information that you should have in order to increase your buying power. The advertisements are intimate little lessons in economy. They are notices of how---where---when and for what your dollar will go farthest.

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It's a fascinating and worth-while practice to see just how you can make your dollar do its best for you.

The Advertisements Will Tell You

SHOWER FOR MISS GRUIS

Miss Mildred Gealow entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Kate Gruis, at the A. J. Nissen home, last Friday evening. Owing to the inclement weather only a few were able to be present, but an enjoyable evening is reported. The surprise on Miss Gruis was a complete success, making it the more pleasant for those who had planned it so. Miss Gruis will be married soon to Rev. Eilert Dirks, when they leave for the east where Mr. Dirks has accepted a pastorate. The evening was spent in the usual manner. Games were indulged in. When the bride-to-be was asked to unwrap the various gifts showered upon her, she was told to guess the contents of each package and state what she would use them for, causing much merriment. A mock wedding was had, but we will withhold the names of the groom and minister. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served, after which the guests departed wishing Miss Gruis a long and happy wedded life.

Grand Champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victory Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City Fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 43tfc

Strayed: A Hampshire stock hog. If found notify Harold Quandt, Thornton, Iowa. 431*

The Helping Hand society will meet with Mrs. G. Lauster, Thursday Sept. 21.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Farmers Savings Bank

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 2nd day of September, 1922.

RESOURCES		
Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities ...		$262,447.39
Overdrafts	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank		None
Banking House	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		23,263.44
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)		None
Total Resources		294,740.83
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock	20,000.00	
Surplus fund	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)		1,001.31
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand	89,123.47	
Individual deposits subject to check	$ 857.78	
Time certificates of deposits	153,680.24	
Savings Deposits	4,478.02	248,139.52
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank		20,000.00
United States bonds borrowed	None	
Total Liabilities		294,740.83

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, President, and Conrad Bier, vice president of the bank above named do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN, President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, Conrad Bier this 8th day of September, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.

Attested by Frank Haferman, Wm. Messelheiser, and Jacob Nissen, Directors.

Word was received here Sunday by Rev. Schlesselman that his father had passed away Saturday night. Grandpa, as he was called by those who knew him and loved him best, has been in poor health for several years past, and had grown very feeble before leaving this place last fall, for his old home in Ohio. Rev. Schlesselman and family had the privilege of spending several weeks with him a short time ago, for which they feel grateful at this time.

Mrs. Crist Enabnit of Des Moines spent last Thursday at the Kolb home, accompanied by her son Mervin. They stopped here enroute to Manly where they visited at the home of her son Albert.

Last Saturday Henry Frey became violently ill from ptomaine poisoning, caused by eating sardines. Two doctors were in attendance and after considerable efforts on their part he was pronounced out of danger. Monday he was about his duties as janitor of the school again as usual.

Last Sunday as Higo Goeman and wife and Kate Gris were returning from church to the Gruis home, his car became unmanageable thru a faulty steering gear, causing it to swerve into the ditch just east of town, turning the car completely over. Mr. Goeman suffered a broken collar bone, while the ladies escaped injury aside from a thoro shaking up.

Joe Smith and daughter Mary have been spending several weeks with relatives at Indianola. They made the trip in a car and were accompanied by a nephew of Mr. Smith who had been visiting at their home or a number of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Reif and guests from Greeley, Colo., spent Tuesday sightseeing at Mason City.

Mrs. H. K. Pals accompanied her niece Elsie Pals, to Mason City, on Tuesday, where the latter had her tonsils removed.

Miss Alma Walters and Irene Guth were motor passengers to Mason City Tuesday.

School opened here last Wednesday with an enrollment of about 150, and everything started out well in the new school year. Let us all co-operate with the teachers, thus making this school year a successful and satisfactory one.

Earl Jacobs, farming northwest of Meservey has one of the best herds Poland China spring shoats in this part of the country. Among them are several that will weigh 200 pounds, which speaks well for Mr. Jacob's ability as a hog raiser.

SICK
With a Bad Cold

"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him

Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy

It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa.

Get it from your druggist at 35 cents per bottle, large size 60 cents.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Walter and Herman Witt left for Clear Lake last week where they are attending high school.

Mrs. Emma Dorenkamp and daughters were Thornton callers between trains last Tuesday, where the latter had dental work done.

Ben Vierkant and family motored to West Bend, Tuesday, to visit the grotto which is attracting so many tourists and visitors this summer.

Henry Ohlerking of Hampton visited at the H. F. Reif home Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fuerst and daughters, Cora and Lydia of Greeley, Colorado, who have been visiting at the Reif home, left for St. Paul, Minnesota Tuesday morning to visit with Mr. Fuerst's sister, Mrs. Chas. Wichman. Ralph Strassburg accompanied them.

County Supt. Newcomb was in town Saturday, looking over the school situation.

Mr. Dohrman of Latimer was in town Saturday afternoon calling on friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fuerst and daughters, Mrs. H. C. Reif and John Langlitz motored to Hampton, Wednesday, to visit old friends.

Henry Proost returned last Thursday from Schaller, Iowa, where he went to attend his brother-in-law, Joseph Rauch's, funeral. He received the message Monday, leaving the same day.

Miss Alma Witt was a motor passenger to Mason City, Saturday.

Miss Grace Pals was a Mason City caller Friday.

Simon Eckoff and Elmer Sorenson of Thornton left Saturday morning for Colorado Springs and other points in Colorado for a three weeks' pleasure trip.

FOR SALE

Milk cow, fresh in two weeks.—E. Harms, Meservey, Iowa. 432*

Prof. J. Hemstra of Pella was here last Thursday in the interests of Central College. He was a guest of Rev. Pannkuk and family.

Walter Braga and family were visitors at the Braga home in Iowa Falls, Sunday.

F. C. Sprau's returned from their Illinois trip last Sunday, stopping in Des Moines enroute. Henry Sprau accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boughten of Webster City visited with the latter's sisters, Alma and Louise Witt, at the L. B. Hulsebus home Sunday afternoon.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats spent Sunday with home folks.

A. J. Nissen was at Clear Lake on Sunday.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.
The weekly services will be the same as usual.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
Rev. H. Pannkuk, Pastr.

Come in and Get Acquainted

We have a fine line of
Fresh and Smoked Meats

Sausages of All Kinds

We want your Cream

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STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

On and after Sept. 1 the Blacksmith of Meservey is CASH! Here's why: I'm asking you good friends for help. Last week some of my friends paid what they could; others paid up; some turned me down cold. I ask every one of you to help me go home that I may see my old mother. She is 70 years old, and I haven't seen her for 8 years. She wants me to come home once more, to have us all together once more. She has a heart, the same as your mother has. I want you to have a heart too. I had planned to go Saturday, but with only $18 collected how could I? There is $250 more on the books; all I ask is that you who owe me pay 75 per cent. With all the boys home but me what will mother say? I can't go unless you pay me what you owe. From now on everything is CASH—when I go I'll have the money in my pocket, not on the books. Friends, have a heart; you may need help too some day; pay me what you owe, then I can go home to see my mother once more before it is too late.

HARRY T. SMITH.

Claude Abkes of Austinville, Ia., visited at the H. K. Pals home Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hemming of Thornton spent Sunday afternoon at the Ed. Foss home.

Misses Holroyd of Plymouth and Hawthorne of Renwick spent the week end with home folks.

Henry Blum and family of Renwick attended church here Sunday and were guests at the Rev. Schlesselman home.

A. E. Muller and family motored to Garner, Sunday afternoon. While there they called on the Brogan family.

TRY LARKIN

Laundry Supplies
Aprons
Rugs
Kitchen Cutlery
Ice Cream Powders
Noodles

Perfumes
Rosewater & Glycerine
Orris Root
Derma Balm
Underwear
Cosmetics
Teas
Stationary

MARY GEALOW
Belmond Iowa

C. E. Brogan spent Sunday with his family at Garner.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday at her home near Belmond.

The W. M. S. met with Mrs. Wm. Butz last Thursday afternoon. For the lesson they studied the last two chaptrs of their text book, "From Survey to Service."

Fred Pieper and wife departed on Mondday afternoon for Iowa Falls, where they will visit for a few days with Mr. Pieper's parents. From there they intend to return to their home in Naperville, Ill., where Mr. Pieper is attending North Western College, preparing for the Ministry.

The Misses Kate and Alma Gruis, Tillie and Ollie Pals, Mildred Gealow, Lyda Groen and Rev. E. Dirks and Albert Pals made up a picnic party, motoring to Clear Lake, Thursday afternoon, where they enjoyed the picnic supper.

Carl Herrman returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends at Sigourney, Ia.

Miss Anderson, primary teacher, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting a sister at Clear Lake.

Tenus Johnson, John Peters and son Art, of Alexander, were calling in town Saturday afternoon.

BAKE SALE

The W. C. T. U. will sell cakes, pies and candies next Saturday evening, Sept. 16, at the Hardware store, at reasonable prices. The ladies will appreciate any donation you may be willing to give.

Miss Alma Ralston returned to Iowa Falls, Monday, to resume her school work at Ellsworth College, after spending her vacation at home.

Miss Dorothy West returned home Monday from Belmond, where she had been visiting at the home of Mrs. B. Fjetland, who was formerly Miss Dora Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Fischer and Gladys spent Sunday at the Jake Henn home near Palsville.

Wm. Enabnit of Kanawha spent last week in this neighborhood.

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David Enabnit and family were in town Monday, calling at the Kolb home.

Miss Eva West and Merle Price returned Saturday from Webster City, where they had taken in a few days of the county fair and visited friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Sloss of Ames spent a few hours Thursday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Frank Nissen.

Fred Sluter and family motored to Ackley, Sunday, to spend the day at the home of Rev. H. Sluter.

Adam Kolb and wife, accompanied by Crist Enabnit, of Des Moines, made a motor trip to Manly last week Sunday to visit the latters son Albert and family.

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RADIO

AUDIO FREQUENCY AMPLIFIER UNITS

Construction of Two Is Described, With the Materials That Must Be Purchased.

Theoretically any number of transformer coupled stages of audio frequency amplification can be used. However, due to the amplification of static disturbances, power line induction, tube noises, etc., three stages are about the practical limit. If more than three stages are used the noises become so loud in comparison with the signal that it is difficult to hear the signal.

Since audio frequency amplifying transformers can be purchased at any radio shop and the simplest method of coupling, the construction of two audio frequency amplifier units will be described.

The first unit will be arranged to be used in conjunction with the vacuum tube receiver mounted on the eight-inch square horizontal base board, previously mentioned in this column. The second unit will be mounted on a vertical panel four inches wide and six inches high to "match up" with the six-by-eight vertical panel vacuum tube described recently in this column.

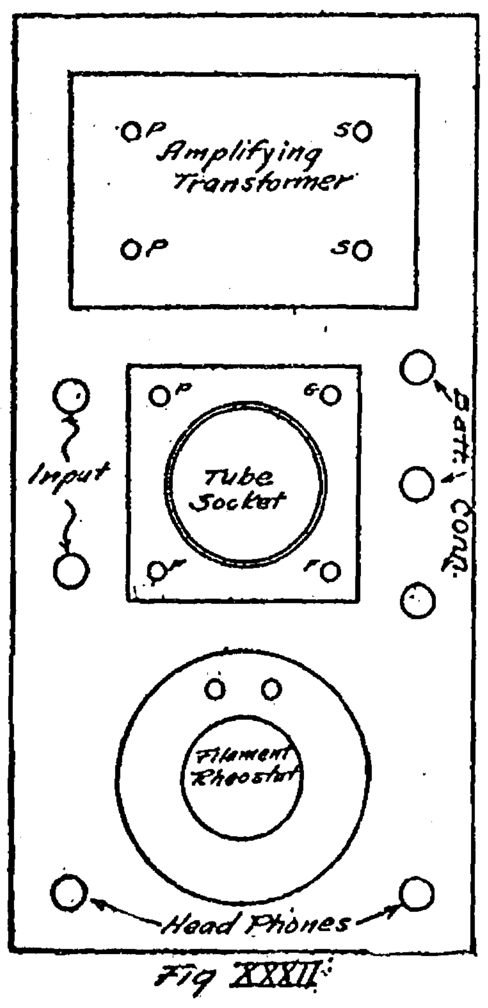


Fig XXXII

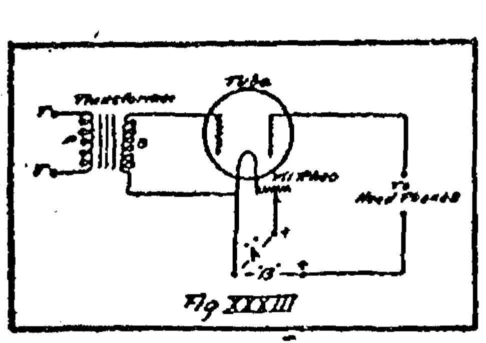


Fig XXXIII

The following standard apparatus will have to be purchased at a radio supply store in order to construct an amplifier unit to be used in conjunction with either receiver.

One amplifying transformer, cost about $5.

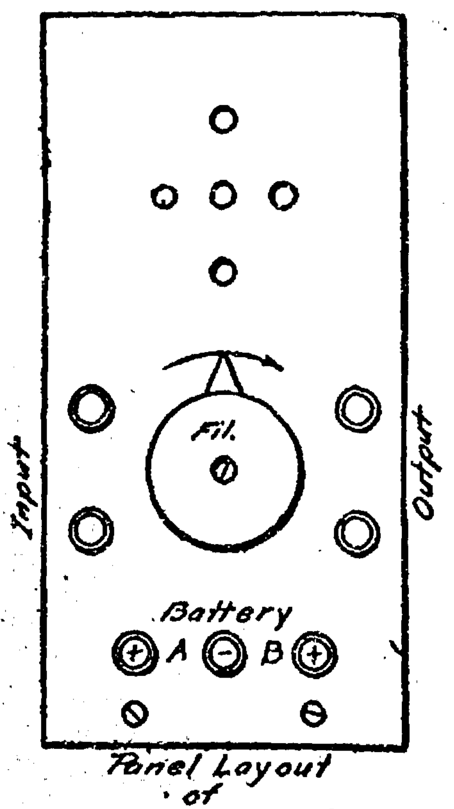
One vacuum tube (for amplifier), cost $6.50.

One vacuum tube socket, cost $1.

One filament rheostat, cost about $1.

Seven binding posts, cost about 70 cents.

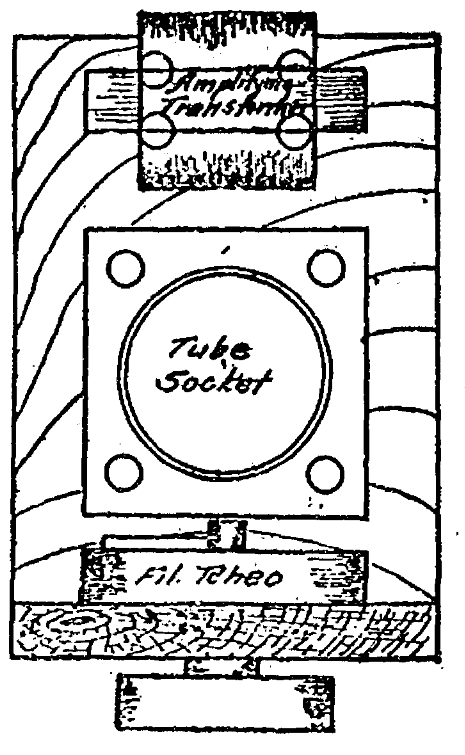
The amplifier unit to be used with the eight-inch square horizontal baseboard is mounted on a base three inches wide and six inches long. The tube filament rheostat is mounted in the front, the amplifying transformer in the back and the tube in the center.



Panel Layout of Amplifier Unit
Fig. XXXIV

Fig. XXXII shows the relative position of the transformer tube socket and filament rheostat when mounted on the baseboard. A diagram of connections of the amplifier unit is shown in Fig. XXXIII. The input coming from the terminals of the receiver that were originally connected to the telephone receivers is connected to the terminals of the amplifying transformer. One side of the secondary of the amplifying transformer is connected to the grid, and the other side of the secondary to the filament and common battery lead. The filament rheostat is in series with the positive side of the filament. The plate terminal on the tube socket is connected to one side of the phone, the other side of the phone being connected to the positive side of a 45-volt "B" battery. Use a "hard" tube as an amplifier.

When using the amplifier unit for the first time, tune the receiver with the detector only. To connect the terminals T-T from the amplifier unit in place of the phones in the plate circuit of the amplifier, adjust both the filament rheostats until the signal strength is maximum.



Amplifier Unit
Fig. XXXV

If it is desired to still further amplify the incoming signal two amplifier units can be constructed, the output of each unit being connected to the input of the next, and the phones being placed in the plate circuit of the last amplifier tube.

In constructing the second unit make the panel and the baseboard of the same thickness, kind of wood, and finish as used for the receiver. The panel should be four inches wide and six inches high, the baseboard three inches wide and four inches deep to "match up." Use the same kinds of binding posts and filament rheostat that were used on the receiver.

Fig. XXXIV is a plan view of the amplifier unit, and Fig. XXXV is an elevation of the front view of the panel. The diagram of connections is, of course, the same as for the previously described unit and is shown in Fig. XXXIII.

These amplifier units can be used in conjunction with any radio receiver. The same units connected electrically as shown in Fig. XXXIII can be mounted to suit the builders' own taste.

SEEKS STANDARD APPARATUS

National Radio Chamber of Commerce Is Negotiating With Federal Departments.

The National Radio Chamber of Commerce is negotiating with the various government departments, such as the bureau of standards, Department of Commerce, United States signal corps and United States Navy department, with a view to co-operating with these departments in the standardization of radio apparatus, methods of manufacture, methods of testing, etc. The National Radio Chamber of Commerce intends to work with these departments and assist them in their radio problems.

TIPS FOR FANS

A radio amateur in France has tough luck. He can't send at all and is not permitted to listen in on certain government transmitting stations.

A condemned murderer in a Boston jail is spending his remaining hours in the construction of a radio receiving set so that the inmates may enjoy programs during their hours of unemployment.

Despite all advice to the contrary, people still insist on using dry cells for the filament supply of vacuum tubes. The batteries will hold up for about five minutes and then they will slowly die down, until nothing at all can be heard.

Secretary Wallace has announced completion of plans for broadcasting weather, crop and market news by radiophone from Memphis, Tenn.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Roswell, N. M., and Milwaukee, Wis., thus giving the Department of Agriculture 41 stations throughout the United States from which agricultural news may be disseminated.

A radio aerial well grounded will take all of the joy out of lightning rod salesmanship. Run a No. 4 copper wire down from your lightning arrester, as specified by the new regulations of the underwriters' code compiled in Washington recently, and your home will be amply protected from lightning—if you have gone deep into the earth in making your ground.

ROWAN NEWS

L. D. Bingham of Iowa Falls was taken quit seriously ill last Friday. His son Harold and family were in Rowan, Saaurday, bidding goodbye to relatives before starting back to his work at Washington, D. C. E. Bingham went to Iowa Falls with them and remained with his brother until Monday, when L. D. came to Rowan to stay with relatives until he is better.

The Auxiliary will meet in regular session Thursday evening. Please keep the date in mind.

Mrs. Geo. Pritchett is on the sick list.

Mrs. Dee Halbrook has been suffering from an abcess under her left arm. Dr. Maker lanced it Sunday.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson went to Blairsburg, Sunday, to spend a few days at the home of her son, Will and wife.

Dale Farren was sick the past week with yellow jaundice.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Men must wear pants. We sell Strauss Bros. "Master Tailord Clothes", also clean, press and alter suits, coats, hats, etc. Hyde's Panitorium, Rowan.

Mrs. Mary Williams was at Belmond on Monday. Miss Stella Emerson was clerking in the D. W. Whitten store in her place.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Will Bailey, Jr., Wednesday afternoon Sept. 20. Miss Callison will be present to give a very helpful talk All members are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Simkins of Sioux Falls, S. D., spent the past week at the home of her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hackley. They returned home Sunday, Mr. Hackley and daughter accompanying them.

Will Richards and sisters of Clarion and the Misses Anna and Alice Foster and Eva Keith of Goldfield, spent Wednesdav at the R. H. Keith home.

Zelda Hackley was sick with yellow jaundice last week.

Rowan School Notes

Teachers for this year are: High School—Supt. Holliday, Agr., physics and manual training; Miss Cowley, Arith., Algebra, Advanced English and Geometry; Miss Hillyard, Caesar, Advanced Physiology, Domestic Science, Community Civics and Penmanship.

Miss Mohr, music, geography, English, reading, spelling; Mrs. Holliday, English, history and penmanship.

GRADES—Miss Parks, Primary; Miss Haven, 2nd and 3rd; Miss Barker, 4th and 5th; Miss Draheim, 6th and 7th.

Visitors for the past week: Leola Leeper, of Waterloo; Aletha Schreck of Hayfield, Maurice Sater of New London, and "Scotty" Farren and Ralph Whitten.

A number of pupils were excused Wednesday afternoon to attend the funeral of Sammy Schreck, among which was nearly the entire class which he attended while living near Rowan.

The girls of the Domestic Science class are already busy making hem stitched pillow slips.

There will be a program given by the entire school at the school building Monday Sept. 18.

Rowan Congregational Notes

Rev. Halbert failed to arrive for the services Sunday owing to the heavy rains, but arrived Monday so we will have the regular services next Sunday.

Morning worship at 11.

Sunday school at 12.

Y. P. S. C. E. at 7. p. m

Evening services at 8

The Mission Study club will meet with Mrs. Fred Kercheval next Tuesday evening. Please note the change in date. This will be our mite box opening for foreign missions so please come with your mite boxes.

The parsonage has been redecorated inside ready for Rev. Halbert and his wife. We are glad to welcome them to our community.

The following friends of the family accompanied the body of little Sammy Schreck from Hayfield last Wednesday and attended the funeral which was held at the Cong. church. Rev. Gauger of Garner conducted the service. They were: Mr. and Mrs. Gains Harper, Mrs. Joe Vonasek, Jno. Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Steinerger and children Walter and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Kaid, all of Hayfield, Rev. Gauger of Garner, and Martin Schreck of Iowa Falls. The many floral remembrances showed the place this cheerful tiltle felllow had made in the hearts of the people around here the few years he spent. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family in their great loss.

Obituary

Samuel E. Schreck was born at Perry, Iowa, March 17, 1908, and died at the home of his parents in Hayfield, Sept. 4, 1922, at the age of 14 years, 6 months and 20 days. He was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schreck. Besides his parents he leaves one brother, William, and two sisters, Lillian and Aletha, besides many other relatives. His short life was one of suffering and the past year had contained many spells of hard suffering. It was not thought that he was seriously ill until the Friday before his death, when the disease, bright's disease, took him very quickly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett enterhome Monday from a visit with their sons. They visited Walter at Valisca, Marshall at Des Moines and Lester and family at Indianola.

Rev. Harold Tomkinson went to Chicago, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett entetained Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Kercheval to dinner Sunday

Miss Mae Virden left Sunday for Mount Pleasant where she will attend Cornell college again this year.

Will Azeltine and son Wesley went to Iowa Falls on Friday to secure a room for Wesley at the boys' dormitory at Ellsworth college, where he will enter this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Underdahl and baby went to Rake, Saturday night to spend the week end with relatives.

J. D. Pritchett was a business caller at Estherville, Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Hansen visited at Hampton one day last week. Her mother, Mrs. Daley, is very low with cancer.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver spent a part of last week in Clarion at the home of her mother, Mrs. Heathershaw.

Mrs. Guy Stumph was a visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs Ed. Miller, at Clarion, Friday.

Donald Farren, Donald McCallum and Harry Harris made an auto trip to Iowa City, Sunday. McCallum and Harris expect to enter the S. U. of I. this fall.

J. C. Simon suffered an acute attack of appendicitis last week while in the field working. He was taken to Belmond right away to the Steele hospital where an operation was performed at once. He is doing nicely.

Dallas Conn came last Wednesday from Tulsa, Okla., to visit at the homes of his sister, Mrs. D. W. Whitten and family, and his brother, Chester and family. From here he went Friday to Parkersburg to visit his mother and other relatives. He and his mother expect to go from there to Iowa City where he expects to have an operation on his foot. They expect to come back to Rowan and visit later.

Mrs. Wm. McCallum has been on the sick list the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Willard McCallum have been staying there to help care for her.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten left Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hyde and daughter May were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Bangs in Dows Sunday.

Harvey Lineweaver, Verne Dawson and Jim Langdon were home from Aplington, where they are hauling gravel, over the week end.

Frank Retiiff and Albert Mollering went to Waterloo, Wednesday, to attend the American Legion convention at that place. O. F. Braden and Tom Kew drove down Friday and atended Friday and Saturday.

Ralph Whitten returned to Grinnell, Saturday, where he will finish his four years of college.

Will Brooks of Waverly visited at the home of his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Brooks, and other relatives Tuesday.

Margaret Emerson has been ill the past week with yellow jaundice.

Miss Wilda Whitten left Friday for Marne where she will teach the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey of Belmond visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Riley, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leeper and family of Waterloo came Tuesday to visit her mother, Mrs. Edith Harson. Mrs. Harson accompanied them to Kanawha Wednesday where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knoll. Mrs. Knoll is another daughter of Mrs. Harson.

Morris Sater of New London visited at the home of his friend Wesley Azeltine the past week.

Mrs. Hattie Ballou sold her house hold goods at public auction Saturday afternoon. A large crowd attended and the things brought a very fair price.

We understand that Mrs. S. A. Ferguson is planning to hold a sale some time this month.

The school will give a program at the school house Monday evening, in commemoration of the adoption of the constitution of the United States. Sept. 17, 1787. After the program a luncheon will be served. Everyone is invited to attend. This will be a fine opportunity to become acquainted with the new teachers, and they will appreciate your co-operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Anderson of Mankato visited her uncle, F. B. Sheldon, and wife a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder, Mrs. Hannah Whitten and Mrs. Alder went to Eagle Grove, Tuesday, to visit friends. Mrs. Alder remained for a longer visit.

Clara Jane Howell was quite ill the latter part of the week with an attack of appendicitis. As she was getting better of that she broke out with measles Sunday, but this is on the road to recovery.

AT STAR THEATRE

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
September 15 and 16
"HELIOTROPE"

A new Cosmopolitan production. A stirring story of a parent's love for a child. While mother love is the primal motif in "Humoresque", it is the sacrifice made by a father to insure his daughter's happiness that makes the chief appeal in "Heliotrope" The story centers about a convict who is known to his pals as Heliotrope Harry, do to his fondness for that plant and its perfume. His lovely daughter, Alice, has never known her father and mother. The latter is an unscrupulous woman with a greed for gold.

WILSON HIGHWAY MEETING AT DES MOINES LAST WEEK

A meeting was held in Des Moines Saturday forenoon of last week of the Board of Directors of the Wilson highway association. There were not a sufficient number of the members present to hold a general meeting of the association, hence the present officers and directors hold over until such time as a general meeting can be held. At the present time the association does not have funds to pay the expenses of delegates from each county to a general meeting, hence a large attendance of members of the association seems impossible.

The meeting Saturday was well attended by directors—each paying his own expenses, and a worth while session was held. A financial report was received from Treasurer Wittmer and was approved and accepted. The report showed that the treasury of the association has an over draft of about $60 and some small unpaid bills are outstanding and by the end of the summer it will doubtless be possible to have accounts squared up for the year so that the association may be able to begin the new year's work next spring with a clean slate. It is also hoped that, with funds in sight, it may be possible to complete further marking of the highway yet this season.

The Board of Directors decided after thoroly discussing the situation that it is not for the present feasible for the Wilson highway to continue to attempt to keep a paid manager on the road as has been done for the past year and three months. The older, better established highway associations, which have fixed receipts from annual membership dues at various towns traversed by their routes, do employ salaried managers the year around whose duties are to collect the membership dues, look after marking the routes, and marking detours, advertising the highway, etc. The Wilson has tried out the employment of a manager for the past fifteen months but the experiment has not been successful.

In the state of Iowa the location of the route is definitely established and it is located on primary roads the entire distance across the state. The only prospects of future change will be in he event that in taking up road improvement work in any county in the state the Highway commission decides to make any changes in the location of the primary roads followed by the Wilson highway. In such events the Wilson will of course be changed to conform with the location of the primary roads.—Garner Signal.

IDLE AND MISCIEVIOUS

"In 1920 we, as a people, made up our minds that we would not permit a billion dollars a year of our hard earned money to be thrown away upon paying war wages to shirkers and running railroads at a loss. We, as a people, have not changed our minds, but the conspiracy to force us to do so is palpable."—Wall Street Journal.

Whatever your policy for the future may be, we can at least afford to face the facts of our past experience candidly. It is not really worth while to face them in any other way if we expected to learn anything of value for the future.

The theory on which war railroading was done was plainly stated by Mr. Hines many times and nobody will question that Mr. Hines was a railroad man of standing. War railroading was treated as a war emergency, to be paid ofr out of war emergency taxes and not out of freight and passener rates advanced, as they must have been, almost prohibitively.

We shall learn nothing at all from our war experience with the railroads so long as the Wall Street Journal and others like it insisit on. Everybody of any intelligence knows that it cost something to mobilize the railroads to move men and munitions and supplies as we moved them during the war years, and somebody had to pay. Mr. Hines and the others in control put the burden on the war emergency tax fund along with the other unusual costs of war. To talk of this as "a billion dollars thrown away" is merely to darken counsel with words, something we have always been warned not to do.—Des Moines Register.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

PLUM BUTTER: Wash the plums, place them with a little water in a preserving kettle, and cook until soft. Then separate the skins and the pits by rubbing the pulp thru a colander or a coarse wire sieve. In the case of large freestone plums it will probably be easier and quicker to dip the fruit into boiling water a few seconds until the skins crack, then dip into cold water so that the skins can be readily slipped off, the flesh split open, and the pits removed.

If the plums are very juicy, the pulp put thru a colander will be quite thin and ought to be boiled down to thicken it somewhat before the sugar is added. For each measure of pulp, whether put thru the colander or not, use a half to three-fourths of a measure of sugar and cook slowly with frequent stirring until the butter is as thick as desired. If a tart butter is favored, less sugar should be used. Cinnamon, allspice and cloves should be added to suit the taste when cooking is finished.

UNEARTH MAMMOTH STILL AT LUVERNE

Hambolt Republican: A special from Algena states that the Kossuth county sheriff and his deputy unearthed thirty-one gallons of hooch and some mash on a farm occupied by a man named Brandt near LuVerne. The story is that the officials had had the man up before, and they were on his trail. They raided his farm and discovered the tracks of a stone boat that they trailed to a meadow where a hay stack was, under which was stored the hooch and mash. The bootleggers had dug a pit under the stack and covered it with poles to hold up the hay, and in this they had their hooch. The still was not in evidence, and Brandt was not arrested. He took them, after some persuasion, to the still which was hid in another part of the farm. This is reported to be Brandt's third offense.

GETS HIGH POSITION

Hampton Chronicle: W. B. Barney, state food and dairy commissioner in Iowa for 12 years, until his resignation a few months ago, has been elected a director of the National Holstein-Friesian Cattle Association and also engaged as head of the extension department of that association. The position will pay him a salary of $6,000, considerably larger than he received as food and dairy commissioner of Iowa, and the work will be of a much more pleasant nature as he will not be subject to the whims of every one with an imaginary grievance which they want to take out on public officials.

Mr. Barney is well qualified for the place. He is an expert with Holstein cattle and his recognized business qualifications and experience along general lines will make him a valuable man in this new position. Mr. Barney will continue his residence in Des Moines, altho his Hampton friends still have hopes that he will return to Hampton later to make his home.

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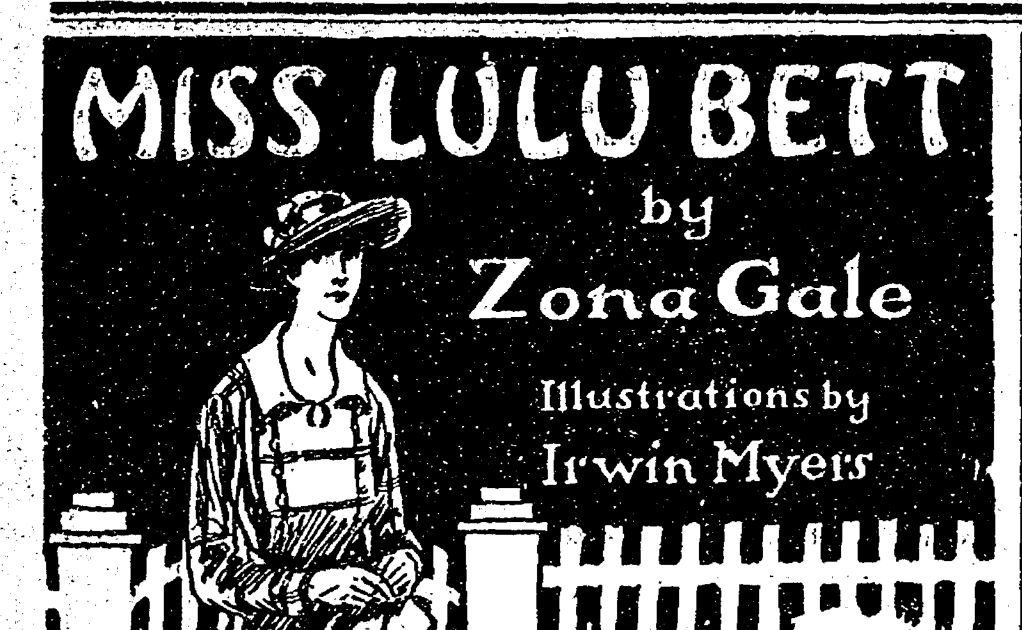

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"Nice? Well, but whom has she got to blame for it?"

"Why, Ninian," said Ina.

Dwight threw out his hands. "Herself," he said. "To tell you the truth, I was perfectly amazed at the way she snapped him up there in that restaurant."

"Why, but, Dwight—"

"Brazen," he said. "Oh, it was brazen."

"It was just fun, in the first place."

"But no really nice woman—" he shook his head.

"Dwight! Lulu is nice. The idea!"

He regarded her. "Would you have done that?" he would know.

Under his fond look, she softened, took his homage, accepted everything, was silent.

"Certainly not," he said. "Lulu's tastes are not fine like yours. I should never think of you as sisters."

"She's awfully good," Ina said, feebly. Fifteen years of married life behind her—but this was sweet and she could not resist.

"She has excellent qualities." He admitted it. "But look at the position she's in—married to a man who tells her he has another wife in order to get free. Now, no really nice woman—"

"No really nice man—" Ina did say that much.

"Ah," said Dwight, "but you could never be in such a position. No, no. Lulu is sadly lacking somewhere."

Ina sighed, threw back her head, caught her lower lip with her upper, as might be in a hem, "What if it was Di?" she supposed.

"Di!" Dwight's look rebuked his wife. "Di," he said, "was born with ladylike feelings."

It was not yet ten o'clock. Bobby Larkin was permitted to stay until ten. From the veranda came the indistinguishable murmur of those young voices.

"Bobby," Di was saying within that murmur, "Bobby, you don't kiss me as if you really wanted to kiss me, tonight."

VI

Septembe..

The office of Dwight Herbert Deacon, Dentist, Gold Work a Specialty (sic) in black lettering, and Justice of the Peace in gold, was above a store which had been occupied by one unlucky tenant after another, and had suffered long periods of vacancy when ladies' aid societies served lunches there, under great white signs, badly lettered. Some months of disuse were now broken by the news that the store had been let to a music man. A music man, what on earth was that? Warbleton inquired.

The music man arrived, installed three pianos, and filled his window with sheet music, as sung by many ladies who swung in hammocks or kissed their hands on the music covers. While he was still moving in, Dwight Herbert Deacon wandered downstairs and stood informally in the door of the new store. The music man, a pleasant-faced chap of thirty-odd, was rubbing at the face of a piano.

"Hello, there!" he said. "Can I sell you an upright?"

"If I can take it out in pulling your teeth, you can," Dwight replied. "Or," said he, "I might marry you free, either one."

On this their friendship began. Thenceforth, when business was dull, the idle hours of both men were beguiled with idle gossip.

"How the dickens did you think of pianos for a line?" Dwight asked him once. "Now, my father was a dentist, so I came by it natural—never entered my head to be anything else. But pianos—"

The music man—his name was Neil Cornish—threw up his chin in a boyish fashion, and said he'd be jiggered if he knew. All up and down the Warbleton main street, the chances are that the answer would sound the same. "I'm studying law when I get the chance," said Cornish, as one who makes a bid to be thought of more highly.

"I see," said Dwight, respectfully dwelling on the verb.

Later on, Cornish confided more to Dwight: He was to come by a little inheritance some day—not much, but something. Yes, it made a man feel a certain confidence. . . .

"Don't it?" said Dwight, heartily, as if he knew.

Every one liked Cornish. He told funny stories, and he never compared Warbleton save to its advantage. So at last Dwight said tentatively at lunch:

"What if I brought that Neil Cornish up for supper one of these nights?"

"Oh, Dwightie, do," said Ina. "If there's a man in town, let's know it."

"What if I brought him up tonight?"

Up went Ina's eyebrows. Tonight?

"Scalloped potatoes and meat loaf and sauce and bread and butter," Lulu contributed.

Cornish came to supper. He was what is known in Warbleton as dapper. This Ina saw as she emerged on the veranda in response to Dwight's informal halloo on his way upstairs. She herself was in white muslin, now much too snug, and a blue ribbon. To her greeting their guest replied in that engaging shyness which is not awkwardness. He moved in some pleasant web of gentleness and friendliness.

They asked him the usual questions, and he replied, rocking all the time with a faint undulating motion of head and shoulders: Warbleton was one of the prettiest little towns that he had ever seen. He liked the people—they seemed different. He was sure to like the place, already liked it. Lulu came to the door in Ninian's thin black-and-white gown. She shook hands with the stranger, not looking at him, and said, "Come to supper, all." Monona was already in her place, singing under-breath. Mrs. Bett, after hovering in the kitchen door, entered; but they forgot to introduce her.

"Where's Di?" asked Ina. "I declare that daughter of mine is never anywhere."

A brief silence ensued as they were seated. There being a guest, grace was to come, and Dwight said, unintelligibly and like lightning, a generic appeal to bless this food, forgive all our sins and finally save us. And there was something tremendous in this ancient form whereby all stages of men bow in some now unrecognized recognition of the ceremonial of taking food to nourish life—and more.

At "Amen" Di flashed in, her offices at the mirror fresh upon her—perfect hair, silk dress turned up at the hem. She met Cornish, crimsoned, fluttered to her seat, joggled the table and, "Oh, dear," she said audibly to her mother, "I forgot my ring."

The talk was saved alive by a frank effort. Dwight served, making jests about everybody coming back for more. They went on with Warbleton happenings, improvements and openings; and the runaway. Cornish tried hard to make himself agreeable, not ingratiatingly, but good-naturedly. He wished profoundly that before coming he had looked up some more stories in the back of the Musical Gazettes. Lulu surreptitiously pinched off an ant that was running at large upon the cloth and thereafter kept her eyes steadfastly on the sugar bowl to see if it could be from that. Dwight pretended that those whom he was helping a second time were getting more than their share and facetiously landed on Di about eating so much that she would grow up and be married, first thing she knew. At the word "married" Di turned scarlet, laughed heartily and lifted her glass of water.

"And what instruments do you play?" Ina asked Cornish, in an unrelated effort to lift the talk to musical levels.

"Well, do you know," said the music man, "I can't play a thing. Don't know a black note from a white one."

"You don't? Why Di plays very prettily," said Di's mother. "But, then, how can you tell what songs to order?" Ina cried.

"Oh, by the music houses. You go by the sales." For the first time it occurred to Cornish that this was ridiculous. "You know, I'm really studying law," he said, shyly and proudly. Law! How very interesting, from Ina. Oh, but won't he bring up some songs some evening, *for them to try over*? Her and Di? At this Di laughed and said that she was out of practice and lifted her glass of water. In the presence of adults Di made one weep, she was so slender, so young, so without defenses, so intolerably sensitive to every contact, so in agony lest she be found wanting. It was amazing how unlike was this Di to the Di who had ensnared Bobby Larkin. What was one to think?

Cornish paid very little attention to her. To Lulu he said kindly, "Don't you play, Miss—?" He had not caught her name—no stranger ever did catch it. But Dwight now supplied it: "Miss Lulu Bett," he explained, with loud emphasis, and Lulu burned her slow red. This question Lulu had usually answered by telling how a felon had interrupted her lessons and she had stopped "taking"—a participle sacred to music, in Warbleton. This vignette had been a kind of epitome of Lulu's biography. But now Lulu was heard to say, serenely:

"No, but I'm quite fond of it. I went to a lovely concert—two weeks ago."

They all listened. Strange, indeed, to think of Lulu as having had experiences of which they did not know.

"Yes," she said. "It was in Savannah, Georgia." She flushed, and lifted her eyes in a manner of faint defiance. "Of course," she said, "I don't know the names of all the different instruments they played, but there were a good many." She laughed pleasantly as a part of her sentence. "They had some lovely tunes," she said. She knew that the subject was not exhausted and she hurried on. "The hall was real large," she superadded, "and there were quite a good many people there. And it was too warm."

"I see," said Cornish, and said what he had been waiting to say: That he, too, had been in Savannah, Georgia.

Lulu lit with pleasure. "Well!" she said. And her mind worked and she caught at the moment before it had escaped. "Isn't it a pretty city?" she asked. And Cornish assented with the intense heartiness of the provincial. He, too, it seemed, had a conversational appearance to maintain by its own effort. He said that he had enjoyed being in that town and that he was there for two hours.

"I was there for a week." Lulu's superiority was really pretty.

"Have good weather?" Cornish selected next.

"Oh, yes. And they saw all the different buildings—but at her "we" she flushed and was silenced. She was coloring and breathing quickly. This was the first bit of conversation of this sort in Lulu's life.

After supper Ina inevitably proposed croquet, Dwight pretended to try to escape and, with his irrepressible mien, talked about Ina, elaborate in his insistence on the third person—"She loves it, we have to humor her, you know how it is. Or no! You don't know! But you will"—and more of the same sort, everybody laughing heartily, save Lulu, who looked uncomfortable and wished that Dwight wouldn't, and Mrs. Bett, who paid no attention to anybody that night, not because she had not been introduced, an omission which she had not even noticed, but merely as another form of "tantrim"—a self-indulgence.

They emerged for croquet. And there on the porch sat Jenny Plow and Bobby, waiting for Di to keep an old engagement, which Di pretended to have forgotten, and to be frightfully annoyed to have to keep. She met the objections of her parents with all the batteries of her coquetry, set for both Bobby and Cornish and, bold in the presence of "company," at last went laughing away. And in the minute areas of her consciousness she said to herself that Bobby would be more in love with her than ever because she had risked all to go with him; and that Cornish ought to be distinctly attracted to her because she had not stayed. She was as primitive as pollen.

Ina was vexed. She said so, pouting in a fashion which she should have outgrown with white muslin and blue ribbons, and she had outgrown none of these things.

"That just spoils croquet," she said. "I'm vexed. Now we can't have a real game."

From the side door, where she must have been lingering among the waterproofs, Lulu stepped forth.

"I'll play a game," she said.

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When Cornish actually proposed to bring some music to the Deacons', Ina turned toward Dwight Herbert all the facets of her responsibility. And Ina's sense of responsibility toward Di was enormous, oppressive, primitive, amounting, in fact, toward this daughter of Dwight Herbert's late wife, to an ability to compress the offices of stepmotherhood into the functions of the lecture platform. Ina was a fountain of admonition. Her idea of a daughter, step or not, was that of a manufactured product, strictly, which you constantly pinched and molded. She thought that a moral preceptor had the right to secrete precepts. Di got them all. But of course the crest of Ina's responsibility was to marry Di. This verb should be transitive only when lovers are speaking of each other, or the minister or magistrate is speaking of lovers. It should never be transitive when predicated of parents or any other third party. But it is. Ina was quite agitated by its transitiveness as she took to her husband her incredible responsibility.

"You know, Herbert," said Ina, "if this Mr. Cornish comes here very much, what we may expect."

"What may we expect?" demanded Dwight Herbert, crisply.

Ina always played his games, answered what he expected her to answer, pretended to be intuitive when she was not so, said "I know" when she didn't know at all. Dwight Herbert, on the other hand, did not even play her games when he knew perfectly what she meant, but pretended not to understand, made her repeat, made her explain. It was as if Ina had to please him for, say, a living; but as for that dentist, he had to please nobody. In the conversations of Dwight and Ina you saw the historical home forming in clots in the fluid wash of the community.

"He'll fall in love with Di," said Ina.

"And what of that? Little daughter will have many a man fall in love with her, I should say."

"Yes, but, Dwight, what do you think of him?"

"What do I think of him? My dear Ina, I have other things to think of."

"But we don't know anything about him, Dwight—a stranger so."

"On the other hand," said Dwight with dignity, "I know a good deal about him."

With a great air of having done the fatherly and found out about this stranger before bringing him into the home, Dwight now related a number of stray circumstances dropped by Cornish in their chance talks.

"He has a little inheritance coming to him—shortly," Dwight wound up.

"An inheritance—really? How much, Dwight?"

"Now isn't that like a woman. Isn't it?"

"I thought he was from a good family," said Ina.

"My mercenary little pussy!"

"Well," she said with a sigh, "I shouldn't be surprised if Di did really accept him. A young girl is awfully flattered when a good-looking older man pays her attention. Haven't you noticed that?"

Dwight informed her, with an air of immense abstraction, that he left all such matters to her. Being married to Dwight was like a perpetual rehearsal, with Dwight's self-importance for audience.

A few evenings later, Cornish brought up the music. There was something overpowering in this brown-haired chap against the background of his negligible little shop, his whole capital in his few pianos. For he looked hopefully ahead, woke with plans, regarded the children in the street as if, conceivably, children might come within the confines of his life as he imagined it. A preposterous little man. And a preposterous store, empty, echoing, bare of wall, the three pianos near the front, the remainder of the floor stretching away like the corridors of the lost. He was going to get a dark curtain, he explained, and furnish the back part of the store as his own room. What dignity in phrasing, but how mean that little room would look—cot bed, washbowl and pitcher, and little mirror—almost certainly a mirror with a wavy surface, almost certainly that.

"And then, you know," he always added, "I'm reading law."

The Plows had been asked in that evening. Bobby was there. They were, Dwight Herbert said, going to have a sing.

Di was to play. And Di was now embarked on the most difficult feat of her emotional life, the feat of remaining to Bobby Larkin the lure, the beloved lure, the while to Cornish she instinctively played the role of womanly little girl.

"Up by the festive lamp, everybody!" Dwight Herbert cried.

As they gathered about the upright piano, that startled, Dwightish instrument, standing in its attitude of unrest, Lulu came in with another lamp.

"Do you need this?" she asked.

They did not need it, there was, in fact, no place to set it, and this Lulu must have known. But Dwight found a place. He swept Ninian's photograph from the marble shelf of the mirror, and when Lulu had placed the lamp there, Dwight thrust the photograph into her hands.

"You take care of that," he said, with a droop of lid discernible only to those who—presumably—loved him. His old attitude toward Lulu had shown a terrible sharpening in these ten days since her return.

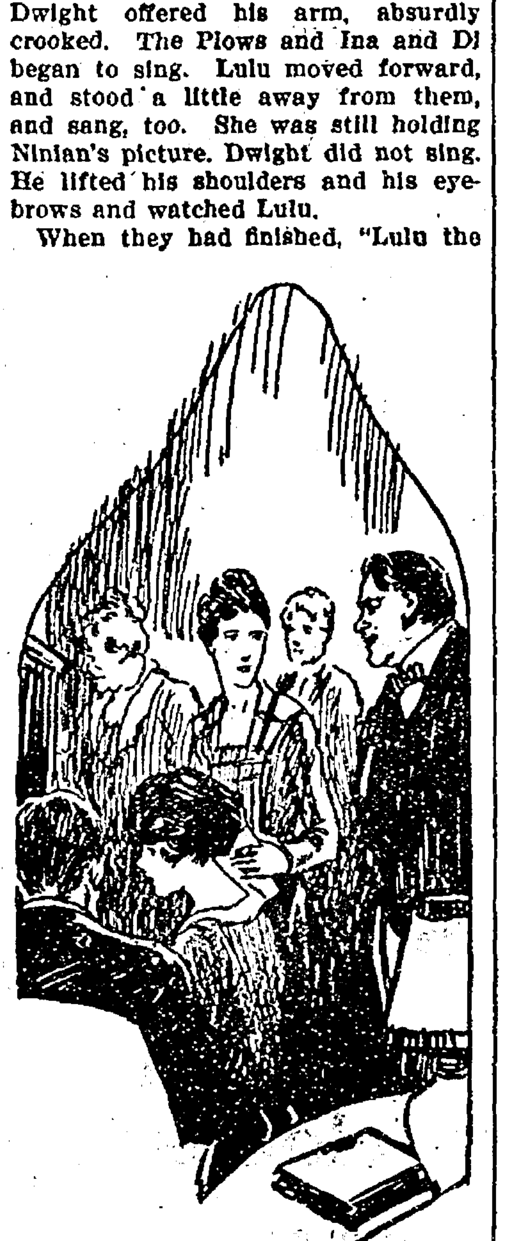
She stood uncertainly, in the thin black and white gown which Ninian had bought for her, and held Ninian's photograph and looked helplessly about. She was moving toward the door when Cornish called:

"See here! Aren't you going to sing?"

"What?" Dwight used the falsetto. "Lulu sing? Lulu?"

She stood awkwardly. She had a piteous recrudescence of her old agony at being spoken to in the presence of others. But Di had opened the "Album of Old Favorites," which Cornish had elected to bring, and now she struck the opening chords of "Bonny Eloise." Lulu stood still, looking rather piteously at Cornish. Dwight offered his arm, absurdly crooked. The Plows and Ina and Di began to sing. Lulu moved forward, and stood a little away from them, and sang, too. She was still holding Ninian's picture. Dwight did not sing. He lifted his shoulders and his eyebrows and watched Lulu.

When they had finished, "Lulu the mocking bird!" Dwight cried. He said "ba-ird."



"Miss Lulu Bett, the Mocking Ba-ird!" Dwight Insisted.

"Fine!" cried Cornish. "Why, Miss Lulu, you have a good voice!"

"Miss Lulu Bett, the mocking ba-ird!" Dwight insisted.

Lulu was excited, and in some accession of faint power. She turned to him now, quietly, and with a look of appraisal.

"Lulu the dove," she then surprisingly said, 'to put up with you."

It was her first bit of conscious repartee to her brother-in-law.

Cornish was bending over Di

"What next do you say?" he asked. She lifted her eyes, met his own, held them. "There's such a lovely, lovely sacred song here," she suggested, and looked down.

"You like sacred music?"

She turned to him her pure profile, her eyelids fluttering up, and said: "I love it."

"That's it. So do I. Nothing like a nice sacred piece," Cornish declared.

Bobby Larkin, at the end of the piano, looked directly into Di's face.

"Give me ragtime," he said now, with the effect of bursting out of somewhere. "Don't you like ragtime?" he put it to her directly.

Di's eyes danced into his, they sparkled for him, her smile was a smile for him alone, all their store of common memories was in their look.

"Let's try 'My Rock, My Refuge,'" Cornish suggested. "That's got up real attractive."

Di's profile again, and her pleased voice saying that this was the very one she had been hoping to hear him sing.

They gathered for "My Rock, My Refuge."

"Oh," cried Ina, at the conclusion of this number, "I'm having such a perfectly beautiful time. Isn't everybody?" everybody's hostess put it.

"Lulu is," said Dwight, and added softly to Lulu: "She don't have to hear herself sing."

It was incredible. He was like a bad boy with a frog. About that photograph of Ninian he found a dozen ways to torture her, called attention to it, showed it to Cornish, set it on the piano facing them all. Everybody must have understood—excepting the Plows. These two gentle souls sang placidly through the Album of Old Favorites, and at the melodies smiled happily upon each other with an air from another world. Always it was as if the Plows walked some fair, inter-penetrating plane, from which they looked out as do other things not quite of earth, say, flowers and fire and music.

Strolling home that night, the Plows were overtaken by some one who ran badly, and as if she were unaccustomed to running.

"Mis' Plow, Mis' Plow!" this one called, and Lulu stood beside them.

"Say!" she said. "Do you know of any job that I could get me? I mean that I'd know how to do? A job for money. . . . I mean a job. . . ."

She burst into passionate crying. They drew her home with them.

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Lying awake sometime after midnight, Lulu heard the telephone ring. She heard Dwight's concerned "Is that so?" And his cheerful "Be right there."

Grandma Gates was sick, she heard him tell Ina. In a few moments he ran down the stairs. Next day they told how Dwight had sat for hours that night, holding Grandma Gates so that her back would rest easily and she could fight for her faint breath. The kind fellow had only about two hours of sleep the whole night long.

Next day there came a message from that woman who had brought up Dwight—"made him what he was," he often complacently accused her. It was a note on a postal card—she had often written a few lines on a postal card to say that she had sent the maple sugar, or could Ina get her some samples. Now she wrote a few lines on a postal card to say that she was going to die with cancer. Could Dwight and Ina come to her while she was still able to visit? If he was not too busy. . . .

Nobody saw the pity and the terror of that postal card. They stuck it up by the kitchen clock to read over from time to time, and before they left, Dwight lifted the griddle of the cooking-stove and burned the postal card.

And before they left Lulu said: "Dwight—you can't tell how long you'll be gone?"

"Of course not. How should I tell?"

"No. And that letter might come while you're away."

"Conceivably. Letters do come while a man's away!"

"Dwight—I thought if you wouldn't mind if I opened it—"

"Opened it?"

"Yes. You see, it'll be about me mostly—"

"I should have said that it'll be about my brother mostly."

"But you know what I mean. You wouldn't mind if I did open it?"

"But you say you know what'll be in it."

"So I did know—till you—I've got to see that letter, Dwight."

"And so you shall. But not till I show it to you. My dear Lulu, you know how I hate having my mail interfered with."

She might have said: "Small souls always make a point of that." She said nothing. She watched them set off, and kept her mind on Ina's thousand injunctions.

"Don't let Di see much of Bobby Larkin. And, Lulu—if it occurs to her to have Mr. Cornish come up to sing, of course you ask him. You might ask him to supper. And don't let mother overdo. And, Lulu, now do watch Monona's handkerchief—the child will never take a clean one if I'm not here to tell her. . . ."

She breathed injunctions to the very step of the 'bus.

In the 'bus Dwight leaned forward: "See that you play post office squarely, Lulu!" he called, and threw back his head and lifted his eyebrows.

In the train he turned tragic eyes to his wfie.

"Ina," he said. "It's ma. And she's going to die. It can't be. . . ."

Ina said: "But you're going to help her, Dwight, just being there with her."

It was true that the mere presence of the man would bring a kind of fresh life to that worn frame. Tact and wisdom and love would speak through him and minister.

Toward the end of their week's absence the letter from Ninian came.

Lulu took it from the post office when she went for the mail that evening, dressed in her dark red gown. There was no other letter, and she carried that one letter in her hand all through the streets. She passed those who were surmising what her story might be, who were telling one another what they had heard. But she knew hardly more than they. She passed Cornish in the doorway of his little music shop, and spoke with him; and there was the letter. It was so that Dwight's foster mother's postal card might have looked on its way to be mailed.

Cornish stepped down and overtook her.

"Oh, Miss Lulu. I've got a new song or two—"

She said abstractedly: "Do. Any night. Tomorrow night—could you—"

It was as if Lulu were too preoccupied to remember to be ill at ease.

Cornish flushed with pleasure, said that he could indeed.

"Come for supper," Lulu said.

Oh, could he? Wouldn't that be . . . Well, say! Such was his acceptance.

He came for supper. And Di was not at home. She had gone off in the country with Jenny and Bobby, and they merely did not return.

Mrs. Bett and Lulu and Cornish and Monona supped alone. All were at ease, now that they were alone. Especially Mrs. Bett was at ease. It became one of her young nights, her alive and lucid nights. She was there. She sat in Dwight's chair and Lulu sat in Ina's chair. Lulu had picked flowers for the table—a task coveted by her but usually performed by Ina. Lulu had now picked Sweet William and had filled a vase of silver gilt taken from the parlor. Also, Lulu had made ice cream.

"I don't see what Di can be thinking of," Lulu said. "It seems like asking you under false—" She was afraid of "pretenses" and ended without it.

Cornish savored his steaming beef pie, with sage. "Oh, well!" he said, contentedly.

"Kind of a relief, I think, to have her gone," said Mrs. Bett, from the fullness of something or other.

"Mother!" Lulu said, twisting her smile.

"Why, my land, I love her," Mrs. Bett explained, "but she wiggles and chitters."

Cornish never made the slightest effort, at any time, to keep a straight face. The honest fellow now laughed loudly.

"Well!" Lulu thought. "He can't be so very much in love." And again she thought: "He doesn't know anything about the letter. He thinks Ninian got tired of me." Deep down in her heart there abode her certainty that this was not so.

By some etiquette of consent, Mrs. Bett cleared the table and Lulu and Cornish went into the parlor. There lay the letter on the drop-leaf sidetable, among the shells. Lulu had carried it there, where she need not see it at her work. The letter looked no more than the advertisement of dental office furniture beneath it. Monona stood indifferently fingering both.

"Monona," Lulu said sharply, "leave them be!"

Cornish was displaying his music. "Got up quite attractive," he said—it was his formula of praise for his music.

"But we can't try it over," Lulu said, "if Di doesn't come."

"Well, say," said Cornish shyly, "you know I left that Album of Old Favorites here. Some of them we know by heart."

Lulu looked. "I'll tell you something," she said; "there's some of these I can play with one hand—by ear. Maybe—"

"Why, sure!" said Cornish.

Lulu sat at the piano. She had on the wool chally, long sacred to the nights when she must combine her servant's estate with the quality of being Ina's sister. She wore her coral beads and her cameo cross. In her absence she had caught the trick of dressing her hair so that it looked even more abundant—but she had not dared to try it so until tonight, when Dwight was gone. Her long wrist was curved high, her thin hand pressed and fingered awkwardly, and at her mistakes her head dipped and strove to make all right. Her foot continuously touched the loud pedal—the blurred sound seemed to accomplish more. So she played "How Can I Leave Thee," and they managed to sing it. So she played "Long, Long Ago," and "Little Nell of Narragansett Bay." Beyond open doors, Mrs. Bett listened, sang, it may be, with them; for when the singers ceased, her voice might be heard, still humming a loud closing bar.

"Well!" Cornish cried to Lulu; and then, in the formal village phrase: "You're quite a musician."

"Oh, no!" Lulu disclaimed it. She looked up, flushed, smiling. "I've never done this in front of anybody," she owned. "I don't know what Dwight and Ina'd say. . . ." She drooped.

They rested and, miraculously, the air of the place had stirred and quickened, as if the crippled, halting melody had some power of its own, and poured this forth, even thus trampled.

"I guess you could do 'most anything you set your hand to," said Cornish.

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

Mildred House, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin House who now reside at Ft. Ripley, Minnesota, with Art Cuppett, was married about two weeks ago to George Sharp, formerly of this place. They are on a farm near Ft. Ripley.

Geo. Luick from west of Goodell was in town the first of the week on business affairs.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey to spend the week end at the home of relatives here.

Eugene Kinney and wife have been enjoying a visit the past week from his brother, wife and niece of Woolstock, Illinois.

Ye ed has been feeding on musk melons the past week, Mrs. C. O. Leonard and C. J .Schmalle having presented him with several. That they weren't hard to get down is putting it mildly, and we extend our thanks to both friends.

Townsan Hardware has a unique and very appropriate window display this week with three wild ducks surrounded by the necessary guns and amunition to get 'em. Many a hunter's have glistened as he gave the birds the "once over."

Oscar Walsh of Alexander was a business caller here one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Verner Reed of Chicago are the gues's of relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Luick returned Sunday from their trip to various points in the West.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans went to Alden on Tuesday of this week for a few days' visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Reed and Mr. and Mrs. Verner Reed were guests Sunday at the Renicker home in Eagle Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brooks of Clear Lake were visiting here on Sunday with relatives.

Mrs. Ray Hawley and children of Hayfield were week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Green.

Mrs. Amy Peterson went to Cedar Falls, Tuesday of this week, where she will attend school.

A farewell party was given at the Chas. Gealow home Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Jennie, who will leave Saturday to attend school at Des Moines.

For Sale—Starting Monday, Sept. 18, Wealthy, Greenings and Wolf River apples, hand picked and sprayed. At the farm 3 miles west and 1-2 mile south of Goodell. Sale lasts one week only. If you want choice apples here's your chance.—Geo. Luick.

For Sale, all week, starting Monday, Sept. 18, Sweet Cider, 40 cents a gallon.—Geo. Luick, 3 miles west and 1-2 mile south of Goodell.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Bonte and family were at Alexander on Sunday of this week visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. John Bonte.

Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Bonte from Ackley were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Bonte last week a few days.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church ill enjoy the afternoon next week Thursday at the home of Mrs. Chris Sorenson, on the farm, in answer to an invitation extended by Mrs. Soreson.

Miss Blanche Baker, Mr. Stevenson, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott left last Saturday for Jefferson Lake, where they will spend a week fishing and enjoying a vacation.

Belmond young people who are attending Coe College left the first of the week to take up their duties at Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. J. E. Wallace and daughter are both reported as being on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kinney and daughter from Woodstock, Illinois, who have been visiting his brother, Eugene, and wife, returned to their home last week.

If we could have the roses without the thorns we probably wouldn't want them.

Sunday we went to Swaledale to eat chicken dinner with our sister, Mrs. Wm. Leonard. Returning home a few miles out of Thornton, we passed a Ford with several young people. As they came abreast they threw something at us. We could hear it strike the car, but searched in vain for evidence. However, when the occupants got out of the car we found a beautiful mess of sqashed grapes in the seat. The road was rather narrow, the ditch wide and deep, and had one of the grapes happened to hit the river in the eye someone in the car would have been hurt or killed. We'd give considerable to know who those half-wits were.

Word received recently from Joe Vermeesch states that he is nicely located in Detroit.

The Priscila club met yesterday at the home of Mrs. J. A .Adams

Griesy's demonstration of Majestic ranges last week was well attended and a nice success.

Miss Lucretia Morse left last week Friday for Fairibault, Minnesota, where she will teach the same school in a rural district as she did last year.

Some eighty people were gathered at the A. A. Olsen home last Sunday for a reunion. Britt, Thor, Kanawha, Bode and Belmond were represented.

Otto Madison left Tuesday afternoon for Colorado Springs, where he will take treatment for his health, which has been failing.

"A professor has discovered among some ancient ruins what is supposed to be the eleventh commandment," reports the Odessa Democrat. "The text is as follows: 'Emas rof yltpmorp tseyap uoht sselnu repapswen a daer ton tlahs uoht.'"

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bailey drove to Hampton on Tuesday, looking after business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire White from Fort Dodge were in town the latter part of last week, visiting relatives and attending to business affairs.

The Belmond Furniture Co. is starting a sewing machine club, the details of which may be learned from their ad in this issue and from Mr. Trafford at the store.

Mrs. H. F. Luick and Mrs. O. T. Jacobson entertained a company of ladies at the home of Mrs. Luick in north Belmond last Tuesday, in honor of their aunt who has been with them for some time.

W. Weigand is moving back to his land north of town, which has been occupied by Thos. Guest, Sr. The latter has moved to town.

Miss Martha Hill of Ipswich, South Dakota, has been visiting at the home of F. P. Dibble and Mrs. Lathrop, to whom she is related by marriage.

Geo. Braun from Cedar Point arrived Sunday for a few days' visit with relatives here, and to attend to business affairs.

Mrs. F. E. Snyder was a business caller at Clarion on Monday of this week.

Ole Tomson was a business caller at Austin, Minnesota, one day last week.

A light frost, the first of the fall, was in evidence Sunday night, but it was too light to do much of any damage. It begins to feel like winter was around the corner, and thoughts of the householder are turning to the question of coal. What do you think?

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I specialize in the fitting of glasses and taking care of the eyes. I do nothing else. See me with your eye troubles.—C. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa. 424c

Peacock Flour $1.80 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace & Co. 41tfc

Fine building lot for sale, one and one-half blocks from school house Inquire of John L. Preston. 413*

For Sale—Three Guernsey bulls, full bloods.—Joe Simon, Rowan, Ia. Phone 1013. 424*

For Sale—Good milk cow, now fresh.—Joe Simon, Rowan. 424*

We sell genuine American woven wire fence. Barb wire, American Hog, 80-rod spools, for $4.00.—Bock Lumber Co. 41tfc

Mrs. E. W. Luick went to Hampton on Tuesday where she will have an operation for appendicitis at the hospital there.

R. H. Klemme is on a business trip to Western Montana. A party of gentlemen joined him at Minneapolis.

Mr. Brooks from Waverly was a caller here one day last week with old friends.

Moline walking beet lifter for sale. Good as new. Can be bought right. Inquire at this office. 43tf

Kill the worms in your hogs. Use O. K. Worm Capsules. They have been used and recommended by many farmers in this community.—Schultz Drug Co. 431c

For Sale—Pully for Ford car. Can be used for pumping water or sawing wood. Inquire at this office.

Beware of the fellow who tries to regulate the morals of the world. He has no time to cultivate his own.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings left Sunday by auto for a two weeks' vacation trip. They will stop at various points on their way to Mt. Vernon, South Dakota, where they will visit her parents.

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After school is out in the afternoon, drop in to the CANDY KITCHEN and get a cool drink of malted milk or a soda to cool you off after the hot afternoon in school. It will make you feel refreshed and liven you up.

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We have a few watermelons left; big juicy ones.

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Oh yes, almost forgot to tell you that we will have some fine pears next week, all you want, and at a fair price. Pear sauce goes mighty good in the winter. It will be worth while to can a few of these.

Everything you need to eat and at prices you can meet at the Store on the Corner—Don't forget!

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COUNTY'S PRIZE WINNING JUDGING TEAM

Issues $172,000 In Drainage Bonds

County Issues Largest Amount Of Bonds In History For Clarion Storm Sewer.

TAXES DUE SEPTEMBER 31

The largest single issue of drainage bonds ever put out by Wright county was signed up last week by Chairman Grattige and Auditor Walker. The aggregate amount was $172,000, the bonds being issued for the payment of drainage district officially known as No. 196 or more commonly called the Clarion storm sewer.

Nine of the interested parties owning shacks and land at Wall Lake have appealed from the awards made by the sheriff's jury on August 18 to the October term of the district court. Notice of appeal was served on Sheriff Lang on September 13th.

W. S. Hagen of Belmond asks judgment against Christian Sorenson on his $1,350 note issued to J. M. Berry and later purchased by plaintiff.

A settlement has been effected between the Great Western and the Board of Supervisors in company's appeal from an assessment of $5,449.50 on account of the construction of the Clarion storm sewer. The amount of the assessment was reduced to $3,980.

The inheritance tax appraisers were in session again this week for the purpose of fixing the valuations in the following estates: J. E. Johnson of Dows, which consists of a half interest in one of the best qarter section farms in Wright county and a goodly amount of notes and mortgages. At Belmond Mrs. Nancy Davenport also owned a 160 acre farm besides personal property and money in the bank. The third estate was that of Fred Frohling, who owned two good residence properties in Belmond and about $20,000 worth of personal property.

Many people are under the impression that taxes, the second half, are due Oct. 1. Treasurer Allen says this is a mistake as they are due on September 1st and thirty days later a penalty of one per cent per month attaches. If one would avoid this penalty payment must be made within the next ten days.

Johnson & Wright ask the foreclosure of mortgage on one Jenney silo filler and husker to collect the sum of $370 from a farmer near Rowan.

Burton Page Co. of Chicago vs. Chas. Moon of Rowan is a suit to collect the sum of $123 for a two-cow model milking machine.

Louise Clemens of Clarion has filed suit for a divorce from her husband Clyde Clemens, to whom she was married in October, 1919, at Lewisburg, West Virginia. Cruel and inhuman treatment is charged.

The Rawleigh Co. vs. Simon DeWaard is a suit to collect a balance of $53.44 on account.

A suit for separate maintenance has been filed by Mrs. Hazel Frank of Boone township against her husband Roy Franks, in which she asks judgment for $150 per month for the support of herself and son.

Otis Whiteside of Clarion seeks to collect the sum of $524, interest and costs, on a promisory note given by G. L. Mechem to J. B. Snyder, in 1919, now the property of plaintiff.

There will be a change in the county agent's office October 1st at which time Miss Henrjetta Lundy, who is now completing her third year as stenographer and assistant to Mr. Edwards, expects to go to Sioux City to accept a similar position with the Woodbury County Farm Bureau. The new position is a deserved promotion and carries a substantial increase in salary. J. R. Hanson is the county agent and Mrs. Hanson was formerly Miss Grace Richards, home economics agent for Wright rounty. Miss Hope Pardun will take Miss Lundy's place.

Sheriff Lang had the Waterloo blood hounds brought to Goldfield on Saturday for the purpose of running down the burglar who entered the Whyte Motor Co. office the night before. The intruder evidently had a key as no locks were broken. Once inside the building he secured a small pinch bar and in attempting to force the office door open broke the glass in the same. The crashing of the glass on the cement floor was heard nearly a block away by the nightwatch and at the same time threw a scare into the thief, who was leaving the building when the marshal rounded the corner. The officer called to him and he answered back, but kept on going. The direction being in the neighborhood where Mr. Whyte lived the incident was dismissed for the time being, it being presumed that one of the men had just returned from a night drive. Later the outside door was found open and Mr. Whyte notified of what had happened. As soon as he arrived in Goldfield the owner of the hounds said there was no chance of detection and so it proved for iron and glass will not retain the scent of human hands more than forty minutes at the most. The dogs worked hard for nearly three hours. The owner brought them to Clarion where they took the evening train for Waterloo. —Monitor.

TWO FIRES IN THE PAST WEEK

Belmond was visited with two fires within the past week, the first occuring last week Thursday evening about 7:30, when the pop corn stand conducted by Wm. Dempsey caught fire. The blaze was caused by a broken gasolene pipe. Dempsey was generating the machine for the evening's business when a pipe broke, the gasolene catching fire. The entire inside of the building, with all the contents including the popping machine, was destroyed. Dempsey and his wife, who were inside at the time, had a narrow escape but got out without injury. A two-gallon can of high test gasolene in the building luckily did not explode. The loss will run to several hundred dollars, with no insurance, and is an especially unfortunate one as Dempsey had acquired the business but a few weeks previous. However, "Bill" is a rustler and immediately set about repairing the damage so that by Saturday evening he was ready for business again. He has purchased a popper from a party at Kanawha to take the place of the one destroyed in the fire.

Monday morning about 9:30 an electric motor in the basement of the Earn Luick home in East Belmond caught fire. The fire company was on the scene in short order but the blaze had accomplished no damage other than to the motor, the excitement being mostly smoke.

ANOTHER BELMOND CAR TAKEN BY CAR THIEVES

A. J. Dorr had his Overland car stolen in broad daylight one day last week, from the school grounds, and a few days later the missing car was picked up in Pocahantus. The auto had been driven to school by the children and left parked near the school yard while the children were in school. Three men are reported to have calmly appropriated the vehicle and driven off with it. A day or so later the car was found at Pocahantus, where it is reported the thieves had abondoned it and stolen another to continue their journey. Mr. Dorr was notified and went down after it. So far as known there is no clew to the identity of the thieves.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening at 7:30 the choir will meet at the church for practice. All present please.

Thursday evening mid-week service will be conducted at the church at 8 o'clock.

Classes will not meet Saturday at 10 o'clock. The Saturday following they will meet at 10 o'clock. Next Sunday morning no Sunday school will be conducted unless the weather should hinder the preacher from going to the cercuit convention at Eagle Grove. No service will be conducted Sunday morning or evening, the pastor will be at Eagle Grove. The afternoon the lay people will conduct the service in the Norwegian language at 2:30. You are welcome to these services.

IOWA STATE CHAMPIONS OF Livestock Judging Contest

Top Row—Clyde Knight, County Agent Edwards, Clarence [illegible]

Bottom Row—Ross Mechem, Everett Denby.

This picure shows the Wright county boys who made up the Champion livestock judging team which won first place in the state wide judging contest at the state fair this year. Clarence Clark, at the extreme right in the upper row, is the young man who won first at Des Moines in the individual livestock judging contest. Clarence has decided to take advantage of the scholarship which was awarded in the state contest and will attend Iowa State College this year where he will specialize in animal husbandry. These boys are in Sioux City this week judging at the Interstate fair.

TO YOUNG PEOPLE OF TRINITY AND LUTHERAN

Don't forget the Eagle Grove circit young peoples' convention to be held in Eagle Grove, Sept. 22-24. The first session will be held Friday evening with the Rev. H. C. Holm as speaker. Do your best to attend. It will benefit you and the League to which you belong.

Hon. L. A. Jensen gave a very good address at the Trinity church last Sunday evening on prison work. The address was timely, full of information and wholesome advice to young and old. Those who failed to hear Mr. Jensen lost something good.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday afternoon the North Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Andrew Olson.

Cottage prayer meeting will be conducted Wednesday evening at the home of H. Michallson. You are welcome.

Sunday morning Sunday school will be conducted at 10:30. You are welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

The Ladies Aid will meet in the parlors of the church to quilt on Thursday afternoon.

Let all be at Sunday school next Sunday for we need the united help to keep up to our mark.

The regular services at 11 a. m. and in the evening.

The quarterly business meeting of the Congregational church will be held next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All are invited to attend this meeting as items of importance are to come before us.

We certainly miss the large number of our young people who are away to College and teaching. We wish them a great year in school as well as in religious activities.

COMMUNITY CLUB TO MEET AT AUDITORIUM

The Community Welfare club will meet in the school auditorium next week Friday, September 29th. Miss Mary Foster from Ames will give a talk and demonstration to the ladies on clothing for school children. This will be well worth hearing and every lady of the community is cordially invited to attend. The high school girls will give a little play in connection with the demonstration. The business meeting will start at 2:30 o'clock promptly.

ANNOUNCEMENT

To my future Friends and Patrons: I have opened an office, over the Belmond Furniture Store. Investigate Chiropractic, the natural way to health. No drugs, no knife. Not Osteopathy. Consultation free.—Dr. E. A. Allen, Chiropractor, Palmer Graduate, Belmond, Iowa. Office hours 2 to 5 p. m. except Sundays. Telephone No. 21.

KALKWARF-GEALOW

September 6, at high noon, at the St. John's Luthern parsonage, occured the marriage of Miss Bertha Gealow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gealow of Meservey, to Peter Kalkwarf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kalkwarf. Rev. Wippermann performed the ceremony in the presence of only the immediate families of the contracting parties. After congratulations they left by auto for different points in Illinois. They will reside on the Church farm seven miles south of Belmond. The Independent joins in extending congratulations to the happy couple.

The Belmond High School will give an old time box supper at the high school gymnasium, Friday night Sept. 29. The proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the foot ball team.

JASPER JOHNSON WRITES

The editor is in receipt of a letter from Jasper Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lud Johnson, who is teaching in an American college in Japan, and we quote in part from his letter as follows:

7 Shindaiku-machi, Nagasaki, Japan.
August 28, 1922.

At last I have arrived in the land of Japan, after a trip of two weeks on the boat. We had very fine weather on the way over; no storms, and very little choppy weather. I was very fortunate as I did not get sick, tho a lot of the passengers were not able to be on deck the first few days out at sea.

The trip over the Rockies on the C. P. R. (Canadian) was sure a treat to me. I have crossed the mountains on the east coast a number of times, but they do not hold a candle to the Rockies when it comes to rugged beauty. The last day of the trip to Vancouver was ideal, as we were riding in open top cars so that we could see in all directions, and the mountain streams water falls, gorges, glaciers and trees were too grand to be true. The only thing that marred the beauty was the smoke from the forest fires that had been burning in that part of the country for a long time, so that some of the mountains were very hazy even by using a glass.

I sighted the first of the fires about six o'clock at night, burning on the hill across from the train, a distance of several miles, but about seven o'clock we ran right into one of them. It was burning from the right-of-way clear up to the top of the mountain, which was about 2,500 feet above us. It was just dusk so that it showed p [illegible]. You could see some of the big trees catch on [illegible] light up like a big candle and flare for a few minutes and then go down in a shower of sparks. The whole side of the mountain was covered with burning bushes and trees so that it looked like the lights of a city in the distance. I heard later that there were a large number of fires all over the country and as it had not rained in those parts for about three months everything was very dry.

On the way over we took a rather northern course, and some days it was so cold and raw that I wore my winter overcoat with a great deal of comfort, but it is far from cool here. I think it gets up to about 95 every afternoon, but the evenings are rather cool as we are right on the coast, so one can sleep well nights. As soon as we get settled we are going to go to the mountains or to some beach where there is good swimming and stay a week or so until school begins, just to get away from the heat here.

I suppose you want to hear about some of the things here so will tell you of a few that I have seen. I have been here but a short time, three days, so I have not seen so very much of the life of the people. I will begin with our house. My friend Davis had the house rented and had moved in before I came so that all I had to do was to unpack and make myself at home. The house is a Japanese house in every sense of the word, except that it was built for an Englishman and so is of better material than most of the natives use. It has six rooms, four down stairs and two large ones upstairs. There is a veranda that runs around the house which is about four feet wide. This veranda has slides on the edge of it so that in cold weather they can be shut to keep out the cold. On the inside edge of the veranda is another set of slides made partly of paper on wooden frames and partly of glass, so that the whole side of the house can be open to the outside in warm weather.

The floors are covered with mats, and they are very soft to walk upon. Of course we have to take off our shoes, not so much because it is the custom of the country, but the leather shoes are hard on the mats on the floors. We sleep in one of the rooms upstairs and as we have no screens on the house we use a net which we hang over the "futons," which are soft mats that we spread out on the floor. We do not use wooden pillows tho a large number of the Japanese do use them. However, there is a

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Jensen, of Parole Board, Gives Talk

Gives Fine Address On Workings Of State Board Of Parole—Gives Example.

NOTORIOUS CROOK HERE

L. A. Jensen of Forest City, a member of the Iowa Board of Parole, gave an inspiring address in the Norwegian church Sunday evening, his talk, in answer to an invitation extended by Rev. Jensen, pastor of the church, dealing with the workings of the parole board. Mr. Jesen gave some examples of the cases which have come under the jurisdiction of the board, and stated that the good people of Belmond and community would have been greatly surprised had they known last year that a man with one of the worst criminal records in the country was in their very midst, paroled by the board to a farmer near Belmond. This man, by name Harvey Lee, was a yeggman, a bank robber, who had served many terms, had broken out of jail by blowing it up, and had a criminal record in several different states. Yet this man made good and today holds a responsible position with one of the largest furniture companies in the country.

Mr. Jensen explaned why in many cases the board considered that the prisoner would be better off thru a parole, giving him a chance to make something of himself, instead of at the expiration of his sentence coming out of prison shunned, without a job or a chance to go straight. Statistics from the records showed that the big majority of men released on parole made good, and only a few had to be brought back to serve out their sentence.

Before a man is released on parole the board has a job for him. He has to live up to certain rules, must hand in a report to the board at specified times, and above all he must make good on the job.

The address was pronounced intensely interesting by all who heard it, and many things regarding the parole system were made plain which heretofore had been larely guess work.

DR. STEELE TAKES SECOND IN BOONE VALLEY GOLF

The Boone Valley golf association held a tournament at Eagle Grove last Thursday and Friday, with players from Iowa Falls, Webster City, Rolfe, Eagle Grove and the Clarmond club entored.

The first play was for the elimination with the result that Eagle Grove placed seven players, Webster City three, Iowa Falls four, Rolfe one, and Clarmond one, Dr. G. H. Steele of Belmond. Three rounds were then played which eliminated all but M. E. Hall of Eagle Grove and Dr. Steele, who played in the finals Friday with the result that Mr. Hall won by a score of 4 up and 2 to play. —Monitor.

RANKINS-GEALOW

Roy A. Rankins, editor of the Belmond Independent, and Miss Mary Gealow, were united in marriage on Thursday, September 14th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Leonard, at Swaledale, Iowa, Rev. R. N. Burress of Madrid, Iowa, formerly of Belmond, performing the ceremony.

The attendants were Mrs. William Leonard, sister of the groom, and Mr. Cortland M. Morse of Belmond.

White asters and goldenrod were used in the decorations. A bountiful wedding dinner was served after the congratulations.

Those are the main facts in the case. We have written up many weddings in our newspaper career, but writing our own is something else again. The bride of course is the best ever, and the groom is just an ordinary fellow like the rest.

The Independent, naturally, extends congratulations.

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GIVING A MAN A CHANCE

The recent publicity given the parole of John Berg of Belmond seems to have been cause for much comment, favorable and otherwise, about the Parole Board in releasing Berg after having served but a few months of his sentence. Notably among the adverse comments has been the News of Clarion, which, in a recent issue, said:

"Such actions as in the Berg case actually do more to add to the growing disrespect of law and court than any other one thing."

The News says that the parole board was not very well informed. Yet the board had a record of Berg's life for years back; it had the records of the trial; and it had in its' files letter after letter advocating a parole, and not a one against it. It would seem that the board knew what it was about.

As a matter of fact, had Berg been able to carry thru his plans, no one would have been out a cent; he would have been pronounced a shrewd business man. As they used to say in the army, "it isn't what you do, it's what you get by with." Because he couldn't carry the load, Berg is given the devil; successful, the same people who today holler over his parole would have been the first to shake his hand.

There is not a county in the state of Iowa but what has had at some time or other bank employees who have violated the laws, but they got by with it because they were able to carry it thru. Berg had a perfect life history, he had been a trusty from the day he enter prison, he went unaccompanied to prison from his trial, the board had scores of letters asking for parole and not a one against it, it was his first offense, will someone kindly tell us why, in the name of all that is sensible, humane and fair, he should not have been granted a chance? He is just as much a prisoner now as if he was within the walls, he is still in the legal custody of the warden and under the supervision of the Board of Parole. The object of the parole was to give him a chance to help straighten out his affairs, to look after his motherless daughter still in her teens, and to enable him to get a start in life that will enable him of take care of that little girl in the years to come.

Berg's friends do not deny that he broke the law, that he committed a crime against society, nor do they deny that he should be punished for that offense. But they do say that in being convicted and sentenced, John Berg was punished just as much as tho he had served every day of the sentence alloted him. To a man of his sensitiveness the fact of conviction was the greatest punishment that could have been given him. To have kept him in the penitentiary for the full term would not add one whit to what he has already suffered.

That there may be other cases where a parole is justified cuts no ice in this particular case. If Berg was entitled to a parole he should have been given it. And we believe he was entitled to it.

Because a man has wealthy and influential friends is no reason why he should not have justice, and because there are other cases deserving of attenton is no reason why one certain case should be held up. If, as the News claims, there is another case more deserving, why do not those aware of the fact do something about it? Is it because the man in question has not, God wot, the wealth and influence which they decry on the part of Berg? We believe that the Iowa Board of Parole is a fair body of men, doing what they think best, and if there is a deserving case as the News claims, they will give it attention if notified. The mob sees no justice to the man of position, and he who sides with the mob curries favor, but the man of independent opinion will look at all sides of the question before forming his judgments.

CLIPPINGS

In attempting to play a practical joke on the Bohlen boys, who live near Rockford, Joe Walskey, young tiler, had the joke turned on himself in a way that almost cost him his life.

The Bohlen boys were preparing to load oats from the bin into a wagon, preparatory to taking them to town to sell. Walskey climbed into the bin, thinking to stop the oats from running into the chute, and thus playing a joke on the boys. Instead when the chute was opened the oats descended with such force as to make a suction which drew the young man down and covered him about three feet deep with oats. Realizing his danger he screamed loudly enough to attract attention, and then began a lively scramble to rescue the young man before he met death by smothering. To do so the walls of the bin had to be torn out, and when he was finally extricated he was unconscious. —Exchange.

A Meservey man writing to the Sheffield Press, complains about the "high" wages for teachers. Teachers for years worked for about the same price the farmer now gets for his grain, and we believe that when a teacher spends several years preparing for her work, and also spends a lot of money to secure her training, it seems that she ought to be paid wages that would at least harmonize with the wages paid a man who becomes an "expert" in tightening up a bolt or doing like work. The teacher has a great responsibility in this world, and the better she imparts her knowledge the better for civilization generally. Some fellows always did think that the teacher was worth no more than a section hand.—Hampton Chronicle.

So many students entered our school this year in the high school department that the teaching staff could not find seats for all of them. Something had to be done at once and so the schools, being closed this week, it was an opportune time for the board to have some necessary remodeling done.

In order to take care of the overflow of high school students, the eighth grade room and the recitation room to the south of it are being made into one large room for the high school.—Klemme Times.

Walt Bloom arrived in Klemme from his home at Las Angeles, Cal., Friday morning. Walt mixes business with visiting when he comes to make his annual trip to the old home town. He is having some repairs done on is farm and the rest of the time he is busy shaking his right hand in te grasp of old time side-kicks. Walt reports that everybody in California from this vicinity are well and happy. —Klemme Times.

Wasps never make a noise. They only cause them.

OLAF NEWS NOTES

Clarence Scott and wife returned from Minnesota on Saturday. They brought home some fine fish, to prove their ability as anglers.

Hi Windecker and family of Alden visited over Sunday at the S. O. Windecker home. The men are brothers.

Henry Lein, wife and baby were shopping in Ft. Dodge one day last week.

S. O. Windecker drove to Iowa Falls, Wednesday, on a busness trip.

Henry Lein and family were over Sunday visitors in Story county.

Mrs. Geo. Baxter and Margaret, spent Wednesday in Iowa Falls with relatives.

Carlton Johnson drove to Minnesota the later part of last week, to visit relatives at various places.

P. Swenson and wife were shopping in Mason Cty on day last week.

Among those from here who took in the show at Clarion, Friday, were Orpha Anderson and family, Geo. Baxter and family, and Henry Lein and wife.

Henry Fritz shipped out a carload of hogs from this place Saturday.

Arthur Olson attends high school at Kanawha, driving from home.

Men were here Saturday repairing the beet dump, getting it in working order for beet harvest, which will soon begin.

Parties contemplating holding a public sale will profit by writing or phoning T. D. Rankins, Belmond, Ia., for dates. Prices reasonable. Having had years of successful experience I claim to be a good judge of what I am selling, as to its value, and that is one of the essential parts of auctioneering. Phone 115 or 196.

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JASPER JOHNSON WRITES

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reason for their use, the fact that the wooden pillow, which rests under the neck instead of the head, is to protect the hair dress of the Japanese ladies. The art of dressing hair is carried out to the Nth degree by most of the ladies, and by the use of a wood pillow they can preserve the "waves" for several days without having to go to the hair dresser. On the boat coming over I saw some of the steerage passengers using pillows made of some kind of enamel ware.

The streets in the towns of Japan vary from about ten feet up to the width of our modern streets, and the buildings from single story to seven or eight-story buildings. However, most of the business is carried on in small shops which serve for the living rooms as well as the shop. I will try to tell you of a visit to a little shop across the street from us. The shop is on the same level as the street. You enter thru a drape of some kind of cloth, and walk into the house on a walk made of stone and clay. The front of the shop is a sort of a soft (?) drink parlor, back of which is a raised platform about 18 inches high. This platform is covered with mats and serves as a bedroom at night, a dining room at meal times, and as a parlor in the afternoon. In fact, it combines in one room the uses of several in America. Mr. Davis is well acquainted with the people and we went back into the living room, which is separated from the front by only a drape of some sort. We got a dish of shaved ice flavored with orange. In Japan this is a very popular dish. The ice is shaved on a grater similar to the one we use to shave up cabbage for sourkraut, a syrup is then poured on it and the dish is served. They do have ice cream but it tastes very much different from the ice cream at home. We sat down on the platform to eat our ice and the lady of the house came forward, got down on her knees and bowed her head nearly to the floor, proceeded to take out a Japanese pipe which holds, when the bowl is full, about 1-5 of a thimble; this she lighted and gave to Mr. Davis, then repeated the same performance for me. The tobacco here is very mild, so the Japanese do not like our tobacco as it is too strong. I had a package of Herbert T. smoking and I let some fellows try it, but they didn't come back for any more. We stayed in the shop and carried on a conversation by means of our pocket dictionaries and signs until we had finished our ice and then took our departure amid profuse bows and goodnights.

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Farm Bureau News

Clarion Corn Carnival

The city of Clarion is planning a monster fall festival and corn show which will be held in the court yard at Clarion, Wednesday, October 18. The business men of Clarion in holding this corn carnival have granted the Clarion Post of the American Legion exclusive concession rights and the Legion boys will be given opportunity to co-operate with their home city in putting on this community affair.

A parade with vehicles decorated appropriately for the occasion will be staged by farmers only and prizes of $25.00, $10.00 and $5.00 will be awarded the best decorated automobiles or other vehicles. $145 is to be awarded in prizes for the best corn in the various classes and the corn exhibits are to be limited to Wright county. The prizes in the corn show will be as follows:

Best 10 white ears $15, $10, $5, $3, $2.

Best 10 yellow ears $15, $10, $5, $3, $2

Best 10 (either color) Sweepstakes $50.00.

Best single ear (either color), $25.00.

Best two ears on stalk $10 and $5.00.

Tallest stalk of corn $10.

Liberal prizes are also being arranged for exhibits in the ladies' department.

Judging Team At Sioux City

The Wright county livestock club judging team accompanied by the county agent is spending this week in Sioux City representing the state of Iowa at the Interstate fair in the livestock club judging contest of eight middle west states.

The boys and the county agent have worked unceasingly since the state fair contest and have left nothing undone in an effort to learn all of the fine points of judging which are so necessary in an interstate contest where the competition is so keen. The home folks in Wright county should bear in mind that the boys are judging against the state champion teams of Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri. It is hoped that the Iowa boys who will go from one of the best counties in the state will bring honors back to the best state in the union.

Boys' and Girls' Clubs

Plans are being made for carrying on a more extensive program of club work next year. The Wright county boys and girls the most valuable crop we have, will be given all the attention possible next year. The county agent's time is quite well taken up with farmers' problems but an effort will be made to see that the youngsters are given all encouragement that is possible.

The developement of club work, the training of the young minds along agricultural lines cannot be over emphasized at this time when there seems to be a growing tendency on the part of the younger generation to leave the farm to work in the city where, as they are told, they will have better pay and shorter hours, and statistics show that the rural population is decreasing. By interesting the youngsters in club work, by having him actually feed and care for a calf or pig of a flock of chicks and at the same time keep an accurate account of the cost of the feed and all work connected with the project, is the one way of keeping the boy or girl interested in things which concern the farm and farm life.

An effort will be made during the fall months to organize calf clubs, pig clubs, poultry clubs, garment clubs, sewing clubs, canning clubs, livestock judging clubs and others which may interest the boys and girls. All boys and girls between the ages of ten and eighteen who are interested in becoming a member of one of the above named clubs should write or call the county agent at Clarion who will mail an enrollment card for the signature of the club members and the parent.

Farm Crops Specialist

Prof. B. E. Heitzman, farm crops specialist from Ames, will be in Wright county Friday, September 29, to assist in conducting clover demonstrations.

Considerable attention has been given to the growing of Hubam clover in Wright county this year and Prof. Heitzman will probably conduct this demonstration on the Al Watkins' farm, three miles east of Eagle Grove where an experiment plot of 20 acres of Hubam clover was planted this spring.

Available Bulletins

The agricultural extension department at Ames has sent the county agent a list of several hundred bulletins which are available to all farmers of the state. This list includes bulletins on many subjects of vital interest to farmers of this section of the state.

Membership Drive Planned

The annual membership drive of the Wright county farm bureau will be staged some time during the forepart of October. It has been customary in the past to set aside one day in the fall of the year for a state wide membership drive but this plan will be changed somewhat and county will set its' own day for the the membership drive. The date will be set and final plans made for the membership drive at the next regular meeting of the board of directors of the farm bureau which will be held Saturday, September 30.

The plan which is usually followed in conducting the drive is to appoint a team of two or three men in each township who are able to call upon the non-members on the date which is set for the drive. In this way the non-member is solicited personally and given opportunity to ask any questions he may wish to about the organization before signing for membership. The present membership in Wright county Farm Bureau numbers about 1250. There has been a steady increase in membership and it is hoped that the small percent of farmers who have not already joined hands with their neighbors in supporting their own organization, will cast their lot with those who have carried the load since the farm bureau was organization.

Lively Social in Grant

The N. H. Cooper home, six miles northeast of Clarion, was the scene of a lively community social last Friday evening when the good people of Grant township gathered at this farm home for their regular monthly farm bureau meeting.

The evening's entertainment consisted of community singing and two addresses. Rev. Oscar Ulstad gave the principal address of the evening. Mr. Ulstad explained what great influence the Farm Bureau had in a legislative way in the passage of some of the bills, particularly along agricultural lines, which came up for consideration during the last session of the state legislature. He said that quite a number of the agricultural bills which came up last winter were passed without the usual amount of investigation because they had the endorsement of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. Ulstad is a member of our local Farm Bureau and according to his own statements he expects to work for the interests of this organization when he sits in the halls of legislature during its next session. Mr. E. G. Kill, representative of the Iowa Farm Credit Corporation gave a short talk on this corporation and explained its purposes and how it expects to function in this state. The official business of the township organization was also considered and the program closed by doughnuts, sandwiches and coffee being served by the good housewives.

Clothing Specialist Coming

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist will spend three days in this county, September 26, 27, 28, in demonstrating "Renovation of clothing and hats." A schedule of Miss Foster's meetings was worked out by the ladies at the last regular board of director meeting and it was planned to hold the meetings for Miss Foster as follows:

Boone township, September 26, Mrs. Bert Siemen's home.

Iowa township, September 27, Mrs. Albert Fetrow home.

Troy township, September 28, Mrs. Arne Helleland home.

Service To Bee Keepers

Farmers who are interested in bee business will be interested to know that the state department at Ames has prepared a blue print for the constructtion of a four colony packing case for bees. These plans and specifications are the work of the agricultural engineering section of the Iowa Experimental station in co-operation with the farmers of the state. Those who are interested in receiving this blue print should write A. W. Clyde, agricultural Ext. Service, Ames, Iowa.

Belmond Local News

For Rent—Six room house, in good repair, with two lots.—Henry Eimbrink, Phone 1708. 432*

Dr. Gowdy has been laid up for the past few days suffering from a bad infection in one foot.

Miss Francis Anderson went to Minneapolis on Sunday of this week where she will undergo treatment at at a sanitorium there.

Miss Margaret Foster and Miss Grace Noonen from Britt drove down Sunday to spend the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril McGuire.

All men wishing work at the Sugar Factory during the campaign are requested to make application at once. —Iowa Valley Operating Company.

Miss Grace Boughton spent the week end at Dinsdale, visiting at the the home of Rev. and Mrs. Seth R. Huntington.

The Harry Slining family near Morse Lake were placed under quarantine last week for scarlet fever. One of the little children has the disease in a light form.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dibble and John Brooks and mother drove to Clear Lake on Sunday to spend the day at the Harry Brooks home at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wenzel entertained a number of friends and relatives to a big dinner on Sunday.

Test your eyes on our Reel of Vision. Gold filled frames and perfectly ground lenses $4 per pair.—Schultz Drug Co.

For Sale—Mixed hay. Also new cobs.—Braun Bros., Phone 1207, Belmond, Iowa. 441*

All men wishing work at the Sugar Factory during the campaign are requested to make application at once. —Iowa Valley Operating Company.

William Jackson was called to Bottinea, North Dakota this week by the death of his brother.

Mrs. Chris Norby and children returned recently from Minneapolis, where they have been visiting her sisters.

I specialize in the fitting of glasses and taking care of the eyes. I do nothing else. See me with your eye troubles.—C. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa. 424c

Hereford Sale

- At -

Fairgrounds, Britt, Iowa

Thursday, September 28

50 - Lots - 50

Consisting of 6 bulls, 10 cows with calf at foot, 12 cows to be fresh soon, 20 yearling and two-year-old heifers.

We are selling Anxiety 3rd, a tried herd bull, one of the best individuals of the breed. He was sired by Mousel Brothers' famous bull, Anxiety Mischief, a bull that sold in one of their sales for $22,000.

The young bulls and heifers offered in this sale are sons and daughters of Hayes Fairfax, a son of Perfection Fairfax, the bull that has produced more prize winners than any Hereford in the United States.

Cows in this sale are of Fairfax and Anxiety 4th breeding.

The cattle in this sale are above the average. The opportunity of a lifetime if you want Hereford cattle. A card with your address will bring you a catalogue by return mail.

G. W. Wermersen
Britt, Iowa

COL. FRED REPPERT
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Griesy's Store News

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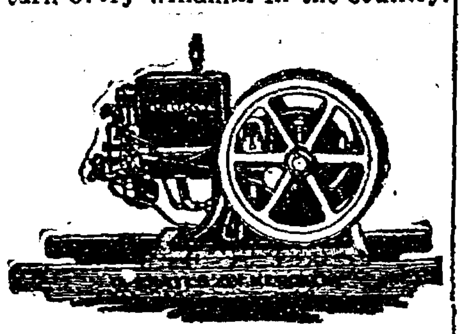
Considerable interest was shown in our stove demonstration last weeek, and the following are now owners of The Great Majestic Range:

Louise Veeder
Andrew Bohning
John Kreins
Fred Lynch
D. L. Pals
Meno Frohling

Blowing Some!

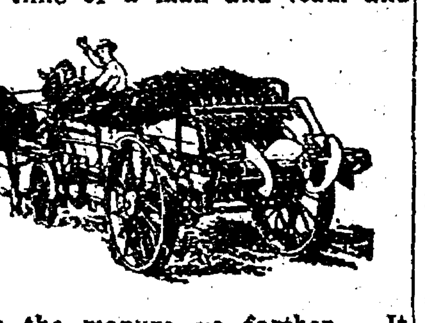
Senator Capper says that whenever there's a debate in the Senate it furnishes enough agitation of atmosphere to turn every windmill in the country.



But, when Senate adjourns, what are you going to do for fresh water? Get an International Kerosene Engine, of course. It's as faithful and willing a helper as you can find in a lifetime of searching. The powerful 1 1-2 H. P. International will do almost anything that no one else wants to do, and for only 3 cents an hour—no overtime pay. Larger sizes too, if you need more power. Come and see them.

Keep The Boys At Home

The International manure spreader takes drudgery out of a disagreeable job, and it does its full share in keeping boys on the farm. It saves labor, saves time of a man and team and



makes the manure go farther. It increases yields and makes more money for you. You can't afford to be without a machine that will do all these things. So why not come in and talk it over while the price is lower than it ever will be again?

A Milkhouse Queen

A "handsome blue machine" set up in the center of your milkhouse is a "crown of glory" considering the many things it will do for you. It is the sentinel-queen carefully guarding the milk and cream so that each is separated to the last drop. Otherwise known as the Primrose Cream Separator, this "handsome blue machine" will save enough cream to make three cows worth as much as four. It will give you an income all the year around and supply sweet, warm skimmilk for the calves, pigs and chickens. Truly, the Primrose is a queen.

Alexander Local News

ANNOUNCEMENT

To my future Friends and Patrons: I have opened an office over the Belmond Furniture Store. Investigate Chiropractic, the natural way to health. No drugs, no knife. Not Osteopathy. Consultation free.—Dr. E. A. Allen, Chiropractor, Palmer Graduate, Belmond, Iowa. Office hours 2 to 5 p. m. except Sundays. Telephone No. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Larsen and their daughters Addie and Esther were visitors at Hampton last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and daughters and Miss Marie Schlagel were Dows callers Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Winwood are the happy parents of a son, Kenneth Albert, born Friday, Sept. 15.

Mrs. Fred Frohling of Belmond has spent the past week visiting with relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Green were callers at Hampton last Saturday.

Miss Ethel Hall who is teaching school near Coulter, spent the week end at her home.

Claas Symens was a business caller at Belmond on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy and two children autoed to Lakota, Minn., Saturday, for a visit with relatives at that place.

Mrs. Lillian Seegar came last Saturday for an extended visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Larsen.

John F. Bell was a business caller at Belmond on Tuesday.

Glenn Klinefelter of Garner was a Sunday visitor with relatives at this place..

We, the Alexander readers of the Independent were surprised when we failed to find the Alexander items published last week. But after hearing of the editor's marriage we concluded there was a reason and we all send our heartiest congratulations.

Thanks to you all! But while getting married is a cause for peculiar happenings, you will have to blame the lack of last week's items on the M. & St. L., which failed to bring them until too late.—The Editor.

Miss Wilma Foughty visited at the Benson home at Belmond last Sunday.

Mrs. L. S. Reed and children visited at the home of her parents in Belmond on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Peterson and family of Hampton were callers at the Fred Greenfield home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter June were visitors at Meservey last Sunday.

The Misses Eva Whetstone and Ethel Roulet, A. M. Butler and Arthur Peters were Sunday visitors at Iowa Falls.

Miss Anna Frohling of Belmond spent several days last week at the Peter Pals home.

Will Foughty, Mrs. Anna Pakarek and daughter Josephine were visitors at Belmond last Sunday evening.

The ladies of the Helping Hand society will serve a waffle supper at the hotel next Saturday evening from 5 o'clock until all are served.

The Helping Hand society will meet at the home of Mrs. Clay Klinefelter next Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dunn and family were callers at Hampton on last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens were shoppers at Belmond, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen returned home Saturday from a visit with relatives at South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell of Waterloo visited relatives at Alexander the first of the week.

Will Vestweber of Belmond transacted business at this place last week.

(Too late for last week)

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and family were visitors at the Charles Studebaker home near Belmond on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte Jr. are the happy parents of a fine baby Girl born Saturday Sept. 9th.

Jerry De Friese, Mrs. Jake Ammerman and son George returned from Northward, N. Dak. where they have spent the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters Jessie and Nellie were callers at Hampton Monday.

Rev. and Mrs A. D. Mohr and children were Dows callers Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Cornwell, who is teaching school at Dows, visited with friends at Alexander over Sunday.

Mrs. John Bell on Wednesday after-
The Dorcas society will meet with
noon, Sept. 20th. A large attendance is desired.

Leonard Arends left Wednesday for Elmhurst, Ill. where he will continue his College course.

The Alexander Consolidated Schools opened last Wednesday with a large attendance, following is the names of the teachers and their grades:

1st and 2nd, Miss Hilda Nelson, enrollment 33. Humbolt, Iowa.
2nd and 3rd, Miss Clara Olin, enrollment 30. Deep River, Iowa.
4th and 5th, Miss Marjorie Flynn, enrollment 30, Belmond, Iowa.
5th and 6th, Miss Nell Murphy, enrollment 33. Sheldon, Iowa.

High School Enrollment 40.

Miss Eva Whetstone, Davenport, Iowa, English and Latin.
Miss Ethel Roulet, Rulaski, Iowa, Domestic Science and History.
F. D. Murphy, Bloomfield, Iowa, Manual Training and Agriculture.

Teacher to be selected for Mathematics and other subjects.

EAGLE GROVE STARTS MOVE FOR ITS FAIR

Clarion News: That Eagle Grove would, at the earliest opportunity, take over the county fair proposition in the event that Clarion dropped it, was the repeated statement of the News last fall. Since Clarion did drop the fair, the Eagle Grove business interests have gone ahead on the proposition and last week appointed a committee to get facts as to the cost of fair buildings and operation. This committee has already spent time in visiting neighboring fairs, and will report at the first coming meeting of the Commercial club.

The members of the park board at Eagle Grove have voiced a willingness to turn over the park grounds for fair purposes, and the nature of the improvements necessary will be taken up in regular order. Already the park has a neucleus for the fair ground buildings; the track has been maintained, and the available space is ample for a start on the fair at a minimum expense. The citizens of Eagle Grove expect to stage a race meeting in July, preliminary to the opening of the fair next fall. They plan a four days' program.

A. M. BUTLER
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Special Sale for This Week

This week we will give 25 PER CENT OFF on all spring, summer and fall Underwear. 20 PER CENT OFF on all Dress Goods, Aprons, and House Dresses. Summer hosiery goes the same way.

Our line of Percales and Ginghams are all new and as cheap as they can be sold.

SALE BEGINS FRIDAY the 15TH AND ENDS SATURDAY the 23RD.

Outing Flannels were bought before the raise. And we will give our friends the benefit of the price. During this sale we will make a reduction of 20 PER CENT on any pair of Shoes in the store!

These reductions are for cash or produce only.

All goods charged are regular price.

Our line of groceries is complete. The Jack Spratt and Opal Brands are the best the market affords. We handle the Town Crier Flour. If it doesn't make as good bread as you ever baked, return the empty sack and get your money back. We want your produce and will always pay the top price, cash or trade.

Oscar Walsh
GENERAL MERCHANDISE
Alexander, Iowa

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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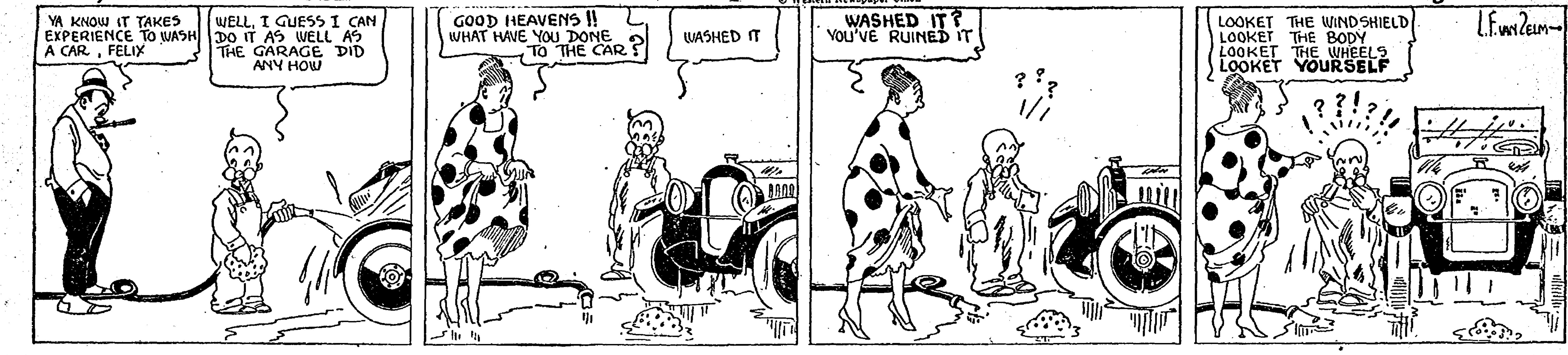
So Back to the Garage It Went


YA KNOW IT TAKES EXPERIENCE TO WASH A CAR , FELIX
WELL, I GUESS I CAN DO IT AS WELL AS THE GARAGE DID ANY HOW
GOOD HEAVENS !! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO THE CAR ?
WASHED IT
WASHED IT ? YOU'VE RUINED IT
? ? ?
LOOKET THE WINDSHIELD
LOOKET THE BODY
LOOKET THE WHEELS
LOOKET YOURSELF
? ? ! ? !
L.F. VAN ZELM

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Farmers Savings Bank

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 2nd day of September, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities ...		$262,447.39
Overdrafts	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank		None
Banking House	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		23,263.44
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)		None
Total Resources		294,740.83

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	20,000.00	
Surplus fund	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)		1,601.31
Individual deposits subject to check	89,123.47	
Demand deposits	$ 857.78	
Time certificates of deposits	153,680.24	
Savings Deposits	4,478.02	248,139.52
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank		20,000.00
United States bonds borrowed	None	
Total Liabilities		294,740.83

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, President, and Conrad Bier, vice president of the bank above named do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN. President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, Conrad Bier this 8th day of September, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.

Attested by Frank Haferman, Wm. Messelheiser, and Jacob Nissen, Directors.

Time's Up!

We are ready for your pumpkins, boys. Bring them to our Mason City Store not later than the week of the 24th of September.

Remember the heaviest pumpkins decides the winners.

1st prize is a $15 Suit.
2nd and 3rd prize is $5.00 Sweater Each.
4th and 5th prize a $2.00 Cap each.

We will display the pumpkins with the names of the winners in our windows.

Patton Brothers Company
Where A Dollar Does Its Duty
Mason City and Manly, Iowa

ATTEMPT ROBBERY OF GOLDFIELD GARAGE

On last Friday night about two o'clock as night watchman Anderson was making his usual rounds, he heard something that sounded like breaking glass. He immediately started an investigation and by the time he reached the Whyte Garage Ed. Hinton drove in to put away his car and unlocked the door and went in, followed by the night watchman, but he not thinking of there being anyone in the building the car was put into its usual place and they went out, locking the door, Edwin going home and the night watchman going down the alley north from the garage. He had only proceeded a short distance when he heard someone walking on the sidewalk west from the garage, and he immediately called to the party and as is customary among the boys he answered back and proceeded on west and to the rear of the Whyte, Sr., residence, and he thinking it was Kenneth Whyte thought no more about it until he happened to notice the west door of the garage standing open. Then he started an investigatiotn and soon discovered the door leading from the main garage to the display room and office had been pried open with a bar taken from the repair bench. In working at the door the bar must have slipped thus breaking the glass in the door which explains the sound of breaking glass heard by the night watch a few moments previous.—Chronicle.

BABY KILLED IN AUTO CRASH AT HAMPTON

Chronicle: H .W. Schroeder of Raymond, Minnesota, and who was driving a Maxwell touring car, went into the ditch off the grade just north of the August Brandt home at the northwest edge of Hampton last Friday morning about 8:30 o'clock, and the accident resulted in the death of his nine months old baby daughter. Mrs. Schroeder, wife of the driver, also suffered a broken left arm just above the wrist.

Mr. Schroeder was accompanied by his wife and several children, and also by his wife's sister. The car was heavily loaded with passengers and also with considerable luggage. The party was on its way home from a visit with relatives at Ackley, and were said to be traveling at a very moderate rate of speed.

The tracks could easily be seen where Mr. Schroeder turned the car to the right and it ran dircetly off the grade, and tipped over when running along the side of the high bank. None of the passengers were injured except Mrs. Schroeder and the baby daughter. The child was riding in the front seat with its parents and in the crash it was caught under the frame of the windshield.

CORWITH'S THIRD FIRE

The people were aroused about 4 o'clock this morning by the fire alarm. They responded with alacrity but by the time they got on the grounds and got the fire hose at work the Houston & Gee blacksmith shop was doomed. Everything was dry as tinder and the blacksmith shop burned rapidly, as did the frame of the ice house. Just how the fire started is not known but it is surmised that it started in the sawdust surrounding the ice house and spread to the buildings. The sawdust between the two buildings had been on fire the first of the week and had been put out. The shop and contents were insured for $3,000. Jess Hullinger had an automobile stored in the shop. His loss is $250. Mr. Houston did not know about the fire until a neighbor told him just as he was ready to start to work. Had the Whetsler garage building been a frame structure it too would have gone. The only loss to this building is a cracked window light. As this is our third fire this year it is hoped it is the last.—Corwith Hustler.

ADVERTISE TO SELL PRODUCTS

"I've got more apples than I know what to do with; they're rotting on the ground. How can I sell them?"

"Advertise!" That was the answer to the apple grower who wrote in distress to the agricultural journalism department at Iowa State College

In every community in Iowa there are farmers who have a surplus of apples, or honey or vegetables suitable for canning, or other food products. Also in every community there are many folks who do not have them, but want them and do not know where to get them. Advertising brings them together, to their mutual advantage.

"Advertising has been proved an efficient and economical way of selling special farm products by more than one farmer," says F. W. Beckman, head of the work in agricultural journalism at Ames. "Right near Ames is a farmer with a good sized orchard who disposes of all his early and late apples, cider, vinegar and other products by advertising. Moreover, his advertising brings customers to his farm, and he has to deliver only a small part of his sales. Four families out of five in town can readily get to his orchard because they drive automobiles. His advertising bills run up pretty well, but it saves him many times its amount in time and trouble and gasoline.

"This particular farmer uses both small 'for sale' ads and larger display space. However, any farmer who has special products to sell can get splendid help from his local newspaper man in working out a advertising campaign and advise as to the best kind of advertising for his selling problem.

FARM FIRE NEAR HAMPTON

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs Elmer J. Philpott on what is known as the William Seegar farm, two and a half miles southeast of Hampton, Saturday evening while members of the household were away from home. Two Hampton young men were motoring home at about 8:30 and noticing flames and smoke issuing from the residence stopped to investigate. The youths entered the strucure by breaking thru one of the front windows and reaching the telephone gave the alarm to the central office in Hampton and to several neighbors. While waiting for the arrival of the chemical truck from town the two boys and girl friends began to carry out furniture and through their efforts quite a number of articles were saved. —Hampton Recorder.

BOOTLEGGER HELD

Mike Nissas, of Sheffield, was given a hearing before Justice of the Peace J. J. Sharpe yesterday afternoon on a charge of bootlegging and he entered a plea of guilty. He was bound over to the grand jury and his. bond was fixed at $200. He furnished the cash for the bond.

COMMERCIAL CLUB TO BACK CORN CARNIVAL

A great many will be glad to learn that the business men of Clarion have revived the annual corn carnival which was held with success, and profit a few years ago. The matter will be in the hands of the commercial club which is a garantee of its success. The soliciting committee was out the first of the and already have $1000 pledged. It is hoped to raise at least $1200 for this event. Such a sum would make some attractive premiums and prizes, the latter to be awarded in the sporting events. The carnival will be held early in October, full details of which will be given later.

Since corn is the main article of production in this locality there should be plenty of material for a successful carnival. With the merchants cooperating there are unlimited possibilities in connection with an event of this kind. Since the fair is a thing of the past let's all boost for the corn carnival.—Monitor.

John F. Bell was transacting bussiness at Belmond on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn and children visited with friends at Latimer Sunday.

Claas Symens was business caller at Belmond last Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Alice Barkema left Tuesday for Cedar Falls, Ia where she will attend the Iowa State Teachers' College.

The Misses Ruth and Alma Johnson of Latimer were entertained at the Fred Dunn home to a six o'clock supper Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and sons Carrol and Donald Paul autoed to Webster City Sunday to make a brief visit with home folks.

Miss Wilma Hackett and her sister and son Billy of Iowa Falls are visiting at the home of their sister Mrs. Grover Arends.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell of Waterloo left Friday for an extended visit with relatives at various points in South Dakato.

Vernon Finkle of Hampton was a business caller in town the first of the week.

Mrs. Ruth Schnebly of Beaman Iowa spent the past week with her mother, Mrs. Bulter.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Azeltine and daughters Lillian, Amy and Clara of Rowan were visiters in Alexander Saturday.

Herman Kieslick is taking in the sights at Minnesota State Fair this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bobst and Miss Dora Bobst are making an extended visit to different points in Wyoming, making the trip by auto.

Mrs. George Yaw and Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls spent Sunday with relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Butler and baby of Chicago, Ill. have been visiting with Alexander relatives the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ruiter are the happy parents of an 11-pound baby daughter, born to them Tuesday afternoon.

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GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Curtis Shuldt as absent from his school duties last week on account of having been kicked by his pony on Sunday

Little Nellie Griggs had the misfortune to break her collar bone last Wednesday while at school.

Supt. Nelson, Miss Selma Sandberg and Amos Hanson drove to Albert Lea, Friday, after school. Mr. Nelson visited his wife who is spending some time with his mother. Mr. Hanson visited his parents who live a short distance from Albert Lea.

J. D. Bachman has been on the sick list the past week. He is much better at this time.

Miss Hill spent Sunday with her parents in Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. Okrueg visited at the E. P. Hubbard home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood of Marshalltown came Friday night and stayed untl Sunday afternoon with her mother, Mrs Africa.

John Dominy's mother passed away Sunday morning. Her husband died about a year ago.

Auto Truck Accident

Last Saturday just before noon, Levi Anderson, one of the truck drivers who is hauling gravel for the Wilson highway, came nearly being killed. He was going north with a loaded truck. Mr. Larson the Klemme meat man, was just ahead of him. Larson suddenly slowed down to turn into the Frank Quigley place. Mr. Anderson, to avoid running over the meat truck, quickly turned his truck to the east. The speed of the truck was so great and the turn so sharp that the truck turned upside down, hitting the meat truck and pinning Anderson under his own car. The cab was smashed beyond repair, the steering wheel and gear was broken, the gravel box knocked all out of shape Another truck with which Donald Estle was riding soon came up. They with Mr. Larson lifted up the truck and took Anderson out. He was taken to Goodell where he was attended by Dr. Snearley. His collar bone, two ribs, and an arm were broken and his face and jaw bruised. On Monday he was getting along as well as could be expected, with good chances of recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Beier and Mr. and Mrs. Graeber attended church at Corwith on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemke of Liberty township visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Beier Sunday.

Mrs. Dorothy Heginger is nursing Mr. Anderson who was hurt in the auto accident.

U. B. Church Notes

Last Thursday was the Hancock Co. S. S. convention at the Liberty M E. church. The program was full of pep from start to finish. S. C. Pollock is the right man for president. He was elected for another year and Mrs. Durant of Forest City was elected again to serve as secretary and treasurer. The state workers present were Mr. Hunton and Mrs. Auton. Last Sunday Mrs. Okrueg gave an excellent report on the Sunday school convention.

The Woman's Missionary meeting held at the home of Mrs. L. W. Sherwood was well atended.

Sept. 24 being Conference Sunday there will be no preaching as the pastor will be at conference. But instead of the worship at 11 a. m. the Sunday school will hold its promotional exercises.

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Miss Alma Walters left for her home near Buffalo Lake, Minn., Thursday night, after clerking at the Fischer & Wickersheim store for about a year.

E. Strassburg and A. J. Nissen went duck hunting early Saturday morning. We didn't see any of the ducks, however, so aren't prepared to say what luck they had.

Simon Fischer was confined to his room several days last week on account of illness.

Miss Bertha Hartwig has been quite sick the past week at the home of her parents southeast of town.

Miss Essa Myers is visiting with relatives and friends at her old home in Wisconsin.

Mrs. Ed. Foss was quite ill one day last week.

Joe Stadtlander and wife motored to Aplington last Wednesday, where they attended Mission Feast north of town, returning home Thursday evening.

Joe Standtlander, Mrs. Emma Stadtlander and John Jordon were business callers at Belmond last Friday.

Bertus Stadtlander of Latimer is reported quite sick at his home.

Joe Stadtlander and wife were visitors at Kanawha last Thursday.

Miss Selma Fischer of Wisconsin arrived here Tuesday to stay at the H. Fischer home indefinitely, to assist with the house work.

Rev. and Mrs. Schlesselman and Sylvia Blum of Renwick who is visiting here, were Mason City callers on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boelman, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. Boelman motored to Aplington, Wednesday, where they spent the day visiting relatives.

A. J. Nissen transacted business at the county capital on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Cooper motored to Kanawha last Sunday visiting relatives, also a friend of Mrs. Cooper's from Dysart.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Ruigh and children returned from their Nebraska trip last Friday. They report a pleasant trip.

Joe Smith and daughter Mary returned last week from their visit to relatives at Indianola. Mr. Smith expressed himself as being well pleased with the trip and spoke of it being both interesting and profitable to see what pople are doing in other places.

The Misses Mario Fischer, Irene Guth, Viola Lauster and Herman Fischer Jr., left last Sunday for Naperville, Ill., where they will attend Northwestern College the coming year.

CHURCHES

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.
The weekly services will be the same as usual.

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Lost—New curtains of Ford touring car, between Hanos Pals and Carl Stadtlander place. If found leave at Reif's barber shop for reward. 441c

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller and Mrs. Harold Blewitt attended the Memorial services of the Order of Eastern Star last Tuesday evening at Thornton.

Rev. Schlesselman conducted the quarterly meeting at Grace Evangelical church, Mason City, last Sunday, in the absence of Presiding Elder Faust.

L. B. Hulsebus and wife returned Sunday evening from their trip to various points in Minnesota and Wisconsin. They report a pleasant trip.

Mrs. Lambert Pals accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Black and daughter to their home in Little Rock and will visit them indefinitely.

Rev. J. Shemp, delegate from So. Germay, gave an interesting talk at the Evangelical church last Wednesday evening, to a good sized and appreciative audience. He told of the conditions as they now exist in Germany and other countries, which he said were anything but satisfactory. An offering was lifted which goes to help relieve the work in Germany.

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GRUIS-DIRKS NUPTIALS

Last Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock occured the marriage of Miss Kathryn Gruis to Rev. Eilert Dirks, at the home of the bride's father, Herman Gruis. Rev. H. Pannkuk read the service, which was simple and impressive. The bride was beautiful in a gown of white silk canton crepe, and wore a corsage bouquet of bride's roses. The groom wore suit of dark blue. Miss Mildred Gealow was bridesmaid and looked charming in a dress of white Swiss organdy. Mr. Herman Dirks, brother of the groom, was best man and wore a dark suit.

Only immediate relatives and a few close friends of the bride were present to witness the ceremony.

The rooms were decorated in pink and white. After the ceremony a three-course dinner was served to the guests, in the dining room, where the color scheme of pink and white was also carried out.

Miss Gruis is the eldest daughter of Mr. Herman Gruis, and is a splendid type of womanhood, possessing winsome qualities. She taught in our public schools several years ago, and the past year she has been bookkeeper at the Klemme Lumber office.

Rev. Dirks is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harm Dirks, and has worked hard for the past 11 years to qualify himself for the ministry. Thru his eforts he has become eligible to ordination as a minister of the Reformed church, and we are proud to claim him as one from our midst. All join in wishing them well in their new undertaking. They left Thursday evening for Long Island City, and will make their home in that vicinity where Mr. Dirks has accepted a pastorate.

Miss Ollie Pals is the new bookkeeper in the Klemme Lumber office

Messrs. Eilert, Dick and Ed. Frey accompanied by their sister and her husband, all of Conrad, were visiting at the Frey homes here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Reif's guests from Greeley, Colo., departed last Wednesday for Spencer and Battle Creek, where they will visit a short time before leaving for home.

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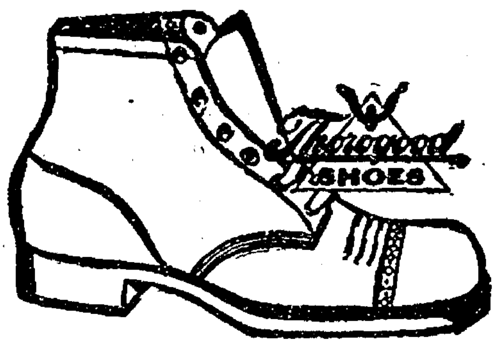

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Albert Shroeder of Boone county was visiting at the Wm. Prelipp home last week.

Quite a large number of young people from here attended the evening services at the Immanuel Reformed church at Palsville last Sunday.

Supt. Herbster was a week end visitor at Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wille and family of Klemme visited Sunday afternoon at the S. Fischer home.

Mrs. H. Brater and children, Carl Hermann and Orvis Schlesselman were guests at the Oscar Jenison home near Belmond last Sunday.

Several friends of Miss Andersen from West Bend visited her last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hemming, Mr. and Mrs. Gar Raecker and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hartfelder, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Foss and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen motored to West Bend last Sunday to see the grotto there. They, like others who have been there, are not able to describe the wonderful work of this structure.

Miss Huenemannn spent the week end with home folks at Garner.

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ROWAN NEWS

For Sale—Duroc Jerseys. One herd boar, several spring boars.—Will Bingham, Rowan. Phone 1022. 443*

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olson entertained the following guests to dinner Saturday: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hansen of Sheffield, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drake of Princeton, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hansen and family.

Mr and Mrs. O. E Ballou entertained over the week end the following guests: Miss Alice Kent of Dows, Mr and Mrs. Clifford Ballou and daughter Maxine, of Parkersburg.

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L. D. Yoeman enjoyed a visit from his cousin F. A. Moscrip and wife of Marshalltown, who came Saturday, returning Tuesday. Mr. Moscrip is an editor of the Times-Republican at Marshalltown.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

John Riker, who was called to St. Louis two weeks ago by the serious illness of his mother, returned to Rowan, Friday. He left his mother very low.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheets of Seattle, Wash., spent the past week at the home of their niece, Mrs. D. E. Harris. They started for their home on Thursday.

A large number of Rowanites attended the circus at Clarion last week and report a fine show.

Sunday evening there were union services in the Cong. church when Miss Callison, a W. C. T. U. worker, spoke on the subject "Citizenship." There was a good sized crowd in spite of the fact that the electric lights went out in the evening and never came back. She gave a very interesting address and one that was very helpful.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lukens and family of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Coburn.

Wesley Azeltine, who is attending Ellsworth College, was home over Sunday.

A. H. Emerson was a Belmond dental caller Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Underdahl went to Rake, Saturday, to spend a short time. He has resigned his position at the Keith blacksmith shop.

Rowan School Notes

Dale Farren, who has been absent on account of sickness, is back in school again.

Clara Jane Howell, who has been out of school suffering from an attack of appendicitis and also from German measles, is able to come to school again.

The basket ball teams have purchased a new ball and will soon be ready to start practice.

Ray and Clesson Azeltine were absent Thursday. They attended Legion Day at Thornton.

Fred and Harold Moellering were absent Wednesday.

Laural Hill is absent from school. He has a light case of scarlet fever. Neva Hill just recovered from the same a week ago and is in school now.

Some of the girls were excused on Friday to help decorate and make other preparations for the reception given to the teachers Friday night by the Epworth League.

The Community Program which was to have been given Monday evening was postponed on account of the weather, and also because several who were to take part were ill.

Mesdames Logan McCallum and D. A. French visited school Friday.

Duane Halltook was on the sick list Monday.

Rev. Harold Tomkinson returned from his Chicago trip Wednesday.

Mrs. Esther Andrews and Robinette LaGue were Clarion visitors on Saturday, returning by way of Dows.

Miss Nordmeir of Livermore, a former domestic science teacher in our schools, visited friends here over the week end.

Mrs. Georgia Rowen spent the past week at the home of her sister Mrs. D. E. Packard, at Belmond, while Mr. Packard was away on his vacation. They motored to Rowan with her on Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Boyington returned on Saturday from Des Moines.

Master Allen McCallum came down from Belmond, Saturday, to visit at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Will Bingham. They took him home Sunday.

D. W. Whitten and family, C. B. Conn and family, Mrs. Kate Conn and son Dallas attended a family picnic at Parkersburg, Sunday. There were about 50 present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ryder of Grundy Center visited his mother, Mrs. Ida Ryder, Sunday.

Word has been received from Long Beach, Cal., that John Brinkman, a former resident of this place, is in a critical condition. He was taken ill a little more than a week ago with acute peritonitas. Since then he has had two operations. It was tho't that he would not live thru them, but word was received later that he had come out from the operation still alive, but is in a very serious condition. Several gall stones were removed. The appendix and gall bladder were both ruptured.

Mrs. Morris Sullivan of Ft. Dodge came Wednesday to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fletcher.

L. D. Bingham returned to his home in Iowa Falls, Thursday. He expected to go to Cedar county Friday to attend the funeral of an uncle, A. J. Bixler, who will be remembered by a great many people around here..

Charles Emerson came home Thursday to spend a few days while they are moving camp. He has been at Marshalltown the past week hauling grvel.

Mrs. Fred Smith and children were visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Snyder last Saturday.

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett were Eagle Grove callers Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Williard McCallum have rented the residence occupied by the Fred Kercheval family and expect to move this week. The Kercheval family expect to spend the winter in Oklahoma at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Miller.

The American Legion Auxiliary met in regular session Thursday evening. Only a few members were present but quite a lot of business was taken care of. It was decided to change the meeting night and meet the same evening the Legion meets. Next Monday evening the Auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. O. F. Braden promptly at 8 o'clock for the business meeting. After that the Auxiliary will join the Legion at the hall where some entertainment will be provided and refreshments served. We wish every Legion and Auxiliary member to be present.

J. S. Farren was on the sick list Saturday.

Frank Williams smashed his finger between two cars Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tice Streveler and daughters motored to Blairsburg on Sunday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Carr spent Sunday at Garner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smith.

Will Whittens are having a new furnace installed in their home.

The following teachers from Rowan attended the study center which was held at Clarion, Saturday: The Misses Haven, Parks, Mohr, Draheim, Laura McCallum, Letha Gunderson, Dollie Riley, and Mildred Duffy.

A number of our citizens have enjoyed fishing trips the past week. Among the ones who went to Humboldt were D. W. Whitten, B. P. Hadley, J. J. McCallum, Harry Harris, L. W. McCallum, D. K. Stout, Clarence Whitten, Edgar Mantle, G. R. Sheldon, and L. Waite. S. B. Heath and E. H Emerson spent Friday at Clear Lake.

Mrs. Edwin Nelson enjoyed a visit from her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Christophersen, and son George and wife, of Ames, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hansen entertained the following guests at dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Peter Christophersen and son George and wife, of Ames, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Nelson and three daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Nelson of Iowa Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hansen and grandson of Sheffield, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drake and son of Princeton, Ill., Louie Nelson, Julius Christiansen, Benj. Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Nelson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hansen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hansen and family, and Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olsen and daughter, Effie, all of this vicinity.

Last Tuesday, Mrs. Wm. Duffy and Mrs. A. H. Emerson celebrated their birthdays together at the Wm. Duffy home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Farren received word from their son Duncan, who lives at Los Angeles, that he had been injured quite badly and was in the hospital. He was extra conductor on the street car and was waiting for his car to go back on duty when an automobile driven at high speed ran into the crowd on the side walk, striking Duncan and knocking him into a telephone pole. His limb was badly cut above and below the knee and it was necessary to take several stitches in it. He was in quite serious condition for a few days but word received from there states that he is beginning to get better altho he will be laid up for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Hoyt of Clarion and Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Reed of Omaha were calling on the Kercheval families Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Braden entertained in honor of the school faculty last Tuesday evening. The following guests were present: The school board, the school faculty, Mrs. Tomkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Will Reitz, Mrs. Amos Cowley, and daughter, Ruby, and Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden. The evening was spent in music and other amusements after which a very delicious luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pelley went to Ft. Dodge, Thursday, to attend a lumbermen's convention.

J. D. Pritchett and L. D. Bingham were Clarion callers Wednesday.

Fred Hackley, F. M. Myers, D. K. Stout and Dr. Maker motored to Des Moines, Thursday.

Mrs. Will Bingham and Mrs. Joe Rowen and son Gilbert were Belmond callers Thursday.

A. J. Azeltine and Will Azeltine were at Thornton, Thursday, to attend the Legion Day at that place.

Dr. Vine Rankins of Chicago spent several hours in Rowan, Thursday, enroute to Dows to see her sister, Mrs. LeBarran.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Harris of Dumont were calling on old friends in town Thursday. Mr. Harris was the agent at the C. G. W. depot several years ago. He is now agent in Dumont and is enjoying his vacation.

Rowan Methodist Church

Will the adherants and attendants of the Methodist church kindly note the change in the time of the morning service? Commencing with next Sunday morning the Sunday school will meet at ten o'clock and the public worship at 11 o'clock. The program then for the day will be as follows:

10 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. Sermon; subject, "What's Wrong with the World?"
7 p. m. Epworth League.
8 p. m. "Making the Best of It."

The two topics that Rev. Tomkinson has chosen to speak on will be of interest to all.

A reception for the high school staff was given at the M. E. church last Friday evening. A short program of music and speeches of welcome preceeded the games and refreshments. Rev. H. Tomkinson, pastor of the church, spoke briefly on "The Four requisites of an efficient school." F. B. Sheldon and Bert Pelley also spoke words of welcome. Over a hundred people were present and had a most enjoyable time.

The Junior League and the Standard Bearers held socials this week.

Mrs. F. B. Sheldon entertained 60 guests last week in connection with the Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. church.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a chicken supper next Thursday evening, from 5:30 to 9 o'clock. Price only 25c.

The American Legion and Auxiliary are putting on a picture next Friday and Saturday evenings in the Brooks Hall, entitled "Behold My Wife." The boys are looking for your patronage.

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A dinner was served last Friday in honor of Mrs. Dan Fletcner, the occasion being her birthday. Those present were Mrs. H. V. Ketchum, Mrs. Charley Nelson, Mrs. C. B. Conn, Mrs G. W. Whitten, Mrs. Gay Fletcher and Mrs Morris Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sheldon were Ft. Dodge shoppers Thursday

Everrett Nelson had the middle finger on his right hand crushed in the tractor Thursday, when they were filling silo. He was taken to Dows were Dr. Schnug took a part of it off. He was to Dows, Saturday and Sunday to have it dressed.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown and family of Titonka, spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Liming. They were on their way to Missouri where they are moving for the benefit of their older son, who is a severe sufferer from broncial asthma.

Rev. and Mrs. Bump and Mrs. T. P. Simpson were callers at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Halbert on Sunday afternoon.

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Kinseth's Store News

We certainly are having some fine bright days right now, but for a day or two there last week it was cold and shivery. Made one think of the coming winter, and keeping warm. We have some of the finest blankets you ever saw, just the thing to keep the chills off this winter. Come in and see them, they're priced right.

And it's getting near pancake time too; these crisp mornings a good stack of cakes wouldn't go bad at all, would it? We have some dandy pancake flour, makes the finest cakes you ever tasted, tender, brown and good-all-the-way-down. Take home a package and have a stack of wheats for breakfast tomorrow morning.

SHOES—SAY, we've some of the best bargains you ever saw in shoes; shoes that wear, that fit, and that look well, at prices that you cannot duplicate. Let us show you.

Don't forget the Store on the Corner.

Administrator's PUBLIC SALE

The following described property of the Ferguson estate will be sold at public auction on the old Kent farm, one mile north of Rowan, on

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1922

Commencing at 1:00 O'clock Sharp

6 - Head of Horses - 6

1 BAY GELDING 5 YEARS OLD, WT. 1500
1 BAY MARE 5 YEARS OLD, WT. 1500
1 BLACK MARE 5 YEARS OLD, WT. 1500
1 BLACK MARE 5 YEARS OLD, WT. 1600.
1 GRAY MARE 5 YEARS OLD, WT. 1400
1 GRAY GELDING 7 YEARS OLD ,WT. 1400

14 - Head of Cattle - 14

5 SPRING CALVES
1 RED STEER 1 YEAR OLD
3 REGISTERED ANGUS COWS
1 REGISTERED SHORT HORN COW
2 REGISTERED SHORT HORN HEIFERS
1 REGISTERED SHORT HORN BULL CALF
1 REGISTERED ANGUS BULL CALF, RELATED TO BLACKBIRD.

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1 set of Meadows pitless scales
1 wind mill
1 International surface cultivator
1 Keeler wagon box
1 4-section iron harrow
1 Columbus truck wagon
1 Iron wheel truck
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1 International corn planter with 80 rods of wire

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1 hay buck
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FARMERS MUST HAVE ORGANIZATION

The following is taken from the Farm Bureau department of The Traer Star-Clipper, and we believe is well worth reprinting:

"Farmers must have an organization in order to insure the prosperity of their business. We are in better condition today than we have been for a long time, and I believe we are on the road to permanent improvement.

"I want to say right now that we can prove that the Farm Bureau was largely the reason for keeping agriculture from getting entirely snowed under and I want to say that if we had an organization with the influence of the farm bureau when the depression commenced that we would not have been grovelling around in the mire.

"Without this organization coming when it did, Iowa would have been overrun with bankrupt farmers, much more than she was. Some say the farmers are entirely to blame for the condition they worked themselves into. I admit they spent too much money, I admit that land went too high, but at the same time we must admit that we had banker after banker right on our heels, just begging us to borrow their money at a cheap interest rate, and then when they took $500,000,000 of our profits away from us they said it was our own fault that we were so sick financially. If we had had our organization then they wouldn't have done that.

"Some people say that any fool can be a farmer. Let me tell you something. If you have a son who is a bit weak minded or not as bright as the rest of the boys educate him to be a doctor or a lawyer, or something other than a farmer. It takes the keenest brains of all to farm."

Leader: The money has been subscribed—about $1600.00 of it, and Garner is to have a Baseball Tournament Thursday and Friday, September 14 and 15. The time is short, and the affair will need to be put over with a bang The contesting teams have been selected and while contracts have not yet been signed there is not much doubt but what they all will attach their names to the dotted line. The Bayside Cubs, Dows, Hampton and some other aggregation of about the same class will probably be the teams in the contest. Our town has the reputation of being the best baseball town in Northern Iowa, and the array of talent that will appear this year, should make it possible to maintain this reputation. As we understand it, there will be two seven-inning games on the afternoon of the first day, the 14th. The losers of the first day's encounter will play in the forenoon of the second day. The winners of the first day will play in the afternoon of the second day. The time for the holding of the tournament seems opportune. Farm work will be well out of the way, and Garner should have a real lot of baseball fans out to her 1922 tournament.

Leader: Among the probabilities in the way of new enterprises for Garner is a grist mill. The first days of the week, J. P. Mellenger of Plainsfield, Iowa, visited Garner, and was so very favorably impressed with our city that he has about decided to locate one of his grist mills here. He already has a couple of such mills in operation within the state. One of these is at Waverly. He called upon Mr. Conway, president of the Garner Commercial Club, and together they went over the matter in detail. From him Mr. Conway learned the advantages of a power mill such as Mr. Mellenger contemplates installing. One thing that Mr. Conway found out is that grain ground by the process employed by Mellenger, contained twenty-five per cent more food value than the same grain ground by the ordinary farm grinding outfit. This mill, if it is located in Garner, will be for the grinding of feed for stock only. Nothing in the way of milling flour will be attempted. All the gentleman from Plainsfield asks is that right-of-way be granted him and this matter the Commercial Club will take up with the proper railway authorities. Let us hope that nothing happens to block the advent of the new enterprise into our city.

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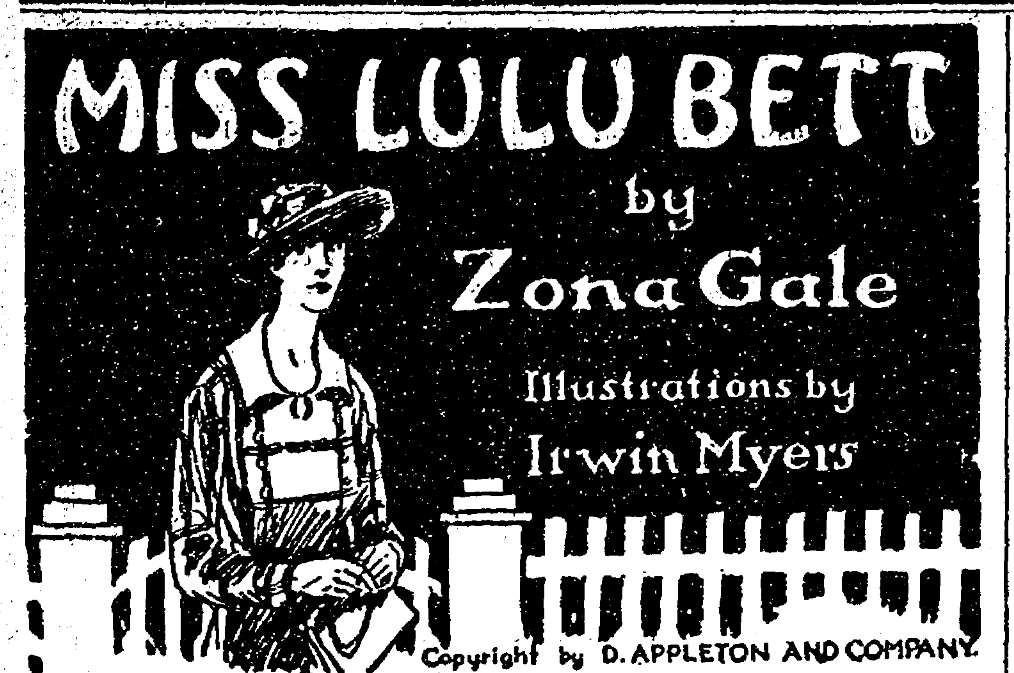

MISS LULU BETT

by

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"Oh, no," Lulu said again.

"Sing and play and cook—"

"But I can't earn anything. I'd like to earn something." But this she had not meant to say. She stopped, rather frightened.

"You would! Why, you have it fine here, I thought."

"Oh, fine, yes. Dwight gives me what I have. And I do their work."

"I see," said Cornish. "I never thought of that," he added. She caught his speculative look—he had heard a tale or two concerning her return, as who in Warbleton had not heard?

"You're wondering why I didn't stay with him!" Lulu said recklessly. This was no less than wrung from her, but its utterance occasioned in her an unspeakable relief.

"Oh, no," Cornish disclaimed, and colored and rocked.

"Yes, you are," she swept on. "The whole town's wondering. Well, I'd like 'em to know, but Dwight won't let me tell."

Cornish frowned, trying to understand.

"'Won't let you!'" he repeated. "I should say that was your own affair."

"No. Not when Dwight gives me all I have."

"Oh, that—" said Cornish. "That's not right."

"No. But there it is. It puts me—you see what it does to me. They think—they all think my—husband left me."

It was curious to hear her bring out that word——tentatively, deprecatingly, like some one daring a foreign phrase without warrant.

Cornish said feebly: "Oh, well. . . ."

Before she willed it, she was telling him:

"He didn't. He didn't leave me," she cried with passion. "He had another wife." Incredibly it was as if she were defending both him and herself.

"Lord sakes!" said Cornish.

She poured it out, in her passion to tell some one, to share her news of her state where there would be neither hardness nor censure.

"We were in Savannah, Georgia," she said. "We were going to leave for Oregon—going to go through California. We were in the hotel, and he was going out to get the tickets. He started to go. Then he came back. I was sitting the same as there. He opened the door again—the same as here. I saw he looked different—and he said quick: 'There's something you'd ought to know before we go.' And, of course, I said, 'What?' And he said it right out—how he was married eighteen years ago and in two years she ran away and she must be dead, but he wasn't sure. He hadn't the proofs. So, of course, I came home. But it wasn't him left me."

"No, no. Of course he didn't," Cornish said earnestly. "But, Lord's sakes—" he said again. He rose to walk about, found it impracticable and sat down.

"That's what Dwight don't want me to tell—he thinks it isn't true. He thinks—he didn't have any other wife. He thinks he wanted—" Lulu looked up at him. "You see," she said, "Dwight thinks he didn't want me."

"But why don't you make your husband—I mean, why doesn't he write to Mr. Deacon here, and tell him the truth—" Cornish burst out.

Under this implied belief, she relaxed and into her face came its rare sweetness.

"He has written," she said. "The letter's there."

He followed her look, scowled at the two letters.

"What'd he say?"

"Dwight don't like me to touch his mail. I'll have to wait till he comes back."

"Lord sakes!" said Cornish.

This time he did rise and walk about. He wanted to say something, wanted it with passion. He paused beside Lulu and stammered:

"You—you—you're too nice a girl to get a deal like this. Darned if you aren't."

To her own complete surprise Lulu's eyes filled with tears, and she could not speak. She was by no means above self-sympathy.

"And there ain't," said Cornish sorrowfully, "there ain't a thing I can do."

And yet he was doing much. He was gentle, he was listening, and on his face a frown of concern. His face continually surprised her, it was so fine and alive and near, by comparison with Ninian's loose-lipped, ruddy, impersonal look and Dwight's thin, high-boned hardness. All the time Cornish gave her something, instead of drawing upon her. Above all, he was there, and she could talk to him.

"It's—it's funny," Lulu said. "I'd be awful glad if I just could know for sure that the other woman was alive—if I couldn't know she's dead."

This surprising admission Cornish seemed to understand.

"Sure you would," he said briefly.

"Cora Waters," Lulu said. "Cora Waters, of San Diego, California. And she never heard of me."

"No," Cornish admitted. They stared at each other as across some abyss.

In the doorway Mrs. Bett appeared.

"I scraped up everything," she remarked, "and left the dishes set."

"That's right, mamma," Lulu said. "Come and sit down."

Mrs. Bett entered with a leisurely air of doing the thing next expected of her.

"I don't hear any more playin' and singin'," she remarked. "It sounded real nice."

"We—we sung all I knew how to play, I guess, mamma."

"I use' to play on the melodeon," Mrs. Bett volunteered, and spread and examined her right hand.

"Well!" said Cornish.

She now told them about her log-house in a New England clearing, when she was a bride. All her store of drama and life came from her. She rehearsed it with far eyes. She laughed at old delights, drooped at old fears. She told about her little daughter who had died at sixteen—a tragedy such as once would have been renewed in a vital ballad. At the end she yawned frankly as if, in some terrible sophistication, she had been telling the story of some one else.

"Give us one more piece," she said.

"Can we?" Cornish asked.

"I can play 'I Think When I Read That Sweet Story of Old,'" Lulu said.

"That's the ticket!" said Cornish.

They sang it, to Lulu's right hand.

"That's the one you picked out when you was a little girl, Lulie," cried Mrs. Bett.

Lulu had played it now as she must have played it then.

Half after nine and Di had not returned. But nobody thought of Di. Cornish rose to go.

"What's them?" Mrs. Bett demanded.

"Dwight's letters, mamma. You mustn't touch them!" Lulu's voice was sharp.

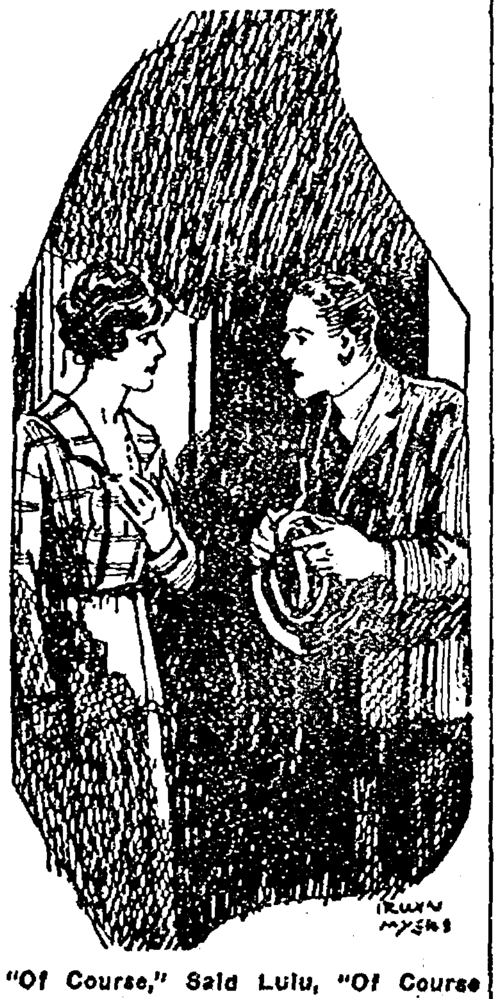
"Say!" Cornish, at the door, dropped his voice. "If there was anything I could do at any time, you'd let me know, wouldn't you?"

That past tense, those subjunctives, unconsciously called upon her to feel no intrusion.

"Oh, thank you," she said. "You don't know how good it is to feel—"

"Of course it is," said Cornish heartily.

They stood for a moment on the porch. The night was one of low clamor from the grass, tiny voices, insisting.



"Of Course," Said Lulu, "Of Course You Won't—You Wouldn't."

"Of course," said Lulu, "of course you won't—you wouldn't—"

"Say anything?" he divined. "Not for dollars. Not," he repeated, "for dollars."

"But I knew you wouldn't," she told him.

He took her hand. "Good-night," he said. "I've had an awful nice time singing and listening to you talk—well, of course—I mean," he cried, "the supper was just fine. And so was the music."

"Oh, no," she said.

Mrs. Bett came into the hall.

"Lulie," she said, "I guess you didn't notice—this one's from Ninian."

"Mother—"

"I opened it—why, of course I did. It's from Ninian."

Mrs. Bett held out the opened envelope, the unfolded letter, and a yellowed newspaper clipping.

"See," said the old woman, "says, 'Corie Waters, music hall singer—married last night to Ninian Deacon—' Say, Lulie, that must be her. . . ."

Lulu threw out her hands.

"There!" she cried triumphantly. "He was married to her, just like he said!"

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The Plows were at breakfast next morning when Lulu came in casually at the side door. Yes, she said, she had had breakfast. She merely wanted to see them about something. Then she said nothing, but sat looking with a troubled frown at Jenny. Jenny's hair was about her neck, like the hair of a little girl, a south window poured light upon her, the fruit and honey upon the table seemed her only possible food.

"You look troubled, Lulu," Mrs. Plow said. "Is it about getting work?"

"No," said Lulu, "no. I've been places. I guess the bakery is going to let me make cake."

"I knew it would come to you," Mrs. Plow said, and Lulu thought that this was a strange way to speak, when she herself had gone after the cakes. But she kept on looking about the room. It was so bright and quiet. As she came in, Mr. Plow had been reading from a book. Dwight never read from a book at table.

"I wish—" said Lulu, as she looked at them. But she did not know what she wished. Certainly it was for no moral excellence, for she perceived none.

"What is it, Lulu?" Mr. Plow asked, and he was bright and quiet too, Lulu thought.

"Well," said Lulu, "it's not much, but I wanted Jenny to tell me about last night."

"Last night?"

"Yes. Would you—" Hesitation was her only way of apology. "Where did you go?" She turned to Jenny.

Jenny looked up in her clear and ardent fashion: "We went across the river and carried supper and then we came home."

"What time did you get home?"

"Oh, it was still light. Long before eight, it was."

Lulu hesitated and flushed, asked how long Di and Bobby had stayed there at Jenny's; whereupon she heard that Di had to be home early on account of Mr. Cornish, so that she and Bobby had not stayed at all. To which Lulu said an "of course," but first she stared at Jenny and so impaired the strength of her assent. Almost at once she rose to go.

"Nothing else?" said Mrs. Plow, catching that look of hers.

Lulu wanted to say: "My husband was married before, just as he said he was." But she said nothing more, and went home. There she put it to Di and, with her terrible bluntness, reviewed to Di the testimony.

"You were not with Jenny after eight o'clock. Where were you?" Lulu spoke formally and her rehearsals were evident.

Di said: "When mamma comes home, I'll tell her."

With this Lulu had no idea how to deal, and merely looked at her helplessly. Mrs. Bett, who was lacing her shoes, now said casually:

"No need to wait till then. Her and Bobby were out in the side yard sitting in the hammock till all hours."

Di had no answer save her furious flush, and Mrs. Bett went on:

"Didn't I tell you? I knew it before the company left, but I didn't say a word. Thinks I, 'She wiggles and chitters.' So I left her stay where she was."

"But, mother!" Lulu cried. "You didn't even tell me after he'd gone."

"I forgot it," Mrs. Bett said, "finding Ninian's letter and all—" She talked of Ninian's letter.

Di was bright and alert and firm of flesh and erect before Lulu's softness and laxness.

"I don't know what your mother'll say," said Lulu, "and I don't know what people'll think."

"They won't think Bobby and I are tired of each other, anyway," said Di, and left the room.

Through the day Lulu tried to think what she must do. About Di she was anxious and felt without power. She thought of the indignation of Dwight and Ina that Di had not been more scrupulously guarded. She thought of Di's girlish folly, her irritating independence—"and there," Lulu thought, "just the other day I was teaching her to sew." Her mind dwelt, too, on Dwight's furious anger at the opening of Ninian's letter. But when all this had spent itself, what was she herself to do? She must leave his house before he ordered her to do so, when she told him that she had confided in Cornish, as tell she must. But what was she to do? The bakery cake-making would not give her a roof.

Stepping about the kitchen in her blue cotton gown, her hair tight and flat as seemed proper when one was not dressed, she thought about these things. ..nd it was strange: Lulu bore no physical appearance of one in distress or any anxiety. Her head was erect, her movements were strong and swift, her eyes were interested. She was no drooping Lulu with dragging step. She was more intent, she was somehow more operative than she had ever been.

Mrs. Bett was working contentedly beside her, and now and then humming an air of that music of the night before. The sun surged through the kitchen door and east window, a returned oriole swung and fluted on the elm above the gable. Wagons clattered by over the rattling wooden block pavement.

"Ain't it nice with nobody home?" Mrs. Bett remarked at intervals, like the burden of a comic song.

"Hush, mother," Lulu said, troubled, her ethical refinements conflicting with her honesty.

"Speak the truth and shame the devil," Mrs. Bett contended.

When dinner was ready at noon, Di did not appear. A little earlier Lulu had heard her moving about her room, and she served her in expectation that she would join them.

"Di must be having the 'tantrim' this time," she thought, and for a time said nothing. But at length she did say: "Why doesn't Di come? I'd better put her plate in the oven."

Rising to do so, she was arrested by her mother. Mrs. Bett was eating a baked potato, holding her fork close to the tines, and presenting a profile of passionate absorption.

"Why, Di went off," she said.

"Went off!"

"Down the walk. Down the sidewalk."

"She must have gone to Jenny's," said Lulu. "I wish she wouldn't do that without telling me."

Monona laughed out and shook her straight hair. "She'll catch it!" she cried in sisterly enjoyment.

It was when Lulu had come back from the kitchen and was seated at the table that Mrs. Bett observed:

"I didn't think Inie'd want her to take her nice new satchel."

"Her satchel?"

"Yes. Inie wouldn't take it north herself, but Di had it."

"Mother," said Lulu, "when Di went away just now, was she carrying a satchel?"

"Didn't I just tell you?" Mrs. Bett demanded, aggrieved. "I said I didn't think Inie—"

"Mother, which way did she go?"

Monona pointed with her spoon. "She went that way," she said. "I seen her."

Lulu looked at the clock. For Monona had pointed toward the railway station. The twelve-thirty train, which every one took to the city for shopping, would be just about leaving.

"Monona," said Lulu, "don't you go out of the yard while I'm gone. Mother, you keep her—"

Lulu ran from the house and up the street. She was in her blue cotton dress, her old shoes; she was hatless and without money. When she was still two or three blocks from the station, she heard the twelve-thirty "pulling out."

She ran badly, her ankles in their low, loose shoes continually turning, her arms held taut at her sides. So she came down the platform, and to the ticket window. The contained ticket man, wonted to lost trains and perturbed faces, yet actually ceased counting when he saw her:

"Lenny! Did Di Deacon take that train?"

"Sure she did," said Lenny.

"And Bobby Larkin?" Lulu cared nothing for appearances now.

"He went in on the Local," said Lenny, and his eyes widened.

"Where?"

"See." Lenny thought it through. "Millton," he said. "Yes, sure. Millton. Both of 'em."

"How long till another train?"

"Well, sir," said the ticket man, "you're in luck, if you was goin' too. Seventeen was late this morning—she'll be along, jerk of a lamb's tail."

"Then," said Lulu, "you got to give me a ticket to Millton, without me paying till after—and you got to lend me two dollars."

"Sure thing," said Lenny, with a manner of laying the entire railway system at her feet.

"Seventeen" would rather not have stopped at Warbleton, but Lenny's signal was law on the time card, and the magnificent yellow express slowed down for Lulu. Hatless, and in her blue cotton gown, she climbed aboard.

Then her old inefficiency seized upon her. What was she going to do? Millton! She had been there but once, years ago—how could she ever find anybody? Why had she not stayed in Warbleton and asked the sheriff or somebody—no, not the sheriff. Cornish, perhaps. Oh, and Dwight and Ina were going to be angry now! And Di—little Di. As Lulu thought of her she began to cry. She said to herself that she had taught Di to sew.

In sight of Millton, Lulu was seized with trembling and physical nausea. She had never been alone in any unfamiliar town. She put her hands to her hair and for the first time realized her rolled-up sleeves. She was pulling down these sleeves when the conductor came through the train.

"Could you tell me," she said timidly, "the name of the principal hotel in Millton?"

Ninian had asked this as they neared Savannah, Georgia.

The conductor looked curiously at her.

"Why, the Hess house," he said. "Wasn't you expecting anybody to meet you?" he asked, kindly.

"No," said Lulu, "but I'm going to find my folks—" Her voice trailed away.

"Beats all," thought the conductor, using his utility formula for the universe.

In Millton Lulu's inquiry for the Hess house produced no consternation. Nobody paid any attention to her. She was almost taken to be a new servant there.

"You stop feeling so!" she said to herself angrily at the lobby entrance. "Ain't you been to that big hotel in Savannah, Georgia?"

The Hess house, Millton, had a tradition of its own to maintain, it seemed, and they sent her to the rear basement door. She obeyed meekly, but she lost a good deal of time before she found herself at the end of the office desk. It was still longer before anyone attended her.

"Please, sir!" she burst out. "See if Di Deacon has put her name on your book."

Her appeal was tremendous, compelling. The young clerk listened to her, showed her where to look in the register. When only strange names and strange writing presented themselves there, he said:

"Tried the parlor?"

And directed her kindly and with his thumb, and in the other hand a pen divorced from his ear for the express purpose.

In crossing the lobby in the hotel at Savannah, Georgia, Lulu's most pressing problem had been to know where to look. But now the idlers in the Hess house lobby did not exist. In time she found the door of the intensely rose-colored reception room. There, in a fat, rose-colored chair, beside a cataract of lace curtain, sat Di, alone.

Lulu entered. She had no idea what to say. When Di looked up, started up, frowned, Lulu felt as if she herself were the culprit. She said the first thing that occurred to her:

"I don't believe mamma'll like your taking her nice satchel."

"Well!" said Di, exactly as if she had been at home. And superadded: "My goodness!" And then cried rudely: "What are you here for?"

"For you," said Lulu. "You—you—you'd ought not to be here, Di."

"What's that to you?" Di cried.

"Why, Di, you're just a little girl—" Lulu saw that this was all wrong, and stopped miserably. How was she to go on? "Di," she said, "if you and Bobby want to get married, why not let us get you up a nice wedding at home?" And she saw that this sounded as if she were talking about a tea-party.

"Who said we wanted to be married?"

"Well, he's here."

"Who said he's here?"

"Isn't he?"

Di sprang up. "Aunt Lulu," she said, "you're a funny person to be telling me what to do."

Lulu said, flushing: "I love you just the same as if I was married happy, in a home."

"Well, you aren't!" cried Di cruelly, "and I'm going to do just as I think best."

Lulu thought this over, her look grave and sad. She tried to find something to say. "What do people say to people," she wondered, "when it's like this?"

"Getting married is for your whole life," was all that came to her.

"Yours wasn't," Di flashed at her.

Lulu's color deepened, but there seemed to be no resentment in her. She must deal with this right—that was what her manner seemed to say. And how should she deal?

"Di," she cried, "come back with me—and wait till mamma and papa get home."

"That's likely. They say I'm not to be married till I'm twenty-one."

"Well, but how young that is!"

"It is to you."

"Di! This is wrong—it is wrong."

"There's nothing wrong about getting married—if you stay married."

"Well, then it can't be wrong to let them know."

"It isn't. But they'd treat me wrong. They'd make me stay at home. And I won't stay at home—I won't stay there. They act as if I was ten years old."

Abruptly in Lulu's face there came a light of understanding.

"Why, Di," she said, "do you feel that way, too?"

Di missed this. She went on:

"I'm grown up. I feel just as grown up as they do. And I'm not allowed to do a thing I feel. I want to be away—I will be away!"

"I know about that part," Lulu said.

She now looked at Di with attention. Was it possible that Di was suffering in the air of that home as she herself suffered? She had not thought of that. There Di had seemed so young, so dependent, so—asquirm. Here, by herself, waiting for Bobby, in the Hess house at Millton, she was curiously adult. Would she be adult if she were let alone?

"You don't know what it's like," Di cried, "to be hushed up an laughed at and paid no attention to everything you say."

"Don't I?" said Lulu. 'Don't I?'

She was breathing quickly and looking at Di. If this was why Di was leaving home. . . .

"But, Di," she cried, "do you love Bobby Larkin?"

By this Di was embarrassed. "I've got to marry somebody," she said, "and it might as well be him."

"But is it him?"

"Yes, it is," said Di. "But," she added, "I know I could love almost anybody real nice that was nice to me." And this she said, not in her own right, but either she had picked it up somewhere and adopted it, or else the terrible modernity and honesty of her day somehow spoke through her, for its own. But to Lulu it was as if something familiar turned its face to be recognized.

"Di!" she cried.

"It's true. You ought to know that." She waited for a moment. "You did it," she added. "Mamma said so."

At this onslaught Lulu was stupefied. For she began to perceive its truth.

"I know what I want to do, I guess," Di muttered, as if to try to cover what she had said.

Up to that moment, Lulu had been feeling intensely that she understood Di, but that Di did not know this. Now Lulu felt that she and Di actually shared some unsuspected sisterhood. It was not only that they were both badgered by Dwight. It was more than that. They were two women. And she must make Di know that she understood her.

"Di," Lulu said, breathing hard, "what you just said is true, I guess. Don't you think I don't know. And now I'm going to tell you—"

She might have poured it all out, claimed her kinship with Di by virtue of that which had happened in Savannah, Georgia. But Di said:

"Here come some ladies. And goodness, look at the way you look!"

Lulu glanced down. "I know," she said, "but I guess you'll have to put up with me."

The two women entered, looked about with the complaisance of those who examine a hotel property, find criticism incumbent, and have no errand. These two women had outdressed their occasion. In their presence Di kept silence, turned away her head, gave them to know that she had nothing to do with this blue cotton person beside her. When they had gone on, "What do you mean by my having to put up with you?" Di asked sharply.

"I mean I'm going to stay with you."

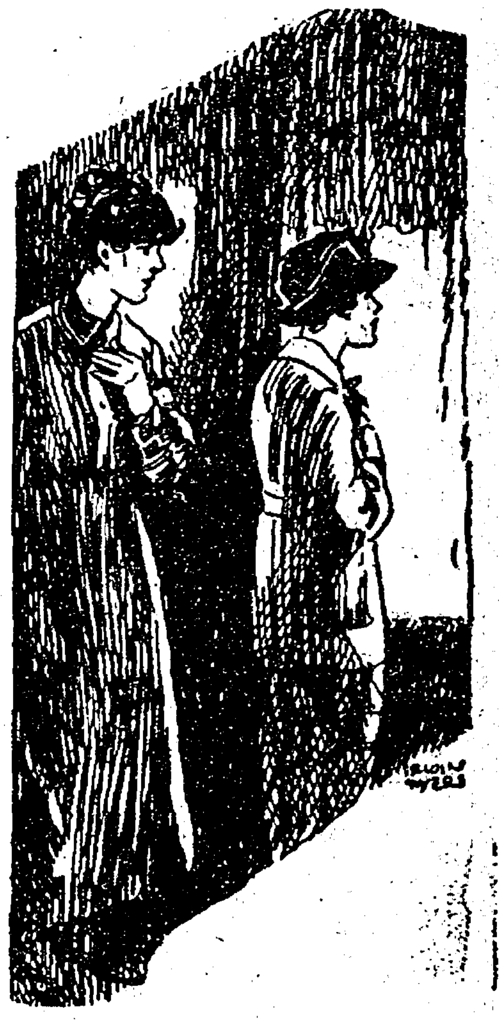
Di laughed scornfully—she was again the rebellious child. "I guess Bobby'll have something to say about that," she said insolently.

"They left you in my charge."

"But I'm not a baby—the idea, Aunt Lulu!"

"I'm going to stay right with you," said Lulu. She wondered what she should do if Di suddenly marched away from her, through that bright lobby and into the street. She thought miserably that she must follow. And then her whole concern for the ethics of Di's course was lost in her agonized memory of her terrible, broken shoes.

Di did not march away. She turned her back squarely upon Lulu, and looked out of the window. For her life Lulu could think of nothing more to say. She was now feeling miserably on the defensive.



She Turned Her Back Squarely Upon Lulu and Looked Out of the Window.

They were sitting in silence when Bobby Larkin came into the room.

Di flew to meet him. She assumed all the pretty agitations of her role, ignored Lulu.

"Bobby! Is it all right?"

Bobby looked over her head.

"Miss Lulu," he said fatuously. "If it ain't Miss Lulu."

He looked from her to Di, and did not take in Di's resigned shrug.

"Bobby," said Di, "she's come to stop us getting married, but she can't. I've told her so."

"She don't have to stop us," quoth Bobby gloomily, "we're stopped."

"What do you mean?" Di laid one hand flatly along her cheek, instinctive in her melodrama.

Bobby drew down his brows, set his hand on his leg, elbows out.

"We're minors," said he.

"Well, gracious, you didn't have to tell them that."

"No. They knew I was."

"But, Silly! Why didn't you tell them you're not?"

"But I am."

Di stared. "For pity sakes," she said, "don't you know how to do anything?"

"What would you have me do?" he inquired indignantly, with his head held very stiff, and with a boyish, admirable lift of chin.

"Why tell them we're both twenty-one. We look it. We know we're responsible—that's all they care for. Well, you are a funny . . ."

"You wanted me to lie?" he said.

"Oh, don't make out you never told a fib."

"Well, but this—" he stared at her.

"I never heard of such a thing," Di cried accusingly.

"Anyhow," he said, "there's nothing to do now. The cat's out. I've told our ages. We've got to have our folks in on it."

"Is that all you can think of?" she demanded.

"What else?"

"Why, come on to Bainbridge or Holt, and tell them we're of age, and be married there."

"Di," said Bobby, "why, that'd be a rotten go."

Di said, oh, very well, if he didn't want to marry her. He replied stonily that of course he wanted to marry her. Di stuck out her little hand. She was at a disadvantage. She could use no arts, with Lulu sitting there, looking on. "Well, then, come on to Bainbridge," Di cried, and rose.

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

Geo. Norris moved into the Saatoff house in south Belmond the first of the week.

Peacock flour $1.80 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace& Co. 41tfc

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We sell genuine American woven wire fence. Barb wire, American Hog, 80-rod spools, for $4.00.—Bock Lumber Co. 41tfc

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Mrs. Will Hayes and Mrs. Edward Cahil of Lamotte, Iowa, returned to their homes Monday after spending a few days with relatives in this city.

Miss Eugenia Lambe of Lamotte is a guest of her aunt, Miss Mary Lambe, of this place.

Father Eardley, acompanied by Rev. E. J .Dougherty of Oelwein, left Thursday to attend a big church dedication at Livermore.

Mrs. Earn Luick underwent a very successful operation at Hampton last week, and is reported as recovering nicely.

The Chain of Ten was entertained at the home of Mrs. Crawford last Monday. The next meeting of this society will be at the home of Mrs. G. F. McBurney in two weeks.

All men wishing work at the Sugar Factory during the campaign are requested to make application at once. —Iowa Valley Operating Company.

The Priscilla club meets next week Wednesday, September 27th, at the home of Mrs. Tom Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kragh and daughter drove to West Bend on Sunday to view the famous grotto at that place.

A. C. Harrie, a former agent at the Great Western depot, was in the city greeting old friends one day last week.

D. E. Packard and son Ned returned last week Saturday from their vacation trip to Minnesota, where they tried their luck at the lakes there. Dite brought home a tub full of fine fish, and ye editor acknowledges with thanks a sample of their success.

Mrs. E. Purcell and son Ronald went to Clarion Friday night to spend the week end with Mr. Purcell, who is employed there now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Scott enjoyed a visit from Iowa Falls relatives over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Brode were called to Minnesota last week by the serious illness of Mr. Brode's mother.

Mrs. Gus Johnson went to Hampton last Saturday and spent the week end at the home of her son, Albin, and family.

Miss Martha Hill of Ipswich, South Dakota, who has been visiting the F. P. Dibble and Lathrop homes, returned to her home Thursday of last week, Ed. Lathrop driving to Garner with her.

Ray and Myrtle Hawley and Wilma Trumbell left for Morningside college Monday night to resume their school duties.

President Mossman of Morningside College was in Belmond on Saturday of last week.

F. A. Moscrip and wife of Marshalltown are guests this week at the home of Mr. and. Mrs. Ernest Stapley. Mrs. Moscrip is a niece of H. L. Stapley. Mr. Moscrip is associate editor of the Times-Republican at Marshalltown. They went from here to Rowan to visit relatives before returning home.

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The Belmond High School will give an old time box supper at the high school gymnasium, Friday night Sept. 29. The proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the foot ball team.

Wanted—Some tame grapes. Call 115 or 196.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

The Belmond Rendering Works opened for business Monday, Sept. 18. Telephone 2119 and we will remove from your premises FREE all dead animals. 442c

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Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bonning spent the week end with relatives at Ackley.

The Misses Gay Bohning and Avis Hereim returned home last Wednesday after spending their vacation at the home of relatives and friends at Story City and Roland.

Messrs. A. L. Lamb and Ed. Tighe from near Clarion have reopened the rendering plant in the grove and began business on Monday of this week. We understand that both gentlemen are familiar with the work, having been in it before.

We are right back on the job again after our fire and ready to serve you with fresh hot buttered pop corn, peanuts, cracker jack and chewing gum. We have a new popper, which cannot explode, and turns out the finest pop corn you ever tasted. We solicit your patronage—"once a customer always a customer."—Wm. Dempsey, at Burke's old stand.

Henry Schultz has moved his jewelry store from the building near the hotel to the old First National Bank building where he is now nicely located and doing business.

The concert by the Rainbow band scheduled for Monday night was not a very good success, owing to the rainy weather. It had been planned to hold the concert in the park, but owing to the rain it was held in the high school auditorium. Those who attended certainly had the worth of their money as the band is everything it has been advertised to be.

B. B. Strieby has moved to Oelwein, where he has a position.

The hunting season opened Saturday, and some fine strings of ducks have been seen.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard of Swaledale was a visitor with relatives here over the week end.

Joe White was a business caller at Mason City on Thursday of last, week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baldridge left last week for Washington, where Frank was called as a witness in a murder case while he was in the army.

Miss Jennie Gealow left last Saturday for Des Moines to take up her duties at Des Moines University.

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Ralph Wilcox left this week for Oelwein where he will work as a coach painter for the Great Western railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Brackett came from Des Moines last week, Mr. Brackett being time keeper at the sugar factory.

F. J. Tuffree and family drove to Iowa Falls, Sunday, where they spent the day.

Joe Scott was a visitor at Iowa Falls the first of the week.

W. C. Tyrrell and family have been enjoying their vacation in Minnesota the past week.

R. H. Klemme has been out West at different points the past week on business affairs.

W. H. Trafford last week purchased the Furuseth residence in north Belmond, the consideration being reported at $5,000. Possession will be given October 1.

Hot Lunches

We are now prepared to serve you with hot lunches, of your own choosing, and ask you to sample our "home cooking." We can serve you with a variety of tasty sandwiches, with stews and warm dishes of various kinds. Instead of taking dinner to school, come in and for a reasonble price get a hot lunch.

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Steve Antonio, Mgr.
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WE are not selling cheap clothes, but are selling clothes cheap. Wear clothes that are made for you. They look better and wear longer. International tailoring speaks for itself.

New Belmond Tailor Shop
Phone 28 F. J. Tuffree

$100 REWARD!

For information which will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties guilty of breaking insulators or otherwise trifling with the high tension electric lines of the Iowa Falls Electric Co. The above offence is punishable by a sentence of not to exceed five years in the penitentiary. One reward will be paid in each case.

DANGEROUS

The general public is warned and cautioned not to touch any loose or broken wires.

Iowa Falls Electric Co.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 8506. tf

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Rev. R. N. Burress and son John were callers here on Thursday of last week.

IT BRINGS THE CROWD

R. H. Reed, of the Wadsworth & Reed Dept. Store says: "I find it pays to let yor customers know what you have in stock. I believe in advertising. We never run a big advertisement but what we notice an increase in the lines advertised. This week we wish to make our fall announcement. Make our advertisement prominent, don't be stingy with the space, as the more people that notice and read our ads, the bigger business we get." We like to hear our advertisers talk this way. We think no one will be able to overlook the big ad. we set for this store in this issue." —Lake Mills Graphic.

And sure enough, we looked for the ad. and found it to be a 72 inch ad, on the back page of the Graphic, and Reed & Wadsworth are not to quote prices when they advertise as nearly every article in the ad was followed by the price. We don't know the gentlemen but bet they are good business men.—Klemme Times.

Be a Banker Bookkeeping Shorthand Telegraphy
Positions are plentiful for those well trained. Students may work for board, Tuition low. Write for Catalog C. Boyles Business College, Omaha, Neb.

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THIS WEEK
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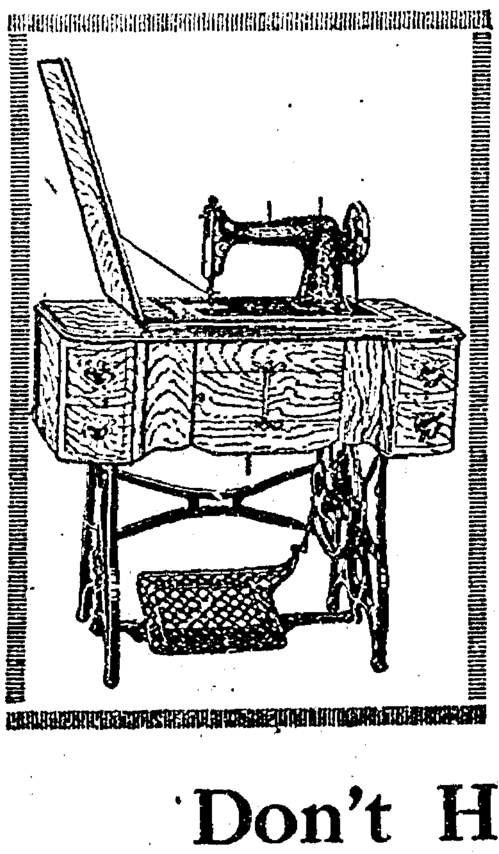

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OLD FASHIONED BOX SOCIAL AT SCHOOL FRI.

Two Farm Bureau Meetings Coming

Two Fine Meetings Scheduled Next Week With Good Programs And Eats.

E. G. KILL IS THE SPEAKER

The Belmond Township Farm Bureau will hold their next meeting on Thursday evening of next week, Oct. 5th., at the home of Adolph Thompson. The usual good program and refreshments will be enjoyed, and the speaker of the evening will be Mr. E. G. Kill, representing the Iowa Credit Corporation.

The Pleasant Township Farm Bureau will hold its next meeting on next Monday evening, October 2nd., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kaufman, on the Hal Luick farm just southeast of town. The usual good program will be provided, and refreshments served. Those attending will have the pleasure of hearing a fine address from the speaker of the evening, E. G. Kill, representing the Iowa Credit Corporation, who will have much of interest to those who are connected with agriculture. Every one is invited.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Monitor: The foreclosure of a $2,700 mortgage is asked by Alma LeBarron against W. A. and Martha Montgomery of Dows.

D. H. Atwood of Eagle Grove vs. R. .S Woodward is a suit to collect on a $430 note.

Martin & Son ask judgment for $249 against Parker Smith and wife of Eagle Grove on a grocery account.

Mina B. Mills of Eagle Grove seeks a divorce from her husband Joseph W. Mills, whom she alleges deserted her July 30, 1917.

Ed. Tighe alleges he has worked for F. C. Johlman of Eagle Grove since July, 1914, and during all that time has received but $500; that his record of payments was destroyed by defendant; that defendant agreed to furnish him board and room and pay him a reasonable wage; that his services were reasonably worth $40 per month; that after deducting the $500 which has been paid there is yet due $3,140, for which he asks judgment.

Because of their failure to pay principal installment and interest on a note for $11,500, Wm. Troendle asks judgment against the makers thereof, Fred and Clara Madson, Marquis and Minnie Madson, all of Goldfield.

A dental bill for $82 is the basis of a suit filed by A. F. Schultz of Webster City vs. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. King.

Audotor Walker reports a total of 223 hunters' licenses issued so far this season. These licenses were taken out by persons residents of this locality for the most part and do not include those of other towns in the county, which are handled thru the home banks.

Geo. W. Potts of Belmond is made defendant in a suit brought by the Continental Credit Trust of Chicago for the sum of $168.53. Potts is alleged to have signed an advertising order in favor of the Doty Publishing Co., who transferred the same to the above trust company. When the order was presented for payment at the Belmond Savings Bank same was protested.--Monitor.

H. J. Klemme of Belmond vs. M. J. Thoe is another suit on an unpaid note in the sum of $2,000.

Attention Mutual Benefit and Accident policy holders: I will be in the office each evening to accept October 1st dues. Do not lapse.—Wm. H. Wolle, Sec.

Concealing your shortcomings only serves to make them more spicy when they are found out.

Can you tell the difference between golfers who play for sport and those who "think they need the exercise?"

Man wonder why insect pests were created and insect pests wonder why man was.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening choir practice will be held at the church at 7:30. All members must be present.

Thursday evening mid-week service will be conducted at the church at 7:30.

Saturday morning at 10 o'clock the classes will meet at the church.

Sunday morning Sunday school will be conducted at the usual hour. No morning service.

At 3 o'clock service will be conducted in the Norwegian language. We hope to see a good congregation at the service. In the evening at 8 o'clock the Young Peoples' League will have charge of the service. All young people and old people as well are cordially invited.

ST. OLAF

The mid-week service will be held at the home of Haaken Michaelson. Thursday the North and South divisions of the St. Olaf Ladies Aid will hold their annual mission festival. In the morning at 10:30 the festival will begin with services. Our district president, Rev. H. C. Holm, will preach the sermon. During the noon hour the joint Ladies Aids will serve coffee, sandwiches, etc. The sale will begin as soon as possible after all have been served. Please note this: Tell all our neighbors and let us have a full house. Come also prepared to do something for this worthy cause.

Saturday morning the class meets at the church. Sunday morning the service will be conducted in the English language. Come and ask God to bless us.

In the evening the Young Peoples' League will have a meeting. We are going to hear something from the con vention held at Eagle Grove last week. Come and take someone with you.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Last Wednesday John Savogue attended the base ball tournament at Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Beier and Mr. and Mrs. Graeber drove to Pilot Mound last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. C. G. Okrueg has been on the sick list the past week.

O. Sandberg drove down to Iowa Falls on Sunday afternoon to visit his son, Henning.

Tuesday evening Mrs. Wesenberg and Mrs. George Ruka entertained their division of the Ladies Aid at Mrs. Wesenberg's home.

T. R. Burgess was a business caller at Belmond on Saturday.

Miss Alma Ruka, accompanied by the Misses Hill and McCormick were in Belmond on Saturday.

The Cunningham families were in Mason City on Saturday.

The Fred Chase family were at Mason City on Saturday.

Dr. Snearley was called to Chicago on Monday because of the serious illness of his sister.

Mrs. Iva Stacy of Lake Mills is a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. A. Christie.

John Rust and family were at Mason City on Saturday.

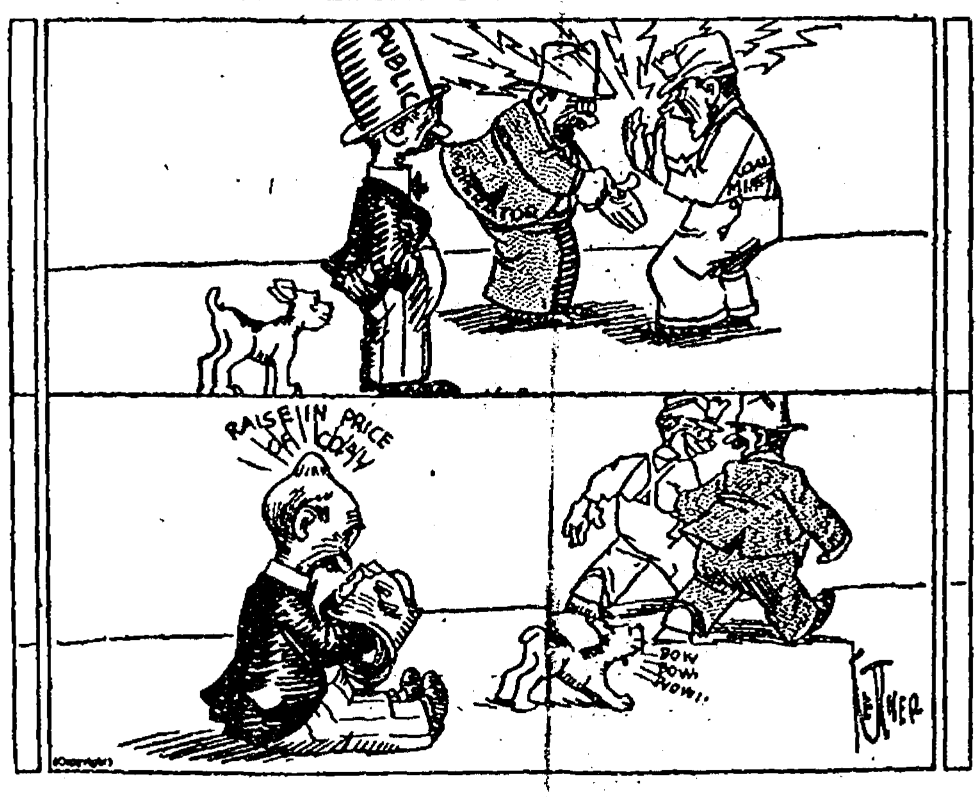
U. B. Church Notes

The promotion day of the Sunday school was observed last Sunday with appropriate exercises. The morning preaching hour used for the service at which time each department of the Sunday school took part in various ways. The attendance was large. The average attendance for the past year has been higher than the preceeding year. The teachers have done faithful work, and are now organized for the work, and are now on. We wish that every child that is not attending Sunday school elsewhere would meet with us next Sunday as that is Rally Day. Also we have a place for every adult where he can be interested in Bible study. Let every adult come next Sunday.

The pastor is beginning his fourth year and wishes to make this year better than the last. Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Thursday evening.

Eugene Kinney has been at Spirit Lake trying his luck fishing. He returned this week, bringing some fine specimens of the finy tribe with him. During his absence Mrs. Kinney was visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Nagle, at Clarion.

The Innocent Bystander



DOWS BOOTLEGGERS GET HIT HARD

Selling Hooch Costs One $1,000 And Partner $200—Capture Much New Booze.

Nick Good and Guy Moore, who reside in and near Dows, were taken into custody last week by federal officers, who had been on their trail for the past three weeks. The officers passed themselves off as land agents and succeeded in buying some of the bootleggers' stock, which resulted in the raid. A whole truck load of booze and two big stills were captured at the farm occupied by Moore, says the Clarion Monitor. It is estimated that there were fully 50 gallons of booze and about five barrels of mash. With the evidence at hand there was only one thing to do and that was to plead guilty and take their medicine. Judge Thompson fined Moore $500 on one count and $200 on the other, which with the costs totalled almost $1,000. Good drew a fine of $300 and costs.

It is generally believed these fellows have been selling booze in and around Dows for the past several years and it goes without saying that from the size of the two stills captured they have cleaned up a small fortune in their unlawful operations. Under all the circumstances a small fine is no punishment for such fellows. A year or two in jail would soon put a crimp in such business.

NOTICE OF CLAIM FOR STORAGE CHARGES AND NOTICE OF SALE

To Fred Francis:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Belmond Furniture Company of Belmond, Iowa, have filed an affidavit with W. H. Purdy, a Justice of the Peace in and for Pleasant Township, Wright County, Iowa, alleging that on or about the 1st day of March, 1921, you left with said Belmond Furniture Company of Belmond, Iowa, for storage and care a piano, described more particularly as follows:

A cabinet upright Walworth Piano, golden oak finish.

That said piano has remained with said Belmond Furniture Company at Belmond, Iowa, unclaimed for more than 3 months, and that there are now charges against said piano for 18 1-2 months' storage at $3.00 per month or the sum of $55.50, and that said storage charges are due and unpaid.

You are therefore notified that unless you claim said property on or before the 21st day of October 1922 and pay the storage charges against said piano together with the costs and expenses of said sale, said piano will be sold at public auction upon said date the 21st day of October 1922, at two o'clock p. m. of said day, for the highest price the same will bring, and said storage charges together with costs and expenses of the sale will be first paid from the proceeds derived from said sale.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 27th day of September 1922.

Belmond Furniture Company.
By J. M. Jensen
Its' Attorney.

CITY MAKES RAID ON AUTO VIOLATORS

Marshal Harberts Invites 'Em In And "Rufe" Tells 'Em The Visit Is Two Dollars.

Marshal Herb Harberts under orders from Mayor R. C. Morse, made a raid on the drivers of autos in town and country who have been violating the various traffic laws of the city last week, and a number were surprised to find a tag on their steering wheel advising them that they were invited to appear before His Honor on Friday and enjoy the festivities of the occasion. It's a good thing, and while some were "pulled" on what they might term technicalities, the fact that the governing forces are on the job and up and doing may have a tendency to make the drivers who have been doing as they pretty well pleased watch their step somewhat closer. It cost us two bucks, but we aren't kicking. Go to it, Rufe, we're with you. If the law is there, make them obey it.

LOSES SIGHT OF EYE

Kanawha Reporter: Mrs. M. A. Barrett, a daughter of Mrs. Rose, who came here from California last spring to spend the summer, suffered the loss of the sight of her right eye last week, the accident occuring while she was in the act of breaking wood with which to kindle the fire for the evening meal. In striking a piece of wood, one end flew up and struck her squarely in the eye. She was brought to town for medical attention and the same evening was taken to an eye specialist at Fort Dodge. The eye ball was saved.

NOTICE!

All subscribers to the Independent who have recently received statement on their subscription, will have the paper stopped Oct. 1. if not paid up by that date.

The town of Klemme has been undergoing a siege of dyptheria the past couple of weeks. School was closed for a week to prevent the spread of the disease, but the reports of the epidemic have been greatly exaggerated, the disease only appearing in light form and the closing of the school being merely a precautionary measure.

The Community club will meet on Friday afternoon in the school auditorium. Miss Martha Foster from Ames will be present to give a talk and demonstration on clothing for school children.

HOG SALE

Public sale of Big Type Chester White and Poland China Hogs, on Thursday, October 5th. 60 head of Boar gilts and sows. Write for catalogue. R. C. Ludeke, Klemme, Ia.

We understand that H. C. Thompson of Fort Dodge, who is moving back to Belmond, has purchased the lot between Will Kent's and Willard Morses' and expects to build a home there.

CORNELIA REVIVAL

Rev. Lewis of Clarion began a meeting at Cornelia, Monday evening and will continue it indefinitely. Rev. Lewis has been a very successful evangelist and no doubt he will be a great help and blessing to this community. The services will begin at 7:45 each evening. We understand that a church is to be organized at Cornelia.

MISS LIDDLE GOES TO IOWA COUNTY

Miss Kate Liddle left Friday evening for Chicago, where she spent the week end with relatives. Monday of this week she reported for duty as Red Cross nurse in Iowa county, with Williamsburg as headquarters. Miss Liddle has been in Wright county about two and a half years, coming here for the Red Cross and remaining when the county took over the work. Her work during that time is immeasurable and numerable boys and girls in the various schools of the county will thank her all their lives for what she has done for them. Likewise many adults are grateful for her services. It is to be hoped that the cause which has been so well started will not be abandoned. —Monitor.

REPORTED DOWS MINISTER ASKED TO RESIGN?

Clarion News: The News has it on excellent authority that Rev. Mr. Belsheim, of the Luthern church at Dows, is going to be asked to resign by his congregation there, and in the event he refuses, will be dismissed as pastor of the congregation. It is said the smouldering embers of the row which grew out of his alleged refusal to preach a funeral sermon for an American Legion man, last winter, has been fanned to flames by his actions of the past week, in which he is alleged to have threatened Editor Janssen of the Dows Advocate. Janssen was printing some bills for the American Legion doings at Dows and Rev. Mr. Belsheim called on him and ordered him not to print the bills according to the copy furnished him. Janssen, point blank, refused to make any changes.

RADIO BRINGS WORLD TO YOUR DOOR

Since the hot weather is over, and the interference from static is less, the radio receiving station of the Independent and the Belmond Storage Battery Co. has been catching some fine programs. Among the stations heard recently have been Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Atlanta, Ga., Louisville, Kentucky, the Twin Cities, and many others closer by. Some very fine musical programs are being received, and complete returns of the markets from Omaha and Fort Dodge, weather reports from Ames, and base ball scores in the major leagues from St. Louis and Fort Dodge. During the Worlds Series it is planned to get the games by innings, and the complete score at 6:30 p. m. Come in some noon or evening and "listen in."

BOX SUPPER AND SOCIAL AT AUDITORIUM FRIDAY

A real old time box supper and social is to be held this week Friday evening at the school auditorium, in the gymnasium, starting at eight o'clock. The boxes will be sold to the highest bidder, and the proceeds of the affair are to go toward financing the foot ball team. A good program is to be given in addition to the supper. A royal good time is assured to all who attend. Plan to be there that evening and have a good time at the same time you help the foot ball team.

SHOWER

The ladies of the Rebekah lodge gave a shower in honor of Mrs. R. A. Rankins, on Friday evening. Many useful present were presented the recent bride, and a social evening was enjoyed. Refreshments were served.

The M. E. Ladies Aid society will serve a chicken dinner on Thursday evening, September 28th, in the church basement, beginning at 5:30 and continuing until all are served.

For Benefit Of Foot Ball Team

Come Out And Have A Good Time And Help The Boys On The Team.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS ITEMS

The first Business meeting of the Literary Society was held Sept. 15, The High School songs and yells were practiced. Miss Mary Brown was elected critic teacher. Miss Barrow and Miss Sharon were appointed faculty supervisors of the two Literary divisions. The two divisions met and elected their program committees. Division 1 elected Grace Quigley, Chairman; Bill Butts and Gladys Johnston as other members of committee. Division 2 elected Cecil Riley, chairman; Valda Robinson and Harvey Chapman as the other members. Miss Thomas is general supervisor of both Literary Divisions.

Football practice is held every night. Mr. Pals is coaching the team. The whole High School is looking forward with much enthusiasm to the game scheduled for October 6.

A box social is to be held in the gym Friday night for the purpose of raising money to equip the Football team. We urge all those who are interested in having Belmond have a Football team to come out and make this social a success.

Lois Reed of the Senior Normal Training Class substituted in the fifth grade last Friday.

The Juniors held a fudge party at the home of Everill Thompson last Friday evening. According to all reports everybody had a good time.

Much enthusiasm was manifested at the class meetings which were held to elect their class teachers and officers. The following officers were elected.

Seniors
Miss Thomas ------ Class Teacher
Cecil Riley ------------- President
Dale Jenison -------- Vice President
Harvey Chapman -- Sec. and Treas.

Juniors
Miss Jewell -------- Class Teacher
Alfred Wilkinson -------- President
Everill Thompson -- Vice President
Katherine Thiltgen -- Sec. and Treas.

Sophomores
Miss Sharon -------- Class Teacher
Philip Axen ------------ President
Alex Smith -------- Vice President
Julia Peterson ----- Sec. and Treas.

Freshmen
Mr. Pals ----------- Class Teacher
Eward Milligan -------- President
Clair Rierson ------ Vice President
Leola Jenison ------ Sec. and Treas.

The musical organizations have been organized under the direction of Miss Hill. The Girls' Glee Club meets Mondays and Thursdays at 8:30, and the Boys' Glee Club meets Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8:30. Cloe Thomas was elected president and Bernetas Wolle secretary of the Girls' Glee Club. Harvey Chapman was elected president, Fred Vestweber secretary, and Cecil Riley assistant manager of the Boys' Glee Club.

The orchestra has been reorganized and much interest is being shown in this work. They meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:15.

The total enrollment is now 540. The increase since the first of the school year has been entirely in the grades. The high school holds its own at 172.

GRIESY BUYS PACKARD RESTAURANT PROPERTY

A deal was consumated last week whereby Cato C. Griesy acquires the Packard restaurant property just to the east of the Griesy Hardware store. The consideration of the deal was $3,750. Cato will probably build on the lot and his present location sometime in the future, but has not made any definite plans as that so far. Possession of the new property will be given on Janary 15, 1923.

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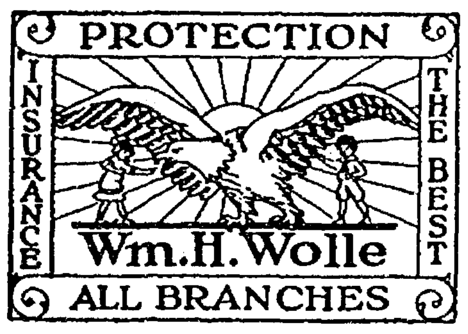

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Belmond Local News

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pletch are moving to Pomeroy to make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril McGuire are moving into the apartment in the T. A. Davenport house, being vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Gfeller.

Mrs. J. Sharon and Miss Adeline Sharon went to Buffalo Center last Saturday to spend the week end at the home of relatives.

Geo. Braun returned to his home at Cedar Point, Illinois, the first of the week, after a week's visit at the home of relatives here.

Miss Irene Hunter went to Fort Dodge last Wednesday to meet a friend.

Cloe Jenison left Monday for Iowa State College where she will take up her work for the coming year.

C. A. Church is attending the National encampment of the G. A. R. held in Des Moines this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Thompson of Norway township are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at their home on Sept. 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Dahlgren and family spent Sunday at Jewel.

Miss Gladys Larson returned home last week from a month's stay at Ames, Des Moines and other points in the state.

Torkel Mehus, Arthur Grindem and Homer Larson attended the Young Peoples' convention at Eagle Grove on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wenger from Elgin, Iowa, visited last Friday at the home of Jas. Cannon. Mrs. Wenger was formerly Miss Nora Cannon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Porter will leave this week for Mason City, where they will make their future home.

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Haupt will move next week to the house in south Belmond being vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Porter.

Crist Rise has purchased the Hazel Thomas property in south Belmond, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Haupt, and after remodeling it will move into it to live.

Don't forget the box supper and social at the school gymnasium on Friday evening.

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THE NEXT WAR

If sobeit that America should ever be drawn into another war—and may God forbid it—then radical changes should be made in the way it is to be carried on. In the late war, the finest manhood of the nation was drafted to fight, while the man who wasn't as physically fit as his brother stayed at home, went to work in the munition plant or the factory turning out war material, and drew a fat daily wage. In the next war, if the best are to be drafted to face bullets and bayonets at a dollar a day and board, then by the same right and token the man who stays at home should be drafted to work in the factories at a dollar a day and his board.

If it is fair to take a man from his home to fight it is equally fair to draft him to work in the factory; both are for the government. Had America run its factories and munition plants and shipyards with drafted men at the same wage the man drew who faced the enemy, then we would have had money to pay the bonus now. But we paid the man who made bullets ten dollars a day, and the man who faced them a dollar. It should have been the other way about to have been fair.

HARDING AND THE BONUS

President Hardings veto of the soldier bonus bill has been the chief subject of conversation the country over the past week, and by the time the bill is settled in the minds of the people we believe Harding will come out of the small end of the horn.

The President's veto, on the technicality of no provision having been made for supplying the funds wherewith to pay the bonus, was, the Independent believes, justified; certainly if the bonus is to be paid there must be some money to pay it with, and the makers of the bill pulled a "boner" when they failed to include such a provision in the bill. But the President, had the bill contained such a provision, would have had a mighty difficult task. With no such provision he had things easy.

There is no need of arguing whether a bonus is justified or not; we are too prone to forget how we cheered the boys on in 1918, with promises of anything and everything; we are too apt to forget that the government paid out hundreds of millions to fulfill war contracts after the war was over; we do not think that the waste in running the country one year will take care of the bous; these things bring no argument, they are "necessary." At the same time that the President vetoed the bonus bill there was the rivers and harbors appropriation bill—75 per cent simon pure graft and waste—which, of course, it was "necessary" to pass and to have signed. How many thousands of absolutely useless employees are on the government payroll in one way or another? If we can run our government in this fashion, with hundreds of millions worse than wasted, then let us forget this plea that we can't afford the bonus. If we can waste one way we can just as well "waste" another.

Harding was justified in vetoing the bill under the technicality that he did, but he was not justified in not sending the bill back wth instructions to finance it. For the bonus is going to come—it should come—and the President has lost the sympathy and support of a vast number of American people. Along with his handling of the strikes, the veto of the bonus bill has killed Harding's chances of another term as dead as Bryan's chances of ever filling his shoes—and that is some dead.

CLIPPINGS

A Cadillac coupe, belonging to Dr. H. E. Meyer of this city, was stolen in broad daylight from in front of Hotel Hanford at Mason City Friday evening. Dr. Meyer, accompanied by his friend Dr. Cory Hand of Hartley, was on his way home from a motoring trip to northern Minnesota. After parking the car and locking the doors the two doctors went into the hotel for dinner and during the time that they were engaged in eating, some one evidently skilled in the art of auto stealing, took possession of the machine and quietly drove away. The car was a 1920 model, in excellent condition and valued at approximately $2,500. Dr. Meyer carried insurance on the machine to the amount of $1,200.—Hampton Recorder.

The game wardens either have had orders or have decided to help swell their fees, for they declare that any hunter found near a lake or other water before sunup, with a gun, will be arrested and prosecuted for hunting before sunup. They won't take your word that you're out there waiting for the sun to come up before you go gunning for game. It is also an offense to kill a mudhen without picking it up. There are so many twists to the law now that a hunter should consult an attorney or take one along when he goes out for a little sport.—Clarion News.

Miss Marie Jenison of Belmond was visiting with her grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Brooks, here Fryday of last week.—Klemme Times.

We saw Mr. and Mrs. Cyrul Church and Mrs. George Avery of Belmond on the streets of Klemme, Friday.—Times.

Maurice Voat left Tuesday for New York, from which place he will sail for his home in Belgium. Mr. Voat served with the American forces during the World War and while across the water went to visit his parents in Belgium, but found that they had both been killed in the war. He has brothers and sisters with whom he will visit while there, besides his other acquaintances. Mr. Voat will spend about two months in his native land, after which he will return to the United States bringing with him a Belgium bride.—Kanawha Reporter.

Mrs. Pat Dllon of Belmond visited Friday at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Henry Thomas.—Clarion Monitor.

Dr. C. V. Lawton and family and Mrs. Lawton's father, Mr. Glidden of Britt, returned home by auto from Boston, Wednesday, where the Dr. did clinical work in a leading hospital for two months. Dr. Sharon, who came here from St. Louis to look after Dr. Lawton's practice, left Friday for Belmond for a visit with relatives and will go from there to Buffalo Center and Ft. Dodge for brief visits after which he will return to St. Louis where he will enter a hospital clinic for a year's ork. Dr. Sharon is a young but successful practioneer and made a host of friends during his short stay among us.—Kanawha Reporter.

Mrs. E. Purcel and son of Belmond spent Friday here with Mr. Purcell.—Monitor.

Mrs. Ed. Carlston of Belmond autoed here Thursday and in company with Mrs. Roy Carlston and Mrs. V. A. Blomgren autoed to Britt to spend the afternoon.—Reporter.

J. F. Barry and daughters Loretta and Beatrice of Belmond were Clarion visitors Saturday. They were accompanied by Miss Callaghan who had been visiting them and who returned to her home at Webster City from here.—Monitor.

He tried to cross the railroad
track
Before the rushing train.
They put the pieces in a sack—
But couldn't find the brain.
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FARM BUREAU NEWS

Clarence Clark Champion

Clarence Clark of Lake township has the distinction of being the best livestock judge in the nine northwest states which were entered at the Interstate livestock judging contest at Sioux City last week. Clarence showed his superior judging ability in competiton with the state champion livestock judges from Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. The Wright county boys won second place in the team judging contest while the first honors went to North Dakota.

The boys and girls livestock judging contest was held at the livestock judging pavilion at the Interstate fair grounds and was under the direction of Prof. E. G. Billing of the North Dakota agricultural college. The men who made the placings and heard reasons on the various classes of livestock were Prof. H. H. Kildee of Iowa State college, hogs; Dr. Thompson of North Dakota, beef cattle and sheep; Prof. Graemisch of Nebraska agricultural college, horses; and Mr. Gillette from Spencer, Iowa, former professor of dairy husbandry at Ames on dairy cattle. The judging contest continued thruout the week and the contestants were given some very good classes of livestock to work upon. The Interstate fair association made a special effort to furnish good livestock and arranged the judging contest in such a way that it wouuld be interesting as well as instructive to the contestants. An interesting feature of the judging contest was a girl judge on the team from Minnesota which state took third in the contest.

The Wright county boys will make the trip to the International Livestock show in Chicago in December, where they will compete in the international contest between the various states of our union and teams from Canada, Mexico and other countries. The state fair and the Sioux City fair furnished some excellent experience for the boys and with what training they will get between now and December they will be in first class training for the Interational livestock judging contest at Chicago. Clarence Clark, the Iowa man on the state champion team started to Ames this week where he enrolled as a regular student in the animal husbandry department of the college course.

Clover Demonstration Postponed

The clover demontration by Prof. B. E. Heitzman which was scheduled and advertised for Wright county for Friday, September 29th, has been postponed on account of changes which have been made in the schedule at the agricultural extension department office at Ames. Word was received by the county agent that this demonstration would have to be postponed for the time being.

Since it has been necessary to postpone this clover demonstration arrangements have been made to conduct the clover demonstration on the same day and in connection with the farm tour which is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, October 11 and 12.

Clothing Specialist in County

Miss Martha E. Foster, clothing specialist, from Ames, is in Wright county this week demonstrating renovation of clothing and hats. Miss Foster is demonstrating to the ladies simple and practical methods of cleaning and remodeling of old clothing and hats. The work as presented by Miss Foster seems very practical and great interest is being taken in the work by the ladies who have opportunity to attend. Various pieces of clothing and several old hats are brought to these meetings and the ladies have actual experience in the cleaning operation.

To Have Home Demonstration Agent

Arrangements have been made with the agricultural extension department at Ames for sending a home demonstration agent into this county or work during the entire month of November. Miss Bertha Huber, who has for several years experience as a home demonstration agent, will give full time to the Wright county ladies during November in dealing with problems of the farm home. Wright county at one time had one of the best demonstration agents in Iowa and it will be interesting to the ladies of this county to know that they are to have a demonsration agent for a full month this fall to look after the ladies' problems of the home. The schedule for Miss Huber's work in the county will be worked out later by a committee appointed for that purpose.

Farm Bureau and Others

Many critics of the farm bureau accuse it of being friendly with other industries such as banks, merchants, railroads and other commercial organizations. If these critics refer to a readiness and willingness to confer, and if possible to co-operate, with other legitimate and necessary industries the farm bureau pleads guilty and is not ashamed of it.

We must recognize the fact that farming is not the only industry essential to the well being of our country. We should cultivate the acquaintance of people in other lines of work. We will find almost invariably that they are made of the same kind of clay as we and that in reality they are better than we had thought. As a rule they have the same ambitions the same ideals and usually about the same degree of honesty.

Let us get the habit of talking to each other more and about each other less.

What Shall We Do In 1923?

Wide awake farmers already have in mind the things which they feel will be most profitable for 1923, and are laying their plans as to how they can most effectively carry out their work. This is true of other lines of business as well as farming and most successful business men not being content with past achievements are studying carefully how they can improve their business during the coming year.

The farmers also have another program to work out in addition to the tilling of their soil. We refer to the farm bureau work for 1923. This is the farmer's problem because it is the farmer's organization and the plans and policies carried out by the farm bureau and the projects taken up by the county agent duing the coming year will be those which the farmers themselves feel the need of.

Many of our readers who have not been in the habit of attending farm bureau meetings, particularly the annual meetings at which the program of work is laid out may not realize that it is necessary, if the county agent is to serve the county most effectively to have arrangements made for his work a year in advance. But it is for this reason that we are asking our members to be thinking of the different projects that could most successfully be used in your township next year.

The extension service is in position to give help on approximately one hundred projects during the coming year. They include every phase of agricultural enterprises and effect not only the regular farming operations, but the homes as well.

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I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of Freedom, Equality, Justice and Humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I, therefore, believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution, to obey its laws; to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

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Kinseth's Store News

We certainly are having some fine bright days right now, but for a day or two there last week it was cold and shivery. Made one think of the coming winter, and keeping warm. We have some of the finest blankets you ever saw, just the thing to keep the chills off this winter. Come in and see them, they're priced right.

And it's getting near pancake time too; these crisp mornings a good stack of cakes wouldn't go bad at all, would it? We have some dandy pancake flour, makes the finest cakes you ever tasted, tender, brown and good-all-the-way-down. Take home a package and have a stack of wheats for breakfast tomorrow morning.

SHOES—SAY, we've some of the best bargains you ever saw in shoes; shoes that wear, that fit, and that look well, at prices that you cannot duplicate. Let us show you.

Don't forget the Store on the Corner.

SAVERS are WINNERS

This Bank Invites Your Checking Account

IT is very interesting to observe savers. We watch them as they come regularly to the bank to make their deposits. There is on their faces the smile that is peculiar to winners. The glory is not alone in the amount that they have saved—they know that it is not always easy to save and are proud to have succeeded,

Remember, it always gives us pleasure to help those who are trying to get ahead.

We welcome your account, no matter how small or how large, pay you 5 per cent interest on your time deposits, and give you SERVICE at all times.

Belmond Savings Bank

Griesy's Store News

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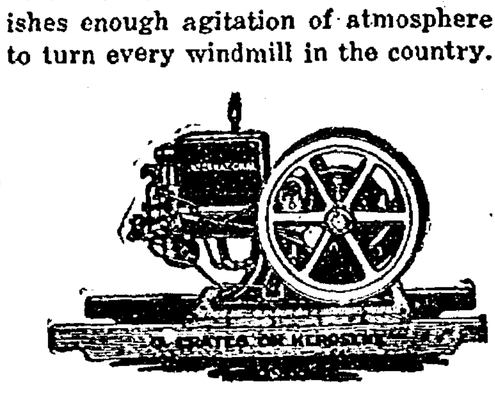
STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

She is attractive—you stop; you look; and after you marry her, you listen.

First you wish for a little money to get a car, hten after you have the car you wish you might get just a little money.

Blowing Some!

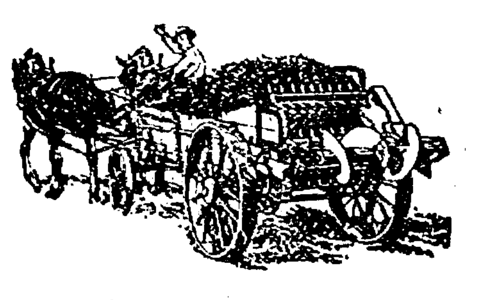
Senator Capper says that whenever there's a debate in the Senate it furnishes enough agitation of atmosphere to turn every windmill in the country.



But, when Senate adjourns, what are you going to do for fresh water? Get an International Kerosene Engine, of course. It's as faithful and willing a helper as you can find in a lifetime of searching. The powerful 1 1-2 H. P. International will do almost anything that no one else wants to do, and for only 3 cents an hour—no overtime pay. Larger sizes too, if you need more power. Come and see them.

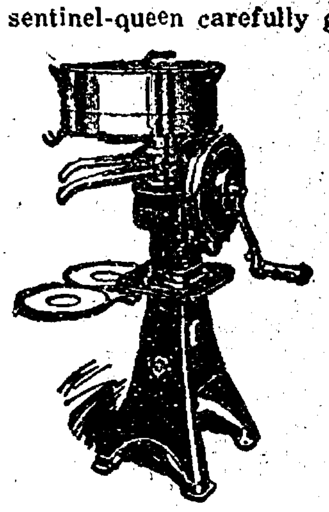
Keep The Boys At Home

The International manure spreader takes drudgery out of a disagreeable job, and it does its full share in keeping boys on the farm. It saves labor, saves time of a man and team and makes the manure go farther. It increases yields and makes more money for you. You can't afford to be without a machine that will do all these things. So why not come in and talk it over while the price is lower than it ever will be again?



A Milkhouse Queen

A "handsome blue machine" set up in the center of your milkhouse is a "crown of glory" considering the many things it will do for you. It is the sentinel-queen carefully guarding the milk and cream so that each is separated to the last drop. Otherwise known as the Primrose Cream Separator, this "handsome blue machine" will save enough cream to make three cows worth as much as four. It will give you an income all the year around and supply sweet, warm skimmilk for the calves, pigs and chickens. Truly, the Primrose is a queen.



Belmond Local News

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

Mrs. M. H. Hanson took her son Verdell, to Iowa City, last week for treatment at the hospital there.

Larsen Bros. of Klemme take possession next week Monday of the Cash Market, which they recently purchased.

Geo. Luick, west of Goodell, had some of the finest wealthy apples we have ever seen. We say had them; he hasn't any more. He advertised 'em for sale, and when we drove up three days later there was nary an apple, and he had an immense lot of them too. We would like to get a bushel, so if you have any to sell, phone 115.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Landon of Goodell were in town last Thursday. From here Mrs. Landon went to Mason City to do some trading.

Some folks prophesy that we are going to have an early winter, because Indian Summer seems to have come so early. Whether it is Indian Summer or not, it is some weather, and long may it continue.

Dr. Frank Stevens left last week Friday on his return trip to New York City, after a month or more vacation spent here visiting his parents Dr. and Mrs. Stevens.

Joe S. White was numbered on the list of sick folks a day or two last week.

Col. A. F. Cowley of Rowan was a business caller in town on Friday of last week.

Don't forget I have some of the finest roasted peanuts you ever ate. They are fresh every day. Other people say they are good; you had better try them and see for yourself. The pop corn is fine and the butter too. It sure tastes good. Have you tried it yet? Always fresh.—Wm. Demsey, at Burke's old stand.

Mrs. W. W. Goetz is enjoying a visit from her sister-in-law, Mrs. Blake, from McGregor.

Mrs. Van Buskirk went to Cherokee one day last week to see her husband who is at the hospital there. Mr. Van Buskirk is getting along nicely and is expected to return home in a few days.

Every lady in the community is cordially invited to attend the clothing demonstration at the school auditorium Friday afternoon. The high school girls will give a little play in connection with the demonstration.

Some of the merchants in the city have had some very attractive window displays the past week. An attractive window display is a good business asset and add greatly to the appearance of the business street, especially to the stranger.

The Community club will meet on Friday afternoon in the school auditorium. Miss Martha Foster from Ames will be present to give a talk and demonstration on clothing for school children.

Alexander Local News

Mrs. Lillian Seegar visited with relatives at Hampton last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters Jessie and Nellie, and Miss Lillie Cornwell visited at the W. C. Tucker home at Hampton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens and Susie and Ethel Schulte were Sunday visitors at the Dick Van Horn home at Hansell.

Mrs. L. S. Reed and children visited relatives at Belmond the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and children, and Bert Kieslich were at Hampton on Saturday.

Mrs. Kate Kausian of Dumont visited with Alexander relatives the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and children were visiting with friends at Kanawha on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Larsen and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Seegar and daughter were Sunday visitors at Hampton.

Mrs. William Winwood and Miss Mary Winwood were shoppers at Hampton on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hannas Pals are the happy parents of a fine baby boy, born Saturday, Sept. 23.

Carl Greenfield and Fred Greenfield transacted business at Clarion last Friday.

Chas. Winwood was a visitor at Hampton last Sunday.

J. C. Arends and family, Miss Ethel Roulet and Imo Hall were callers at Belmond last Saturday.

Miss Lillie Cornwell of Dows spent Saturday and Sunday visiting at the John Bell home.

The Cemetery society will meet at the home of Mrs. Clarence Smith on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 5th. Hostesses for this meeting are Mrs. Clarence Bohlen, Mrs. Fred Larsen and Mrs. Clarence Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Arends and Mr. returned home Saturday after a visit and Mrs. Carl Bohlen and daughter at the Rev. Arends homes at Hayfield and LeSeaur, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Larsen and two sons and Lewis Bell and family visited at the Lewis Green home near Chapin last Sunday.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. John Murphy next Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and son Billy of Iowa Falls spent Sunday at the Grover Arends home.

Mrs. Clarence Bohlen and two daughters, Bernice and Francis, visited with at Bode several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and family were callers at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Frederick, Miss Bertha Gartz and Bert Barker visited with friends at Rockwell last Sunday.

Arthur Winwood was a caller at Hampton last Friday and Saturday.

Bert Kieslick, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslick and Elmer and Blanche visited at the John Douglas home near Dows last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and baby of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Nels Larsen home.

If you want "Uncle Sam to do it," of course he is going to take your money to do it with.

The rush to the seashore resorts the last summer may be partly caused by the desire to see something that never goes dry.

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Special Sale for This Week

This week we will give 25 PER CENT OFF on all spring, summer and fall Underwear. 20 PER CENT OFF on all Dress Goods, Aprons, and House Dresses. Summer hosiery goes the same way.

Our line of Percales and Ginghams are all new and as cheap as they can be sold.

SALE BEGINS FRIDAY the 15TH AND ENDS SATURDAY the 23RD.

Outing Flannels were bought before the raise. And we will give our friends the benefit of the price. During this sale we will make a reduction of 20 PER CENT on any pair of Shoes in the store!

These reductions are for cash or produce only.

All goods charged are regular price.

Our line of groceries is complete. The Jack Spratt and Opal Brands are the best the market affords. We handle the Town Crier Flour. If it doesn't make as good bread as you ever baked, return the empty sack and get your money back. We want your produce and will always pay the top price, cash or trade.

Oscar Walsh

GENERAL MERCHANDISE
Alexander, Iowa

MESERVEY SECTION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1922

AW, WHAT'S THE USE

By L. F. Van Zelm
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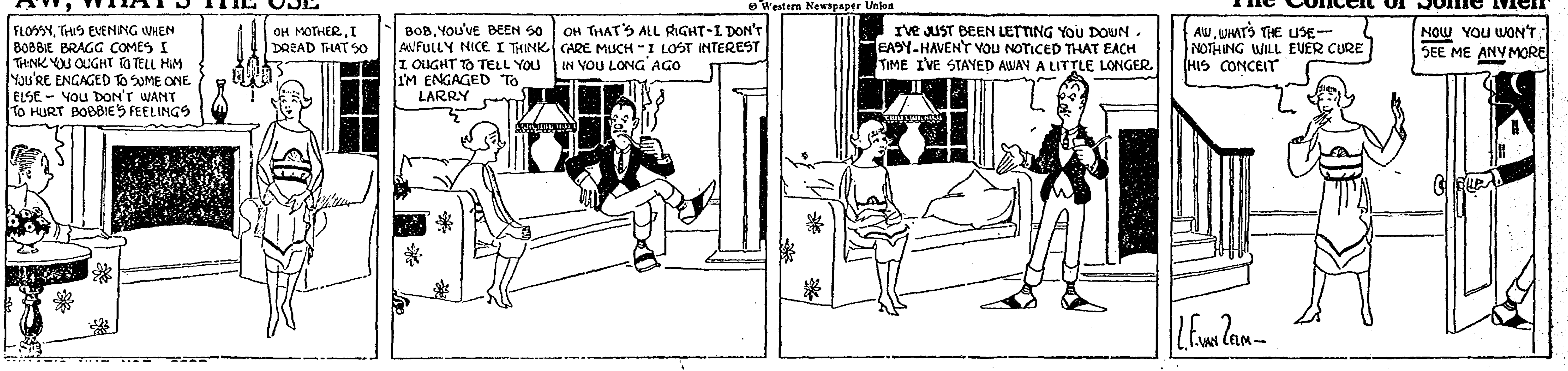
The Conceit of Some Men


FLOSSY, THIS EVENING WHEN BOBBIE BRAGG COMES I THINK YOU OUGHT TO TELL HIM YOU'RE ENGAGED TO SOME ONE ELSE - YOU DON'T WANT TO HURT BOBBIE'S FEELINGS
OH MOTHER, I DREAD THAT SO
BOB, YOU'VE BEEN SO AWFULLY NICE I THINK I OUGHT TO TELL YOU I'M ENGAGED TO LARRY
OH THAT'S ALL RIGHT - I DON'T CARE MUCH - I LOST INTEREST IN YOU LONG AGO
I'VE JUST BEEN LETTING YOU DOWN EASY - HAVEN'T YOU NOTICED THAT EACH TIME I'VE STAYED AWAY A LITTLE LONGER
AW, WHAT'S THE USE— NOTHING WILL EVER CURE HIS CONCEIT
NOW YOU WON'T SEE ME ANYMORE
L. F. VAN ZELM

EDUCATION AND MONEY

What is Education?

Ask a hundred people and you will get a hundred different answers.

But they will all express this thought:

Education is a process of training whereby the powers of an individual are made to function in their highest form of usefulness.

In simpler language this means that education broadens, strengthens, widens—that it enables a person to use in the best way possible whatever power, mental, physical and moral, nature may have given him.

Most young people go to school with no definite idea of what going to school means. They know that to be graduated they must spend so many months, or years in study. They know that they will then receive a certificate or a diploma stating that they have finished their course, but most of them do not know what it means.

Now here are some of the things that the right kind of an education will do for a young person.

First of all it will enable him to evaluate himself—to determine what he is worth in the world and where his powers may be exercised to the best advantage.

Secondly, it qualifies him to take responsibility—to act upon his own initiative—to know what to do and when and how to do it.

In the fourth place, it qualifies him to render a better type of service to humanity than would be possible without an education. It is estimated that about 1per cent of the people of this country have been trained in college, yet almost 85 per cent of the prominent men and women of America are drawn from this 1 per cent. There are many occupations to which entrance is absolutely impossible to the uneducated; as, for instance, the professions, such as engineering, law, medicine, the ministry, teaching, journalism, etc., and and what is true of these professions is, in a large measure,true of certain phases of business.

In the fifth place, an education should prepare a young person to make a living—to make more than a living, for a person who earns only enough to support himself fails to do his share in supporting society.

Some interesting statistics have been compilled to show the money value of a education. For instance, a study of 10,000 men holding jobs in the city of Brooklyn requiring no special education were found to earn an average yearly wage of $657.00 while 1,579 holding places requiring some education beyond the common school, were found to be earning average salaries of $1,597.00.

This difference of $940.00 for a period of forty years, which is the average earning period of the ordinary man, shows an education to be worth $37,600.00. In New York City, statistics were compiled to show that the boy or girl who has been educated beyond the common schools was receiving an amount in excess of that earned by an uneducated boy or girl, that would be represented by the investment of $19,000.00 at 5½ per cent.

Other estimates made in various communities show the value of a day in school to range from $24.00 to $30.00 and from these figures there is but little variation.

Many other interesting facts have been brought out by careful, unbiased surveys. For instance in a certain county it was found that the earnings of the educated farmers was $300.00 a year more than those of the uneducated ones.

In another instance it was found that the wages of uneducated men gradually rose to $510.00 a year and became stationary, while in the same community the average wages, of technically trained men reached $2,150.00.

So an education has a money value—a definite cash-in-hand value that can be enjoyed every day in the year.

It is sometimes argued that the young person who wants to follow business as a profession requires no special education—such a conclusion is utterly foolish. To start with, every man is in business at least to some extent and in order to make the most of his time, his talent and his effort he needs to understand the fundamentals of business.

In the second place, experience, figures, and observation prove beyond question that the educated man in business is a leader, just as the educated man in any other walk of life.

The educated man in business rises rapidly. He is not tossed about at the mercy of circumstances, for he has the power to shape his own course. He is broader, than any position that he may occupy; he is always ready to take an upward step.

The big men in business are all educated. Perhaps not all of them have gone to college, for it is not always necessary to go to college to get an education, but they are trained for their jobs—and that's what education is—trainin for a worth-while job.

Of course there are many uneducated men in business—and generally they are selling soda pop or peanuts, or are holding little positions that require only experience.

Ask any real business man—any man who has succeeded and is a leader—whether a business education pays and you will always get an enthusiastic "yes!"

And by the way. one big factor in business success is that wonderful quality known as leadership. The successful business man is an executive, he knows how to think, to plan, to operate. He knows how to make other men work for him; he knows the laws of business—the laws of cause and effect in merchandising, in banking, in manufacturing. He understands the basic things of political economy, of business organization, and of management.

The business man of today must constantly meet keen and exceedingly intelligent competition, for there more trained minds in business than ever before in the world's history.

Now these are facts, hard, indisputable facts.

Every mature person knows these are facts.

But boys and girls do not understand—they cannot be expected to understand because only experience gives us real understanding.

But if everybody were educated, who would do the hard, irksome tasks of life? Who would be the drudges and slaves that seem to be necessary to make up a world like this?

And besides what premium would be placed upon initiative, and hard work and sacrifices? But the fact we face is that there are too many drudges and slaves—and not enough educated men and women. Today the most pronounced call in all departments of our industrial and business life is for more boys and girls who can be made to appreciate, at the right time, the fact that going to school is the most important thing in the world—for them.

Young friend, you want to get thru life comfortably, honorably, and fairly easy. You can't do it without an education. Nobody ever has.

Stay in school. Learn everything you possibly can—you'll need it. Finish your high school course then go to college, university or technical school.

Write it upon your very soul—you must have an education if you are to amount to anything in the world. —Exchange.

THE STRIKE IS LOST

The suggestion of the Vindicator and Republican that the striking shop men go back to work was made in good faith and for what this paper considered was the best interests of those who desired to retain their jobs. It was made in the interest of the shopmen, as well as in the interests of the public and the railroad organizations. It was not taken in a kindly spirit by some of the more radical employees, but by most of them it was believed good advice, and now that the strike is practically lost it is known to a certainty that what this paper has said all along was correct. From the very start we have felt that the strike was too hasty, and could have been avoided if there had been a cool and considerate leader at the head of the shopcraft organization. Not only would there not have been a strike, but a settlement could have had made that would have been much more satisfactory to the union men than were the terms which they afterwards were willing to acept, after it was too late. The whole affair was very unfortunate, not only for the union men but for the entire country, and this paper is of the opinion that it was nothing less than criminal for a so-called labor general to lead an army of 400,000 working men out of employment into a wage battle without first being practically sure that there was no chance for a Waterloo. —Estherville Vindicator and Republican.

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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nissen and daughter Lucile of Belmond were Sunday visitors at the Muller home.

Dr. Agler and Roy Gaetzke motored to Marathon last week for a few days' visit at the home of the doctor's father. They returned home last Wednesday, accompanied by Mrs. Gardner, a sister of the doctor, whose home is in Kansas. She remained here for a few days' visit.

The Klemme H. S. ball team will cross bats with the Meservey H. S. boys at this place Friday p. m. Sep. 29. The game will be played in Brater's pasture. All come, if you want to see a fast game.

Miss Bertha Hartwig is still critically ill with typhoid. Two nurses are caring for her and everything is being done that human hands can do.

Louie Foss is reported quite ill at his home. Gar Raecker has charge of the oil station until he recovers.

Carl Quandt and A. J. Nissen returned Sunday evening from their South Dakota hunting trip. A number had duck dinners Sunday, the result of parcel post shipments from De Smet, S. D., where they were located. They report a fine trip, an account of which appears elsewhere in this issue.

FOR SALE

Big Type Poland China male hogs. March farrowed. Priced to suit farmers. 4 miles north of Meservey.—G. Lauster. 45tfc

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Otto C. Schmidt and family of Barnum, Dan Kuster and family of Mooreland, and Mrs. J. F. Kuster and daughter Miss Luvina of Ft. Dodge, were guests at the J. Wickersheim home last Saturday and Sunday.

L. B. Hulsebus was a Mason City visitor Monday, having dental work done.

Grand Champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victory Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City Fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen, Meservey, Iowa. 45tfc

Jake Henn and family of near Belmond visited at the home of Mrs. Aug. Prelipp Sunday.

Mr. Geo. Heitland of Chapin was a caller here last Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gar Raecker and daughter visited friends at Britt on Sunday afternoon. They were accompanied by Rev. H. Raecker who is visiting at their home for a few days.

The Misses Haberly and Messrs. Fred Haberly and Earl Reid of Cresco visited with Miss Anderson, Saturday and Sunday. They were on their way to Ames where they will attend college the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fulton and baby of Belmond visited with Mrs. Brater Sunday afternoon.

Mesdames Frank Nissen and Will Hartfelder were Mason City shoppers last Thursday.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Gar Raecker for the regular monthly meeting next Wednesday, from 2 to 4 p. m. All are urged to be present.

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THE DUCK HUNTERS' STORY

Two local hunters, one a veteran and the other a tenderfoot, returned from Lake Thompson, S. D., where they had been in quest of ducks.

We cannot vouch for their statements, but will give them as they were given to us by the "tenderfoot."

Lake Thompson is 316 miles to the northwest and covers about 14,000 acres. The water is quite shallow, the deepest being about four feet, but the general average is two feet. Several thousand acres are covered with very light rushes and the balance with medium to heavy rushes and canebreak, some being eight feet high. It was almost impossible to find the game in these heavy rushes after they were killed, so a path was made and the dead ducks were supposed to drop into this path and the shots were made with this in mind.

The lake is so large and all shore objects look alike after dark, so warning was given to be near the shore at dusk as many a hunter has been lost, and was compelled to spend the night in his boat.

We were unable to get a definite statement of game brought down. The tenderfoot claims to have shot the first two mallards, and stated that his gun became so hot that it had to be dipped in the lake to keep it cool.

The veteran, being a heavy eater, did his best shooting right after a big meal. One morning he shot ten ducks straight, without a miss. The next morning the 14th shot was the first to miss the mark. The ducks were very plentiful and had there been more it would not have been sport, altho some of the sport was taken out of the trip when two have 40 ducks to pick and clean after 7 p. m., cook the meals, wash the dishes, besides other kitchen duties which the good wife usually performs. (Take a tip: take her along the next time.)

The people of the newer countries are much more obliging than they are in the older settled districts. Much plowing remains to be done as they have not had a rain since July 5th. The corn crop is a failure, but potatoes are fair and retail for 60 cents at the stores.

They were also effected with the land boom, but in addition many went in for fancy Hereford cattle which are now selling low, compared with what they cost two years ago.

We had excellent roads with the exception of a short stretch of new grading and new gravel, the poorest were from Ventura home.

The corn crop was frozen in places and thin in others, and will not average up as well as ours here at home.

We had a good time and do not regret our trip, but have never slept in a bed that seemed as good as the one at home. And then, too, the coffee tasted very good at the breakfast next morning; possibly the Dakota water will not make good coffee.

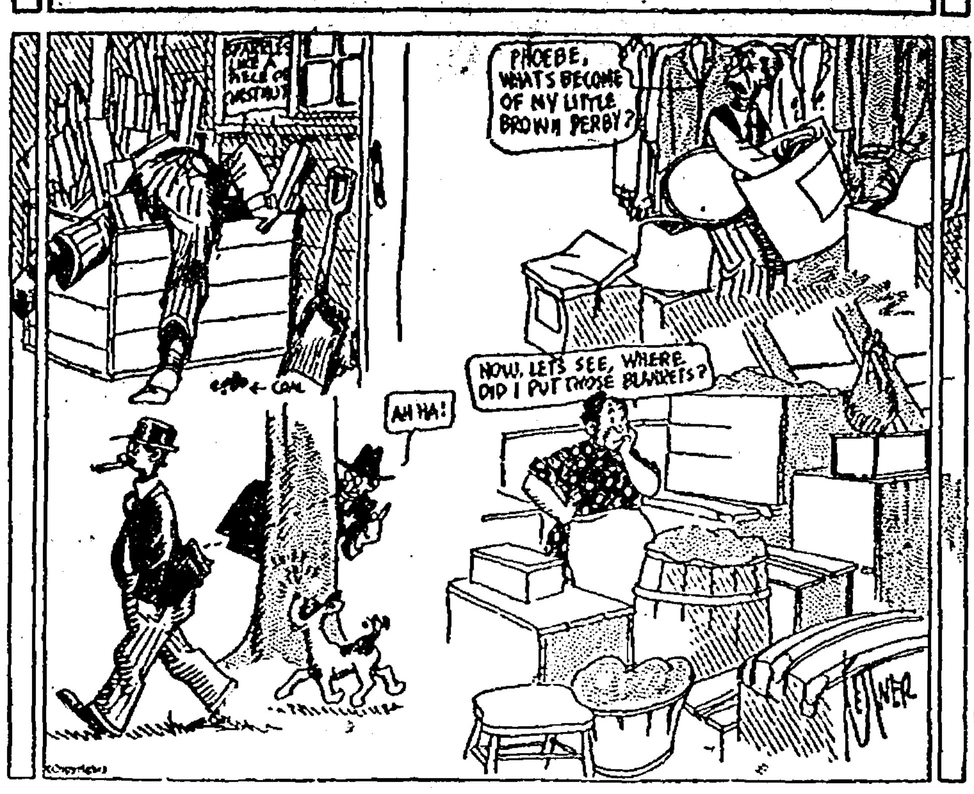
EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.
The weekly services will be the same as usual.
Rev. H. J. Faust, coming Friday, Sept. 29th, for quarterly Conference.
Communion services Sunday.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
Rev. H. Pannkuk, Pastr.

Hunting Season Opens


PHOEBE, WHAT'S BECOME OF MY LITTLE BROWN DERBY?
COAL
AH HA!
NOW, LETS SEE, WHERE DID I PUT THOSE BLANKETS?

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Fischer and Mr. and Mrs. H. Deerman of Mason City visited at the Simon Fischer home on Sunday.

Harry T. Smith departed Sunday morning for Maryland, where he will visit his mother, making the trip in his car.

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Miss Ona Ulrick left Monday for Ames where she will continue her school work at Iowa State college.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals were Belmond callers Monday.

Mrs. Inez Kinney of Mason City, who was to have met with the W. C. T. U. Wednesday afternoon at 3:30, was called to Missouri, Monday, thus making it impossible for her to keep her appointment here as had been announced. We regret this very much but trust we may be able to hear her on some later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heiland and daughter Arelene returned last Wednesday from Shell Rock, where they spent several days' visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Butz, accompanied by Irvin Nissen, were Belmond business callers last Tuesday.

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The Pollyanna class entertained the S. O. S. boys last Monday evening in the Evang. church parlors. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches and olives ice cream and cake were served and a pleasant time is reported.

Miss Wilhelmina Loats spent Sunday at the home of her parents.

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ROWAN NEWS

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Minister, Rev. Chas. T. Halbert

Public worship 11 a. m.

Sunday school 12 m.

Beginning with next Sunday' the Christian Endeavor society will meet at 6:30 and the evening services will be at 7:30. The morning services will be the regular quarterly Communion services with reception of members. Let all the members be present at this service.

Rev. Halbert was at Cornelia on Thursday evening assisting Rev. Wm. Hardcastle of Iowa Falls in organizing a church at that place.

The Christian Endeavor will hold a bake sale Saturday afternoon at the Whitten store.

The Ladies Aid society held a business meeting Tuesday at the Fred Brooks home.

Under the joint auspices of the American Legion and the Auxiliary the picture "Behold My Wife," was put on in the Brooks hall last Saturday and Saturday. The picture was well patronized particularly on Saturday.

The high school staff held their first get-together meeting last Friday when te auditorium was packed to the doors. The purpose of these gatherings is to create the spirit of companionship between the parents scholars and the school staff.

The tennis stars in town are finishing up their tournament this week. At the close the medals will be presented.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon were guests at a wedding in Humboldt last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sheldon were visitors in Des Moines last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Pelley and Mr. and Mrs. Will Reitz were Mason City callers this week.

The chicken supper served by the ladies of the M. E. church last week was a splendid success, there being friends from Clarion, Lincoln, Harvey and other places present. All present enjoyed the fellowship of the hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooley of Lincoln and Mr. and Mrs. Haney of Winerset were present at the Methodist church last Sunday. There is hardly a Sunday but what visitors are present in the M. E. church. A hearty welcome is always extended by the friends.

Rowan Methodist Church

The services for next Sunday are as follows:

Public worship at 11 a. m.

Epworth League at 7 p. m.

Evensong at 8 p. m.

This will be the last Sunday of the Conference year, so let us all be there. The subjects to be considered will be "Vision, Voice and Vocation," and in the evening "No Evil of Cheapness." There was a large and enthusiastic congregation last Sunday.

The Northwest Iowa Conference will convene at Fort Dodge on Tuesday, Oct. 3, and will continue until Oct. 10. A splendid program has been arranged.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mr. and Mrs. William Moellering were Belmond visitors Monday.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver is suffering from an infected foot.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden were Dows callers Monday, where Ora had an abcess in his mouth lanced.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Berger are driving a new Ford runabout since the latter part of the week.

Word received from Clarence Williams of Washington, D. C., a former Rowan boy, states that he has been promoted to the position of confidential secretary to the Chief Inspector of the Post Office Department of the United States. We congraulate Clarence on his advancement and wish him much success.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Olsen and baby of Pueblo, Colo., are visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olsen, and other relatives at this place.

Mrs. Morris Sullivan who has been visiting at the home of her parents the past week returned to her home in Ft. Dodge, Wednesday.

Miss Blanche Miller of Clarion spent a few days the past week with her sister, Mrs. Guy Stumph.

Harry Harris and Donald McCallum left for Iowa City the past week where they will attend the State University the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Stout have rented the tenant house of Mrs. Georgia Rowen which was vacated this last week by Mr. and Mrs. Willard McCallum who have moved to the Fred Kercheval place.

Garnet and Bernard Stumph went to Belmond, Saturday afternoon to have some dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Emerson, Mrs. Roy Hyde and daughter May motored to Waterloo Saturday to visit with friends.

Miss Mildred Azeltine left last week for Ames where she will attend college this year.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stevenson motored to Thornton on Sunday to visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Bert Harris and family.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mathiason last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keith and family spent Sunday at Renwick at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Clowes and family.

Miss Mabel Azeltine returned to her home at Clarion, Saturday, where she had been caring for Mrs. Eyler. She expects to go to Des Moines the latter part of this week where she will take up hospital work at the M. E. hospital where she took her training.

Walter Allen of Bruce, S. D., spent part of last week with relatives here and with his children at the Tom Ross home.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten, Miss Angie Baines and Wm. Baines motored to Arnott, S. D., last week to visit at the home of Mrs. G. C. Tutin who is a sister of Mrs. Whitten and Mrs. Baines.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred French and daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Minehart of Hopkinton, spent a few days at the D. A. French home.

F. M. Myers is having his residence repainted this week, Nels Hansen doing the work.

Mrs. A. E. Emerson is on the sick list the latter part of the week.

Mrs. George Whitten and daughter Miss Vinnie went to Rochester Tuesday, where Mrs. Whitten will have a thoro medical examination and submit to an operation if necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCallum and daughter Laura were at Clarion Saturday to visit at the Glen Jennings home.

Mrs. Ray Azeltine and children were Dows shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Berger were Hampton calles Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box and family of Clarion visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knolls of Kanawha spent Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs Edith Harson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Baines and son of Dows spent Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Amos Cowley and family.

Mrs. Harold Tomkinson was on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks.

Dallas Conn, who has been visiting relatives here for the past few weeks left for New York City where he will enter Columbia University. He has a year's leave of absence from the company at Tulsa, Okla., where he has been working the past few years, and when thru his course at the university expects to take a position in Philadelphia with the same company.

Mrs. Al Woods was on the sick list the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Hansen of Ellsworth are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Albin Anderson.

L. D. Bingham was a Dows caller Thursday.

Nels Hansen has been enjoying a visit from a nephew from Council Bluffs the past week.

Mr. Dayton came the last of the week to visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. A. French. He is going on to Clinton to visit a son.

Word was received last Wednesday of the death of John Brinkman at his home in Long Beach. The body arrived in Rowan Monday of this week for burial in the Graceland cemetery Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Binkman was a resident in and around Rowan for a number of years and here is where his family was raised. He has a host of friends who mourn his death. Further notices will be given next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jurden Brinkman and John Brinkman, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carpenter came Saturday from Mankato, Minn., to attend the funeral of their father. Mr. Martin Brinkman of Klemme was also in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Brooks and family were visiting relatives in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Will Bingham was on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Bingham's cousin, Mr. Tom Brooks and family, at Belmond.

Mrs. Andy Sorenson, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Whitten, the past week, returned to her home at Ft. Dodge, Saturday. Her children who have been visiting their grandparents the past five weeks returned with her,

Mrs. J. F. Howell was a Dows caller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Foler and L. D. Bingham were Dows calers on Friday.

A. J. Azeltine went to Cedar Falls last week to visit for a short time.

The Young Ladies Mission Study club met last Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kercheval. A large crowd attended this meeting. Miss Stella Emerson was leader and a very interesting lesson was enjoyed. This was mite box opening night and the boxes contained a liberal offering. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Wm. Tresidder has been quite ill the past week.

Miss Frances Farren is assisting in the post office during the vacation of the postmistress, Mrs. Roy Hyde.

Miss Stella Emerson is attending the switch board at the telephone exchange while Miss Angie Baines is on her vacation.

Mrs. Tom Whitten spent Sunday in Dows at the home of her sister, Mrs. Erickson.

Rev. and Mrs. Halbert attended the funeral of the late Mr. Axen of Galt, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowley Miles, Miss Winnie Baldwin and Mrs. H. Thompson and daughter Helen of Mont Rose S. D. spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hadley.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French of this place, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller of Clarion met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair at Clarion, Monday, in honor of Mr. Sinclair's birthday. They report a very pleasant evening.

The American Legion Auxiliary met Monday evening for their business meeting at the home of Mrs. O. F. Braden, while the boys held their business meeting at the hall. A good crowd attended each meeting. The two societies met at the hall after the business meetings and enjoyed a social evening. Refreshments were served. Guy Toyne furnished water melons in additton to the lunch furnished by the ladies, which were enjoyed very much.

Harry Cate of Anita was elected national vice president of the National League of Postmasters in session at San Francisco. Mrs. Cate will be remembered by Rowan friends as Miss Emma Ballou.

The younger son of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Phylis is quite ill.

TEST ASSOCIATIONS PROGRESS

Since the organization of the first cow testing assocation in Iowa in 1909 considerable improvement in the herds of the state has been made. According to the extension service at Iowa State College the testing of cows has increased the production of many herds until it is double that of the ordinary herds of the state.

While the production has thus been increased, the cost of production has been lowered and a greater return has been given to the owner of the herd.

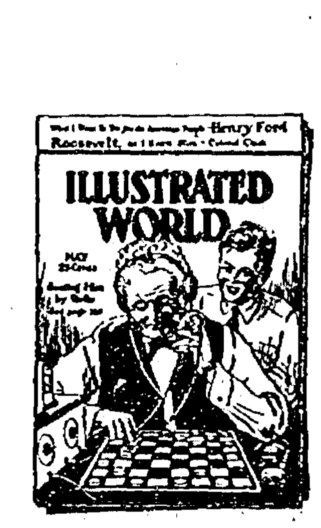
Members of the cow testing associations have been given instruction as to the better methods of feeding, selecting cows and of grading up their herds so that the state has a much higher class of dairy cattle than before.

Cow testing associations have been maintained at a cost so low as to be less than the loss incurred in a previous year due to one poor cow kept in the herds.

LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

Spencer News-Herald: All this talk about whether prohibition is a success or a failure goes wide of the mark, largely. Prohibition might be the most dismal failure on earth, veiwed under the present conditions, but that it will be a grand and glorious success when our babies grow up there can be no doubt. It is true that the present generation, used to its booze and its beer, is going after the hooch and the moonshine, and bootleggers now drive better cars than bankers, but just the same it is a little harder to get all the time, and as the next generation comes on there won't be the temptation to learn the drink habit that there was when we were boys, and so prohibition will be a grand success in the long run, if it is not already. It is not the present generation we want to reform. It's the boys and girls of the future we are interested in.

Young men are admonished not to waste their money on good times, yet when they are old, those good times are their cherished memories.



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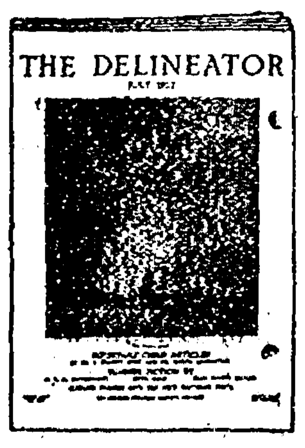

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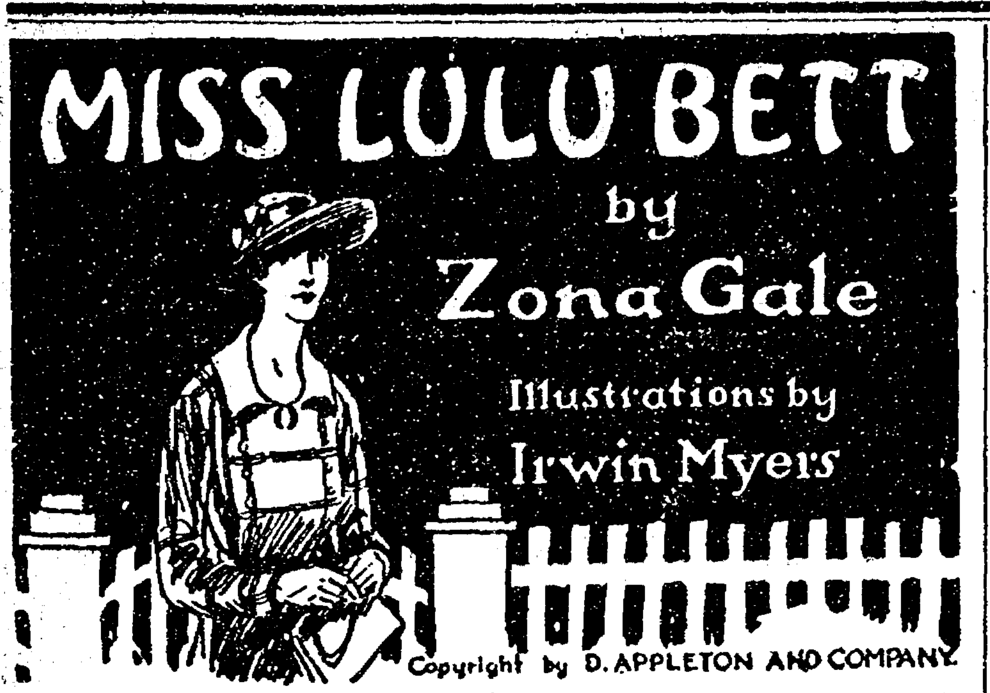

MISS LULU BETT

by

Zona Gale

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Lulu was thinking: "What shall I say? I don't know what to say. I don't know what I can say." Now she also rose, and laughed awkwardly. "I've told Di," she said to Bobby, "that wherever you two go, I'm going too. Di's folks left her in my care, you know. So you'll have to take me along, I guess." She spoke in a manner of distinct apology.

At this Bobby had no idea what to reply. He looked down miserably at the carpet. His whole manner was a mute testimony to his participation in the eternal query: How did I get into it?

"Bobby," said Di, "are you going to let her lead you home?"

This of course nettled him, but not in the manner on which Di had counted. He said loudly:

"I'm not going to Bainbridge or Holt or any town and lie, to get you or any other girl."

"Come on, Aunt Lulu," said Di grandly.

Bobby led the way through the lobby, Di followed, and Lulu brought up the rear. She walked awkwardly, eyes down, her hands stiffly held. Heads turned to look at her. They passed into the street.

"You two go ahead," said Lulu, "so they won't think—"

They did so, and she followed, and did not know where to look, and thought of her broken shoes.

At the station, Bobby put them on the train and stepped back. He had, he said, something to see to there in Millton. Di did not look at him. And Lulu's good-by spoke her genuine regret for all.

"Aunt Lulu," said Di, "you needn't think I'm going to sit with you. You look as if you were crazy. I'll sit back here."

"All right, Di," said Lulu humbly.

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It was nearly six o'clock when they arrived at the Deacons'. Mrs. Bett stood on the porch, her hands rolled in her apron.

"Surprise for you!" she called brightly.

Before they had reached the door, Ina bounded from the hall.

"Darling!"

She seized upon Di, kissed her loudly, drew back from her, saw the traveling bag.

"My new bag!" she cried. "Di! What have you got that for?"

In any embarrassment Di's instinctive defense was hearty laughter. She now laughed heartily, kissed her mother again, and ran up the stairs.

Lulu slipped by her sister, and into the kitchen.

Dwight had come home. Lulu could hear Ina pouring out to him the mysterious circumstance of the bag, could hear the exaggerated air of the casual with which he always received the excitement of another, and especially of his Ina. Then she heard Ina's feet padding up the stairs, and after that Di's shrill, nervous laughter. Lulu felt a pang of pity for Di, as if she herself were about to face them.

There was not time both to prepare supper and to change the blue cotton dress. In that dress Lulu was pouring water when Dwight entered the dining room.

"Ah!" said he. "Our festive ball gown."

She gave him her hand, with her peculiar sweetness of expression—almost as if she were sorry for him or were bidding him good-by.

"That shows who you dress for!" he cried. "You dress for me. Ina, aren't you jealous? Lulu dresses for me!"

Ina had come in with Di, and both were excited, and Ina's head was moving stiffly, as in all her indignations. Mrs. Bett had thought better of it and had given her presence. Already Monona was singing.

But no one noticed Monona, and Ina did not defer even to Dwight. She, who measured delicate, troy occasions by avoirdupois, said brightly:

"No, Di. You must tell us all about it. Where had you and Aunt Lulu been with mamma's new bag?"

"Ina," said Lulu, "first can't we hear something about your visit? How is—"

Her eyes consulted Dwight. His features dropped, the lines of his face dropped, its muscles seemed to sag. A look of suffering was in his eyes.

"She'll never be any better," he said. "I know we've said good-by to her for the last time."

"Oh, Dwight!" said Lulu.

"She knew it, too," he said. "It—it put me out of business, I can tell you. She gave me my start—she took all the care of me—taught me to read—she's the only mother I ever knew—" He stopped, and opened his eyes wide on account of their dimness.

But eventually they were back again before that new black bag. And Di would say nothing. She laughed, squirmed, grew irritable, laughed again.

"Put an end to this, Lulu," he commanded. "Where were you two—since you make such a mystery?"

Di's look at Lulu was piteous, terrified. Di's fear of her father was now clear to Lulu. And Lulu feared him, too. Abruptly she heard herself temporizing, for the moment making common cause with Di.

"Oh," she said, "we have a little secret. Can't we have a secret if we want one?"

"Upon my word," Dwight commented, "she has a beautiful secret. I don't know about your secrets, Lulu."

Every time that he did this, that fleet, lifted look of Lulu's seemed to bleed.

"I'm glad for my dinner," remarked Monona at last. "Please excuse me." On that they all rose. Lulu stayed in the kitchen and did her best to make her tasks indefinitely last. She had nearly finished when Di burst in.

"Aunt Lulu, Aunt Lulu!" she cried. "Come in there—come. I can't stand it. What am I going to do?"

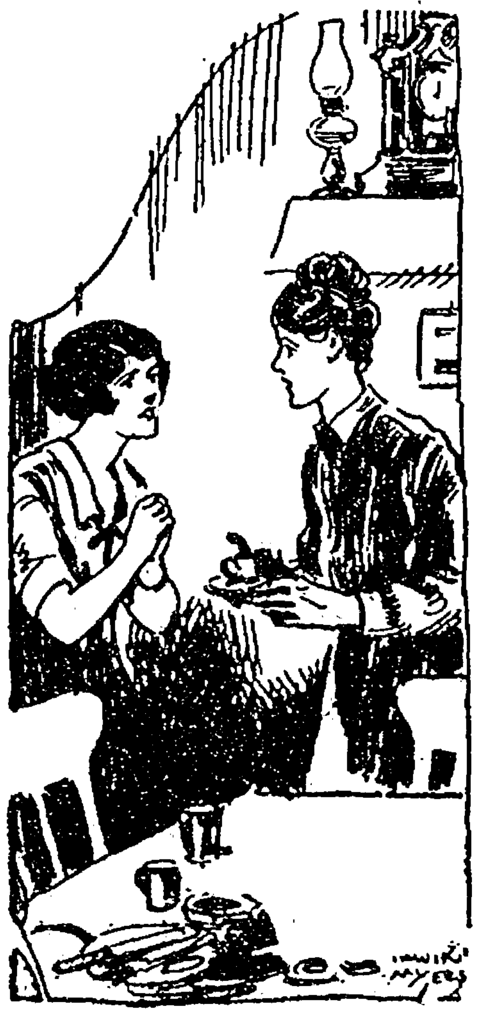
"Di, dear," said Lulu. "Tell your mother—you must tell her."

"She'll cry," Di sobbed. "Then she'll tell papa—and he'll never stop talking about it. I know him—every day he'll keep it going. After he scolds me it'll be a joke for months. I'll die—I'll die, Aunt Lulu."

Ina's voice sounded in the kitchen. "What are you two whispering about? I declare, mamma's hurt, Di, at the way you're acting . . ."

"Let's go out on the porch," said Lulu, and when Di would have escaped, Ina drew her with them.

It was a warm dusk, moonless, windless. The sounds of the village street came in—laughter, a touch at a piano, a chiming clock. Lights starred and quickened in the blurred houses. Footsteps echoed on the board walks. The gate opened. The gloom yielded up Cornish.



"Di, Dear," Said Lulu. "Tell Your Mother—You Must Tell Her."

Lulu was inordinately glad to see him. To have the strain of the time broken by him was like hearing, on a lonely winter wakening, the clock strike reassuring dawn.

Cornish, in his gentle way, asked about the journey, about the sick woman—and Dwight talked of her again, and this time his voice broke. Di was curiously silent. When Cornish addressed her, she replied simply and directly—the rarest of Di's manners—in fact, not Di's manner at all. Lulu spoke not at all—it was enough to have this respite.

After a little the gate opened again. It was Bobby. In the besetting fear that he was leaving Di to face something alone, Bobby had arrived.

And now Di's spirits rose. To her his presence meant repentance, recapitulation. Her laugh rang out, her replies came archly. But Bobby was plainly not playing up. Bobby was, in fact, hardly less than glum. It was Dwight, the irrepressible fellow, who kept the talk going.

"Mamma!" Monona shouted from her room. "Come and hear me say my prayers!"

Monona entered this request with precision on Ina's nastiest moments, but she always rose, unabashed, and went, motherly and dutiful, to hear devotions, as if that function and the process of living ran their two divided channels.

She had dispatched this errand and was returning when Mrs. Bett crossed the lawn from Grandma Gates', where the old lady had taken comfort in Mrs. Bett's ministrations for an hour.

"Don't you help me," Mrs. Bett warned them away sharply. "I guess I can help myself yet awhile."

She gained her chair. And still in her momentary rule of attention, she said clearly:

"I got a joke. Grandma Gates says it's all over town Di and Bobby Larkin eloped off together today. He!" The last was a single note of laughter, high and brief.

The silence fell.

"What nonsense!" Dwight Herbert said angrily.

But Ina said tensely: "Is it nonsense? Haven't I been trying and trying to find out where the black satchel went? Di!"

Di's laughter rose, but it sounded thin and false.

"Listen to that, Bobby," she said. "Listen!"

"That won't do, Di," said Ina. "You can't deceive mamma and don't you try!" Her voice trembled, she was frantic with loving and authentic anxiety, but she was without power, she overshadowed the real gravity of the moment by her indignation.

"Mrs. Deacon—" began Bobby, and stood up, very straight and manly before them all.

But Dwight intervened, Dwight, the father, the master of his house. Here was something requiring him to act. So the father set his face like a mask and brought down his hand on the rail of the porch. It was as if the sound shattered a thousand filaments—where?

"Diana!" his voice was terrible, demanded a response, ravened among them.

"Yes, papa," said Di, very small.

"Answer your mother. Answer me. Is there anything to this absurd tale?"

"No, papa," said Di, trembling.

"Nothing whatever?"

"Nothing whatever."

"Can you imagine how such a ridiculous report started?"

"No, papa."

"Very well. Now we know where we are. If anyone hears this report repeated, send them to me."

"Well, but that satchel—" said Ina, to whom an idea manifested less as a function than as a leech.

"One moment," said Dwight. "Lulu will of course verify what the child has said."

"If you cannot settle this with Di," said Lulu, "you cannot settle it with me."

"A shifty answer," said Dwight. "You have a genius at misrepresenting facts, you know, Lulu."

"Bobby wanted to say something," said Ina, still troubled.

"No, Mrs. Deacon," said Bobby, low. "I have nothing—more to say."

In a little while, when Bobby went away, Di walked with him to the gate. It was as if, the worst having happened to her, she dared everything now.

"Bobby," she said, "you hate a lie. But what else could I do?"

He could not see her, could see only the little moon of her face, blurring.

"And anyhow," said Di, "it wasn't a lie. We didn't elope, did we?"

"What do you think I came for tonight?" asked Bobby.

The day had aged him; he spoke like a man. His very voice came gruffly. But she saw nothing, softened to him, yielded, was ready to take his regret that they had not gone on.

"Well, I came for one thing," said Bobby, "to tell you that I couldn't stand for your wanting me to lie today. Why, Di—I hate a lie. And now tonight—" He spoke his code almost beautifully. "I'd rather," he said, "they had never let us see each other than to lose you the way I've lost you now."

"Bobby!"

"It's true. We mustn't talk about it."

"Bobby! I'll go back and tell them all."

"You can't go back," said Bobby. "Not out of a thing like that."

She stood staring after him. She heard some one coming and she turned toward the house, and met Cornish leaving.

"Miss Di," he cried, "if you're going to elope with anybody, remember it's with me!"

Her defense was ready—her laughter rang out so that the departing Bobby might hear.

When Di had gone upstairs, Ina said to Lulu in a manner of cajoling confidence:

"Sister,"—she rarely called her that—"why did you and Di have the black bag?"

So that after all it was a relief to Lulu to hear Dwight ask casually:

"By the way, Lulu, haven't I got some mail somewhere about?"

"There are two letters on the parlor table," Lulu answered. To Ina she added: "Let's go in the parlor."

Dwight lighted the gas. "Better turn down the gas jest a little," said he, tirelessly.

Lulu handed him the two letters. He saw Ninian's writing and looked up, said "A-ha!" and held it while he leisurely read the advertisement of dental furniture, his Ina reading over his shoulder. "A-ha!" he said again, and with designed deliberation turned to Ninian's letter. "An epistle from my dear brother Ninian." The words failed, as he saw the unsealed flap.

"You opened the letter?" he inquired incredulously. Fortunately he had no climaxes of furious calm for high occasions. All had been used on small occasions. "You opened the letter" came in a tone of no deeper horror than "You picked the flower"—once put to Lulu.

She said nothing. As it is impossible to continue looking indignantly at some one who is not looking at you, Dwight turned to Ina, who was horror and sympathy, a nice half and half.

"Your sister has been opening my mail," he said.

"But, Dwight, if it's from Ninian ——"

"It is my mail," he reminded her. "She had asked me if she might open it. Of course I told her no."

"Well," said Ina practically, "what does he say?"

"I shall open the letter in my own time. My present concern is this disregard of my wishes. Why did you do it?"

Lulu smiled faintly and shook her head.

"Dwight," said Ina, reasonably, "she knows what's in it and we don't. Hurry up."

"She is," said Dwight, after a pause, "an ungrateful woman."

He opened the letter, saw the clipping, the avowal, with its facts.

"A-ha!" said he. "So after having been absent with my brother for a month, you find that you were not married to him."

Lulu spoke her exceeding triumph. "You see, Dwight," she said, "he told the truth. He had another wife. He didn't just leave me."

Dwight instantly cried: "But this seems to me to make you considerably worse off than if he had."

"Oh, no," Lulu said serenely. "No. Why," she said, "you know how it all came about. He—he was used to thinking of his wife as dead. If he hadn't—hadn't liked me, he wouldn't have told me. You see that, don't you?"

Dwight laughed. "That your apology?" he asked.

She said nothing.

"Look here, Lulu," he went on, "this is a bad business. The less you say about it the better, for all our sakes—you see that, don't you?"

"I want the people to know the truth," Lulu said.

"But it's nobody's business but our business! I take it you don't intend to sue Ninian?"

"Sue him? Oh no!"

"Then, for all our sakes, let's drop the matter. Tell you, Lulu, here are three of us. Our interests are the same in this thing—only Ninian is our relative and he's nothing to you now. Is he?"

"Why, no," said Lulu in surprise.

"Very well. Let's have a vote. Your snap judgment is to tell this disgraceful fact broadcast. Mine is, least said, soonest mended. What do you say, Ina—considering Di and all?"

"My poor, poor sister!" Ina said. She struck together her little plump hands. "Oh, Dwight—when I think of it: What have I done—what have we done that I should have a good, kind, loving husband—be so protected, so loved, when other women. . . . Darling!" she sobbed, and drew near to Lulu. "You know how sorry I am—we all are. . . ."

Lulu stood up. Her white shawl slipped to the floor. Her hands were stiffly joined.

"Then," she said, "give me the only thing I've got—that's my pride. My pride—that he didn't want to get rid of me."

They stared at her. "What about my pride?" Dwight called to her, as across great distances. "Do you think I want everybody to know my brother did a thing like that?"

"You can't help that," said Lulu.

"But I want you to help it. I want you to promise me that you won't shame us like this before all our friends."

"You want me to promise what?"

"I want you—I ask you," Dwight said with an effort, "to promise me that you will keep this, with us—a family secret."

"No!" Lulu cried. "No. I won't do it! I won't do it! I won't do it!"

It was like some crude chant, knowing only two tones. She threw out her hands, her wrists long and dark on her blue skirt.

"Can't you understand anything?" she asked. "I've lived here all my life—on your money. I've not been strong enough to work, they say—well, but I've been strong enough to be a hired girl in your house—and I've been glad to pay for my keep. . . . Well, then I got a little something, same as other folks. I thought I was married and I went off on the train and he bought me things and I saw the different towns. And then it was all a mistake. I didn't have any of it. I came back here and went into your kitchen again—I don't know why I came back. I s'pose because I'm most thirty-four and new things ain't so easy any more—but what have I got or what'll I ever have? And now you want to put on to me having folks look at me and think he run off and left me, and having 'em all wonder. . . . I can't stand it. I can't stand it. I can't. . . ."

"You'd rather they'd know he fooled you, when he had another wife?" Dwight sneered.

"Yes! Because he wanted me. How do I know—maybe he wanted me only just because he was lonesome, the way I was. I don't care why! And I won't have folks think he went and left me."

"When a family once gets talked about for any reason——" said Ina and shuddered.

"I'm talked about now!"

"But nothing that you could help. If he got tired of you, you couldn't help that." This misstep was Dwight's.

"No," Lulu said, "I couldn't help that. And I couldn't help his other wife, either."

"Bigamy," said Dwight, "that's a crime."

"I've done no crime," said Lulu.

"Bigamy," said Dwight, "disgraces everybody it touches."

"Even Di," Lulu said.

"Lulu," said Dwight, "on Di's account will you promise us to let this thing rest with us three?"

"I s'pose so," said Lulu quietly.

"You will?"

"I s'pose so."

Ina sobbed: "Thank you, thank you, Lulu. This makes up for everything."

"You'll be happy to think you've done this for us, Lulu," said Dwight.

"I s'pose so," said Lulu.

Ina, pink from her little gust of sobbing, went to her, kissed her, her trim tan tailor suit against Lulu's blue cotton.

"My sweet, self-sacrificing sister," she murmured.

"Oh, stop that!" Lulu said.

Dwight took her hand, lying limply in his. "I can now," he said, "overlook the matter of the letter."

Lulu drew back. She put her hair behind her ears, swallowed, and cried out.

"Don't you go around pitying me! I'll have you know I'm glad the whole thing happened!"

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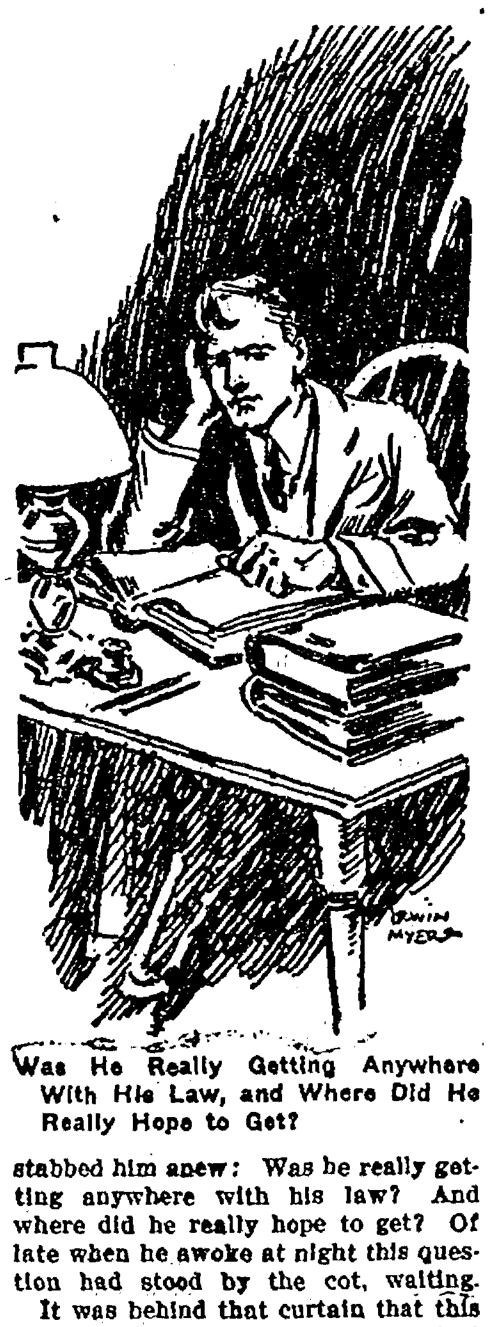
It was not yet nine o'clock of a vivid morning. Cornish had his floor and sidewalk sprinkled, his red and blue plush piano spreads dusted. He sat at a folding table well back in the store, and opened a law book.

For half an hour he read. Then he found himself looking off the page, stabbed by a reflection which always stabbed him anew: Was he really getting anywhere with his law? And where did he really hope to get? Of late when he awoke at night this question had stood by the cot, waiting.



Was He Really Getting Anywhere With His Law, and Where Did He Really Hope to Get?

It was behind that curtain that this unreasoning question usually attacked him, when his giant, wavering shadow had died upon the wall and the faint smell of the extinguished lamp went with him to his bed; or when he waked before any sign of dawn. In the mornings all was cheerful and wonted—the question had not before attacked him among his red and blue plush spreads, his golden oak and ebony cases, of a sunshiny morning.

A step at his door set him flying. He wanted passionately to sell a piano.

"Well!" he cried, when he saw his visitor.

It was Lulu, in her dark red suit and her tilted hat.

"You're out early," said he, participating in the village chorus of this bright challenge at this hour.

"Oh, no," said Lulu.

He looked out the window, pretending to be caught by something passing, leaned to see it the better.

"Oh, how'd you get along last night?" he asked, and wondered why he had not thought to say it before.

"All right, thank you," said Lulu.

"Was he—about the letter, you know?"

"Yes," she said, "but that didn't matter. You'll be sure," she added, "not to say anything about what was in the letter?"

"Why, not till you tell me I can," said Cornish, "but won't everybody know now?"

"No," Lulu said.

At this he had no more to say, and feeling his speculation in his eyes, dropped them to a piano scarf from which he began flicking invisible specks.

"I came to tell you good-by," Lulu said.

"Good-by!"

"Yes. I'm going off—for a while. My satchel's in the bakery—I had my breakfast in the bakery."

"Say!" Cornish cried warmly, "then everything wasn't all right last night?"

"As right as it can ever be with me," she told him. "Oh, yes, Dwight forgave me."

"Forgave you!"

She smiled, and trembled.

"Look here," said Cornish, "you come here and sit down and tell me about this."

He led her to the folding table, as the only social spot in that vast area of his, seated her in the one chair, and for himself brought up a piano stool. But after all she told him nothing. She merely took the comfort of his kindly indignation.

"It came out all right," she said only. "But I won't stay there any more. I can't do that."

"Then what are you going to do?"

"In Millton yesterday," she said, "I saw an advertisement in the hotel—they wanted a chambermaid."

"Oh, Miss Bett!" he cried. At that name she flushed. "Why," said Cornish, "you must have been coming from Millton yesterday when I saw you. I noticed Miss Di had her bag—" He stopped, stared. "You brought her back!" he deduced everything.

"Oh!" said Lulu. "Oh, no—I mean ——"

"I heard about the eloping again this morning," he said. "That's just what you did—you brought her back."

"You mustn't tell that! You won't? You won't!"

"No. 'Course not." He mulled it. "You tell me this: Do they know? I mean about your going after her?"

"No."

"You never told!"

"They don't know she went."

"That's a funny thing," he blurted out, "for you not to tell her folks—I mean, right off. Before last night. . ."

"You don't know them. Dwight'd never let up on that—he'd joke her about it after a while."

"But it seems—"

"Ina'd talk about disgracing her. They wouldn't know what to do. There's no sense in telling them. They aren't a mother and father," Lulu said.

Cornish was not accustomed to deal with so much reality. But Lulu's reality he could grasp.

"You're a trump anyhow," he affirmed.

"Oh, no," said Lulu modestly.

Yes, she was. He insisted upon it.

"You've been a jewel in their home all right," said Cornish. "I bet they'll miss you if you do go."

"They'll miss my cooking," Lulu said without bitterness.

"They'll miss more than that, I know. I've often watched you there—"

"You have?" It was not so much pleasure as passionate gratitude which lighted her eyes.

"You made the whole place," said Cornish.

"You don't mean just the cooking?"

"No, no. I mean—well, that first night when you played croquet. I felt at home when you came out."

That look of hers, rarely seen, which was no less than a look of loveliness, came now to Lulu's face. After a pause she said: "Well, I must be going now. I wanted to say good-by to you—and there's one or two other places. . . ."

"I hate to have you go," said Cornish, and tried to add something. "I hate to have you go," was all that he could find to add.

Lulu rose. "Oh, well," was all that she could find.

They shook hands, Lulu laughing a little. Cornish followed her to the door. He had begun on "Look here, I wish . . ." when Lulu said "good-by," and paused, wishing intensely to know what he would have said. But all that he said was: "Good-by. I wish you weren't going."

"So do I," said Lulu, and went, still laughing.

Cornish saw her red dress vanish from his door, flash by his window, her head averted. And there settled upon him a depression out of all proportion to the slow depression of his days. This was more—it assailed him, absorbed him.

He came back to his table, and sat down before his lawbook. But he sat, chin on chest, regarding it. No . . . no escape that way. . . .

A step at the door and he sprang up. It was Lulu, coming toward him, her face unsmiling but somehow quite lighted. In her hand was a letter.

"See," she said. "At the office was this. . . ."

She thrust in his hand the single sheet. He read:

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". . . just wanted you to know you're actually rid of me. I've heard from her, in Brazil. She ran out of money and thought of me, and her lawyer wrote to me. . . . I've never been any good—Dwight would tell you that if his pride would let him tell the truth once in a while. But there ain't anything in my life makes me feel as bad as this. . . . I s'pose you couldn't understand and I don't myself. . . . Only the sixteen years keeping still made me think she was gone sure . . . but you were so downright good, that's what was the worst . . . do you see what I want to say . . ."

Cornish read it all and looked at Lulu. She was grave and in her eyes there was a look of dignity such as he had never seen them wear, incredible dignity.

"He didn't lie to get rid of me—and she was alive, just as he thought she might be," she said.

"I'm glad," said Cornish.

"Yes," said Lulu. "He isn't quite so bad as Dwight tried to make him out."

It was not of this that Cornish had been thinking.

"Now you're free," he said.

"Oh, that . . ." said Lulu.

She replaced her letter in its envelope. "Now I'm really going," she said. Good-by for sure this time. . . ."

Her words trailed away. Cornish had laid his hand on her arm.

"Don't say good-by," he said.

She looked at him mutely.

"Do you think you could possibly stay here with me?"

"Oh!" said Lulu, like no word.

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

The Womens Auxiliary of the American Legion held the first meeting of the season Tuesday evening. They will meet regularly now, every last Tuesday in the month.

Edmund Groh and wife are now located in St. Paul, where Edmund has a position.

Mr. and Mrs. John Groh drove down from St. Paul last Thursday for a few days' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Groh. John returned home Sunday. His father accompanied him as far as Lyle, Minnesota where he will visit his son, Louie. Mrs. John Groh remained until Tuesday, when she went to Waterloo, where she will visit her parents before returning, to St. Paul.

The Progress club held their first meeting after the summer vacation Tuesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. R. H. Klemme. There was a good attendance, altho four of the members were absent on account of illness.

Mr and Mrs. Harry Harberts and Mrs. Harberts' mother fom Canton, South Dakota, came Tuesday for a visit with friends and relatives in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Bailey have moved to one of the houses at the sugar factory grounds.

The Royal Neighbors met at the home of Mrs. R. W. Tomlinson last Saturday afternoon. The meeting combined a regular business session and a farewell to Mrs. Jos. Pletch, who left Monday for California to spend the winter.

The Kensington club met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Herman Schultz.

Miss Alice Ersland underwent a minor operation for the removal of her tonsils, at the hospital on Tuesday

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans, Mr and Mrs. Earl Martin drove to Buffalo Center on Sunday to attend a family reunion at the Chas. Pritchard home. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes from Garner were there, as were also Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Pritchard from Alden.

Harriett Walters, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rob Walters, who was very ill with scarlet fever is reported as being much improved. The trained nurse has gone to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gfeller have rented the Chris Friesleben residence and moved in. Mr. Friesleben will go to Manson where he will stay for the present at least with his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Meier.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stevenson of Fort Dodge drove up Sunday to visit at the home of Mrs. Clara Butts. Mrs. Stevenson was formerly Miss Lenore Sheffield. They returned to Fort Dodge on Sunday evening, Mrs. Carrie Sheffield, who had been here visiting and on business, returning with them.

Mrs. Ben Fetrow returned last week from Mason City, where she had been for medical examination and treatment. She is much improved in health and an operation, which it had been thought would be necessary, will not have to be performed.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jenison are the happy parents of a baby daughter, Rose Mary, who came to their home on September 20th. Mr. and Mrs. Jenison now have three boys and the new daughter.

Roy Jenison had one of his Spotted Poland hogs at the fairs at Mason City, Fort Dodge and Webster City, and took prizes for junior boar at all three. At Mason City he took second, at Fort Dodge third, and at Webster City he won first. And Roy says he wasn't in show trim at that, just as he came from the yards.

Guy Baker, Glenn Baker, Mike Luick and James Kurtz left Tuesday morning for Wisconsin, where they expect to purchase and brinv home a carload of high grade dairy cows for use on their farms.

Miss Mary Forrestal, who is employed at Galt, spent the week end in Belmond at the home of her parents.

Ernest Stonebreaker drove down from St. Paul on Monday to spend a few days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kaufman.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ramsay of Des Moines were guests at the home of his brother, Wallace, and wife, last Saturday. They were enroute to Des Moines from Minneapolis.

The Belmond Rendering Works opened for business Monday, Sept. 18. Telephone 2119 and we will remove from your premises FREE all dead animals. 442c

I specialize in the fitting of glasses and taking care of the eyes. I do nothing else. See me with your eye troubles.—C. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa. 424c

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Claussen and little daughter left last Thursday for the state of Washington to spend the winter.

Mrs. W. A. Parsons and son Everett are visiting at Isabel, South Dakota, with relatives this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Burke visited with relatives at Sioux City last week a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bailey and family from Rowan spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey here.

Bob Reed and Richard Peterson went to Austin, Minnesota, one day last week. Both gentlemen have rented farms there and will move to that locality next spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenison and son drove to Ottison, Saturday, to take in the Legion Day celebration at that place. Mr. and Mrs. George Snyder returned home with them for a few week's visit.

Rev. A. W. Schlesselman of Meservey was a business caller in town Tuesday.

Harry Webb came home the first of the week for a few days' visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Webb, before taking up his duties at Morningside college, for which place he leaves next week. Harry has been at Ottosen this past summer, where he had charge of the church there.

Attorney J. M. Jensen was a business caller at Buffalo Center a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson are moving back to their old home town, Belmond, to make their future home. They will reside for the present at least in the Walter Ramsay residence in north Belmond, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Bailey. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have been living in Fort Dodge, to which place they moved from here several years ago.

Mrs. Claude Benson was a visitor at Mason City on Tuesday of this week.

The Methodist Ladies Aid will serve a chicken supper Thursday evening of this week.

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Miss Grace Boughton visited at the Rev. Seth Huntington home at Dinsdale last week.

Mrs. Alma Jones, connected with the home economics department at Ames, spent last Sunday at the home of her cousin, Mrs. H. F. Luick.

A. B. Cuppett, who has been here looking after business interests, has returned to his home at Fort Ripley, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pletch left Monday of this week by auto on their trip to California where they will spend the winter..

Mrs. Carrie Sheffield of Ft. Dodge came last week to look after business interests.

Alec McGregor of Des Moines was attending to business matters here on Saturday of last week.

Hot Lunches

We are now prepared to serve you with hot lunches, of your own choosing, and ask you to sample our "home cooking." We can serve you with a variety of tasty sandwiches, with stews and warm dishes of various kinds. Instead of taking dinner to school, come in and for a reasonble price get a hot lunch.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kraig of Alamo, Texas, were visiting last week with Henry Crist. Thursday morning of last week Uncle Heinie took them by auto to Illinois, their former home.

Miss Mae Murphy of Lincoln, Nebraska is the extra primary teacher in the school.

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Wanted—Some good wealthy apples. Call 115 or 196.

For Sale—Duroc Jerseys. One herd boar, several spring boars.—Will Bingham, Rowan, Phone 1022. 443*

For Sale—Three Guernsey bulls, full bloods.—Joe Simon, Rowan, Ia. Phone 1013. 424*

For Sale—Good milk cow, now fresh.—Joe Simon, Rowan. 424*

Found—Blanket. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for advertising. Call this office.

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

For Rent—Six room house, in good repair, with two lots.—Henry Elmbrink, Phone 1708. 432*

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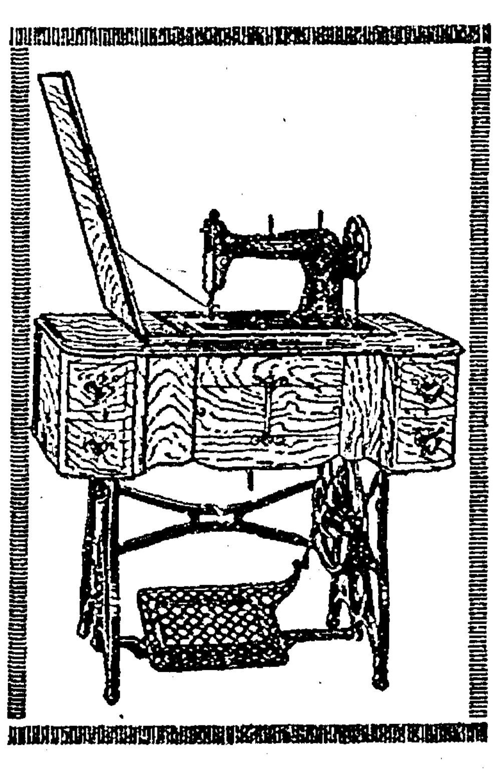

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FIRST FOOT BALL GAME HERE ON FRIDAY

Sugar Factory To Start Cutting Soon

Factory In Shape And Men For Campaign Employed—To Start About Saturday.

HAVE 70,000 TONS BEETS

The Iowa Valley Sugar Co.'s factory will probably begin the 1922 sugar making campaign about Saturday or Sunday of this week, according to present plans. Everything has been placed in readiness, the men to operate have all been employed, the factory gotten into shape, and the beets are beginning to roll into the plant by trainloads. The company has some 3,800 acres of beets for the present campaign, which it is expected will turn out about 70,000 tons of beets. To cut these will require in the neighborhood of two months and a half of continuous day and night operation.

The factory is being operated this year by the Iowa Valley Operating Co., a company composed of practically the same men as the sugar company. Every indication points to a successful season; the costs of operation are down to reason, the cost of the necessary supplies are greatly the price of sugar has been stabilized so that here is no danger of the tremendous drop experienced during the first campaign, and the operators of the plant this year, together with the stockholders of he company, confidently expect to have the factory return a profit.

BELMOND RADIO HEARD IN MASSACHUSETS

Caryl McIntyre recently received a postal card from W. F. Osborn of Marlboro, Mass., stating that he had heard Caryl's station clearly one evening when Caryl was calling a station in New Jersey. Mr Osborn also stated that he heard Caryl with an inside antennae, or without any outside wires whatever, simply those in his room. Marlboro is about 1,200 miles from Belmond. Certainly looks like Caryl was stepping out some in the wireless line.

Rev. Chapler was in town last week Thursday greeting old friends here. He was minister of the Methodist church in Belmond a number of years ago when he made many friends. He is now located at Fort Worth, Texas, where he has a large church.

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

Management, Circulation, Etc., required by the act of Congress of August 24, 1912, of Belmond Independent, published weekly at Belmond, Iowa, for Oct. 1, 1922.

State of Iowa, Wright County, ss.

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared R. A. Rankins, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the owner of the Belmond Independent, and that the following is to the best of his knowledge and belief a true statement.

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R. A. Rankins.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of Oct. 1922.

W. T. Gfeller,

(My commissions expires July 4, 1924.)

The people of Cornelia extend an invitation to Belmond to attend their revival meeting which is now in progress. Services begin at 7:45 each evening. Rev. Lewis is a good speaker and the people are well pleased with the proportions this revival has assumed.

SALVATION ARMY ADVISES TURN DOWN SOLICITORS

The following advice has been sent out by the Salvation Arym Adivosry Board regarding solicitors for funds by men and women in uniform posing as representatives of some religious army:

"Do not only look before you give, but also investigate. Because of the established position of the Salvation Army in the public esteem and affection, numerous religious "Armies" have been promoted with a view apparently, of representing themselves to be the Salvation Army. These "Armies" send their solicitors over the entire states of Iowa and Nebraska and in fact almost every state in the union. These solicitors usually dress in uniforms similar to those of the Salvation Army and invariably carry the tambour'ne—the old-time collecting method of the Salvationists, but which has now been discarded for the more business-like and efficient Advisory Board system.

Only the other day a news clipping from the Cedar Falls Record came to hand to the effect that a woman claiming to be a solicitor for the "Rescue Army of Des Moines," presenting credentials that were apparently bogus, and giving her name as "Mary Ellen," yesterday fled the city following the questioning of her ccredentials by Mayor Refshauge upon whom she had called for a contribution to her cause. She left her credential papers with the mayor and removed the ribbon from her hat before leaving.

The papers ppresented by the Des Moines woman were nicely "signed" by Secretary of State Ramsay and had a notarial seal that was notoriously deficient in appearance. When asked to show the papers more closely the woman picked them up and started for the door of the mayor's office. He in turn restrained her and called the marshal.

"If my husband was here you'd let me go," she cried.

"Where is he then?" returned the mayor.

"Out on the street somewhere and I wish you'd let me go so that I can find him," she replied.

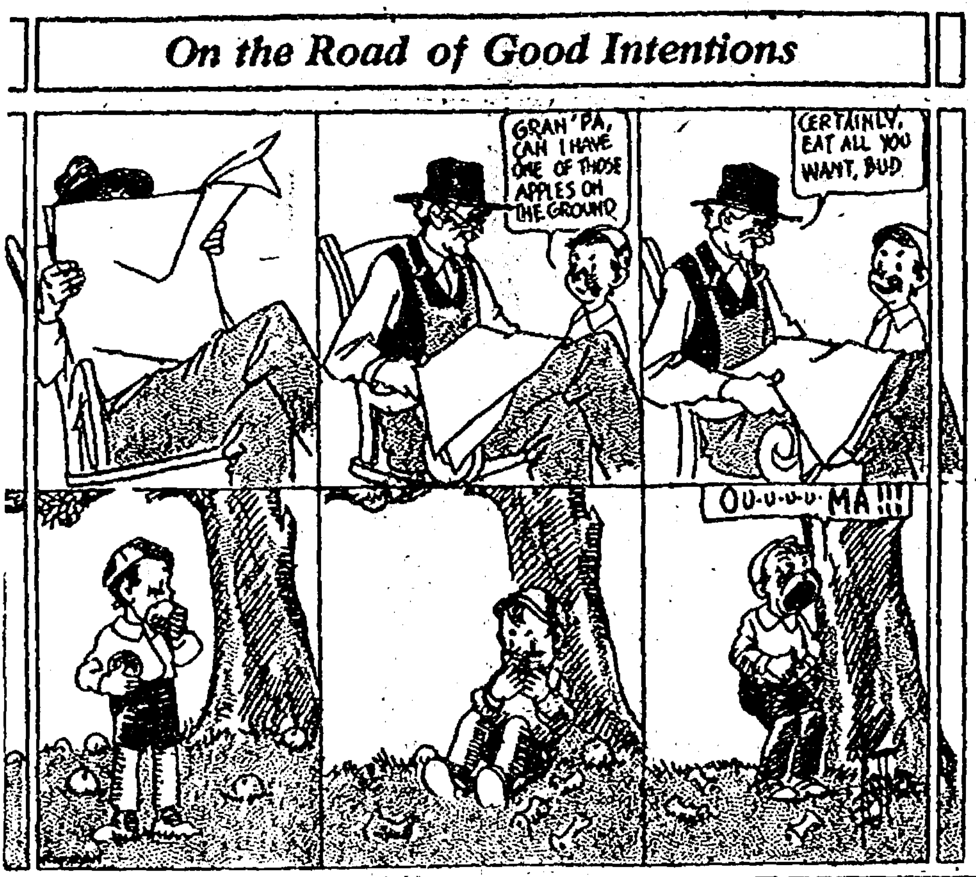
But the woman was held until the papers had been examined and found to be woefully unsatisfactory, if not fradulent. Marshal Enlow allowed her to go free upon making a promise to remove the band from her hat, hide her tambourine and leave town until she could provide better qualifications for solicitation.

We publish this incident because complaints are made that this solicitation is done by Salvationists, and because it is our desire to keep faith with our many friends who so generously supported us at the time of our Annual Home Service Appeal. In any case look before you give, and be sure you are giving to the Salvation and not to one of the many "Armies" whose imitation of the Salvation Army is not at all flattering to that well-known organization.

OIL EXCITEMENT NEAR LINN GROVE, IOWA

Geologists have been surveying the land near Linn Grove and Sioux Rapids, and pronounce it ideal for the production of oil. A meeting of citizens of those places, headed by J. H. Bauber of LeMars, are preparing to promote a company that will develope the district and seek to find what there is that lies below the surface, says the Humboldt Republican.

The geologists state that their findings indicated oil in vast quantities. There was a consderable seepage of oil also, which indicated great pressure from below. The domes, breaks, structures and all other oil indication formations are there the same as they are found in the great oil producing centers. There is a belief that it will be but a short time until the oil industry will boom in that section, and the promoters recommend that the home people reap the benefit instead of allowing expert oil men from a distance to come in and get the cream of the cash. Enough leases, says the Humboldt Republican, will be secured in the territory to drill a 3,000 foot well. Enthusiasts declare that the territory will develope into one of the greatest oil-producing territory in the world.


On the Road of Good Intentions

GRAN'PA, CAN I HAVE ONE OF THOSE APPLES ON THE GROUND
CERTAINLY, EAT ALL YOU WANT, BUD
OU-U-U-U-MA!!!

GIANTS BEAT YANKEES IN THE FIRST GAME

Radio Report From Fort Dodge Gives Details Of Game As It Is Played Yesterday.

The New York Giants defeated the New York Yankees 3 to 2 in the first game of the worlds series played on Wednesday afternoon. Complete reports of the game were received by the Independent, play by play, ball by ball, as the game progressed, as broadcasted by the Standard Radio Equipment Co. of Fort Dodge. The Giants were held to nothing for the first eight innings, the Yanks having a two to nothiing lead on them up to the eight inning. The Giants outbatted the Yanks, particularly in the latter part of the game, when in the seventh inning they secured three straight singles, having the bases full with two strikes and ball three on the next batter, but a double play lost their chance of scoring, and in the eight inning getting four singles in a row for three runs. The Independent and Belmond Battery Co. will receive the games daily and anyone interested may get the results as the game is played by dropping in at the Independent office.

RAIL GUARDS COMPLETED

The rail guards on Primary road No. 10, west of Rowan, have been completed. These safeguards along the high grades west of there and across the Iowa river valley will be of inestimable value to motorists and the traveling public as well as an ornament to the highway. Highway engineers and road builders say this is one of the best pieces of work in the state. F. L. and F. J. Kercheval of Rowan did the work.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening the choir will meet in the church for practice at seven thirty.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies Aid meets in the church parlors.

Thursday evening prayer meeting will be conducted at the church at seven thirty.

Saturday morning at ten o'clock classes meet at the church.

Sunday morning service will be conducted in the Norwegian language. Communion will be observed. Sunday school at the usual hour. Sunday evening the league will take up its work after a lay off of rest at seven thirty.

As every one knows the Franklin county Agricultural society is practically defunct. Its equity in the fair ground is dwindling. Mortgaes against the property, long past due, with acrued interest, amount to approximately $6,500 and the debt must soon be cancelled or the tract will pass into private ownership. Sentiment is crystalizing for the county to own the ground; petitions asking the board of supervisors to submit the question to a vote at the November election are being circulated and so far as we are able to learn, are being generally signed by farmers and business men.—Hampton Recorder.

WHAT'S DOING IN THE DISTRICT COURT

News Of The Trials As They Are Reported—Stealer Of Chickens Gets Fine.

Monitor: The state has taken up the case against Julius Puls of Eagle Grove, who was mixed up in an attempt to burn a striker breaker's home in that city a few weeks ago. Puls was fined $100 and given a thirty days' jail sentence by the federal court at Sioux City. He paid the fine and on being released from jail the state took up the case. Justice Triggs of Clarion held him to the grand jury under a $4,000 bond.

An error was made in these notes last week when it was stated that the City of Eagle Grove had appealed its case against John Soren for intoxication. The defendant is John Dorem of Eagle Grove.

A forty-five ton car of soft coal was stored away in the court house basement last week by janitor McGrath.

Lester Routh, alias Jack Wilson, is confined in the county jail in default of $2,000 bonds. He was held to the grand jury Monday by Justice Triggs, charged with adultry. Defendant came to Clarion a short time ago from Des Moines, being accompanied by a woman who is said not to be his wife.

Game warden Greiner appeared in Justice Triggs' court against D. A. Ross and W B. Wilson, charged with illegal fishing. Both plead guilty and were fined $5 and costs.

The following were issued marriage licences the past week: Clarence Saunders of Goldfield and Nadine Schultz of Corwith, Jake Thomas of Rowan and Margaret Smith of Williams, Frank B. Woods of Williams and Stella A. Peck of Blairsburg, Herman F. Hemming and Kathryn Evelyn Garland of Huron, S. D., William Larson and Floy Elizabeth Keister of Goldfield, George Dewey Beisell and Mary Olive Miller of Goldfield, Eric W. Hutchinson and Orpha Baesley of Webster City, Alfred Lindaas of Eagle Grove and Nellie Weltha of Hardy.

Seven marriage licenses were issued at the clerk's office Tuesday afternoon between the hours of two and four-thirty. This is a record breaker.

Miss Bock has been visiting the rural schools of the county the past few weeks, having called at nearly one half of the schools at this time.

Auditor Walker, in company with H. J. Barr, departed last evening on a two weeks' pleasure trip into the southland, their objective point there they go to Palm Beach, Miami Key West and Havana, Cuba.

Conrad Knudson of Eagle Grove accused of stealing chickens on three counts entered a plea of guilty before Judge McCall the first of the week. He is credited with taking four or five dozen chickens. He was sentenced to three months in the county jail on one count and the others dismissed.

E. Bock and the Misses Nellie and Mary Barry and Irene Hunter went to Mason City Wednesday to hear Fiske O'Hara.

SHEFFIELD BANK FORCED INTO BANKRUPTCY

Hampton Recorder: Bankruptcy proceedings against the Sheffield bank will proceed. This decision was reached by a committee of ten, headed by Frank Jenegan, representing the creditors of the institution, which closed about five weeks ago.

The committee met to reach a final decision on the plan submitted by the Carhart management whereby between $100,000 and $125,000 in brick and tile stock would be laid down by Mrs. C. C. Carhart for collateral security in case the bank was unable to liquidate. The committee had been named at a meeting of the creditors held in the Sheffield city hall Monday.

Bankruptcy proceedings had already been started in the federal court at Fort Dodge and it was the desire of the management of the bank that they be halted.

One of the principal stumbling blocks to the proposition is understood to have been the demand of the Carharts for a joint receivership while full control was demanded by the committee.

Pappers are to be served on Mrs. L. B. Carhart, president of the bank, within a day or two by a federal marshal, it is expected. She will have opportunity to show reason why the institution should not be declared bankrupt, but inasmuch as insolvency has already been admitted this is not expected.

PILOT KNOB

The people of Iowa will never regret their purchase of this wooded hill and the surrounding acreage as a state park. While it presents no freak of nature to whet the curiosity no striking or imposing features of scenic beauty, it furishes delightful picnic grounds and an ideal place for enjoying the pleasures and beauties of outdoor life. The native timber, mostly hard wood, which still covers most of the region, takes one back to the days of the pioneers. During the heated months of the summer it provides a cool retreat for the weary, and in the fall days it takes on a riot of gorgeous colors which no painter's brush can rival. The little lake at the foot of the mound gives an added touch to the beauty of the picture. Sleeping quietly in the midst of its sylvan beauty its unruffled surface reflecting the skies, it bears upon its bosom the Nile lotus, a plant which is said to flourish no where else in the United States.

The view from the top of the mound is magnificent, and is well worth going a long distance to see. It is a typical Iowa landscape that unrolls itself before the observer's eyes, but one that can rarely be seen to such good advantage as from the top of this elevation. For 25 miles in every direction, sheltering groves, green meadows, golden stubble fields, waving corn, ample barns and comfortable farm houses form a panorama such as few other parts of our great country can duplicate. The visitor gets an idea of the inexhaustible wealth and incalculable possibilities of Iowa such as he never had before. A good slogan would be "Climb Pilot Knob and See Iowa."

One agreeable feature of the mound is that the declivity is nowhere so great but that it can be easily negoiated by automobile. Even now many cars drive to the top, altho for short distances there are some steep grades in a number of places. In places, too, the roadway is so narrow that cars cannot pass each other. But all this can be remedied at no very great expense and no doubt will be in time. One need be no great prophet to predict that with a good road to the top, Pilot Knob will become one of the most attractive points in the state.—Forest City Republican.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday evening prayer meeting will be conducted at the home of Osmund Lewis.

Thursday afternoon the South Ladies Aid will hold their meeting at the home of Mrs. Otto Tegland.

Sunday morning at ten thirty the Sunday school will meet. You should be there. It is a good and edifying pastime for young and old.

Belmond Meets Britt Team Then

First High School Foot Ball Game Of History Should Draw Big Crowd.

GAME CALLED AT 3:30 P. M.

We play our first game of football with Britt on Friday, October 6th. The boys of the football squad have been practicing hard. Every one in school is anxiously waiting for the great event. If "pep" is what is needed to win, the game is ours.

The basket social held on the evening of Sept. 29 in the high school auditorium to raise money for football proved a great success. A short program was given, including a talk by Mr. Guthrie, yells lead by former yell leader Morey Nelson and high school song lead by Miss Hill.

Coffee was sold during the evening. The coffee and sugar was donated by Bohnings', Jacobson's, Kinseth's, Robinson's, Parsons' and Mr. Ely. The high school wish to send thanks to the above business houses. They wish to thank the members of the Alumni who were unable to atend the social but sent money to help.

Ninety nine baskets were sold which brought the sum of $130.

The first division of Literary will give its first program Oct. 4th at 3:20.

Sylvia, Harvey and Elmer Chapman are absent from high school on account of being quarantined for dipthería.

Helen Hildebrand was absent from school Thursday on account of sickness.

Carl Whittaker was absent from school Thursday on account of sickness.

Doris Bailey substituted in the 6th grade Monday morning for Miss Watterman.

The Seniors of the Normal Training class are going to institute at Clarion, Thursday.

Miss Jewell, the Commercial teacher, spent the week end at her home in Waterloo.

Mrs. Schultz and Mrs. Goelz visited the first and second grades on Friday.

Miss Ella Walker of Shaller visited the kindergarten last week.

Mrs. Guthrie, Mrs. Saucke, Mrs. Sampson, Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. M. C Barry, Mrs. McAlpine and Mrs. Courtney visited the fourth grade on Friday.

The Commercial department are awarding a pin to the classes in beginning typewriting. The pupil having the most number of perfect lessons for one week is privilged to wear the pin the following week. After a week of hard competition, Genevieve Starnes as awarded the medal.

There will be no school Thursday and Friday of this week as the teachers will attend the county institute at Clarion.

"LET THERE BE LIGHT"

The Iowa Falls Electric Company stirred up a bunch of citizens last Saturday when they cut said citizens off from service because they had not paid their bills within the alloted time. The "ultimatum" was not taken seriously by the patrons, but on Saturday evening when they turned the button and got no results they went up in the air a mile—some of 'em farther. We uderstand that this is to be the policy of the company from now on, and those who do not whack up on time will go without lights or pay $1.60 to get connected up again.

The box social held at the school gymnasium last Friday night was a howling success from all angles. It was attended by a large crowd, there being some 99 girls represented in the baskets. The baskets sold for good prices and a nice sum was realized for the foot ball team. A very fine time is reported.

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A WINTER CARNIVAL

It may be pretty early to suggest it, but why not hold a winter carnival in Belmond this winter? Make it a "big day" in the winter. Can't be done? Why not? It is in other places. We have the natural facilities for such an occasion; all that is needed is a little pep and push to do it. Think it over.

THE UNSPEAKABLE TURK

Whether the present crisis in Europe brings about a war or not, one thing remains unchanged: The Turk should either be civilized or wiped off the map. Just why civilized and Christian nations have tolerated the atrocities of the Turks for centuries remains a riddle. We went to war on Germany because of the heathenish methods of warfare used, yet we have for centuries sat idly by and let the Turks massacre christians by the millions, kidnap into worse than slavery hundreds of thousands of christian girls, and done nothing about it.

Just as sure as there comes a war with Turkey, just so sure will Russia jump in, France back them up, Austria take a pot shot, Bulgaria set in, and when this comes about, you can bank your last dollar that the United States will be drawn in. It stands to reason. And when it does come, then may the unspeakable Turk get what he has had coming to him for hundreds of years.

FOOT BALL!
BELMOND HIGH SCHOOL
vs.
BRITT HIGH SCHOOL
Ball Park, 3:30 p. m.
Friday, October 6th

THE PRICE OF BUTTER

Hampton's estimable newspaper, the Chronicle, generally has many things on tap, much knowledge of conditions in and about that city. The Independent wants to make an inquiry: Why is creamery butter in Hampton selling at 52 cents a pound, while in Belmond it is retailing at 39 cents—a difference of 13 cents a pound?

Perhaps it is because Hampton has no creamery, and ship their butter in from Minnesota. Better buy butter in Belmond, it's cheaper.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Community Welfare—

The Community Welfare club met in the school auditorium last Friday afternoon. After the business meeting, Miss Martha Foster from Ames gave a talk and demonstration on the proper clothing for school girls. The high school girls put on a little play showing many good models in girls' clothes. Every mother and school girl at the meeting went home with many new ideas to think about.

After the talk and demonstration, Miss Everill Thompson gave a very fine reading which was in keeping with the afternoon lesson.

It was announced that Mrs. Armstrong, president of the State Federation of Womens' clubs, would be here at the next meeting of the club.

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Progress Club—

The Progress club met on Tuesday afternoon of this week with Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen, at her home near Alexander. This was the second meeting of the season. The study of the club this year is the Old Testament.

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Kensington Club—

The next meeting of the Kensington club is to be held at the home of Mrs. C. P. Luick on Wednesday, October the 18th.

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Delphian—

The Delphian club met on Monday evening of this week at the home of Mrs. Albert Chamberlin. The leader was Mrs. E. F. Bailey. The club is studying "Modern Nations" at present Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Idle-a While—

Members of the Idle-a-While club were entertained by Mrs. Gus Nissen on last Wednesday. The evening was spent in a social way and dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Congregational Aid—

The Congregational Ladies Aid met at the church parlors for their monthly business meeting last week Thursday. Today they meet again for an all day sewing bee for their annual bazaar. Each lady will bring her luncheon.

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500—

The 500 club meets this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bohning.

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Bridge—

Miss Mary Wallace will be hostess this evening to the Bridge club.

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Aid Supper—

The Ladies Aid society supper of the Methodist church held last week Thursday evening was a nice success, netting the ladies about $78.00.

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W. F. M. S.—

The Womens' Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet today at the home of Mrs. Hedges. Mrs. Bailey is leader.

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Priscilla—

The Priscilla club meets next week Wednesday at the home of Mrs. W. E. Bullard.

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Chain of Ten—

Mrs. G. F. McBurney was hostess on Monday to the Chain of Ten.

CLIPPINGS

Hazel Olsen, seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Olsen, living west of the city was struck by a car driven by Herman Woodard on Broadway Saturday evening about ten o'clock. The little girl was running back and forth in the street and apparantly was blinded by the lights of the car. Mr. Woodard was driving slowly and did not see the child and was not aware that he had struck her until after the accident. The child suffered severe bruises and cuts about the head but was not internally injured and no bones were broken. At the present time she is getting along nicely.—Eagle Grove Times.

H. J. Klemme of Belmond was a visitor in this city Wednesday. Mr. Klemme should feel right at home in Klemme.—Times

Two amateur thieves stole a Buick car from Pocahantas last week, and also pilfered a box of cigars from an eating house, and then after being apprehended in the cigar theft, left town with the car they had stolen. They were caught at Indianola, and held pending the arrival of Pocahantas county officers, when they were returned to that town and are now in jail awaiting trial.

They tell a confused story of their homes, stating that they are from Montana, Wiconsin and other states. —Humboldt Republican.

.Perhaps these men may be the same ones who stole A. J. Dorr's Overland car here, later abandoning it at Pocahantas where they were reported to have stolen a Buick car.)

August Greiner of Wall Lake, Federal Fish and Game Warden, Del Walwroth, Will Streveler and Everet McCarthy of Blairsburg are in Webster City and vicinty this week where they are seining the ponds and bayous in the Boone Valley for game fish which will be placed in Wall Lake, Bass, catfish and pickeral are being taken from the ponds and bayous and placed in the lake. The game warden stated that the fish which are caught in the small ponds are killed by the cold weather but if placed in the lake they will survive the winter. Since Wall Lake has been made a state park an effort is being made to make it a veritable sportsman's paradise.—Eagle Grove Times.

Miss Lulu Bett

By
Zona Gale

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He went on, not looking at her. "I haven't got anything. I guess maybe you've heard something about a little something I'm supposed to inherit. Well, it's only five hundred dollars."

His looks searched her face, but she hardly heard what he was saying.

"That little Warden house—it don't cost much—you'd be surprised. Rent, I mean. I can get it now. I went and looked at it the other day, but then I didn't think——" he caught himself on that. "It don't cost near as much as this store. We could furnish up the parlor with pianos——"

He was startled by that "we," and began again:

"That is, if you could ever think of such a thing as marrying me."

"But," said Lulu. "You know! Why, don't the disgrace——"

"There's only this about that," said he. "Of course, if you loved him very much, then I'd ought not to be talking this way to you. But I didn't think —"

She said: "I wanted somebody of my own. That's the reason I done what I done. I know that now."

"Look here," he said, "I'd ought to tell you. I'm awful lonesome myself. This is no place to live. And I guess living so is one reason why I want to get married. I want some kind of a home."

IRWIN MYERS

His Look Searched Her Face, but She Hardly Heard What He Was Saying.

"Of course," she said.

"Could you risk it with me?" Cornish asked her. "There's nobody I've seen," he went on gently, "that I like as much as I do you. I—I was engaged to a girl once, but we didn't get along. I guess if you'd be willing to try me, we would get along."

"Isn't there somebody——"

"Look here. Do you like me?"

"Oh, yes!"

"Well enough——"

"It's you I was thinking of," said Lulu. "I'd be all right."

"Then!" Cornish cried, and he kissed her.

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"And now," said Dwight, "nobody must mind if I hurry a little wee bit. I've got something on."

He and Ina and Monona were at dinner. Mrs. Bett was in her room. Di was not there.

"Anything about Lulu?" Ina asked.

"Lulu?" Dwight stared. "Why should I have anything to do about Lulu?"

"Well, but, Dwight—we've got to do something."

"As I told you this morning," he observed, "we shall do nothing. Your sister is of age—I don't know about the sound mind, but she is certainly of age. If she chooses to go away, she is free to go where she will."

"Can't you get mother to come out?" Dwight inquired.

"I had so much to do getting dinner onto the table, I didn't try," Ina confessed.

"You didn't have to try," Mrs. Bett's voice sounded. "I was coming when I got rested up."

She entered, looking vaguely about. "I want Lulie," she said, and the corners of her mouth drew down. She ate her dinner cold, appeased in vague areas by such martyrdom. They were still at table when the front door opened.

"Monona hadn't ought to use the front door so commonly," Mrs. Betts complained.

But it was not Monona. It was Lulu and Cornish.

"Well!" said Dwight, tone curving downward.

"Well!" said Ina, in replica.

"Lulie!" said Mrs. Bett, and left her dinner, and went to her daughter and put her hands upon her.

"We wanted to tell you first," Cornish said. "We've just got married."

"Forevermore!" said Ina.

"What's this?" Dwight sprang to his feet. "You're joking!" he cried with hope.

"No," Cornish said soberly. "We're married—just now. Methodist parsonage. We've had our dinner," he added hastily.

Dwight recovered himself in a measure. "I'm not surprised, after all," he said. "Lulu usually marries in this way."

Mrs. Bett patted her daughter's arm. "Lulie," she said, "why, Lulie. You ain't been and got married twice, have you? After waitin' so long?"

"Don't be disturbed, Mother Bett," Dwight cried. "She wasn't married that first time, if you remember. No marriage about it!"

Ina's little shriek sounded.

"Dwight!" she cried. "Now everybody'll have to know that. You'll have to tell about Ninian now—and his other wife!"

Standing between her mother and Cornish, an arm of each about her, Lulu looked across at Ina and Dwight, and they all saw in her face a horrified realization.

"Ina!" she said. "Dwight! You will have to tell now, won't you? Why I never thought of that."

[THE END.]

LOCAL AND WANT ADS

Wanted—Some good wealthy apples. Call 115 or 196.

For Sale—Duroc Jerseys. One herd boar, several spring boars.—Will Bingham, Rowan, Phone 1022. 448*

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The Klemme Times says, To prove to a Minnesota farmer (who had never been south of the Twin Cities) Art Wellemeyer of Klemme recently spent eighty cents for express to ship a couple of Iowa corn stalks to the farmer. The stalks were over 12 feet high. Art had told the man that corn really grew tall in Iowa, and lest the farmer would think him a liar, Art sent the corn. In that part of Minnesota corn only grows up about hip high. The ears on the stalk Art sent were seven feet from the ground. Wonder what that backwoodsman thought as he gazed on that Iowa corn?

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The government has so governed my business that I don't know who owns it. I am inspected, suspected, examined, and re-examined, informed, required and commended, so I don't know who I am or why I am here. All that I know is that I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire, or hope of the human race, and because I will not sell all I have and go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away, I am cussed, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, hung up, robbed and nearly ruined and the only reason that I am clinging to life is to see what in hell is coming next.

—Exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Papousek of Belmond were here last Thursday and Friday. "Pap" was doing some electrical work and Mrs. Papousek visited at the home of her brother, Ed. Jacobs and wife.—Klemme Times.

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FARM BUREAU NEWS

County Farm Tour

Farmers of Wrigtht county are invited to join the party which will tour the county Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 11 and 12. Arrangements have been made to secure three specialists from Ames to address the farmers where the stops are made on the tour. Prof. F. G. Churchill on farm crops and soils, and Miss Avis Talcott on household subjects.

The first day's tour, October 11, will begin at the H. N. Denby farm one mile north and two and one-half west of Clarion at nine a. m. and all planning to make the tour are requested to assemble at the farm promptly at 9 o'clock and bring well filled baskets for the picnic dinner. The second stop of the first day's tour will be made at the Al Watkin's farm three miles east of Eagle Grove where inspection will be made of the Hubam clover plot and the corn yield plot. From here the party will proceed to the A. L. Middleton farm, four miles south, one and one-half west of Eagle Grove. Those planning to make the second day tour, Oct. 12, are asked to meet at 9 a. m. at the Chas. Overbaugh farm, two miles east and three and one-half south of Clarion, where inspection will be made and lectures given on Hubam and Alfalfa. From here the party will tour to the A. E. Martin farm, one-half mile northwest of Belmond, where the corn yield plot will be inspected. From here the party will proceed to the N. L. Wanderlip farm, three miles northwest of Dows.

Clarion Corn Carnival

Plans are being completed for the monster corn carnival and poultry show which will be held in Clarion, Wednesday, Oct. 18. The business men of Clarion have spent considerable time and a lot of money in preparing for this occasion, which undoubtedly will be one of the biggest days of the year for Clarion.

The prizes which are being offered for the corn exhibits are unusually attractive—in fact they are considerably higher than the premiums which are being offered any other place in Iowa. A grand sweepstakes prize of fifty dollars is being offered for the best ten ears of corn, either white or yellow variety, and twenty-five dollars will be given for the best ear of corn entered in the single ear class. All exhibits of corn will be returned to the exhibitor if he cares for them. The Wright County Poultry Association is co-operating with the Clarion business men in putting on a poultry show in connection with the corn carnival. Those planning to exhibit poultry at the show are urged to get in touch with the committee as soon as possible, because the number of coops is limited and those who apply first will, of course, be served first.

This carnival is to be made an annual affair with Clarion and the people of the surrounding community. It has been suggested that since we are in the heart of the corn belt, a corn carnival or fall festival of this kind could be made an interesting feature for a yearly affair. All farmers of Wright county and particularly those living in the vicinity of Clarion are urged to bring their exhibits and help in making this a real community get-to-gether.

Monster Membership Drive

The annual farm bureau membership drive for Wright county will be conducted this year on Monday and Tuesday, October 9th and 10th. Farmers who have not already cast their lot with this organization will be solicited on one of those dates and will be given opportunity to become members of one of the largest organizations which is in existance today.

Two teams consisting of two men and one or two ladies will make the drive for members in each township. The solictitors will be prepared to answer any and all questions regarding the farm bureau organization and will be equipped with membership blanks for taking memberships. All farmers are familiar with the farm bureau, its aims and purposes; also with the accomplishments which have been made by the organization during the past few years, and he should not hesitate to give his support to the farm bureau which has done so much in the interests of agriculture. The farm bureau asks nothing but what is fair and equitable. It believes in the policy of "live and let live" and is asking nothing but that which it is perfectly willing that should be granted to other organizations. It aims to co-operate with all other organizations which have the interests of agriculture at heart.

Doing Valuable Research Work

For three years, now, the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation has been co-operating with the agricultural economics section of Ames college in conducting research work to determine the actual cost of producing grain and live stock in Iowa.

The first year's work in 1920, covered the production of wheat, corn and oats only. In 1921 the plpans were amplified to include the growing and feeding of cattle, hogs and poultry.

Shelby county was chosen as the best place to carry on the study of live stock production. It lies in the western part of the state and is the center of the cattle feeding section. In undertaking the project last year a list, or circle of 30 represenative farmers was made up, all producers of live stock and about half of them feeders. The period covered was from January 1, 1921 to January 1, 1922.

The figures presented in the first report from this county made recently to the federation officials, are very exhaustive, covering every possible item of income and outgo connected with the subject. And they make it very clear, that, under present conditions and measured by the same rules that govern other lines of business, farming and stock raising is an exceedingly hazardous business

This is the first systematic attempt ever made by a farm organization in Iowa to get at the cost of production of farm crops in a way that would be accepted by the business world as authenic. There have been estimates and guess work without end, but when put to the test figures of this sort always fall flat as actual evidence.

Right here lies the value of this work that is being carried on by the Iowa Federation. And each succeeding year will add to its value because of the background furnished for purposes of comparison, one year with another, under shifting values and changing conditions.

Belmond Local News

S. D. Martin returned Friday from Chicago, where he had been attending a reunion of his regiment.

Mr and Mrs. Satterley of Charles City spent the week end with friends here. Mrs. Satterley will be remembered as Miss Randall, a former music teacher in the Belmond schools.

Miss Claire Jewel went to Waterloo on Friday evening of last week to spend the week end at her home. She is the commercial teacher in the school here

Mr. and Mrs. A E Martin drove to Mason City on Monday of this week

The Misses Mary and Nellie Barry, Mr. Blake and Kathrine and Mary Elizabeth Blake went to Ackley last week to spend a few days visiting with relatives.

Mrs. J. Sharon, Miss Adeline Sharon, Mrs. A. E. Martin and Mrs. Rosecrans drove to Mason City on Sunday to attend an initiation of the C D. of A. A class of 65 were taken into the order.

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

For Sale—NEW Ford, with starter, one-man top. List price, no trades. —L. B. Hulsebus, Meservey, Iowa.

Henry Schultz has moved into his new location, the First National bank building and is now doing business at the new stand.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Smith and Miss Mary Brown drove to Iowa Falls on Sunday where they met Miss Claire Jewel.

Mrs. W. W. Goetz was taken to Rochester on Sunday afternoon, to receive examination and treatment. She was accompanied by Mr. Goetz, Dr. Wallace, her brother and sister-in law.

Miss Elizabeth Schanck returned from Omaha last week Wednesday, where she had been visiting relatives

Mrs. A. W. Martin and her sister, Miss Ida Anderson, drove to Mason City on Tuesday of last week.

Emil Bock is the owner of a new Chevrolet Utility car, purchased of C. E. Barnes of Garner.

Chas. Blake of McGregor came last Friday to spend a few days at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. W. Goetz.

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

Mrs. G. F. McBurney went to Mason City last Saturday to acompany Mrs. Ben Fetrow home from the hospital there, where she had been taking radium treatments. She is much improved in health.

Lawrence Gealow and Jim Easton went to Clear Lake last Friday to try their luck at fishing. They returned with about two dozen perch.

Mrs. J. H. Fetrow has a flock of forty barred Plymouth Rock pullets that were six months old on the 2nd of September. From the 26th of August to the 26th of September they laid 212 eggs. Can anyone beat this record?

Griesy's Store News

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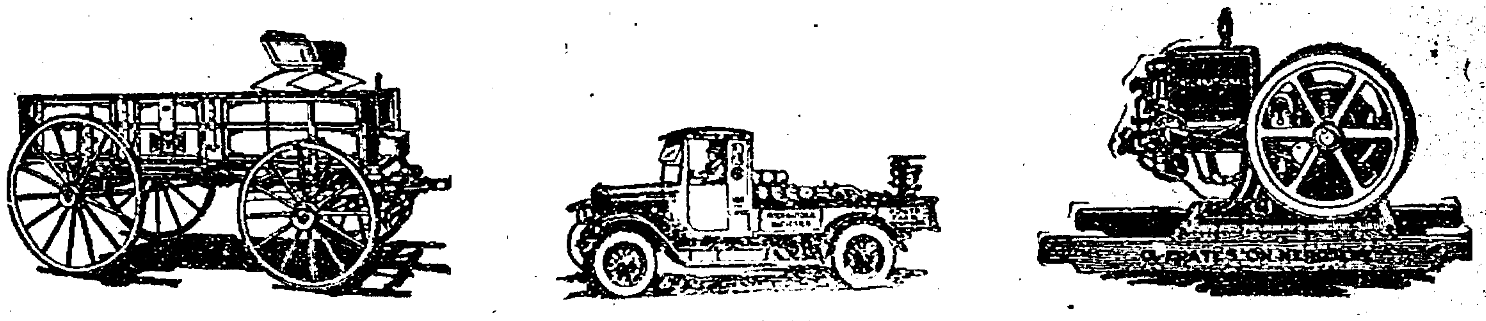

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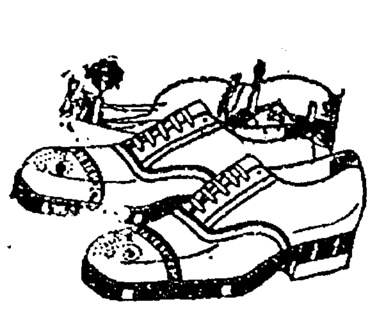

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7. It has the membership, the will, the power, and above all it has the confidence of the public.
8. A boost for the Farm Bureau is a boost for your own business.

The membership in the Farm Bureau is only $5 per year. It is divided, $4 to your county organization, 50c to the State Federation, and 50c to the American Federation; thus giving you membership in all three organizations for the single fee.

You can join any time, but a special opportunity will be given you to get into the organization on

Monday and Tuesday,

October 9th and 10th

Wright County Farm Bureau

MESERVEY SECTION

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For Sale—A Malleable range and a heating stove. See Carl Herman, Meservey, Iowa. 452*

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MESERVEY, IOWA

John Schmidt and family and the Misses Jennie Ostendorf and Grace J. Pals motored to Mason City last Wednesday where they spent the day shopping and sight seeing.

Rev. and Mrs. Schlesellman and two younger children accompanied Miss Sylvia Bloom to her home at Renwick last Thursday, after the latter had been visiting with them for the past several weeks.

Miss Alma Ralston came home from Iowa Falls, Friday, to spend the week end with home folks.

Peter H. Pals and family motored to Mason City last Wednesday.

Albert Pals and Miss Ollie Pals, accompanied by the Misses Grace Block and Grace Heindricks, motored to Cedar Falls last Sunday where the latter are attending I. S. T. C.

Rev. Schlesselman was a business caller at Belmond last Tuesday.

L. B. Hulsebus spent Monday, Wednesday and Friday in Mason City having dental work done.

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Mrs. H. Meinderts and daughter, Miss Jennie, returned from their S. D. trip last Tuesday evening. They report a pleasant visit.

A. E. Muller, wife and daughter Eleanor motored to Mason City last Thursday where they transacted business and Mrs. Muller had dental work done.

A. J. Nissen accompanied Miller Bros. to Mason City last Thursday where they attended to business matters.

The Cemetery society will meet with Mrs. Bernard Koenen Tuesday, Oct. 10. Everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Nissen are rejoicing over the arrival of a bright baby boy, born last Saturday morning, weight 10 pounds.

Presiding Elder Faust of Cedar Falls conducted quarterly conference at the Evang. church from Friday to Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Strasburg and daughter Mae departed Monday by auto for Peshtigo, Wis., to visit with relatives of Mrs. Strasburg.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats spent Sunday at the home of her parents. On Monday she had dental work done at Belmond, returning to her duties at the Hulsebus-Muller store Tuesday.

Our merchants have been busy unpacking fall and winter goods, and invite you to look their stock over and compare prices before buying elsewhere. A good way to become satisfied with your home merchants is to try buying out of town, then come back and see how reasonable the prices are here.

Mr. and Mrs Da. Wenzel entertained at a family reunion at their home last Sunday. The guests included the relatives of Mr. Wenzel and an enjoyable time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. F Ralston and daughter Miss Alma, and Miss Viola Thomas were Mason City shoppers Saturday.

Theo. Wendell returned Saturday from Lisbon, N. D., where he had been several weeks looking after farm interests.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Konig of Early Iowa and Mr and Mrs. Herman Proost and children of Scholler came Saturday to visit over Sunday at the Henry Proost home

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and sister, Alma Witt, returned Sunday from Iowa City where they had been to consult a specialist in regard to the latter's injured foot which has not been getting along as well as should be.

Supt. Herbster has been enjoying a visit with his brother, Kenneth, who is attending school at Charles City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Nissen were Mason City visitors last Thursday.

Miss Irma Ulrick is teaching school near Wiota, Ia.

Theo. Wendel is in Lisbon, N. D., looking after his farm interests at that place. At present he is erecting a new barn and may remain until it is completed.

Ferdinand Halfpop, C. Bier, A. Kolb and Dr. Agler have all been busy trimming trees, which has added much to the appearance of main street.

COMMUNITY PROGRAM

The first of the Community Programs will be given at the M. E. church Friday evening, Oct. 6, and promises to be an interesting one. All are cordially invited to attend and let us all boost for these meetings, thus encouraging those who have charge to put on another program in the very near future. Program appears in the school notes in this issue.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday with home folks at Belmond.

The Helping Hand society met with Mrs. G. Lauster last Thursday afternoon, a goodly number being present. The monthly business was transacted after which several interesting articles were read by Mrs. Butz and Mrs. Aug. Guth, discussions following. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess

The many friends and class mates of Thelma Thomas are pleased to know she was able to take up her school work again this week. Owing to her recent illness she was unable to start at the beginning of the term.

STRAYED to my place yearling steer calf. Owner may have same by proving property and paying the costs.—John P. Pals, Meservey, Ia. 463c

If in need of an auctioneer, call on U. J. Cooper, Meservey, Iowa. Graduate of the Missouri Auction School. 46tfc

Herman Dirks and Herman Ostendorf left last week for Pella where they will resume their school work at Central college

For Sale—NEW Ford, with starter, one-man top. List price, no trades. —L. B. Husebus, Meservey, Ia.

For Sale—A limited number of April farrow Duroc Jersey boars. 200 pounds. $25 and $30.—C. J. Janssen & Son, Meservey, Iowa. 46tfc

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Sunday school 9:30
Services 10:30
Evening services at 7:30 and 8:00.
The weekly services will be the same as usual.
Rev. H. J. Faust, coming Friday, Sept. 29th, for quarterly Conference.
Communion services Sunday.

THE REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school 9:15.
Services 10:15.
Young Peoples Meeting 7:15.
Services (English) 8:00.
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MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Merle Brogan, a former student in Meservey, visited several classes Friday forenoon. Merle is a senior at Garner this year.

Harry Smith was absent from school Friday on account of having his arm severely sprained when he fell from his bicycle Thursday evening.

Rozelle Sprau has been absent from school several days on account of illness.

The Seniors are beginning the study of Shakespeare. They will study Julius Caesar first and this will be followed by Macbeth and possibly Hamlet also.

The base ball game which was to have been played with Klemme was called off on account of illness at Klemme.

Miss Hazel Hathorne spent the week end at her home in Renwick.

At the Methodist church at 8 p. m. Friday, Oct. 6, the following program will be given:

Community Program

Music—Orchestra.

Shoemaker's Dance—1st and 2nd grade pupils.

Having Baby's Picture Taken—3rd and 4th grade pupils.

The Muffin Man—1st and 2nd grade pupils.

Talk—Rev. Schlesselman.

The Gloomy Gloops—5th and 6th grade pupils.

Music—Orchestra.

The Weary Willies—7th and 8th grade pupils.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Jacobson.

Reading, "Home", —Evelyn Thomas.

Shadow Pictures—H. S. students.

Music—Orchestra.

Song, "Goodnight, Ladies",—H S students

Grace Meints has been absent from the 6th grade duties Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mildred Janssen of the 5th grade was absent Monday on account of sickness.

Those who have been absent from the 7th and 8th grades this week are Raylmond Watermiller, Louis Dirks, Alfred Olson, Olive Olson.

George Frye enrolled in the 1st grade this week.

Mrs. J. Bier visited the primary room on Thursday of this week.

Tuesday evening the teachers and Supt. laid aside the cares of school room and went out into the woods for a wienie roast. A base ball game in which most of the faculty participated was the chief form of entertainment after which a plentiful supper was enjoyed by all.

All members of the English Literature class are reading "Ben Hur" by Lew Wallace for their outside reading. Ben Hur is a tale of the Christ, a story of remarkable power.

Miss Hunke one of the H. S. teachers spent Saturday in Mason City.

The Agriculture class is making a study of the weeds of this vicinity. About forty different kinds have been found.

Ollie Pals and Thelma Thomas, entered H. S. this week. That brings our enrollment up to thirty.

The Senor class met one day last week and elected the following officers:

Peter Koenen—President.
Agnes Fischer— Vice-President.
Evelyn Thomas—Secretary.
Eva Sprau—Treasurer.

The H. S. girls have arganized a

The H. S. girls have organized a basket ball team and expect to play several out of town games. Evelyn Thomas has been elected captain and Miss Hawthorne is to be coach.

At the request of a large number of the patrons of the school district, the school, with the assistance of the community, will give a series of "Community Meetings," the first of which will occur on Friday evening, Oct. 6, in the M. E. church. The program will be printed at a later date.

Miss Holroyd, principal of the H. S., spent the week end at the home of her parents at Plymouth.

Miss Huenemann, 5th and 6th grade teacher, visited over Saturday at the home of her brother near Garner.

Gerald Janssen was absent from school two days last week.

Grammar Grades

Louis Dirks and Raymond Watermiller enter the 8th grade last week.

The 8th grade has had perfect attendance the third week.

The 7th and 8th grades are taking domestic science and manual training and find it very interesting.

Primary

The primary room has been greatly improved in appearance since the furniture has been painted. The chairs, desk, sand table, reading table and play table have been painted in forest green. We hope all the parents will come to see us at work in our "new" room.

Kenneth Sprau enrolled in the first grade last week.

The 1st and 2nd grades are having a "personal cleanliness" contest. Every morning the children are checked up as to clean teeth, clean nails, and neatly combed hair. The grades are divided into three divisions and the winning division will receive a reward at the end of the year.

The 5th grade has been studying early Iowa Indians and are anxiously waiting for their new record, "The Indian Lament."

Mildred Janssen of the 5th grade has been absent from school two days of this week.

The pupils of the rooms taught by Miss Thomas and Miss Huenemann will conduct a "clean-up campaign" during next week. Teams have been chosen, captains elected, and the school grounds have been divided. The team which first cleans up the ground of paper and rubbish will win the contest.

3rd and 4th Grades

There are 34 enrolled in the 3rd and 4th grades.

John Van Osten has been absent from school all week.

Those in the 3rd and 4th grades having birthdays in Sept. are Ivadel Wickersheim, Wilbert Frey, Arnold Groen and LuVern Butz.

The 4th grade welcomed the 3rd grade to our room by entertaining them Friday afternoon after recess.

The 4th grade is going to give the play "Taking the Baby's Picture" at the Community Program Oct. 6.

The 3rd grade has had perfect attendance the past week.

A new ceiling of wall board has been put in the 3rd and 4th grade room which greatly improves it. We are going to decorate the room in orange and brown and put Hallow'en paper on the sand table.

The 3rd and 4th grades invite YOU to visit their room.

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Independent and the business men of Meservey have signed a contract for the ensuing year, and the readers are assured of their home news and home representation for another year. The Meservey representation and representatives remain as before. H. F Reif having the business end and Mrs. A. E. Muller the correspondence. The policy from this on with the Independent is to be cash in advance on subscriptions; it is essential to good business. We hope you have enjoyed the paper and that you will continue with it, and assure you of our best efforts to give you satisfaction.

THE PUBLISHER.

AN EXPLANATION

Some of the school notes and a number of the locals in this issue are left from last week. The copy was held at the post office in Belmond and did not reach the Independent in time for last week's publication.

Mrs. A R. Johnke of Long Prarie, Minn., returned to her home after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs Wm. Prelipp a short time

Gar Raecker received the sad intelligence on Tuesday of last week of the death of his niece, only daughter of his sister Sadie and husband. Mr. and Mrs. Fillenworth of Sanborn Mrs. Fillenworth will be remembered by many here, having at one time lived here with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Raecker.

Interment was made in Roseland cemetery, Sanborn, last Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Gar Raecker, accompanied by Rev. and Mrs. H Raecker of Waverly and Rev. H. Raecker, Jr, of Gilbert, motored to Sanborn last Thursday to attend the funeral. Following is an account of the little girl's sickness and death taken from "The Sanborn Reporter":

"Many friends here were surprised and made sorrowful when on Tuesday afternoon the news of the death of Faith Fillenworth became known. Last July, while spending the summer with her parents at the lakes, she was taken with an attack of scarlet fever, and was bro't to her home here. The disease ran its course and the little girl had apparantly recovered. Later she suffered another illness, and after a month's illness closed her young life.

"Faith Fawn Fillenworth was born Dec. 7, 1914 in Sanborn, Ia. and passed away Sept. 26, 1922, being 7 years, 9 months and 19 days old. She was a little one who attracted people to her on account of her winning ways and was a favorite among her playmates. Many of those who were accustomed to notice her on her way to school realize to a small extent the sorrow which must be in the hearts of the parents at this loss of their little one. The sympathy of the community goes out to Mr and Mrs. Fillenworth in the great sorrow which has come to them."

ROWAN NEWS

Obituary

John Brinkman was born in Hardin Co. Iowa, Oct. 10 1863. He resided near Ackley, Iowa, until 29 years ago, when he moved with his family to Rowan. The last three years of his life were spent in Long Beach, Cal.

In 1887 he was married to Annie Sleight, also from Ackley. To this union 11 children were born, three of whom have gone on to the shore above. One daughter, Flora, died at the age of 19 years, two boys died in infancy.

Brother Brinkman was converted in his early life, the man who led him to the alter was present at his funeral, Mr. Lister of Ackley. Later on in life he saw the need of a clean heart experience. He sought this experience with his whole heart and he testified many times he knew that God had santified his soul and knew that the Holy Ghost was abiding within him. He was a member of the M. E. church at Powan and also a member of the Wright Co Holiness Association. While at Long Beach he was a regular attendant of Bethel Mission where he reveled in the spiritual things of God. The last year and a half he was a real intercessor in prayer with God. He spent from five to eight hours in prayer and study of God's word daily. These were the things that gave him a real rich experience in his soul

He was taken sick Sept 11, and was taken to Seaside Hospital where two operations were performed. All that medical aid and care could do was done to prolong his life but the dear Lord did not see fit to spare him any longer. He left for the Better Land Sept. 19, just eight years to the day from the time his wife passed away. He died triumphant in the faith of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He testified only a few hours before he passed away that he was till trusting in the Lord. He had behind him a band of praying people who interceded at the throne of Grace for his recovery and while the Lord wonderfully blessed in prayer yet the Lord saw best to take him home.

Funeral services were held in Bethel Mission, Long Beach, Sept. 22. At this service one soul found Jesus to be the Great Burden Bearer. If Brother Brinkman could have been there and seen that scene, some of his dear ones know that nothing would have pleased him more, for his whole aim was to do the whole will of God and be true to lost souls. He left a testamony that he knew that if he never uttered another prayer, he had that assurance from High Heaven that some souls would be in glory because he was faithful in prayer. He often said, "I have no other desire only to do the will of God."

He leaves to mourn his death four boys and four girls, John and Jurden of Mankato, Minn., Harm of Latimer, Ia., and Martin of Klemme, Ia., Mrs. Earl Carpenter (Nettie) of Smith Mills, Minn., and Anna, Ida and Helen of Long Beach. One brother, one sister and many nieces and nephews and other relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held in the M. E. church at Rowan, Sept. 28, Rev. Harold Tomkinson presiding. Burial was made in Graceland cemetery.

The out of town guests at the funeral were Henry Brinkman and wife and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Uhlenopp, Mrs. Harm Ludeman, all of Aplington, Ia. Mr Liester and son, of Mr. Heike Miller ad daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Miller, Mr and Mrs. John Miller, Mr. and Mrs. R Hartman of Ackley, Mr and Mrs. R. Behrends and daughter of Bristow, Mrs. Ed. Miller and daughter of Clarion, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs of Goodell, Mr. Hall and Mr. Trager of Eagle Grove

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly showed their sympathy and love to us in this hour of sorrow in this the death of our dear father. Also for the floral offerings that were brought. May the Lord reward each one.

Children of John Brinkman.

Mr. and Mrs. Merecll Myers and Mrs. F. M Myers returned Tuesday from a visit at Lacona, Ia, and Indianola, where they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. R H Keith were at Allison, Thursday

A letter received from Mrs Tim Weld of Bruce, Wis., is in part as follows: "Have just received my Belmond Independent and it is just like a letter from home." We are glad the subscribers appreciate our effort at getting news and we appreciate the help which the people give to us concerning news.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou and Mrs. Hattie Ballou left for Minn, Saturday. They will visit Mrs. Gildersleeve and son Ed. and family at Crookston and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ballou at International Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J Whitten returned from their auto trip to Kansas last Thursday. They report a fine time.

Fred Aldrich hurt his foot the past week and is quite lame.

Mrs. Mary Williams went to Rochester on Saturday to be with her mother, Mrs. George Whitten, who was operated on Monday. Miss Stella Emerson is clerking in the store in her place.

E. Bingham and L. D. Bingham were Clarion callers Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Halbrook were Belmond callers Friday where Mrs. Halbrook had some dental work done.

Sunday Mrs. Wilbur and daughters Harriet, Winnefred Lydia and Beatrice called on friends in town. They were enroute from Cedar Falls to Duluth. Mrs. Wilbur expects to be with her son Jasper at Duluth this winter. They were driving thru with two cars.

Will Bingham is on the sick list this week, suffering from tonsilitis.

Mrs. Fred Kercheval and son Fred Frances left Monday of this week for Tonkawa, Okl. She expects to visit a couple of days at Omaha at the home of a friend. Fred expects to join her in Oklhoma later this fall and they will remain there until the spring.

Mrs. Frank Kercheval was a Belmond caller Monday.

Mrs. Ed. Haupt is in Dr. Bernard's hospital at Clarion.

E. McKinley of Lake Park is visiting at the home of his brother Lew and family

Mrs. Frank Kercheval was a Clarion caller Monday of this week.

Mrs. Darrell Stout was on the sick list the past week.

S. B. Heath and B. P Hadley enjoyed a day's fishing at Clear Lake last Friday

Mr. and Mrs. George Hamilton and daughters Velma Jane and Kathryn of Enumclaw, Wash., and Miss Nelle Perrenow of Seattle, Wash., were guests Thursday afternoon and Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten. Mrs Hamilton is a cousin of Mrs. Whitten. The party motored from Michigan and are visiting relatives in various parts of Iowa before returning. They will probably spend the winter in the middle west.

Mrs. Frank Drury motored to Waterloo with her parents this last week to visit at the home of a sister and to attend the cattle show at that place. She returned Monday.

Little Violet Patton the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Patton, is very ill at this writing, suffering from brights disease following pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan McBurney of Popejoy spent Sunday a the home of her sister, Mrs. Tice Streveler and family.

Mrs. Hattie Ballou is having some repair work done on her residence in town. A new porch is being put on the front and it is to be reshingled and repainted. Messrs. Frank and Fred Kercheval are doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley and family and Frank Drury spen Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E Drury at Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Echelburger and baby of Clarion spent Sunday evening at the Will Whitten home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Azeltine and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sellers spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Azeltine.

Mr and Mrs. William Tresidder visited at the home of their son Howard and family at Clarion, Friday.

Mrs. J. S. Farren and son Bobby were Fort Dodge callers Saturday

The Amos Cowley family have moved to their new farm residence southeast of town which has just been completed. The Silva family who have been occupying the south part of the apartment house moved into the Aldrich property vacated by the Cowley family.

Mrs. George Davis went to Crystal Lake, Tuesday, for a short visit at the home of her daughter.

Miss LaVonne Ballou and her aunt Mrs. Viola Tibbets, motored to Fort Dodge on Monday of last week.

Rowan School Notes

Mrs. McAlpine visited the lower grades Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. J. F. Howell visited the 2nd and 3rd grade Thursday p. m.

Thelma Parsons of Seattle, Wash., who has been visiting at the Will Whitten home, visited school Thursday morning.

Visitors are always welcome; it shows an interest in the school work.

The basket ball teams are already beginning practice for this year. A number of the 8th grade seem very much interested in basket ball which means a good team when they reach high school.

Telford Simons was struck and quite badly hurt by a horse shoe Friday morning. His injuries included a broken nose and a bad cut on his forehead.

Anna Rietz is missing school because of an attack of jaundice.

Cleo Duffy missed the past week of school, teaching for her sister, Mildred, who has been suffering from tonsilitis.

Kathryn Harson was absent Wednesday of last week on account of the toothache.

Gladys Whitten missed school on Thursday afternoon.

Ruth Emerson remained home from school Thursday and Friday, caring for her mother who is ill.

Miss Haven spent the week end at her home in LaPorte.

Lynden Whitten does not let a broken ankle keep him from school, but is still attending all his classes with the help of crutches.

A number of the students were excused last Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Brinkman.

The teachers had a picnic supper in the woods last Thursday. In physiology class the next day the statement was made that one should not walk far immediately after eating a hearty meal. Mill Hillyard said she was thoroly convinced of the fact.

Rowan Congregational Notes

The services next Sunday will be as usual. Morning service at 11. Sunday school at 12. Y. P. S C. E. at 6:30. and evening service at 7;30.

The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. A. H. Emerson Friday afternoon.

The Missionary society will meet at the home of Mrs. Clint Kercheval on Thursday afternoon.

The Y. P. S C E. will hold their regular business meeting and social hour at the home of Miss Frances Farren on Thursday evening. All the young people are invited to attend this meeting.

Mrs. S. F. Stout went to Waterloo Tuesday for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs J. H. Dix of Hampton were calling on friends in town on Tuesday. Mr. Dix had been looking after farm interests and Mrs. Dix had been visiting at the home of her brother, Fred Willis, and family at Dows. They were returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ballou and Mrs. Hattie Ballou attended the cattle show at Waterloo last week

Mr. and Mrs. Marsh of Cedar Rapids spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler last week. Mrs Marsh will be remembered as Alma Campbell formerly of this place

Mrs Hannah Whitten and Laurel, Miss Angie Baines and William Baines returned from their trip to S. D. last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs Harold Teets of Keota spent Thursday and Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Azeltine.

Mr and Mrs. Clifford Snow of Goldfield spent Thursday at this place at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Whitten and family.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mrs. Kate Conn left Tuesday for a visit at Waterloo and Parkersburg.

L. D. Bingham returned to Iowa Falls on Sunday to look after business interests. Wesley Azeltine who is attending college there accompanied him home.

Mrs. Levi Johnson and baby from Sioux Falls, S. D., are visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. H Fowler.

Mrs. Guy Stumph spent the week end at the home of her parents Mr and Mrs. Ed. Miller at Clarion.

Miss Nora Shaffer accompanied Carl Steffens to Iowa City on Friday where he will have a thoro medical examination. Little Lloyd Hackley and Rex Steffens also went with them. Both boys were operated on for the removal of tonsils and adnoids Saturday and are reported as doing nicely.

Last Friday evening several couples of young married folks met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aldrich for a farewell evening for Mr. and Mrs. Underdahl. The evening was spent in various good times. Lovely refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs Underdahl were presented with a token of remembrance at the close of the evening. Mr. Underdahl has rented a blacksmith shop at Rake and they returned there Saturday.

Lynden Whitten had the misfortune to crack a bone in his ankle last week. He was swinging in one of the swings at school when the chain broke, letting him drop on his foot with such force the bone cracked.

Duane Halbrook fell from a teeter toter at school Monday and hurt his back quite badly.

The only service that will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday Oct. 8 will be the Sunday school which meets at ten o'clock. The pastor Rev Harold Tomkinson, will leave or the conference at Fort Dodge on next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. LeBarss, Mr. and Mrs. Woodin of Lincoln, and Mr and Mrs. Geo. Richards of Alexander attended the morning service of the Methodist church last Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Tomkinson along with Mrs. Will Azeltine attended the Upper Iowa conference session at Mason City last week.

Miss Anna Brinkman of Long Beach, Cal., spoke in the M. E. church last Sunday evening, giving an account of her work in the Bethel Mission.

The American Legion are holding an auction of farm produce on Friday, Oct. 13. Watch the papers for further particulars.

Fred Brooks has very generously offered to give the proceeds of a moving picture evening to the two churches in town. A further announcement will be made of this.

Mrs. Will McCallum is laid up with a severe sickness.

Miss Brennen of Clarion is staying with her friend Miss Mabel Azeltine for a few days.

Ed. Azeltine, Clesson and Ray and Rev. Tomkinson attended the football game at Clarion last Saturday, and of course rooted for the local boys who put up a good fight and won a well deserved victory.

Last Wednesday afternoon after the funeral of Mr. Brinkman the friends and guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder where they were served dinner before leaving for their various homes. About 60 were served.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keith and daughter Margaret, and the Misses Mohr and Parks called at Popejoy, Alden and Williams

Mrs Les Andrews and children are visiting at the home of her parents Mr and Mrs Henry Boklen at Mont Rose, S. D. She stopped to visit her sister Minnie at Sioux City enroute to South Dakota. Mrs. Esther Andrews is helping during his wife's absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Stout moved to the Mrs. Georgia Rowen residence Monday.

Mrs. A E. Emerson has been sick all the past week, but is some better now.

Rev. and Mrs. Halbert accompanied Rev. Hardcastle of Iowa Falls to Cornelia, Thursday evening. It had been announced that they would organize a church there at that time but in the meantime the Christian minister of Clarion started a series of evangelistic meetings so it was decided to wait until after these meetings and see the will of the people. They attended the meeting and helped that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kehler and family were Hampton callers Thursday.

The sale which Mrs. Essie Ferguson held last Wednesday was very good, things selling at a good price.

Mr. D. A. French was on the sick list last week.

Specials for This Week

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Wool Pants--English style	3.50
Regular U. S. Army Shoes	3.95
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Alexander Local News

St. John's Evang. Luth. Church

Sunday school at 2 o'clock

Subject: The conversion of Cornelius.

John Arends Supt.

Preaching services at 2:45 followed by Communion service. All confirmands are asked to renew their faith at this service. All services in the English language.

C. J. Bartha, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs George Latch and baby of Luverne were Sunday visitors at this place.

A fine baby boy of standard weight came Sunday to make its home with the Earnest Peters family.

For Sale—NEW Ford, with starter, one-man top. List price, no trades. —L. B. Hulsebus, Meservey, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bohlen and two sons and Mr. and Mrs Oscar Hensel and children visited at the Edd. Butler home in Hampton last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters Jessie and Nellie were callers at Clarion last Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs Will Beenen and daughter of Renwick were visitors at this place last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and son Bob were callers at Belmond on last week Wednesday.

NOTICE!

As I have sold my business at Alexander, I wish to thank all my friends for their support the past year. We will always have a warm spot in our heart for our friends in Alexander. I would ask all those who owe us to please call and settle at once, as we are going away and we need the money. Thank you.

OSCAR WALSH.

Art Thomas of Iowa Falls was a caller at Alexander on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and daughter Virginia Ruth of Hampton

Lost—black hat, size 6 7-8, between Meservey and Dows. Has owners' name in side. Finder send to Rev. H. M. Raecker, Gilbert, Iowa, and receive reward.

were visitors at the Nels Larsen residence on Sunday.

Several of the Alexander people were in attendance at the play held at Hampton Monday evening.

About 40 members of the Lutheran church surprised Mrs. Henry Schimp on her birthday Monday evening. All report an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs Vern Finkle and daughter Leona of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Nels Larsen home.

Rev. A. D. Mohr, who has been pastor of the Congregational church at Alexander, has accepted a position at Crystal Lake and moved his family there last week

Oscar Walsh, who has been one of our leading merchants in Alexander for the past year, has sold his general merchandise stock to John Peters of this place. Immediate possession was given.

Mrs. Fred Larsen and Mrs. Lewi Bell and children were callers at Belmond on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell of Waterloo visited at the John Bell home last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stadtlander spent the past week with relatives in Minnesota.

Alfred Anderson and family are visiting with relatives in Minnesota this week.

George Pals and daughter Miss Jennie of near Belmond were callers in town last Friday.

Fred Greenfield was a business caller at Belmond on Thursday.

M. C. Madsen of Belmond was doing mason work here last Thursday.

When home brewing is going on, it frequently happens that trouble is brewing.

You can often tell a wise man by the things he doesn't say.

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GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Wednesday the new elevator manager and his family arrived.

Last Wednesday Mr. Adams, one of the gravel houlers, had the misfortune to tip over just north of David Finn's home. The cab was smashed and he was cut some about the head. However he was able to drive his truck home and after repairing it, the next day, he was on duty.

Thursday and Friday Mr. T. O Letch moved Mr Myers' household goods into the Roy Bachman house

Thursday S. S. Matson and family and Miss Ina Ahrenkeil were Mason City callers.

Miss Maude Griggs returned to Ventura on Thursday evening.

A. D. White returned from Des Moines on Thursday morning, where he had been attending the G. A. R. encampment

Miss Hill spent Sunday with her parents at Clarion.

Supt. O. Nelson drove to Albert Lea on Friday evening to visit his wife. He returned Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham drove to Bode last Friday to visit relative and friends.

Henry Rust and family of Bird Island, Minn., came last Thursday to visit their parents, Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Janette Wiles.

Mrs. John Ahrenkeil and Mrs. John Savogue were calling on friends east of town last week.

U. B. Church Notes

Next Sunday will be the first Communion service of the new year.

There was a fine attendance at the church and Sunday school last Sunday. 108 were present at the Sunday school. This month is Rally Month. You are requested to be present. Come and join in the study of the Bible.

On Saturday evening at 8 p. m. the Redpath Vawter company will play the comedy "The Bubble." This play bubbles over with good clean humor. The play sells for $165 a night so we are looking for something good. At the U. B church. Admission 35c, 15c, 10c.

Possibly a miser hates to die because he knows there is no money in heaven and fears to look for it in hell.

We never could understand why people who borrow trouble never want to pay it back.

BUSINESS PERSONALS

The Belmond Candy Kitchen has started serving lunches, now that the hot weather is over. Steve's cooking is good.

The Belmond Furniture Co. are conducting a special sale on sewing machines, as may be seen from their ad in this issue of the Independent. Forty cents gets a machine. The results are reported good by Mr. Trafford, manager of the store.

J. P. Larsen and Son opened their new business here, the Cash Market, which they recently purchased of Thomas Tyrrell, on Monday of this week and are enjoying a good patronage. Mr. Larsen, the manager in the shop here, goes by the nickname of "Scoop," according to the Times of Klemme. He is a live wire at any rate and is out to scoop up business.

D. L. Mallory agains enters the jewelry business, and opens his shop this week for business in the building formerly occupied by the Schultz Jewelry Co.

Wanted—Party to lift and haul six acres of beets on factory's farm, for the tops.—Iowa Valley Operating Company. 452c

Wm. Dempsey attended the Pleasant township Farm Bureau meeting at the Pete Kaufman farm Monday night, and with his pop corn machine "fed the multitude" hot buttered corn. He had a splendid business, and is very thankful to the Farm Bureau for permission to attend.

Johnson & Wright have been investigating a contrivance to burn oil in the furnace, and if found to be practical will handle them. The Independent is awaiting their investigations with the idea of installing such an outfit if it proves practical.

Matt Holtzbauer recently made and has in use now at the Candy Kitchen, a machine for turning gasolene into the next thing to city gas. It does away with priming, lighting as does gas, there is no soot, and it seems to work to perfection with a hot blaze. Matt is going to make one on a smaller scale as an experiment for the linotype burner of the Independent. If he can make it practical he certainly will have a fortune made.

F. J. Tuffree is developing quite a nice business in cleaning and pressing from the nearby towns. He has an agent in most of them and makes trips there himself by car.

H. N. Hill is remodeling the interior of his jewelry store this week, improving in several ways.

Belmond Local News

Dr. L. E. Rankins of Chicago was a brief visitor in town last Wednesday. She is an aunt of the editor.

Don't forget the first foot ball game in Belmond this week Friday afternoon. If you have never seen a foot ball game you have a real thrill coming.

Claire White was a caller in town last Thursday, looking after business interests and visiting relatives. He resides at Ft. Dodge, and was on his vacation.

Wm. Dempsey "made" the Ferguson sale at Rowan last week with his pop corn outfit, and couldn't pop fast enough to supply the demand. Bill says he will make any sale that is held if notified.

D. L. Mallory has been busy the past week getting his building in shape to start business again in he jewelry line. He is starting in the building formerly occupied by Henry Schultz, who has moved to and is now nicely located in the old First National bank building.

H. N. Hill is improving his jewelry store by doing some refinishing and redecorating inside.

Miss Mary Brown was a caller at Mason City on Saturday of last week doing some shopping.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey to spend the week end with relatives here.

Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell and Mrs. Harry Tyrrell were visitors at Mason City on last Saturday.

Miss Mabel Waterman of Belmond was an over Sunday visitor in this city. Mable is teaching at Belmond this year.—Klemme Times.

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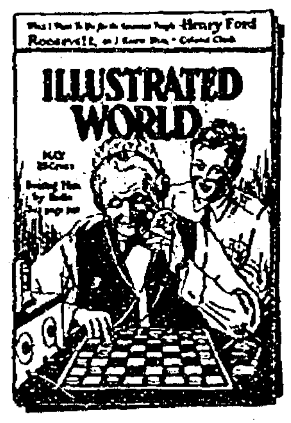

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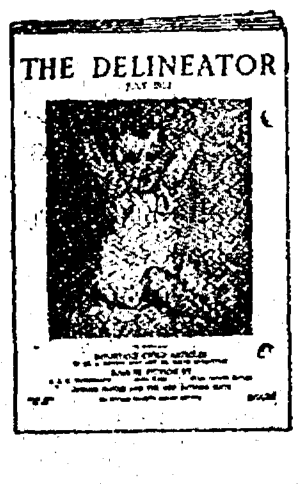

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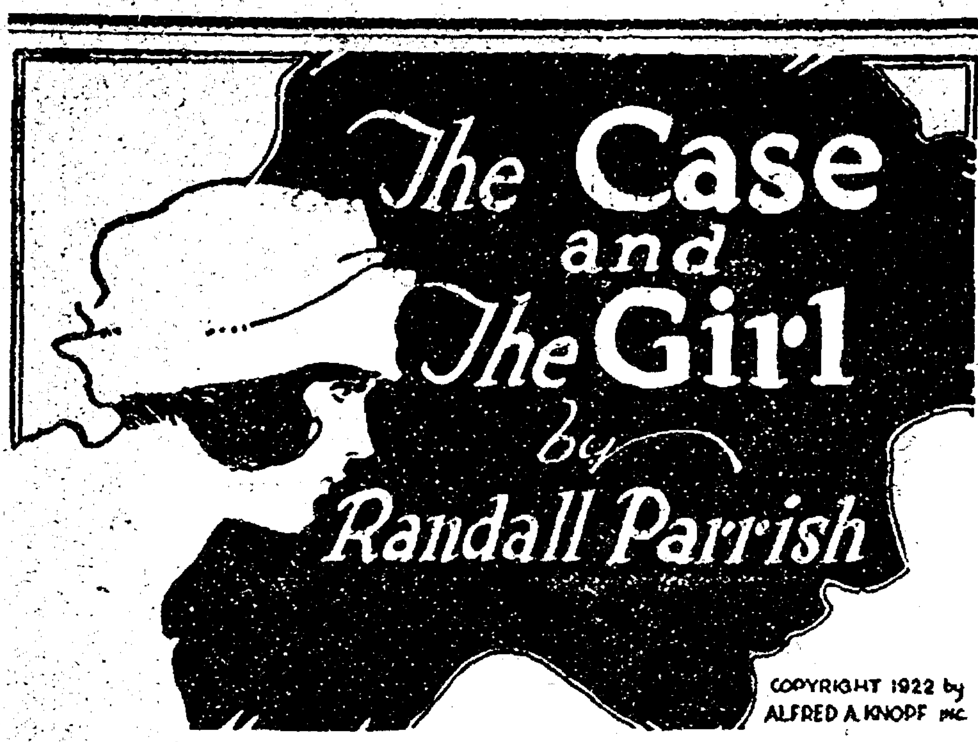

The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish

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CHAPTER I

The Lady in the Limousine.

West, still attired in khaki uniform, but wearing the red chevron of honorable discharge on his left sleeve, sat in the club writing room, his feet comfortably elevated, endeavoring to extract some entertainment from the evening paper. The news was not particularly interesting, however, and finally, obsessed with the feeling that it would soon be time for him to seriously contemplate the procuring of suitable employment, the young man turned the sheet about rather idly, and ran his eyes down the columns devoted to classified advertising.

Half way down the first column, under the head of "miscellaneous," he paused and read a paragraph with some interest; then read it over again, emitting a soft whistle between his teeth.

"Well, by Jove!" he said to himself slowly, "That doesn't sound so bad, either; out of the ordinary, at least. Say, Thompson," and he turned to a tall young fellow busily writing at the adjoining desk, and shoved the paper under his eyes, pointing at the paragraph which had attracted attention, with one finger, "What do you make out of that, old man?"

The other, rather sober-faced, and slow of speech, read the advertisement word by word, with no change of expression.

"Rot," he said solemnly. "Either a joke, or some scheme on. Why? Interested in it?"

"In a measure, yes. I've a good mind to answer, and take a chance."

"You're a fool if you do, Matt," decisively, and turning back to his writing. "That is some game being pulled off. Likely as not it means blackmail. Besides there is no address."

"That's one thing I like about it," retorted the other; "They are in earnest, and taking no chances of having their purpose guessed at. By Jove, I don't see how any one can get in bad, merely by finding out what it all means."

"Well, do as you please; you would anyhow. Only you have my advice."

West read the item again. He had been eighteen months in France, and his discharge from the army had left him bored and dissatisfied with the dull routine of civil life. He dreaded to get back into the harness of a prosaic existence; even his profession as a civil engineer had someway lost its charm. He had tasted the joy of adventure, the thrill of danger, and it was still alluring. This advertisement promised a mystery which strangely attracted his imagination.

> "Wanted: Young man of education and daring for service involving some personal peril. Good pay, and unusual reward if successful. May have to leave city. Purpose disclosed only in personal interview."

As Thompson had pointed out, this was not signed, nor any address given.

West crossed over to an unoccupied desk, and wrote a reply, changing the wording several times, and finally making a clean copy. The answer read:

> To Advertiser: Am 26; late captain of Engineers; university graduate, adventurous disposition. Would be glad to consider your proposition. Address, Box 57, University club."

He placed this in an envelope, called a club messenger, and, handing the boy a sum of money, sent him over to the newspaper office.

Two days elapsed before an answer appeared in his box; a small envelope, addressed in a lady's handwriting apparently, and mailed from one of the sub-postoffices. The brief note read:

"Box 57, University club.

"Your answer to advertisement makes a good impression, and I am willing to put you to the further test of a personal meeting. If you are in earnest in this matter, and quite prepared to assume the necessary risk, you will be at the northwest corner of Spaulding park at 5:30 tomorrow afternoon. Do not come in uniform, but it will be well to bring evening clothes in a bag. Be sure of yourself, and be prompt.

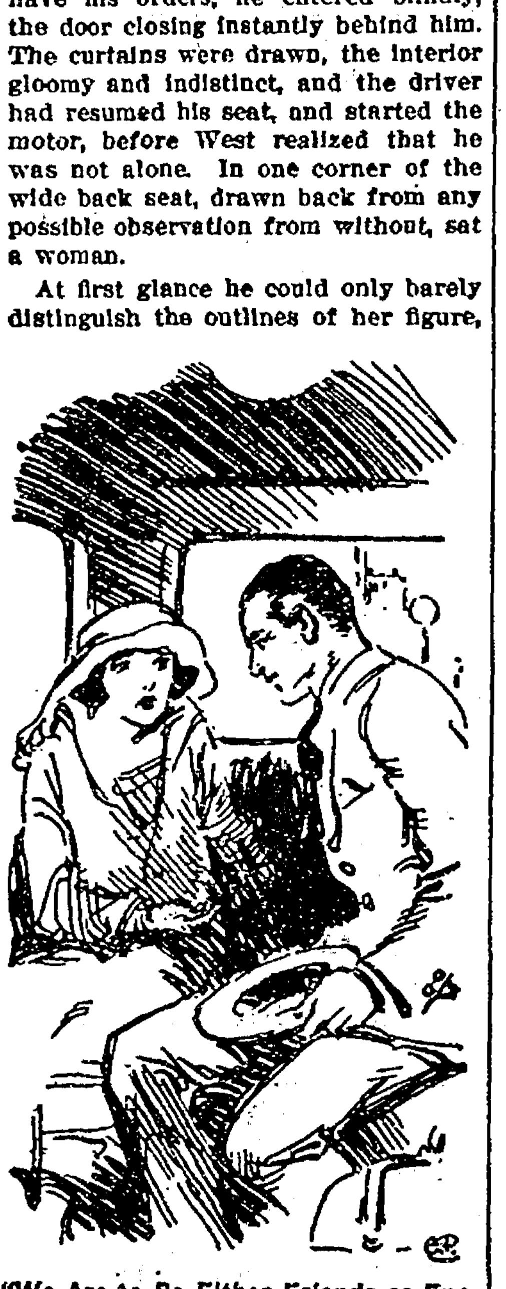
"Very truly yours,
"The Advertiser."

West read this over, again and again, smoking furiously, and endeavoring to weigh each word. The letter sounded honest and sincere; the writer evidently had a purpose in view, and was selecting an agent with great care and secrecy. No hint as to what that object was would be revealed blindly—he must be tried in every way first; thoroughly tested as to both character and courage. Undoubtedly steps had already been taken to do this. The delay in reply would have afforded opportunity for some investigation, as his address would give the necessary clue to his identity. The request for evening clothes, however, rather reassured him; evidently his first plunge into this mystery was not to occur in any stratum of low society; no vast amount of personal danger could be involved in such preliminaries. The advertiser was a woman! This fact also stimulated his imagination, and rendered him the more eager. By Jove! he would see the thing through!

His decision was reached. He would go, but would make every effort to protect himself against any possible treachery. He had a room at the club, and wrote a letter or two before proceeding to dress, arranging for their personal delivery in case he failed to return at a designated time; carefully examined his service revolver, and deposited it in the pocket of the business suit he decided to wear. Satisfied with these arrangements, he dressed rapidly, and then packed his bag, bearing it in his hand as he departed in ample time for the point of rendezvous. A cab took him to the place designated, and he found himself alone in a rather desolate spot, with which he was in no way familiar. He had no knowledge of how he was to be approached, or identified, but his being requested to bring a bag containing evening clothes, somehow suggested riding, rather than walking, and consequently his eyes followed more or less intently the constant stream of automobiles.

He grew restless and doubtful as the moments slipped past. Then suddenly, without the slightest warning, a black limousine whirled in alongside the curb, and came to a stop immediately in front of where he waited. The chauffeur, dressed in plain dark livery, stepped out, and threw open the rear door, without asking so much as a question. Except that the fellow stood there, looking directly toward him, his fingers on the latch, expectantly, West would not have known that he was wanted. Yet it was all so obvious he could not question. Silently he picked up his bag, and stepped forward. He saw no one within, but firm in the belief that the chauffeur must have his orders, he entered blindly, the door closing instantly behind him. The curtains were drawn, the interior gloomy and indistinct, and the driver had resumed his seat, and started the motor, before West realized that he was not alone. In one corner of the wide back seat, drawn back from any possible observation from without, sat a woman.

At first glance he could only barely distinguish the outlines of her figure, dimly discernible against the dark background of the upholstery, but, as his eyes accustomed themselves to the faint light, her features also became dimly visible—enough so, at least, to convince him that she was young. Neither spoke for some moments, while the automobile gathered speed, and West had an uncomfortable feeling that the lady was watching him with great intentness. He could only quietly await her explanation of this strange situation. The delay was not a long one. She laughed, nervously perhaps, yet with a sense of humor at the awkward position.



"We Are to Be Either Friends or Enemies."

"Quite melodramatic, is it not, Captain West?" she asked, in a decidedly pleasant voice. "I trust it appeals thoroughly to that disposition for adventure of which you wrote."

"Nothing more could be desired, I am sure," he confessed, surprised at her tone, and glancing toward her, "I certainly am left completely in the dark, unable even to clearly distinguish my mysterious companion in adventure."

"And there really is no longer any occasion for such concealment," She lifted the heavy curtain beside her, permitting the grey light to rest upon her face. "I preferred not to be seen at the park for obvious reasons; but here, alone with you, such precaution is quite unnecessary. We are to be either friends or enemies, so frankness is the best course."

He saw the face of a young woman of twenty-four, or five, with dark eyes and hair, her cheeks flushed with health and excitement, her lips smiling. It was a face of unusual attractiveness, not regular, perhaps, in any of its features, yet filled with character, and glowing with life. He liked the girl, and believed in her.

"I can only thank you," he said, rather lamely. "Although I do not understand now how we could ever become enemies. Surely, that is not a threat?"

"Oh, no, it is far too true. You have yet to learn what I require. Yet that was very nicely said. I take it to mean your first impression of me is not unfavorable?"

"Very far from it. I am already deeply interested in my task. If I lacked an incentive before, you have furnished it."

She laughed again softly, her eyes still on his face.

"Really, I had not anticipated such a sincere compliment. No doubt you learned these delightful speeches in France," she answered, a very faint tinge of sarcasm in the words. "However, this is a very serious matter, Captain West, and really has nothing to do with my personal appearance. I am seeking neither flirtation nor compliment; merely a trustworthy agent. First of all, it is necessary that you comprehend this."

He bowed, impressed by her manner, and somewhat ashamed of his impetuosity.

"I accept the reproof," he said quietly, "and will endeavor henceforth not to offend in any way. I am entirely at your service."

"There is no offense; I merely thought it best there should be no misunderstanding. Now, I am sure, we can proceed intelligently. Indeed, I am going to frankly confess, I also like your appearance. This mutual liking ought to be half the battle. We have quite a ride before us yet; you may question me if you wish."

"You mean I am to question you freely."

"Assuredly; while I am to remain quite as free in my answers. That is perfectly fair, is it not?"

"At least, it sounds so. Where am I being transported, then? And why the dress suit?"

His questions evidently amused, for her eyes sparkled.

"Naturally that query comes first; and especially the dress suit. You have the prejudices of your sex, I see, and without regret. I shall endeavor to reply categorically, yet with reservations. We are going to a country home, where we dine, in company with a few guests."

"I see; I am first of all to be projected into society. Are any of these guests known to me?"

"God forbid; and I may even venture to predict that you will never care to know any of them again. You are to be present as my guest, and will so be welcomed."

"I feel the honor; but would it not be well under these circumstances for me to know more clearly whose guest I am? Suppose, for instance, I had to refer to our long friendship, it would be extremely awkward not to even be able to mention your name."

"My name! Why, of course, you do not know what it is. Well, really I am not altogether certain that I do, either. We will therefore compromise on the one I am known by, which will be safer. Allow me, Captain West, to present to you Miss Natalie Coolidge."

She held out frankly a neatly gloved hand, which he as instantly took, and retained in his own, the girl making no immediate effort to withdraw it.

"This is very kind of you, Miss Coolidge," he acknowledged, adapting himself to her present mood, "But it seems there is no necessity for me to present myself. Apparently my identity is already known."

"Otherwise you would not be among those present," she admitted frankly.

"Then, I judge you have not accepted me blindly?"

"No, I have not," earnestly, and now releasing her hand, "I do not think we ever really know any one except through personal intercourse; but I do know who you are, and something of what your life thus far has been."

"But how could you? I signed no name."

She smiled, again quite at her ease.

"The box number at the club was amply sufficient. I have friends there; once possessed of your name and army rank, the department records at Washington furnished all further information. So you perceive, Captain, I am not altogether reckless. Are you interested in learning what I know?"

"I am; will you tell me?"

"Willingly," and she checked the points off on her gloved fingers. "You are Matthew West, the only son of Judge Robert Peel West, of Atlanta, Georgia. Your mother, who was of the well-known Bullock family, died when you were about fifteen, and her widowed sister has since been the housekeeper. You are a graduate of the University of Virginia, being fourth in your class in scholarship. Your engineering course was completed in Massachusetts, and you later became connected with the Wyant Contracting company, of Chicago. You were here, however, only a very brief time, making but few acquaintances, when the war broke out. You immediately entered the first officers' training school at Fort Sheridan, graduating with the rank of first lieutenant, and were assigned to a regiment of engineers, among the earliest to sail for France. While there you were wounded twice, and cited once for special gallantry in the rescue of a seriously injured private. Your last wound caused your return to the United States on a special mission, and also won you the rank of captain. Since then you have been honorably discharged, but have made no effort to resume professional work. You are twenty-six, and unmarried. Is there anything else you care to know?"

"I think not; really your agency has been most efficient. And so this review satisfied you that I was really the man you sought?"

"No, it did not wholly satisfy, but it looked promising. You were evidently courageous, and a gentleman. These qualities were essential; whether in other respects you measured up to my purpose, could only be ascertained through a personal interview. There was no other way."

"And now?" he persisted.

"Still encouraging, I must admit although the test is not yet complete. However, we are now approaching the end of our journey. Before we turn in I am going to ask a favor of you—call me Natalie."

"Natalie; that will be easy."

"And also forgive me if I fail in always addressing you formally as Captain West. I presume your friends say Matt, do they not?"

"Some have that habit."

"Then I claim also the privilege."

She bewildered him, left him in wonderment as to what she would do next, but there was scarcely time in which to answer before the speeding limousine turned abruptly into a private driveway, curving gracefully to the front of a rather imposing stone mansion, set well back from the road. Soon they were at the side entrance, and a servant, in the same unobtrusive livery as the chauffeur, was quietly opening the door. He turned and helped his companion to emerge.

"Take the gentleman's bag to the blue room, Sexton," she said calmly, "and then lay out his evening clothes."

"Yes, miss."

"I will be in the hall when you come down, Captain, but there is no hurry."

West followed the servant up the softly carpeted stairs, finding the apartment assigned him not only extremely comfortable, but even elegant in its furnishing. Evidently he was in a home of wealth and refinement. Who could this strange girl be? this Natalie Coolidge? And what could she possibly desire of him? He stood immersed in these thoughts, when Sexton spoke.

"Shall I assist you, sir?"

"No; it will not be necessary. What is the hour for dinner?"

"Seven o'clock, sir."

"I have ample time, then. That will be all."

The man retired noiselessly, closing the door after him, and West began slowly to dress, rather amused at the care he took, that all details should be as correct as possible. Unquestionably the girl interested him oddly, He endeavored to analyze what constituted her peculiar attractiveness, but without arriving at any definite conclusion. She was young, of course, and undeniably pretty, with eyes really remarkable, and a smile not to be easily forgotten. Then she was so self-poised, so confident of herself, so naturally informed. All these things had their charm, and, coupled with her undoubted beauty, left his brain in a whirl.

He was satisfactorily dressed at last, and descended the broad stairs, conscious of a thrill of expectancy; nor was he doomed to disappointment.

Miss Coolidge met him in the dimly lighted vacancy of the hall with smiling eyes of welcome. She was in evening dress, a creamy satin, revealing white shoulders, and rounded, beautifully molded arms, visible beneath folds of filmy lace. If he had dreamed the girl attractive before in the plainness of street costume, he now beheld in her a new vision of loveliness. His heart throbbed at the sight, every nerve tingling to the intimate tones of her voice. She was apparently in the highest spirits, eager to overstep all conventionality.

"Again you please me," she said, surveying him critically. "Really this is too much, the wonderful way in which you meet every test."

"You mean in clothes?"

"In everything, so far. Clothes—yes; do they not reveal the very soul of a man? I hardly think I could ever have forgiven if you had come down not looking the part you are to play."

"Nor could I have forgiven myself, if I am to enjoy the pleasure of taking you in to dinner."

"That privilege is yours even without the asking. But," quizzically, and glancing up frankly into his eyes, "You may not care when the time comes. For the great test arrives first. So, buck up, Captain, for you are going to have the shock of your life. Whatever you do, even if you feel that you are about to faint, don't, for my sake, let your face show it."

"But," he protested, "give me some warning, some opportunity to prepare for such an emergency."

"No," she laughed gaily, "there is no time; it is ordained to fall upon you like a thunderbolt. They are all in there waiting for us now. You will offer me your arm."

He accompanied her, amused, yet bewildered, through the wide archway into the more brilliantly lighted drawing room. It was a magnificent apartment, containing a half dozen people. The one nearest the entrance was a man of middle age, exceedingly pompous and dignified, who immediately arose to his feet, expectantly. Miss Coolidge cordially extended her hand in greeting.

"So glad to learn you could be out, Judge," she said, the least perceptible hesitancy in her voice. "Permit me to present Judge Cable, of the Supreme court; Captain West, my fiance."

CHAPTER II

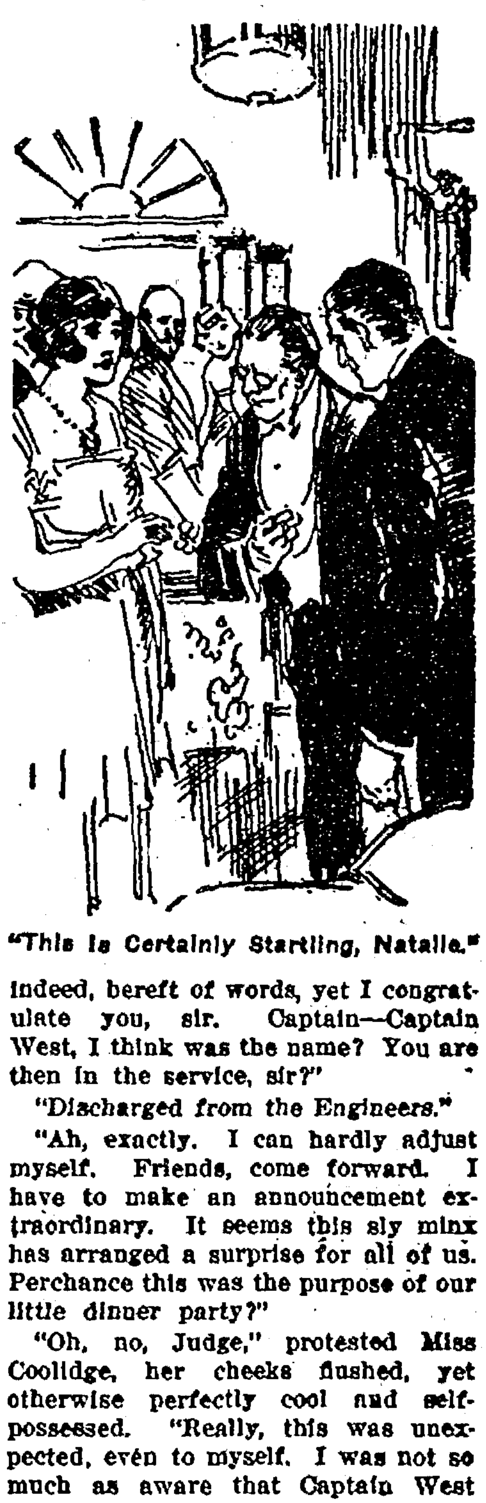
Miss Coolidge Explains.

For an instant West was absolutely helpless to assert himself. The calm assurance of the girl's voice in this unexpected introduction left his brain paralyzed with bewilderment. Yet his features did not betray his condition, nor did he entirely lose control over himself. Fortunately he was not compelled to speak, as Cable voiced his own surprise fluently.

"Well, well," he exclaimed. "This is certainly startling, Natalie. I am, indeed, bereft of words, yet I congratulate you, sir. Captain—Captain West, I think was the name? You are then in the service, sir?"

"Discharged from the Engineers."

"Ah, exactly. I can hardly adjust myself. Friends, come forward. I have to make an announcement extraordinary. It seems this sly minx has arranged a surprise for all of us. Perchance this was the purpose of our little dinner party?"



"This Is Certainly Startling, Natalie."

"Oh, no, Judge," protested Miss Coolidge, her cheeks flushed, yet otherwise perfectly cool and self-possessed. "Really, this was unexpected, even to myself. I was not so much as aware that Captain West was in the city until a very short time ago. I am sure he will bear me out in this statement."

"I could not do otherwise, and be truthful," West felt compelled to admit.

"But what is this all about?" asked a female voice eagerly. "Remember we have not heard, Judge Cable."

"It is my pleasure then," he said gallantly, bowing, and at once instituting himself as master of ceremonies, "to introduce to you, Miss Natalie's fiance, Captain West—Mrs. Lonsdale, Professor Scott, Miss Margaret Willis, Colonel LeFranc, Mrs. Wilber Somers. Possibly there may be no necessity of my presenting the next gentleman—Mr. Percival Coolidge."

"Oh, but there is," the last mentioned interposed, a tall, rather portly man, with grey hair and mustache, "I must confess this is as much a surprise to me as to any one present. However," he grasped West's hand with apparent cordiality, "I hasten to add my congratulations, and to wish Natalie all the happiness possible."

The group slowly broke up, the members still discussing the undoubted surprise of this announcement. West found himself confronting Colonel LeFrance and Percival Coolidge, the latter instantly engaging him in conversation, evidently seeking more definite information.

"This engagement with my niece," he said uneasily, "must have been rather sudden? Even your name is quite unfamiliar to me."

"It was, indeed," admitted West, who had now completely recovered his nerve, and even begun to enjoy the situation. "Since my return from abroad."

"You were with the army in France?"

"In an engineer regiment. I have been in America only two weeks."

"Ah, indeed. And this is your home?"

Realizing that the elder Coolidge was diligently searching for information, West decided the best method would be a full confession.

"Oh, no," he said candidly, "I am from the South—Atlanta, Georgia. My father is a district judge, Robert Peel West, quite widely known, and my mother belonged to the Bullock family. I am a graduate of the University of Virginia, and also of the Massachusetts Polytechnic. Before the war I was connected for a short time with a well-known firm of engineers in this city, but, since my return, I have not resumed professional work. Having been wounded in France, I have felt entitled to a little rest after my return."

"Quite interesting, I am sure." Coolidge turned to the colonel. "You are southern also, I believe?"

"Very much so," was the quick response. "And I chance to know the name of Judge West rather well. I congratulate your niece on her choice of a life companion. There is no better blood in Georgia."

West passed the ensuing evening rather pleasantly, although obliged to be always on his guard against any incautious remark. Mr. Percival Coolidge was outwardly cordial enough, yet his manner continued distinctly reserved, and somewhat cold. West, however, attributed this largely to the nature of the man, and finally dismissed the thought from his mind altogether. The person who continued to puzzle him most was Natalie Coolidge, nor was he able to approach her in any way so as to obtain a whispered private word of guidance. He ventured upon thin ice once or twice most carefully, but the information obtained was infinitesimal, although it bore to some extent on the problem confronting him. The colonel innocently lifted the veil slightly, permitting him to learn that this was a week-end party, and that Miss Coolidge was the mistress of the place, her parents having been dead for two years. Percival Coolidge, her father's brother, and a manufacturer in the city, was her guardian, and the affairs of the estate were not yet entirely liquidated. Beyond this he apparently knew nothing of the family history, which he felt at liberty to communicate.

West was assigned to escort Miss Willis, a tall willowy blonde, and quite talkative, into dinner, but her conversation ran largely to the theatrical offerings in town, and he found it impossible to change her trend of thought into other channels. Once the smiling Natalie appealed to him, familiarly calling him "Matt" across the table, and he responded with equal intimacy, yet her eyes avoided his, and it was plainly evident to his self-consciousness, that her remark was merely part of the play. More and more her actions mystified and perplexed; he could not discover the key to her hidden motive, or guess at her purpose in this masquerade. Nothing remained but for him to go quietly forward, playing the part assigned. She coolly and deliberately defeated every effort he made to get her alone, and yet this was accomplished in a manner so as not to attract the attention of others. Even Percival Coolidge, who, West felt, was watching them both shrewdly, never suspected the quiet game of hide and seek being played under his very eyes. As the evening progressed West became almost convinced that Natalie's principal object was to deceive this gentleman; that she really cared nothing for what the others might think, or say. It was all a masterpiece of acting, so exceedingly well done, as to finally convince the young man that she was greatly in earnest as to its success. She desired Percival Coolidge to have no lingering doubt of her engagement. And, finding all opportunity of explanation denied him, West yielded to the inevitable, and, for the evening at least, silently accepted his fate.

Nor did circumstances favor him when the company finally broke up, and retired for the night. He had thought this moment might be propitious, but she calmly outgeneraled him again, suddenly bidding the men remain and smoke as long as they pleased, and disappearing herself up the stairway with Miss Willis. West, convinced that her retirement was final, soon sought his own room. It was eleven o'clock of a bright, moonlight night, and, feeling in no degree sleepy, he seated himself at the window to finish his cigar. Again and again his mind reviewed the strange events of the evening, unable to arrive at any definite conclusion. The harder he sought to delve into the mystery, the more obscure it became.

He had, indeed, reached some conclusions already. These might not be correct, yet they were already implanted in his mind. The guests of the night were mere puppets, having no real connection with the game being played, utterly ignorant of what was going on behind the scenes. The only one present having any real part was Percival Coolidge, and West had taken an instinctive dislike to this man. Only one explanation flashed into his mind to account for Miss Coolidge's unexpected announcement of an engagement between them—this would excuse any future intimacy; would enable them to meet alone freely without arousing comment. This appealed to him as the most reasonable explanation of the situation. But beyond this vague guess, it was impossible to delve.

(Continued next week)

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Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ramsay entertained Mr. Ramsay's father from Garner over the week end.

Rev. Wilkinson of the Methodist church drove to Mason City last Friday on some business matters.

Miss Marjorie Purcell and Miss Clara Johnon, who are teaching this year at Duncomb, Iowa, spent the week end visiting here at the homes of their parents.

Ole Tomson and family left on Tuesday afernoon for Dickinson, N. D., where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Daisy Pierce, who has been in Belmond the past week, left on Monday for Des Moines where she will make her future home with her son Paul, who is connected with the magazine "Peoples' Popular Monthly" as advertising agent.

Mrs. George Polhemus of Canon City, Colorado, as a guest over the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E Snyder. She had been at Knoxville, visiting her son Benson who is in the veterans' hospital there receiving treatment.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson left for Fort Dodge the first of the week to attend the general conference in session there this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wenzel from Swea City spent the week end at the home of Dan Wenzel.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Eldred of Clear Lake spent Sunday at the home of John Brooks and mother.

Mrs. George Cutler of Clarion visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Morse.

Mr. and Mrs. Maitland of Klemme spent the week end at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Trafford.

Carl Wenzel left last week Friday to attend the Cedar Rapids Business college, where he will take a banking course.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard of Durango, Colorado, are visiting at the homes of relatives here this week. They are former residents of this place having lived here many years ago.

Mrs. J. E. Wallace has been numbered on the sick list the past few days.

Mrs. Ed. Riley of Rowan came on Monday to spend the day at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fuller Bailey, here.

The Chris Sauritsen family of Thornton were guests Sunday at the Chris Sorenson home here.

Harvey Yaw of near Hampton was visiting at the homes of freinds here he first of the week. He is a former student of the local school and has many old friends in Belmond. He is now farming near Hampton.

The Bert Sorenson and Claud Meacham families were visitors on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sorenson.

A carload of good smooth pears for canning purposes will be on track at Belmond the latter part of this week. Price $1.50 per bushel in bulk, $1.75 in baskets.—N. J. Nelson, Clarion, Iowa.

Lost—At Belmond public school, by pupil in second grade, a reconstructed Ruby ring. Reward. Leave at this office. 461*

Work Wanted—In private family, in Belmond by young lady. Inquire at this office. 461*

Strayed—About two months ago, three red calves, one with white face and one bob tailed.—Torres Scott, Phone 2519. 461*

Thomas Tomlinson of Mitchelville, Iowa, was a guest the first of the week at the home of Mrs. R. W. Tomlinson. He had been visiting in Minnesota and was enroute home.

Clarion will hold a big carnival in the near future, with good prizes for the best ears.

Saturday was the last day to pay the taxes for this half of the year, and the banks were busy places on that day taking care of the many who wished to avoid paying the penalty.

Joe White has been confined to his bed part of the week by sickness, but is able to be on the job again now.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sorenson and children from Owatonna, Minnesota, were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sorenson, three days last week. From here they went to Buffalo Center to visit his brother Bert, and from there to Titonka to visit his sister, Mrs. Meacham.

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Mrs. A. W. Martin and Mrs. Tom Brooks went to Illinois about two weeks ago, making the trip by auto. Mrs. Brooks returned a few days later, and Mrs. Martin drove the car back, arriving this week Sunday. She made the trip there and back without any trouble until she reached Alexander on the return trip, when she had a puncture in one tire.

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KANAWHA-BELMOND GAME HERE ON FRIDAY

Farmers Buy High Grade Dairy Stock

Purchase Fifty Head Of High Grade Animals From Wisconsin And Minnesota.

PAY FROM $75 TO $105 EACH

Five progressive farmers of this locality, Guy Baker, Glenn Baker, Jas. Kurtz, Ralph Jenison and Mike Luick, Jr., returned the first of the week from Minnesota and Wisconsin where they had been to purchase high grade dairy stock. They bro't back three carloads of fine dairy cattle to add to their herds. Luick and Kurtz bought a carload of Guernseys while the two Bakers and Jenison bought Holsteins, all of them of both breeds the best they could get. They paid from $75.00 to $105.00 apiece for the animals, and they got real ones.

Part of the stock was purchased at Wilton, Wisconsin, and half a carload at Dover, Minnesota. They brought back in all 50 head, 24 of Guernseys and 26 Holsteins. Kurtz took 15 of the Guernseys and the balance were Luick's. Glen Baker took ten Holsteins, Guy eight, and Jenison eight. One full blood bull was purchased by Kurtz, one by Jenison, and one by the Baker brothers.

The addition of this high grade stock to the herds about Belmond is a fine thing, and the men who are improving their herds are certainly to be complimented on their move. High grade stock eats no more, costs no more to keep, and requires little more time to care for than ordinary stuff, and it brings in a far greater return. High grade dairy cows will produce an average of 10 quarts to a milking; the ordinary scrub does well to do better than half as well. The addition of more high grade animals to the herds of this vicinity would do much to add to the wealth and betterment of the farmers. The Independent hopes that the day is not far distant when there will be no scrubs in this community; better stock has always meant better farming and better living.

BELMOND NOW HAS A BROADCASTING STATION

Belmond has been placed on the Radio map with a broadcasting station, with which everything that can be sent by the larger stations of this character can be sent thru space. Caryl McIntyre last week added to his equipment a new microphone attachment, which enables him to send the human voice out into the ether. In tests conducted last Thursday morning, he talked to the Independent, and his voice came in clear, with every word distinguishable to the listener. Caryl has talked with several radio friends in other towns since then and after he has experimented further with it there seems little doubt but what he may reach a long ways. Owing to government regulations, he cannot send over a 200 meter wave length; the broadcasting stations giving concerts all send on 360 or 485 meters; if he could "step 'er up" he could broadcast concerts the same as the rest. Caryl is fast becoming an expert in the radio line, and now has one of the most complete receiving stations and amateur sending stations in the middle west.

CAR "RUNS AWAY"

Last Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cook stopped at the creamery to deliver their cream. Mr. Cook got out of the car to take the cans in and when he did so the car started down the incline to the driveway. Mrs. Cook pushed down on the foot brake but it did not hold and the car hit an electrolier with sufficient force to knock it down, breaking the casting at the base, the large globe and the bulb.

This is not the first car that has "run away" down this incline but the others have been fortunate in not hitting anyone or anything.—Reporter.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening choir practice at the church at 7:30. All members please be present.

Thursday evening prayer meeting will be conducted at the church at 7:30.

Saturday at 10 o'clock the class meets at the church.

Sunday morning Sunday school and Bible classes at the usual hour.

In the evening the League will have a meeting at 7:30. Come.

Sunday afternoon Norwegian service will be conducted by the lay people at 3 o'clock.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday afternoon the North Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Anton Olson.

Wednesday evening prayer meeting will be conducted at the home of John Hill.

Saturday at 1:30 the class meets at the church. All must be present.

Sunday morning at 10:30 Norwegian service with communion will be conducted.

In the evening the Young Peoples' League will have its meeting. We desire a good attendance. Remember that cold weather will be with us shortly then we cannot meet in large numbers; now we can. Therefore come and take some one with you. A hearty welcome is extended to each and every service.

MESERVEY DOCTOR HELD UP

Sunday evening while driving an auto, accompanied by a patient, on the highway four miles north of Alexander, Dr. F. S. Alger, of Meservey, was the victim of an attempted hold-up. Two men approached his car and thinking they wanted assistance of some kind he stopped the machine but did not throw the engine out of gear. One of the men thrust a shotgun under the doctor's nose and his companion told him to hold up his hands. However, instead of complying to the request the brave country physician pushed the gun away with his left hand, stepped on the accelerator and speeded away.

The would be hold ups fired one shot at the disappearing car. Dr. Agler says that his patient, a woman, fainted at the sight of the gun but he was so busy getting away from the bandits that he did not give her any attention until he was certain that he had reached a safety zone.—Hampton Recorder.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Those qualifying for the championtournament staged by the Clarmond Countryclub are being played this week. In the qualifying round G. H. Steele and W. C. Tyrrell make the low score of 89.

Those qualifying for championship flight are: G. H. Steele, W. C. Tyrrell, M. F. Birdsall, A. H. Skovlin, A. L. Luick, G. J. Merier, Wm. Tyrrell and M. A. Stark.

Those playing in the second flight are: W. K Roosevelt, G. A. Richards, J. L. Lundblad, C. J. Birdsall, C. D. Parsons, L. R. Parsons, Herman Schultz and G. W. Youny.

Those in the third flight are: W. B. Hamilton, T. T. Roosevelt, F. S. Thornley, H. F. Tyrrell, E. D. Tompkins, C. J. Nagle, F. P. St. Clair and M. C. Barry.

The semi-finals will be played next week. Dr. Steele of Belmond is giving a silver loving cup to the winner of the championship flight, the same to be kept one year. The cup becomes the permanent property of anyone winning it three years Prizes will also be awarded the winners and runners up in each of the three other flights.—Monitor.

TRY A WANT AD

Beginning this week, the Independent is starting a Want Ad Department. In this department all for sale, wanted and lost ads will be run, and the rates will vary from those on straight locals. The local rate will be ten cents per line straight while Want Ads are two cents per word first insertion, one cent per word each ensuing insertion. A minimum charge of 25 cents on Want Ads, payable in advance. Try a Want Ad—they bring big results.

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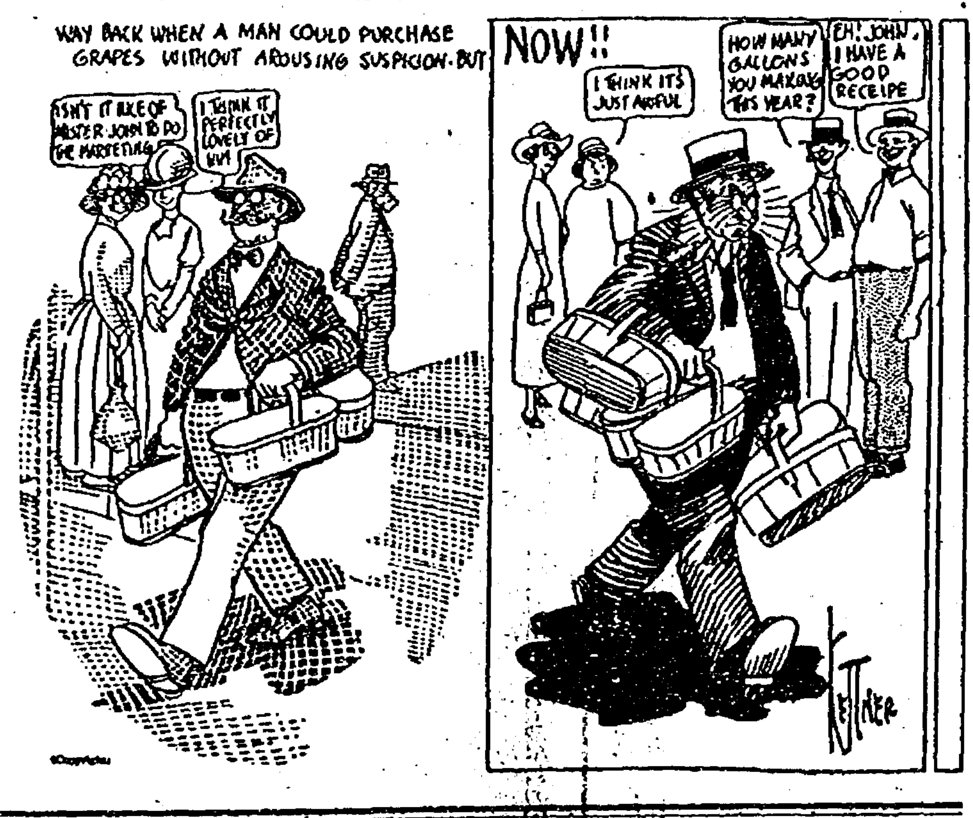
WAY BACK WHEN A MAN COULD PURCHASE GRAPES WITHOUT AROUSING SUSPICION-BUT
ISN'T IT NICE OF MISTER JOHN TO DO THE MARKETING
I THINK IT PERFECTLY LOVELY OF HIM
NOW!!
I THINK IT'S JUST AWFUL
HOW MANY GALLONS YOU MAKING THIS YEAR?
EH! JOHN, I HAVE A GOOD RECEIPE

FIRST SUGAR TURNED OUT BY FACTORY

Campaign Now In Force And Beets Coming Rapidly—Of Fine Quality Too.

The first sugar of the 1922 campaign of the Belmond sugar factory was turned out yesterday, Wednesday. This sugar was standard stuff, fit for the market. Other sugar has been made since the plant began operations this fall, but it was not up to standard and was turned back. The plant is now running continuously night and day. The force is not yet quite up to requirements, a few more men being needed, but sufficient are on hand to nicely operate the plant at present. The factory is not running to capacity as yet, and probably will not be for a few days. The beets are coming in by carloads, and in the immediate vicinity are being hauled by wagon. They are of very good size and quality, and altho the acreage this year was not as large as that of the first campaign, yet it is believed the yield will very nearly equal the first campaign's.

DIES ON CALIFORNIA TRIP

Word was received Tuesday by the Martin families of the sudden death of A. D. Martin, brother of S. D. Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were on their way to California, after a visit with the Martin families here but a few weeks ago, by auto. They had gotten as far as Albuquerque, New Mexico. There Mrs. Martin, who is an invalid and for whose health the trip was being made, had been in the hospital for some time, and as soon as she was better they were to continue their journey. It is not known whether they had started on the rest of their trip or not, the message announcing his death coming from Albuquerque. He will be buried at Aurora, Illinois.

FOOTBALL FRIDAY WITH KANAWHA TEAM

The first football game of the season scheduled for last Friday with the Britt team was postponed on account of the rain. A game has been arranged for this week Friday with Kanawha, which will make it the first game for the local school. Come out to the game and give the boys a proper send off.

PRIZE OFFERED FOR MOST SUGAR BEETS

The Independent offers to the man who grows the largest number of sugar beets to the acre, one hundred letter heads and one hundred envelopes to match, printed to order. This offer is made for just one purpose, to do what can be done toward encouraging the raising of sugar beets. It is in line with that of the State bank, which offers $5.00 to the one who raises the largest beet. The one who raises the most beets per acre will be determined from the records of the Iowa Valley Operating company as soon as the acreage has been figured.

$1,000 DAMAGE CASE FROM BELMOND UP

Former Nightwatch Sued For Damages For Alleged Assault Year Ago Here.

A $1,000 damage case from Belmond has occupied the attention of the court since Monday and will probably be concluded today (Wednesday). Danny Solazza brings action against H. Rierson, who as marshal is alleged to have abused the plaintiff while placing him under arrest a year or more ago.

The grand jury completed its labors Tuesday afternoon, having been in session most of the time for two weeks. Several indictments were returned, three being made public. Thos. Merris of Woolstock is held on the charge of obtaining goods under false pretenses; Julius Puls of Eagle Grove, a shop striker, who is charged with an attempt to burn the home of Frank Fisher, a strike breaker; J. D. Longworth of Storm Lake is held to answer the charge of carrying concealed weapons. He is a man nearly fifty years of age and was paying attentions to a young girl in Eagle Grove, yet in her teens, when her parents objected. Longworth is said to have pulled a gun and made dire threats. This affair took place at the Fort Dodge fair, where the parents of the girl had followed them. The members of the grand jury are as follows, the first named being foreman: D. McBride, A. W. Moseley, H. J. Whitten, J. H. Meyer, Albert Schroeder, James Flurer, J. H. Mechem.

After being in session three days last week Judge McCall adjourned court until Monday of this week. The time was spent in hearing defaults and arranging business for the balance of the term. The third week of the term has been set aside for the trial of criminal cases of which there are twenty or more in addition to any new ones the grand jury may create.

For the purpose of dividing the estate the court has ordered 120 acres of land in Norway township sold, thus granting the petition of Chas. Reese vs. Gertrude Busse et al. D. W. Stewart, D. H. Eyler and J. T. Jensen have been appointed appraisers of the land which is located in Section 24 Norway township. Chas. Birdsall, who was named referee, is directed to sell the real estate at public or private sale. The land has been appraised at $20,000 since the above was written.

State aid to the amount of $2,088 was received the past week to be used for the standardizing of the schools of the county.—Monitor.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to George Smith and Mattie Pals of Belmond, Alvin Engstrom of Renwick and Katherine Beatrice Campbell of Goldfield, Eugene A. Jones and Gertrude Reasoner of Dows.

Clyde Blau of Alexander and T. A. Davenport had a collision with their autos last week on the road east of town. Little damage was done to either car.

TWO SAVED FROM DEATH IN FLAMES AT GOODELL

At about 9 o'clock Monday night, Mrs. Buer living in the south part of Goodell noticed flames and smoke coming from the roof of Minton Cline's residence, knowing that Mrs. Cline and her 6 year old grandson were alone, she at once gave the alarm The two were found asleep and nearly overcome with smoke. They escaped in their night clothes.

The chemical fire engine was promptly on the scene and smothered the fire out, saving the main part of the building, the kitchen and the porch were burned.

The loss was covered by insurance. Mr. Cline was out in the country at the time doing chores for a farmer who is away on a vacation.

OBITUARY

Little Adeline Kessler, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Kessler, passed away Friday morning, October 6th, at the age of only nine months. She was born on January 7th, and thus covered only a brief span of life. Yet that brief span fitted in most perfectly with the plan of the Almighty and Allwise Creator. She was laid to rest Sunday afternoon in the Franklin Grove cemetery. "Except ye become as little children ye shall in nowise enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

We need love's tender lessons taught
As only weakness can;
God hath his small interpreters;
The child must teach the man.
Of such Thy kingdom Teach then us
O Master most divine,
To feel the deep significance
Of these wise words of thine.
The haughty eye shall seek in vain
What innocence beholds;
No cunning finds the key of heaven,
No strength its gate unfolds.
Alone to goodness and to love
This gate shall open fall;
The mind of pride is nothingness,
The childlike heart is all.

—Whittier.

WORLD'S SERIES GOES TO GIANTS, FOUR STRAIGHT

America's annual classic, the well known world's series, went to the New York Giants, who walked on the Yankees for four straight games, if you don't count the second game of the series, which was a tie. The Independent received each game play by play over the radio, and entertained a large number of local fans each afternoon while the series was on. The games were received in detail, play by play, balls, strikes, fowl balls, put outs and runs, and was highly interesting. The local crowd was 99 per cent Yankee in sentiment and thruout the games were on edge waiting for the radio to announce that "'Babe" Ruth gets a home run!" Nothing of the sort occured, however; the Giants completely outclassed the Yankees from beginning to end.

Many fine concerts are being heard over the radio receiving station of the Independent and the Belmond Storage Battery company. The recent stations heard have been Fort Worth, Texas. Wicita, Kansas, and Denver, Colorado. While listening in to Fort Worth the other evening, a Mr. Grant asked if Tulsa, Oklahoma, was listening, and requested that if so they tell his mother that he would be unable to be home to dinner with her Sunday. Many unusal things are caught. Saturday the foot ball game between Ames and Coe was received play by play. The game was broadcasted from the field of play, and the cheers of the crowd, the yells of the two colleges, were plainly audible. If you haven't listened in yet, just call either the editor or Joe Scott, who will gladly arrange for you to hear a fine concert any evening.

COMMUNITY CLUB'S ANNUAL RECEPTION FOR TEACHERS

The Community Welfare club will hold its annual reception for the teachers of the Belmond schools this (Thursday) evening, at the public library, the reception to take place at eight o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited to be present and meet the teachers who are on the faculty this year. A good time is assured by the committee in charge.

First Foot Ball Game Here Then

First Game Postponed On Account Of Rain—Kanawha To Be First Game.

COME OUT AND SEE IT OFF

The first football game which was scheduled for last Friday with Britt, was postponed on account of the rain.

A game will be held against Kanawha next Friday, October 13, at 3:20 on the local field. This will be the first game of the season and a large crowd is expected. Everyone is invited to come out and boost for B. H. S.

No school was held last Thursday and Friday because of the Teachers' Institute at Clarion. All the local teachers attended.

The Senior Normal Training class attended the teachers' institute at Clarion.

The first Literary program of the year was given Monday, Oct. 9, at 3:20 by Division I. A very interesting program was given. The next program will be held Oct. 20, by Division II. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. The following football program will be rendered:

High school song: Everybody.
Piano solo: Ethyl Thompson.
Football reading: Arthur Christie.
Talks on football:
Advantages to the school: Gail Thompson.
Advantages to the individual: Paul Johnson.
Football song:
Mabel Baker Gail Thompson
Margaret Blair Garnet Steenblock
Leona Reed Vivian Pech
Ruth Box Ethel Hedges
Cecelia Holtzbauer Pearl Bohning
Farce: "What Rosie Told the Tailor."

Cast

Dick Manners ---- Alfred Wilkinson
Bob Somers -------- Cyril Jenison
"Rosie" ------------ David Tyrrell
"Ole" Perry -------- Gerald Treese
Jimmie ---------- Kenneth Nourse
Mr. Snippers ----- William Veeder
Polly Primrose -- Helen Hildebrand
Molly Martin ------ Alpha Johnson
Aunt Sally -------- Mildred Allen
Mr. William Bailey--Raymond Stapley.

This is fire prevention week and fire drills are in order.

The call for "debaters" has been issued. We are in hopes that we may work up a winning team.

The six weeks examinations are being held this week at the high school and in the grades.

Grant Chapman is absent from the 6th grade on acount of sickness.

Viola Quigley visited the 4th grade Monday Oct. 9.

On Teusdauy evening of last week Miss Jewel entertained the members of the Commercial department at a picnic at Tyrrell Park. The last course was a large kettle of fudge which apparantly was much enjoyed.

Miss Jewel's mother and father, brother and wife drove up from Waterloo to visit her Monday night.

The Junior class have taken over the ticket sale for the lecture course this winter. Next week they will be put on the campaign so be prepared when their representatives visit you.

This year we have the best talent for the lecture course that we have ever had. Belmond does not have a chautauqua, but surely we can support a lecture course.

CAR TURNS OVER—UNHURT

A. Loning, residing west of town, was the victim of a lucky accident last Saturday afternoon, when he escaped without injury an automobile mishap. He was driving home and as he crossed the town bridge his car became unmanageable, going over the grade into the ditch at the side of the pavement, about 15 feet, and turning over into the barb wire fence. The car turned over. pinning him beneath it. Fuller Bailey, who happened along just then, extricated him. He escaped with but a few minor scratches and bruises.

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BELMOND IOWA

Belmond Local News

Miss Tillie Coy, Miss Dorothy Steffens and James Easton were visitors Wednesday of last week at Mason City, driving up in the latter's car.

Miss Eva Brown and Miss Kathrine Barrows were shoppers at Mason City on Saturday.

Mr and Mrs. Perry Loomis drove to Carhart, South Dakota, last week on a business trip and to visit at the Guy Kent home. Mrs. Kent returned with them for a few weeks' visit with relatives in Belmond and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Brewer and family of Conrad spent the week end here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brewer.

Merle Hildebrand is now at Iowa Falls, where he is employed in the railroad shops.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy have moved to the Aldrich residence near the Rock Island. This place has been occupied by Christ Rise, who has removed to the Thomas property in south Belmond, which he recently purchased.

Geo. Griggs of Goodell was a business caller in town on Monday of this week.

Mrs. Cordes from Goodell was in Belmond between trains on Tuesday of this week.

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INSPECT YOUR CHIMNEY

The wise householder right now is the one who gives his chimneys and smokepipes a thoro inspection. Cold weather will soon be with us, and big fires will be built. Are your chimneys and smokepipes in shape? The first big fire may cost you a good deal more than the time necessary to look things over first. Pipes especially if they are of metal will rust and corrode, and the big blaze you build when the cold snap hits may go right thru. Look them over now; an ounce of prevention may be seemingly unnecessary, but the big blaze which may result later will make it seem mighty small.

LET GEORGE DO IT

Everybody of course has their own ideas as to how this or that or the other should be run; the city officials should do this, and the school board ought to do that, and the fire company has a plain duty in the other, or this business man or that professional man or that teacher is this, that or the other. You've heard 'em—and you've doubtless done it too. That's all right; everyone has a perfect right to their own opinions and ideas—it would be a poor world if they didn't—but why, if they have them, don't they take them where they'll do some good? Why do they invariably, if they have a brick to throw, bring said piece of building material to the newspaper to do the heaving act for them? The whole idea appears to be that they know just how it should be done, but they don't want to take the responsibility of starting something. So they pick on the newspaper—"Let George do it." That may be reasonable enough in some ways, but did you ever hear of a newspaper named George?

BROOKHART

The papers the state over, weekly, semi-weekly and daily, are more or less filled with "dope" and opinions on Brookhart, the republican nominee for U. S. Senator. For and not for, favorable, unfavorable and otherwise, democratic, republican and socialist. Brookhart has been, is being and probably will continue to be, called everything in the English vocabulary. He's a socialist, a non partisan, I. W. W., radical, socialist and plain nutt. Somehow, mid all this flurry, fuss and flopping around over Brookhart, one gathers the idea that there is a tremendous amount of jealousy, personal bitterness, fear, and politics mixed in the mess, and a little honest opinion too.

The Independent has not mixed in politics much, and does not intend to either, but just viewing things from the sidelines, so to speak, desires to ask one question: If Brookhart was chosen by a majority at the primary, where people are supposed to have a little say as to who they want to be governed by, then why all this fuss and bolting? The Indepenaent is neither republican nor democrat, its' politics is absolutely independent of strict party lines, and it is not boosting either Brookhart, the republican nominee, or Herring, the democratic choice. But it would like to see the people have a say in those things which concern them, such as this. To read the spiels put forth upon the autumn breeze by some of the most rabid of the politicians of the state, one would be lead to think that the people—so bloomin' handy at certain times—really do not know enough to vote, are incapable of deciding what they want.

The trouble with Iowa is not so much too much Brookhart as it is too much politics.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Rosary—

The Rosary society met last week Thursday evening in the basement of the library. The hostesses were the Mesdames C. C. McGuire, Jack Finn, and John Schultz.

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Eastern Star—

The Eastern Star met Wednesday of last week. One new member, Mr Henry Groen, was initiated into the order. After the degree work had been concluded refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

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Cong. Aid—

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church meets this afternoon at the church parlors. It will be the regular monthly business meeting of the society.

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Progress—

The members of the Progress club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. W. Martin, west of town. The club finished studying the Book of Genesis. Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans was the leader of the afternoon lesson.

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Bridge—

The Girls' Bridge club met with Miss Maye Tracy on Monday evening of this week. A full attendance was present and an enjoyable evening spent. The honors of the evening went to Mrs. C. M. Morse who won the highest number of games.

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Five O'clock Dinner—

Mrs. Ellen Schultz entertained a few friends at a five o'clock dinner last Thursday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard, of Durango, Colorado. Covers were laid for 12. The guests were Messrs. Geo. Cram, J. P. Byers, W. H. Purdy, Dr. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Morse, Mrs Geo. Cutler of Clarion, and S. D. Martin. Following the dinner, Mr. Hubbard sang "The Glorious Outcome," which song he composed.

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M. E. Aid—

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church met last week Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. J. Baker. Delicious chicken lunch was served as refreshments.

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Priscilla—

The Priscilla club met yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. E. Bullard.

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Food Sale—

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will hold a food sale on Saturday next, October the 14th, at the City Market.

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Annual Bazaar—

The ladies of the Trinity church and the Dorcas society will hold their annual bazaar on November 10th.

Chain of Ten—

Mrs. Gus Johnson will be hostess to the Chain of Ten at her home next Monday.

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To Entertain—

The Aid society of the Methodist church has been invited to meet at the home of Mrs. Perry Loomis south of town next week Thursday.

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Aid—

Mrs. Voiles' divison of the Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Campbell this afternoon.

CLIPPINGS

"Scoop" Larsen has gone to Belmond where J. P. Larsen & Sons recently bought a meat market, and will have charge of the business there. "Scoop" has been in charge of the local market for several years. He is one of our best young business men and we are all sorry to see him leave.—Garner Signal.

A pet crow belonging to the H. H. Harriman children has been causing considerable excitement in town this week. It comes to town in the morning when the children come to school and like Mary's lamb it lingers near until they appear again and then accompanies them home. During the football game Tuesday afternoon it stayed near or right on the field all the time.—Reporter.

W. J. Finn spent a part of last week here with his wife who is one of the high school teachers. They spent Sunday at Belmond and Mr. Finn then left for Wyoming where he has a homestead.—Garner Signal.

Mrs. Chris Enger and son Billy of Belmond were visiting with Mrs. Hake last Thursday.—Klemme Times

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Christie from Belmond were callers in Klemme last Thursday.—Times.

Last Sunday evening when Guy Work was returning home from Belmond, his horse and buggy were struck by an auto, knocking the horse down and overturing the buggy. Guy went down with his "ship," receiving a badly sprained shoulder, but fortunately no bones were broken. The horse received a few bruises but is coming along fine. The auto was a large one containing four men unknown to Mr. Work. They never stopped to see what damage they had done or to offer assistance—Kanawha Reporter.

An Essex touring car with license numbers removed and gasoline tank drained was found burned up on an unfrequented road southwest of the city on Saturday. As yet the owner of the car has not been found ad it is thought that the car was stolen and then saturated with gasoline and set on fire to hide its identity. Saturday afternoon, Chief of Police Reynolds and Scotty Ellsworth drove out with a truck and returned with the car, which is being held by the police for investigation. The engine and factory numbers have been sent to the state house at Des Moines to determine the owner of the car.—Eagle Grove Times.

Rev. Charles Elmer Chapler, former pasor of the Methodist church was calling on friends here Wednesday. He is now pastor of the First M. E. church at Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. Chapler enjoys his work in the south and has been very successful, but naturally would prefer a northern pulpit, preferably in good old Iowa. Fort Worth is an important charge. The city has 150,000 inhabitants and his church owns 'bout $100,000 worth of property there. His many friends here were pleased to see him and glad to learn of his continued success.—Eagle.

C. V. Oxley made his hogs work their way when filling his silo. He put 15 shoats from 100 to 125 pounds each in the silo, then kept them on the go until the silo was filled, then let them down with a rope tied around them. He says they did good work, in fact a better job than would have been done by a man. 1800 or 2000 pounds of pigs can pack a lot of silage.—Corwith Hustler.

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

Kinseth's Store News

We have some of the finest flannel dress shirt for men, just the thing for this kind of weather. Warm and yet with a style that appeals. Look them over.

Dress shoes and work shoes for men, shoes that look good, wear better, and sell at a price within the reach of anyone's pocketbook. We are proud of these shoes, they are the real thing, and we'll back them up to the limit. Come in and let us show them to you.

Ladies Welco flannel hose.

This is the kind of weather when a good batch of pancakes and syrup go good. Hey? Sure! And we have the best flour for making the best pancakes you ever smeared butter and 'lasses over. Take home a package and try a batch tomorrow morning; if you don't agree with us that they are worth the price, bring the package back, and it won't cost you a dime.

The Store on the Corner, where your dollar is worth one hundred cents.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Interesting Farm Bureau Socials

Farmers of Pleasant township spent a most enjoyable evening at the Peter Kaufman home last Monday, October 2, when the regular monthly meeting of the Pleasant township farm bureau was held at this farm home. An interesting school program arranged by Miss Grace Gartz was given, and a short address by Rev. Waalkes. A short talk was given by the county agent, after which ice cream and cake were served by the ladies of the community.

The regular monthly meeting of the Belmond township farm bureau was held at the Adolph Thompson home last Thursday evening, October 5th. An interesting program consisting of musical numbers, dialogues and recitations and an address was given. Representative Oscar Ulstad gave an interesting address at this meeting in which he brought out some interesting points with regard to the state legislature and the method of procedure in making our Iowa laws. In speaking of the farmers' interests and how they are regarded by our state legislature, he emphasized the fact that many laws which were drafted and passed at the last session of our state legislature were supported simply because they had the endorsement of the legislative committee of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation. This proves to the Iowa farmer that his interests are being cared for in the state legislature by the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, which is supposed to be, and is, their champion in all problems which have a bearing upon agriculture, the basic industry of our great country. The feature of this meeting was the serving of doughnuts and hot coffee after the evening's entertainment.

County Agent To Attend Conference

The tenth annual conference of field workers of the agricultural extension service has been called by Merle McDonald, state leader of county agents, and director R. K. Bliss of the extension service, to meet at Morrill Hall, Iowa State College, from October 17 to 20th. Our local county agent has arranged to attend one or two days of this conference. The conference begins on Tuesday, October 17, with a conference with newly appointed agents, in order to theroly acquaint them with the work. The meeting is an annual affair and brings into contact the field workers from every county in the state. The purpose of the conference is to discuss all problems of common interest to the field agents It is here that county agents have opportunity to swap notes with one another as to best methods of conducting the county agent work in the farm counties.

Twenty Dollars in Prizes

The committee in charge of the poultry department of the Clarion Corn Carnival has arranged to give prizes amounting to twenty dollars to the boys and girls of the Wright County Poultry club who make the best showing at the poultry show.

There are about fifty boys and girls in the Wright county poultry club and the committee in charge of the poultry work has decided that by giving prizes to these youngsters greater interest will be developed in the poultry work thruout the county.

The prizes as arranged by the committee for club exhibits are as follows:

$5 best bird in club exhibit
$3 best trio (2 pullets and 1 cockeral)
$2 2nd best trio
$1 3rd best trio
$3 best pullet in show
$1 2nd best pullet
.50c 3rd best
$3 best cockeral in show
$1 2nd best
.50c 3rd best

Prof. Wentz to Judge Corn

Those who are planning to exhibit corn at the Clarion Corn Carnival will be pleased to know that arrangements have been made thru the county agent office for securing Prof John B. Wentz of the farm crops department at Ames to judge the corn exhibits.

Arrangements have been made to exhibit corn at the C. L. Speight Implement building and exhibitors should enter their corn some time before six o'clock p. m. on October 17. The committee in charge of the corn exhibits has made arrangements for taking care of all entries but, of course, those who come earliest will be given the best places for their exhibits.

Professor W. H. Lapp of the poultry department at Ames has been secured as judge of the poultry exhibits. Prof. Lapp is conceded to be the best poultry judge in Iowa and those who are planning to exhibit at this show are very fortunate in having a judge with the ability that Prof. Lapp is known to have

Urge Amendment of Farm Loan Act

The farm bureau is beginning a drive to amend the federal land bank act so that the maximum of $10,000 for federal farm loans may be abolished.

President J. R. Howard of the American Farm Bureau Federation points out that March 1, 1923, will be settlement day throughout the whole country on land deals. It will be remembered that five years ago many land purchases were made so that March 1 next will hold the greatest opportunity for service which the federal land banks have had. Since it requires about sixty days to secure action on a federal farm loan application, it is contended that the legislation to be effective must be passed before January 1, 1923.

Farm bureau members in Wright county are urged to sign their names to the petitions which are being circulated throughout the county by township directors of the farm bureau, each of which has been provided with a petition directed to James R. Howard, president of the American farm bureau federation, urging him to use every effort and all the influence of the organization to have the federal farm loan act amended by raising the maximum loan to $25,000 or removing it entirely. These petitions from this county, as well as from all parts of the United States, with the farmers names attached, will be used by President Howard in presenting this matter at the special session of Congress which will be called in November in an effort to have the federal farm loan act amended.

Corn Picking Situation

An effort is being made by the county agent to furnish laborers for the corn picking work. Those who are expecting the county agent to secure corn pickers for them should make application as soon as possible because it is not always possible to secure men upon short notice. Men are beginning to come in slowly, looking for corn picking work, and if applications are made early all of those needing help can probably be accomodated.

Although no definite price for corn picking has been decided upon the matter has been discussed freely at various township farm bureau meetings and all farmers seem to agree that with the farm products selling as they are today and taking into consideration the price paid by the husker for his clothing, etc., a price of three and one-half to four cents per bushel would be reasonable for both the farmer and the corn picker. This matter has been taken up by the farm bureau in various other counties and three and one-half to four cents is the price decided upon.

Home Economics Bureau

An announcement of unusual significance to both farm and city women was made today by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, in which he said: "We have in mind to greatly strengthen the scientific work of the department as it may be related to home economics. Ultimately I have in view making home-economics work an independent bureau, ranking with the other bureaus of the department, and placing at the head of it a woman of executive ability, thorough scientific training and a broad and sympathic understanding of what is needed to make such a bureau most helpful to the women of the country."

The woman chief of this new bureau will rank with the chiefs of the other bureaus of the department of agriculture, attend the weekly conferences in the Secretary's office and thus bring the women's viewpoint into the general work of the department.

FRANKLIN CO. FARM BRINGS $390 AN ACRE

Chronicle: Franklin county land selling right now in the month of September in the year 1922 at the fabulous sum of $390 an acre! Who said that good old Iowa soil was going back? Not very many people ever thought it would, and it will not, either. Iowa land, the best on earth, is the only place in the world where a crop failure is never known. Last week, George Abbas of Osceola township sold his farm to Charles O. Ryan of Eldora at $390 an acre, and a few days later Mr. Abbas purchased the farm of Henry Weiner, also of Osceola townnship, at an even $300 an acre. The farms contain only usual improvements.

"Obey" may not be in the marriage ceremony, but it is certain to be the family rule on one side or the other.

It's fortunate that knockers can't take their hammers to the grave with them. They might break out.

Belmond Local News

Parties contemplating holding a public sale should see T. D. Rankins, Belmond, for dates and prices. Forty years of successful auctioneering. Phone 196 or 115.

Mrs. J. F. Howell of Rowan, and a party of friends were callers in town last Thursday.

Mrs. George Watermiller of Goodell underwent a minor operation for the removal of her tonsils at the local hospital last Tuesday.

Friends and relatives here have received word of the birth on October 2nd of a daughter, Phyllis Maude, to Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Schneider, of Springfield, Missouri. Mrs. Schneider was formerly Maude Anderson of Belmond.

Mrs. Bert Meacham returned the first of the week from Conway and Springfield, Missouri, where she had spent two weeks visiting at the home of her parents and other relatives.

Did you give a party, picnic or other social affair? If you did, phone it to 316.

Mac McNamara had his tonsils removed at the hospital here on Monday.

W. H. Wolle made a trip to various points in Minnesota last week, on land business, covering a large part of the state in his travels. He was amazed at the progress that has been made up there during the past five or six years, and says that they are far ahead of Iowa in roads and improvements. He states that they have good crops up there. The trip was made by auto.

Attorney J. M. Jensen was a caller at Goldfield last week, attending to some legal affairs in that part of the county.

There was no school held here last Thursday and Friday owing to the teachers attending the institute at Clarion.

Mrs. J. E. Wallace has been on the sick list the past week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson are now nicely located in Belmond, after moving from Fort Dodge, their former home.

There was a report that a stolen Buick car was in town last Thursday evening, the report being that it was taken at Mason City.

How about observing Armistic Day in Belmond this year? We note by the Garner papers that that town is begining to make plans for observing the day.

GARNER LADY AND DAUGHTER WITNESS TERRIBLE ACCIDENT

Mrs. G. R. Lockwood and daughter Gladys drove to Cresco last Friday to take Mrs. Lockwood's mother, Mrs Martha Cameron, home. They returned Sunday. On the way home when they were but a short distance from the town of Newhaven they came upon an overturned car, and underneath the car was a man, woman and child. Another man, woman and a girl were trying to lift the car that they might get the people from under the car, but this they could not do. They called to Mrs. Lockwood to rush to the nearest town for help. She stopprd at three farm houses on the way to Newhaven, but there was nobody at home at any of these places. She went on to town and there secured help for the people. She did not return to the scene of the accident, and does not know how seriously the people were hurt.

The woman was lying on the road with the side of the car across her chest. Her face was upturned and covered with blood, and Mrs. Lockwood feared she was dead. The car was a large touring car and was almost in the center of the road. Mrs. Lockwood was but a short distance behind the car and as she came over a slight rise in the road she saw it. She thinks that she reached it but a few seconds after it turned over.

WEST BEND TO GRAVEL HER STREETS

The council at West Bend has decided to gravel the streets of that town, and will have the work done this fall. The Journal believes that it will be a great improvement to the town and it is right. West Bend is a famous town because of the immense crowds that visit it every Sunday to view the grotto, and should take pride in making all the improvements possible.

Having a mind of your own is not sufficient You must know how to use it.

Griesy's Store News

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IOWA TO VOTE ON BONUS AT NOVEMBER ELECTION

Twenty-two million dollars in cash will be paid to the citizens of Iowa who fought in the world war, if the soldiers' bonus act, passed by the 39 general assembly, is approved by the voters of the state at the general election this fall.

By the terms of the bonus law, every person who saw service, except those who were members of the Student Army Training Corps at the colleges, will receive pay at the rate of 50 cents a day for every day of service, the total individual bonus not to exceed $350.

Since strong bonus sentiment has been prevalent in the state ever since the close of the war, it is not thought that any possibility exists of the act being turned down by the voters this fall, says the Hampton Recorder. Numerous organizations, including both the republican and democratic parties, chambers of commerce, farmers' organizations and the state bankers' association have gone on record as favoring the bill.

The provisions of the bill state that application for the bonus shall be filed with the clerk of the district court of the county in which the applicant resides, on special forms provided by the adjutant general, such applications to be filed not later than December 31, 1924. A penalty of $500 fine and one year's imprisonment is fixed for those who make false statements regarding the service, besides the penalty of forfeiting all benefits of the act.

Under the terms of the act a "bonus board", consisting of the state treasurer, the adjutant general of the Iowa Department of the American Legion, is provided, whose duty it shall be to examine the applications, approve or disapprove them. Approved applications are submitted to the state auditor who will issue a warrent in payment of the bonus claim.

After the payment of all the approved claims, if any funds remain in the hands of the bonus board, now in excess of two millions, this sum will be used as an additional bonus for disabled veterans. All money in excess of two million dollars will be used in paying the debt acquired by the bonus bill.

To provide for the payment of the bonds issued to obtain money for the bonus, a direct annual tax sufficient to raise $1,100,000 each year for 20 years, will be levied on all taxable property in the state.

The act also provides that the husband or wife, child or children, mother, father, sisters or brothers, in the order named, and none other, shall receive the bonus due to any person who died while in service or who has died since the close of the war.

The bonus act will take effect immediately upon its adoption by the voters at the general election this fall.

In compliance with the law, the bonus act is now being published in the papers of the state, to inform the citizens of its provisions before they vote upon it this fall.

About the only congressman who looks forward to November 7 with indifference is Uncle Joe Cannon.

Whoever is the richest man in the world, nobody has given as much to the world as John D.

PEAT BOG ON FIRE

The fire in the peat beds about four miles southwest of Hayfield, which have been burning for the past three months, broke out in a dangerous blaze last week on account of the high winds and dry weather, and several gangs of men were fighting the fire to keep buildings and haystacks from catching on fire.

Three hay stacks on the C. C. Geddes farm were burned and G.P. Harper had to haul his hay to the barnyard to save it. The large set of buildings of the E. J. Newman farm were reported as being in danger Friday, but faithful work of the fire fighters kept the flames from spreading. The fire burned across plowing and fire guards by burning in the peat and then getting a start in stubble and corn fields.

Peter Trosoff, a beet worker on the Peter Green farm, was badly burned while plowing, a fire guard. He fell into a hole where the peat was burned to a depth of several feet and before he could be rescued had his arm badly burned.

Saturday's rain helped get the fire under control, but as the fire has covered an area of about 200 acres. it is difficult to keep it from spreading.

—Klemne Times.

BEAT UP HIS KIDS: JAILED

William Liekweg, who lives in Ross ownship, northeast of Sheffield, was arrested last Sunday night by Sheriff Atkinson and Deputy Sheriff Millett and arranged before Judge Sharpe Monday morning on a charge of intoxication and assault and battery. Liekweg was given the limit on both charges, thirty days in jail, and he is now serving his sixty days' sentence.

Last Saturday afternoon Liekweg started drinking at his home and continued to imbibe in the intoxicants until late Sunday night. His drink was a mixture of home made wine and Jamaica ginger. Liekweg not only become drunk as a result of his drinking, but he was crazed by the alcohol and began to swear and storm around the house and finally he began to beat up his children. When he started to attack them the older childrenphoned some of the neighbors for help and when the help arrived Liekweg was amusing himself by beating his four year old son, Harold, with a shoe. When he saw that outsiders were coming to help the children he got down his shotgun and shot at his little daughter, Ella, eight years old, and barely missed her. Then he shot at one of the neighbors, shouting crazily all the while.

The children went away with the neighbors and the sheriff was called to arrest Liekweg. When he heard of this he got down another shotgun and loaded both guns, saying that he would kill the officers when they came. However, when Sheriff Atkinson and Deputy Millett arrived at the house they found Liekweg in a drunken stupor and they had no trouble in making the arrest. They brot him to town and also his two shotguns and about a quart of booze that was found in the house.

At the time of the disturbance Mrs. Liekweg, the wife and mother, was at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Shear, near Hampton, caring for Mrs. Shear, who was ill.

Liekweg was sentenced to thirty days in jail in August 1921, for beating his wife while he was drunk, but was released after twenty days on good behavior.

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A BAD EXPLOSION

On Wednesday evening of last week, at about 6:30, while Crist Wendel was empting a barrel of high test gasolene into his gas plant, which is located in a room adjoining the basement at his home, the fumes ignited, causing an explosion that was heard by a number of people in different parts of town. Everything in the basement that was inflamable, caught fire, but by fast work with fire extinguishers the flames were held under control until the hosecart arrived and it was soon extinguished. Considerable damage was done to the windows, dishes, fruit, etc., by the force of the explosion. Fortunately none of the family were injured aside from the terrible shock they experienced.

Miss Billie Loats, the efficient clerk at the Hulsebus-Muller store, usually spends Sunday at her home. Circumstances made it necessary to spend last Sunday in Meservey.—No doubt someone besides her parents were lonely at Palsville.

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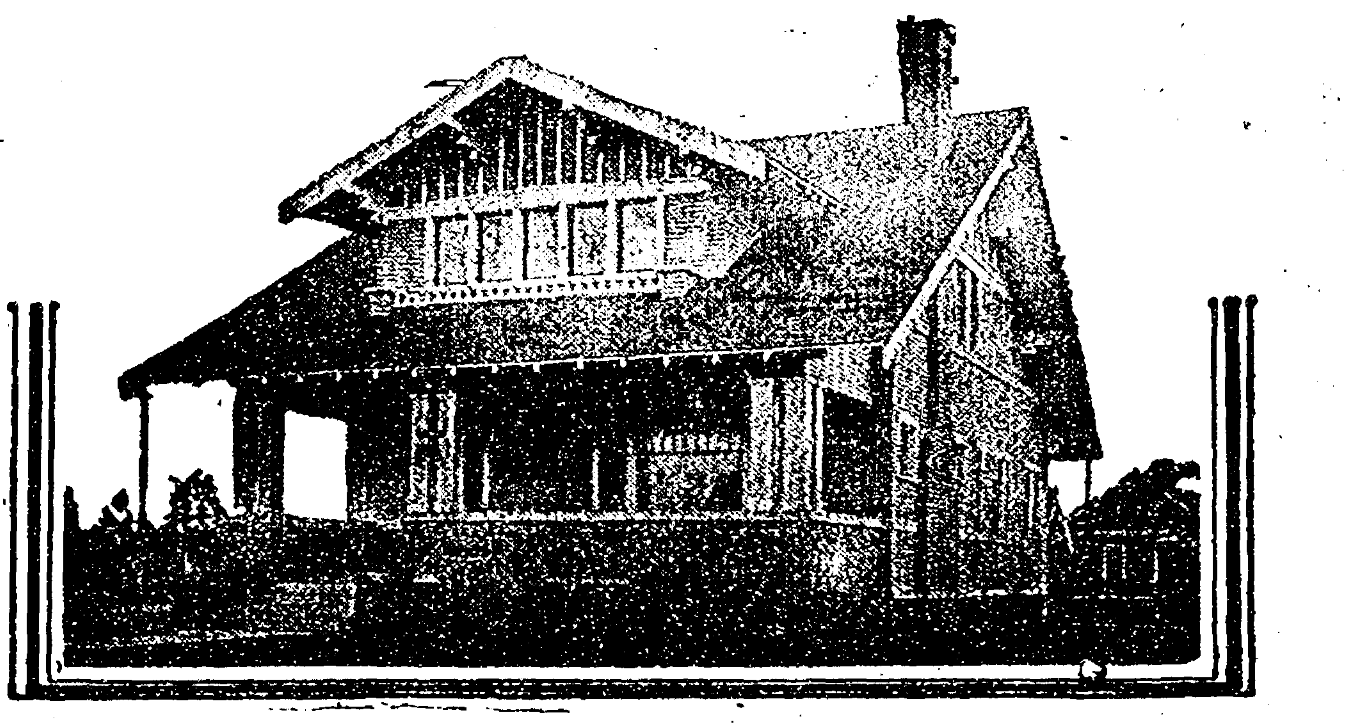

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I want to extend to you all in this way my most sincere thanks for your help and assistance in the fire at my home. Such friendly help makes a man glad to live in a community containing that kind of people. I assure you that your assistance will never be forgotten, and I again thank you all for what you done.

CRIST WENDELL

The community program given on Saturday night by the school pupils drew a good crowd. The program was well rendered and the teachers and pupils are to be congratulated on their first efforts of this year. Rev. Schlesselman gave a very able address in plain language, and told the boys and girls that if they did not make the best of their school opportunities they would always be at the bottom like a bean in a can. He also denied that he was a descendant of the monkey family, and handed the Darwin followers some pretty hard jolts.

Word has been received from Harry T. Smith that he arrived at his old home in Maryland a week ago Saturday. He advised that the old Ford behaved well on the 1,500 mile trip which was made in less than a week. He is expected home the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J D Studer and their daughter of Waseca, Minn., visited here last week at the home of their daughter Mrs. Albert Wendel, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Muller left on the midnight train Saturday night for Harlan to attend the funeral of Mr. Muller's uncle.

OBITUARY

Miss Bertha Hartwig, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hartwig, succumbed after six weeks of illness with typhoid fever. All that loving hands could do was done in an effort to restore her health. Miss Hartwig was of a lovable disposition, attractive because of her various qualities.

Funeral services were held in the Evangelical church, attended by a large number of friends and relatives and many beautiful floral offerings were given. Rev. Yingst of Ackley had charge of the services, assisted by Rev. Schlesselman. Suitable music was rendered by a chosen quartette consisting of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Raecker, Rev. Schlesselman and Mrs. Muller. Interment was made in the Meservey cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their sympathy and help in the long illness and death of our beloved daughter, Bertha, and for the many beautiful floral offerings which were given. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hartwig.

Miss Mary Koenen of Latimer, who has been assisting with the work at the John Ruiter home for the past few weeks, left for her home last Thursday.

Peter H. Pals was a Mason City caller last Wednesday. In the recent pumpkin contest held by Patton Bros., Clothiers, Henry Pals, son of Peter H. Pals, won second prize, receiving a five dollar sweater. The pumpkin weighed 77 1-2 pounds, which goes to show that the efforts on Henry's pumpkin growing was not futile.

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Mr. S. H. Schmalle has just returned from the Dairy Congress and Belgian Horse show at Waterloo, with ribbons as follows:

2nd on Quinperlette in aged mare class.
6th on mare in foal.
1st on June Farcuer, 3 year old mare.
Reserve Senior Champion.
Reserve Grand Champion.
7th on Lion, a 2 year old in a class of 11.
3rd on produce of dam.

There were a total of 140 horses exhibited and Mr. Schmalle feels quite proud to think that every one of his horses came home with a cash premium.

The Iowa Homestead of Oct. 5th makes special mention as follows:

Comment at the ringside regarding the way the final alignment resulted was brought out. The class was made very interesting by the manner in which June Farceur, a chestnut, owned by S. H. Schmalle, Thornton, Iowa, advanced from place to place until she stood first. Action, symmetry and excellence of feet and legs assisted her. She had a winning way with those who watched the show.

School children returning from school had a narrow escape from a bolt of lightning during the rain storm last Friday. Three of Albert Kuhler's children were driving home from school when a bolt instantly killed the horse they were driving. They were just a short distance east of the Paul Hapkey home when the flash came. They were unhurt except for severe pains in their heads, but the next morning they were as well as ever except for the scare they received.

The Ladies Aid of the Reformed church met in the church parlors last Thursday for their regular meeting. Mrs. H. Frey was hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Heiko Kuhlers accompanied by Mrs. H. Meinderts, motored to Latimer last Wednesday, where they spent the day at the Bert Stadtlander home., The many friends of Mr. Stadtlander will be pleased to know that he is slowly recovering from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heitland visited with relatives at Latimer last Thursday.

The central office was being repapered and otherwise improved in appearance last week, for which the operators are grateful.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meyers and son George of Aplington visited at the home of Mrs. H. Meinderts and Heiko Kuhlers the forepart of last week. The three ladies are sisters.

Hogs For Sale.

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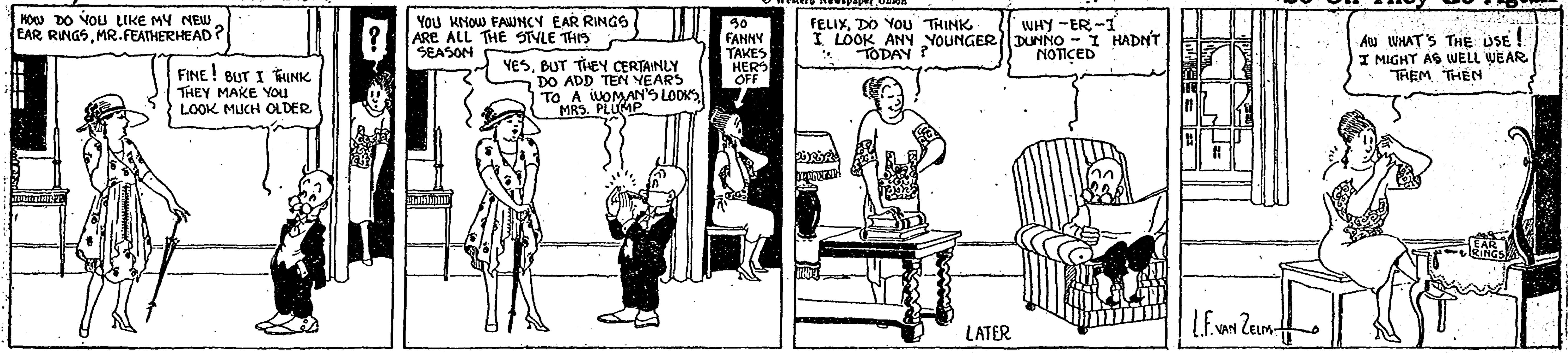
HOW DO YOU LIKE MY NEW EAR RINGS, MR. FEATHERHEAD?
FINE! BUT I THINK THEY MAKE YOU LOOK MUCH OLDER
?
YOU KNOW FAWNCY EAR RINGS ARE ALL THE STYLE THIS SEASON
YES, BUT THEY CERTAINLY DO ADD TEN YEARS TO A WOMAN'S LOOKS, MRS. PLUMP
SO FANNY TAKES HERS OFF
FELIX, DO YOU THINK I LOOK ANY YOUNGER TODAY?
WHY - ER - I DUNNO - I HADN'T NOTICED
LATER
AW WHAT'S THE USE! I MIGHT AS WELL WEAR THEM THEN
EAR RINGS
L. F. VAN ZELM

MESERVEY LOCAL NEWS

Members of the Reformed church were busy reshingling the roof of the parsonage the forepart of the past week.

F. B. Tyson of Chicago is here on business. Mr. Tyson is comptroller for the Congress Hotel company.

FOR SALE

Thorobred Hampshire male hogs. Price right.

E. G. Thomas, Meservey. 47tfc

A. E. Muller and wife were Belmond business callers one day last week

A. J. Nissen, L. B. Hulsebus, Dick Wessels and "Tim" Gerdes were transacting business at Clarion last Wednesday.

T. Lieuwen and wife accompanied by Mrs. Henry Frey and Harm Groen ad wife motored to Mason City last Wednesday.

The members of the American Legion enjoyed a feed after their meeting on Thursday evening. The attandance was larger at this meeting than at any meeting since the post was organized and it is hoped that it may increase still more. The officers of the post have been asked to help organize an axilliary and we hope this will be acomplished ere long. Wives, sisters and mothers of American Legion men are eligible to membership.

The depot platform was covered with freight Monday, due to the fact that we had no freight service for some time, and all the goods arrived at once. Simon was kept busy delivering goods for some time afterward.

F. Ostendorf and family were in Mason City on Tuesday.

Workmen are repairing the front of the telephone building and we understand the building is to receive a coat whether it needs it or not.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus was a passenger to Mason City last Thursday.

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

Mary Koenen, who has been staying at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. J. Ruiter, returned to her home at Latimer last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nissen and Mrs. Wm. Hartfelder motored to Ames last Thursday to visit at the home of Mrs. Nissen's parents. Frank returned home the same day, the ladies remaining until Sunday.

Alexander Local News

Henry Johnson was a Sunday caller at Belmond.

Dr. Steele of Belmond was a professional caller in this vicinity the past week.

Mrs. Andrew Lieuwen and little daughter Elizabeth were visitors at Belmond last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were callers at Dows last Thursday.

Mrs. John Bell spent the past week with relatives at Clarion

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell and daughters Jessie and Nellie autoed to Ackley last Thursday and spent the day with relatives at that place.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Alden visited at the Fred Greenfield home the last of the week.

Art Thomas and Mrs. George Yaw of Iowa Falls were visitors at the Fred Rodemeyer and Chas. Winwood homes last Tuesday.

George Pals and daughter Miss Jennie, of near Belmond, were business callers at Alexander last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stadtlander were Latimer callers last Thursday.

Arthur Winwood was a business caller at Waterloo last week.

Word was received here last week announcing the arrival of a baby boy at the Charley Neilson home in Clarion. Mrs. Neilson was formerly Miss Ella Blau of this place.

Mr. and Mrs Henry Groen of Belmond were visitors at the Hannas Pals home Tuesday

Mrs. Oscar Hensel and two sons Carrol and Donald Paul were callers at Hampton last Wednesday.

Joe Veeder of Hampton was a visitor here on business last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L S Reed and two children Mildred and John were visitors with relatives at Belmond on Sunday evening

Theodore Beenen was a caller at Bckeye last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Green and Mrs. Mary Hall were Hampton callers last Tuesday

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church held their annual business meeting at the home of Mrs. John Murphy last Wednesday afternoon.

Following is the list of officers elected for the ensuing year:

President: Mrs. John Murphy.
Vice pres: Mrs. A. C Lieuwen.
Sec: Mrs. C L Murphy.
Treas: Mrs. W. P Aldinger
Collector: Mrs. Kate Starkey.
Visiting committee: Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer, Mrs. John Arends and Mrs. Anna Pekerek.

On Wednesday, October 18, the Ladies Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Albert Larsen.

Many of the readers of this paper will be interested to learn of the recent marriage which took place at California when Miss Mary Ann Ziegler was united in marriage to Walter Peters, formerly of Alexander, and the son of Mr. and John Peters of this place. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler of Fresno, California, and was graduated from the Fresno State Teachers' college last year, where she was an active member in all school activites and in the Agenda Sorority. She also taught in the Fresno county schools. Walter is at present employed by the Routt Lumber Co. of Fresnp. After several days spent on a delightful honeymoon, in which they visited San Francisco and Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Peters returned to Fresno via Santa Barbara and will make their permanent home in Fresno.

Every man has a right to his opinions, but they should coincide with our own.

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ROWAN NEWS

Mrs. Fred Brooks and daughter Thelma and son Edgar, and Mrs. M. M. Snyder were guests Friday at the home of Mrs. Cook in Clarion.

The Misses Anna, Ida, and Helen Brinkman left Friday morning to visit relatives at Bristow, Latimer, Ackley and Aplington. They expect to return to Rowan the last of the week.

Dr. Maker accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Tresidder to Iowa City Thursday, where Mrs. Tresidder is to have a medical examination. Mrs. Hannah Whitten went with them. At this writing it is not decided what the trouble is.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Whitten and daughter Gladys, spent Sunday in Goldfield at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snow.

Word was received by relatives here from Highmore, S. D., of a fire at the J. I. Drury home. It burned about 100 tons of hay, some machinery and some hogs and calves. It is not known how it started.

Mrs. Fred Brooks, Mrs. Etta Carr and Mrs. Geo. Liming went to Fort Dodge last Thursday. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Liming attended the Methodist conference until Friday evening.

Mrs. Carl Steffens spent Saturday and Sunday with her brother Ben Jennings and family at Hampto.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitten came up from Aplington to spend the week end with relatives. Hal Steffens came with them and spent over Sunday with his family.

Mrs. J. R. Coulter returned Monday from an extended visit at Ivington, Wis.

George Ballou has commenced work on his residence in town and expects to rush it thru until finished.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Streveler and family of Blairsburg spent Sunday at the home of his brother Tice and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rietz and Mr. and Mrs. Will Rietz were at Fort Dodge on Sunday attending conference.

The officers of the American Legion Auxiliary met Monday night and fixed the report for their permanent charter. Members please remember meeting night the third Monday evening of the month at 8 o'clock.

The American Legion met Monday night in regular session. The rummage sale is postponed for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French motored to Dows, Thursday, to meet her father, Mr. Dayton, who was returning from Olin where he had been visiting a son. He will remain with Mrs. French for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bohnett and baby of Clarion spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box.

Congregational Church Notes

Mrs. John Norris of Galt brought her Sunday school class to Rowan, Sunday, and attended the Sunday school at the Cong. church.

The services next Sunday will be the same as usual. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

The Ladies Aid will serve a 25-cent supper at the home of Mrs. H. J. Whitten next Thursday evening. Everyone invited to attend.

Miss Mohr favored the cogregation with a solo Sunday evening which was very much enjoyed.

The Association meets this week in Humboldt. Some of our members are planning to attend.

Next Sunday morning the pastor plans to give a report of the Association.

Eugene Harson of Waseca, Minn., came Saturday to visit his mother, Mrs. Edith Harson and other relatives. He returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks, Mrs. Hadlay and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fowler spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair at Clarion. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair and son Russell accompanied them home and they finished the day by attending the show. They report a fine day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will O'Laughlin and children of Kalona spent Thursday and Friday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French.

Mrs. Guy Stumph is doing jury duty this week. Garnet is staying her aunt, Mrs. Harold Gates, and Bernard is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mantle.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Rev. and Mrs. Harold Tomkinson have been attending conference at Ft. Dodge the past week. Rev. Tomkinson has been appointed to this place for another year. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sheldon attended Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs. Guy Sheldon went Saturday and the family drove after her on Sunday.

Mrs. Pete Esson was a Livermore business caller the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Levi Johnson and baby who have been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fowler, returned to her home at Sioux Falls, S. D., Saturday. She motored with her parents to Marengo on last Tuesday at which place she visited her sister, Mrs. Milton Brown, returning to Rowan Thursday.

Mrs. Will Bingham and son Duane, and daughter Loretta, Mrs. Georgia Rowen and Mrs. J. F. Howell and children were Belmond callers on Thursday.

Mrs. D. W. Whitten and Mrs. Wm. Tresidder were Dows callers Tuesday.

Last Thursday evening Y. P. S. C. E. at the home of Miss Frances Farren for their regular business meeting and social hour. About thirty young people were present. The lawn was hung with lights and trimmed with Hallowe'en decorations. They played games on the lawn until refreshments were served. After this the rest of the evening was spent in music. A very pleasant evening was spent by all present.

The Misses Florence Lent and Marie Hinkley went to Iowa Falls on Wednesday to see Miss Grace Hubbel at the hospital.

Supt. Holliday is driving a new Ford sedan.

Tht Misses Grace Holliday and Alta Allen were entertained at the Will Duffy home Wednesday night in honor of Dolly Duffy's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Hanson and son Raymond were Mason City callers Thursday.

Mrs. Eddie Haupt returned home Saturday from Dr. Bernard's hospital at Clarion, where she had an operation.

Word received by relatives states that Dr. and Mrs. Chassell of Belle Fouche, S. D., are the proud parents of a baby boy born Sept. 23.

Mrs. John Keleher went to Cedar Rapids the latter part of the week to visit.

Miss Peterson of Fort Dodge is caring for Violet Patton who has been seriously ill. She is much improved and able to sit up a little.

Last Thursday afternoon 12 girls friends of Thelma Streveler surprised her at her home in honor of her 12th birthday. The afternoon was spent in games after which refreshments were served. All report a fine time.

Last Friday afternoon the Cong. Aid society met at the home of Mrs. A. H. Emerson. The hard rain in the early afternoon stopped a great many from coming, but a good sized crowd was there. Quite a little work was accomplished.

Last Thursday afternoon the Cong. Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Clint Kercheval. A large crowd attended. A very interesting lesson was enjoyed. Mrs. Halbert read letters from her sister who is traveling in Europe which were very much enjoyed. The hostesses served dainty refreshments at the close of the meeting.

L. D. Bingham spent a few days the past week with relatives here, returning to his home at Iowa Falls Sunday. He expects to go to Washington, D. C., soon to visit his son Harold and family.

Mrs. Will Bingham and children were dental callers at Belmond on Thursday.

Rowan School Notes

The two basket ball teams will go to Meservey, Friday, for their first game of the season.

Miss Cowley was ill Wednesday and was not able to teach her classes.

The Misses Ida and Helen Brinkman visited the grades and high school Tuesday.

Anna Rietz is back in school again after her sickness. Nina is now suffering from the same disease, yellow jaundice, and is out of school.

Telford Simons is in school again.

Little Violet Patton has been out of school the past week having been seriously ill, but she is improving.

The high school students were entertained Wednesday afternoon by the four negroes who entertained at the opera house Wednesday and Thu. evenings.

On account of the teachers institute at Clarion there was no school Thursday and Friday of last week.

Laural Hill is back in school again.

New library books have arrived. The students are enjoying them.

Orchestra practice will begin this week.

This last week the English classes in high school wrote thembes on their life's vocation. Many of the students have a decided idea of what they wish to do in life. Forming this idea now they will be able to work for the desired end much more efficiently.

Pearl Whitten has dropped out of school.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Harris autoed to Iowa Falls on Saturday.

A. O. Pelley was a business caller at Clarion, Saturday.

Dan Hearn was over Sunday to visit the home folks at Bristow.

Mrs. L. W. Stevenson was a Clarion caller Monday.

Mrs. Ed. Riley spent Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fuller Bailey at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson and family moved to Allison this past week so that he might be near his mother who is quite poorly.

Miss Nora Shaffer, Rex Steffens and Lloyd Hackley returned from Iowa City on Wednesday. The boys are feeling fine since their operations Carl Steffens remained at the hospital where he was taking further medical examinations.

Mrs. Robert Halsey of Bristow visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. French on Thursday. Mr. Halsey motored after them in the evening.

Mrs. Mary Williams returned from Rochester the latter part of last week where she had been with her mother, who was operated on Tuesday. She reports her mother as doing very nicely since the operation. Miss Vinnie Whitten remained at Rochester with her mother.

J. A. Whitten has installed a new sewing machine in his shop for stitching auto curtains and canvasses.

Mrs. Mary Braden was ill last week with pleursy. Mrs. Geo. Unger of Dows was here Tuesday to help care for her.

Word has been received from Rev. J. W. Bonnell, a former Cong. minister of this place, that he has been hired for another year at Miles, where he has been since leaving here. He likes the location very much.

O. F. Braden was a Dows caller on Wednesday where he had dental work done.

Mrs. Walt Whitten and daughter Miss Elfrieda and Mrs. J. A. Whitten and daughter Billie Virginia, were Hampton callers Wednesday. Miss Elfieda was having some dental work done.

Miss Grace Hubbell is in the hospital at Iowa Falls where she had an operation for appendicitis last Tuesday. She is reported as doing nicely.

J. F. Howell was a business caller at Des Moines the latter part of the week, returning home Sunday.

Word has been received of the arrival of a son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Brooks at Cornelia.

The Way it Happens

Here is one cause of automobile collision on the county roads as it occurred in Story county: It is bad enough for one lightless auto to be traveling around in the dark, but when two of 'em try to navigate the same road, going in opposite directions, then something is bound to happen. And it happened to Merrill Severeid and Otis Eggland the other night. They ran head-on into each other. With no lights to show how the speedometer was working they evidently went beyond the speed limit. The first thing the occupants of the cars knew they had struck an immovable object and were hurtling through space with nothing to hang onto.

Merill and Otis held their seats all right, being under the steering wheel, but their unlucky passengers performed an aero flight that landed each in the other's car. Miraculously, nobody was killed, but the concusions and bumps and bruises will remind them for some time that it's dangerous to ride in an automobile on a dark night without any headlight. Yea, verily.—Story City Herald.

Wm. Ebbing was on the streets Monday with two specimens of large beets raised on his highly developed acreage on the south city limits. One specimen was left on display at the Schoonover & Zeh grocery store and one brought to the Eagle office. They weighed in the neighborhood of twenty pounds apiece.—Eagle Grove Eagle.

WHITE SOX BATTERY TO PLAY IN FORT DODGE

On Sunday, October 15th, Ray Schalk, who is classed as the greatest catcher in the base ball game today, and Blankenship, one of his pitchers, will play with Fort Dodge at Fort Dodge against Eagle Grove. Eagle Grove and Fort Dodge played a scoreless tie game of 11 innings two weeks ago, and the fans attending this game will see some mighty interesting base ball.

Lefty Wilson, the southpaw pitcher of Clarion and who has been beating the best clubs in this part of the state, will be on the mound for the Eagle Grove team.

Plans are being made to take care of a record breaking crowd at this game.

Bible Thoughts for This Week

Sunday.

THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS:—Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: bring an offering and come before him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.—1 Chronicles 16: 29.

Monday.

PEACE AND SAFETY:—Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.—Isaiah 26: 3.

Tuesday.

A SURE SUPPORT:—The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.—Deuteronomy 33: 27.

Wednesday.

WHO SHALL ENTER. — Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.—Matthew 7: 21.

Thursday.

THE BEST MEDICINE: — A merry heart doeth good like a medicine; but a broken spirit drieth the bones.—Proverbs 17: 22.

Friday.

CONTENTMENT WITH GOD:—Better is a little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith.—Proverbs 15: 16.

Saturday.

FORSAKE EVIL:—Thus saith the Lord of hosts; turn ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings.—Zechariah 1: 4.

SMOKE AND FURNACE PIPES

In the fall and early winter special attention should be paid to stove pipes, furace pipes, smoke vents and flues. Where these are of metal they frequently rust, come apart or deteriorate during the summer, and when fires are started up in the fall, or they are put to a severe test during the first very cold weather, a blaze is likely to result. Now that fire prevention and safety first have become national slogans, the importance of careful supervision of heating apparatus and flues should be recognized by every good citizen, and a thoro inspection should always precede the first use of heating apparatus.

There is special need of unusually careful attention to flues, smokepipes and heating apparatus generally this season, because of the abormal fuel conditions. Millions of householders will be compelled to use soft coal who have heretofore used hard coal, and the change will necessarily introduce many serious fire hazards, unless great care is taken to see that flues and smokepipes are kept clear proper safeguards are provided for the other dangers which will develope.

Fires due to faulty furnace pipes and smokepipes have been unusually numerous this season, especially where there was dampness. Where the surface was already corroded by the heat and flames, the dampness soon rusted the metal so that a pipe which looked all right on the outside would collapse with the slightest strain. The danger of such pipes in basements, often near wooden partitions and ceilings, is evident but only an inspection would reveal the interior weakness.

These warnings should be especially emphatic as to dwellings, for basement fires are apt to get under dangerous headway before they are discovered, and when they occur at night life as well as property is endangered. Special attention should also be paid to furnace pipes and smoke vents in churches and schools, because of the large numbers of people whose lives are at risk. School boards and church trustees, working on the theory of personal responsibility for preventable fires, should pay special attention to these danger points, and if necessary, the metal smoke pipes leading from the furnace to the chimney should be replaced each year to insure safety. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of fire extinguishment.

The above article was sent out by one of the large insurance companies.

Belmond Local News

Mrs. Pullin and children left for Fort Dodge on Monday, where they will make their future home. Mr. Pullin is employed there now.

The Harry Slining family, which has been quarantined for scarlet fever, have all recovered and the quarantine was lifted the first of the week.

Rev. Wilkinson returned Monday afternoon from the conference at Ft. Dodge. He has been appointed for the pastorate here another year.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark B. Giere and little daughter Mary Elizabeth of Mason City spent last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White. Mr. Giere is manager of the creamery department of E. B. Higley & Co.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Adeline Kessler, the little 9 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Kessler, passed away last Friday morning. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Waalkes in the Reformed church last Sunday afternoon, and interment was made in the Franklin Grove cemetery.

Lorine and Clarence Hoppel reentered school Monday after an absence of four weeks, due to scarlet fever.

We are glad to say that little Harriet Walters, who has been seriously ill with scarlet fever, is slowly improving.

Carl Dorenkamp has suffered greatly the past few weeks due to blood poison having set in his hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Eryin returned from Peterson, Iowa, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Dipple's mother.

William and Nyscoe Boelman and families were visitors at Ackley last Wednesday.

Minnie Smidt is helpng Mrs. Neilson at Clarion with her house work.

Mr. and Mrs. H H. Mennenga were Monday evening visitors at the Wm. Boelman home

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Last week was a week for fires. On Monday night about nine o'clock Mint Cline's house was discovered to be on fire. The alarm was given and in very short order the townsmen were on the ground with the chemical engine which put the blaze out in five minutes.

Monday evening Thomas Nelson, who lives northeast of town, while doing his chores discovered that his straw stack was on fire. By the use of the telephone in a short time a large crowd was there with pails, but they could not put the fire out, so they watched it burn until morning and then hauled the straw stack away where it could burn without danger to the buildings. The fact that there was no wind that night is all that saved the building.

Last Tuesday Miss Alva Matson left for Des Moines. Her father took her as far as Iowa Falls in his car.

Gus Okrueg sold 76 head of feeders to some parties that live near Dows, last Wednesday.

Levi Anderson, of Swea City, who was hurt in an auto accident some time ago, is back in Goodell.

Mrs. Hans Nelson and Mrs. E. P. Hubbard enertained the Ladies Aid last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trumbell are rejoicing over the arrival at their home of a baby girl.

Mrs. James Trumbell of Mason City is spending some time at the home of her son, Harry.

Last Wednesday night some low down sneaking thief or thieves entered the post office, Savogue's restaurant, and the Engeseth store. At the Engeseth store they failed to find any money, but scattered papers about. In the restaurant they took some candy and cigars. From the post office they secured about $75. They were right up in their business because they unlocked the door and worked the combination of the safe.

Those that attended "The Buble" given in the basement of the church last Saturday night were well pleased. A stage was built at the west side of the room and the company carried their own scenery which they were able to put up and use.

Miss Dulcie Hughes of Garner was a Sunday guest of Miss Ina Ahrenkiel.

U. B. Church Notes

The communion that was to be given Oct. 8 was postponed to Oct. 15 because of the bad roads. Likewise the W. M. A. society was postponed to Friday Oct. 13. The meeting will be held at the church.

Do not forget that Sunday school is at 9:45 a. m. You will find a welcome.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

ELECTRIC COMPANY PLANS FOR BETTER SERVICE

The Iowa Falls Electric Co. is preparing to give its patrons the best of service in the future, according to a statement from the local office Wednesday.

The company has purchased 2,000 tons of coal from the Illinois fields that will cost f. o. b. Iowa Falls, $7.30 per ton, which will be placed in storage and will only be used in case of an emergency, and they are also buying coal from the Iowa fields for their current needs, which will result in the company being in a position to maintain their services thruout the wintter, unless the transportation system breaks down entirely.

Another big improvement the company is making at the present time is the construction of the 33,000 volt line from Cedar Rapids to Iowa Falls and the new substation at the local power house, which will cost over $50,000, and this with the $25,000 spent for new stokers makes a total of $75,000 spent by the company in improvements which will not bring in one cent more revenue, but on the contrary will add about $10,000 to operating cost yearly in interest, depreciation and mantainance charges which is all expended for the betterment of service.

When this improvement is completed the city will be assured continuous light and power even if for some reason the local plant would fail to operate. This is a big thing for Iowa Falls, for in case of a flood such as city will be assured of light and city willbe assured of light and power.—Adv.

HUMBOLDT FIRE CO. NOT TO ANSWER RURAL CALLS

The Humboldt fire company while it is anxious to extend every courtesy to the farmers in the country surrounding Humboldt, must refuse to answer country calls in the future. The reason is that the equipment and fire hose is provided for by Humboldt people, and the pay of the members comes out of the city treasury. When the company answers a country call it leaves the city without protection. Further, the Humboldt equipment is not fitted for work outside the waterworks limits and the company with the present equipment can do little good at a country fire. The company has, however, a proposition to make to the four townships surrounding Humboldt. It is that they join and buy a truck with a chemical equipment of tanks and ladders for use in fighting country fires. The Humboldt fire department will store and keep this equipment in order all ready for use whenever called. When there is a fire in the country certain members of the company will be designated to fight the fire, while the other members of the company will remain in Humboldt to man this equipment and fight any fire that might occur here. Humboldt Republican.

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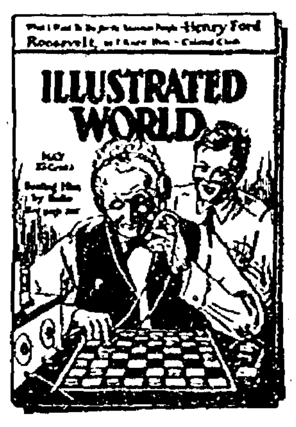

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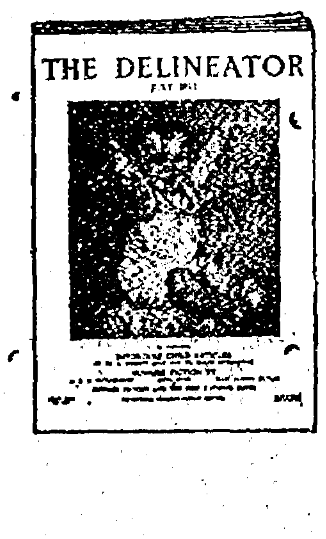

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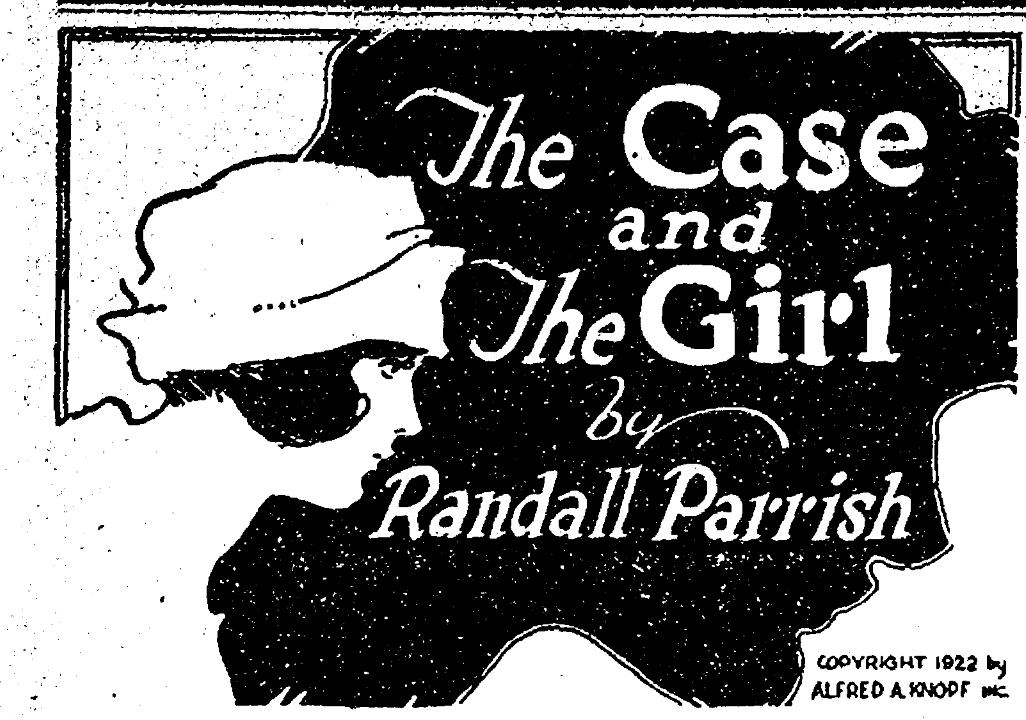

The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish

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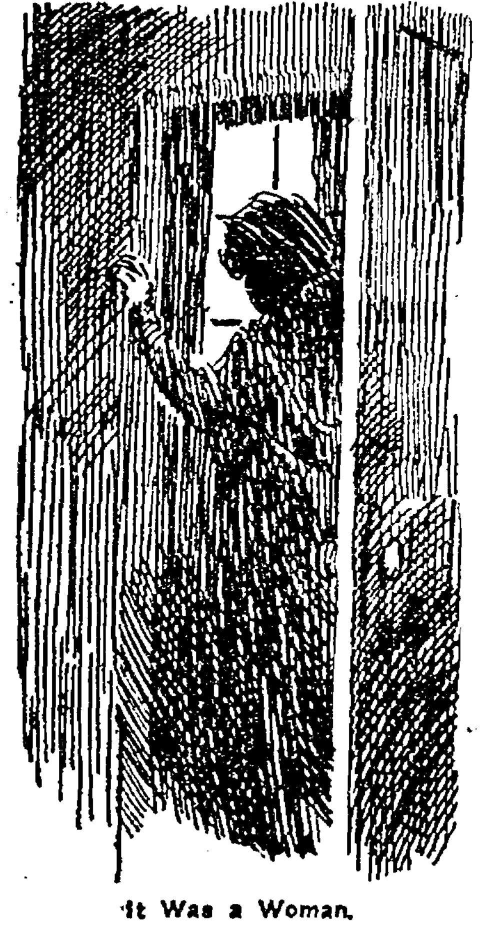
Tired by the uselessness of such thinking West finally sought the bed, and must have slept, although scarcely aware that he had closed his eyes. Some slight noise aroused him. The door leading into the hall, which he had failed to lock, stood partially ajar, and his eyes caught the vague glimpse of a figure gliding swiftly through the opening. With one bound he was upon his feet, springing recklessly forward. The hall was dark, but for a patch of moonlight at the further end. Against this he caught an instant, flitting glimpse of the intruder. It was a woman, yet even as his eyes told him this, she seemed to vanish into thin air—the hall was empty.

Vague and indistinct as was that fleeting vision in the moonlight, West felt no doubt as to the identity of his visitor—the woman was Natalie Coolidge. His one glimpse of her vanishing figure assured him of this fact, and he drew back instantly, unwilling to follow. Where she had gone he neither knew, nor cared. She had come to his room secretly, supposing him asleep, and this surprising knowledge dominated his mind. What could such an act mean? There was mystery here, at least, a mystery beyond his power of discernment. However, this recognition rather hardened him to his task, than otherwise.



It Was a Woman.

This time he locked the outer door carefully, and lay down on the bed, wondering if there would be any further developments. As he attempted to think, he was listening eagerly for the slightest sound of movement in the hall. There was none. He could only wait, and watch for the next move. Perhaps the morning would bring full explanation. With this conception in his mind, his head sought the pillow, and he lapsed into unconsciousness.

The long training of army service caused West to awaken early, while the house was yet quiet, but with the dawn already red in the east. He crossed to the window, and looked out, caught the flutter of a white skirt, and realized instantly that, early as the hour was, Natalie Coolidge was already up and about. He wondered if her presence might not be an invitation for him? Perhaps she had deliberately chosen this early hour, before the others awoke, to explain her strange conduct of the previous evening? At least, here was an opportunity to see and talk with her alone.

He dressed swiftly, and slipped noiselessly downstairs, unlocking the front door, and emerging into the fresh air, without encountering any stray members of the household. He passed beyond a vine-draped arbor before she realized his approach, and straightened up, welcoming him with a little laugh, her eyes full of demure mischief.

"I rather suspected army discipline had not entirely worn off," she said pleasantly, "and that you might still prove to be an early riser."

"And does this expectation account for your presence?"

"Not wholly; it has become a habit with me. However, I promised to be very frank with you, did I not? Then I will begin now; this morning I really hoped I might see you for a moment before the others were stirring—we have so much to talk about."

"It certainly seems so to me," he responded honestly, yet not greatly encouraged by the amusement in her eyes. "Surely you cannot expect real service when given so blindly?"

"No, I do not. I mean to trust you fully. It is the only way; but do you still truly wish to serve?"

"I am enlisted in the cause without reserve," he insisted warmly. "While I learned but little last evening, that little was enough to convince me there is something strange under the surface. Your calling me to your assistance is no joke—you actually need me."

"I need some one on whose judgment and courage I can rely," she answered earnestly, "and I believe now that you are the one. It is rather an odd situation, Captain West, but the circumstances surely justify my action. Perhaps I shall have time to partly explain now."

She seemingly found it difficult to begin her story. The flush deepened on her cheeks, and her lips parted.

"It really seems so ridiculous," she explained at last desperately. "Almost like a dream of fancy, and I hardly know how to put the situation into words. If I were ten years younger I would almost be convinced myself that it was all imaginary, yet everything I tell you is true. I wonder if you will believe me?"

"Do not question that. I realize fully your earnestness."

"Yet I am going to test your credulity, just the same. Those people you met last evening have nothing to do with the story—none of them, at least, unless it may possibly be Percival Coolidge. I am rather afraid of him; I always have been. I believe he knows what all this trouble means, but I do not dare go and talk with him about it. That is really what is the matter, I suppose—there is no one I can talk to; they would only laugh at me.

"My father was Steven Coolidge, and was very wealthy. He did not marry until late in life, and, I have reason to believe it was a great disappointment to his brother Percival that a child was born. Perhaps I ought not to make such a statement, but much has occurred to impress me with his dislike—"

"He is your guardian?"

"Yes; you learned that last night?"

"From the colonel; he seemed to enjoy talking, and naturally, I was curious. Has Percival Coolidge wealth of his own?"

"Only what my father left him, which was a considerable sum, and a limited interest in the business. He was very much dissatisfied with his share. Before I was born he had confidently expected to inherit everything."

"The estate then is not settled?"

"Not until I am twenty-five; within a few days now."

"And your mother?"

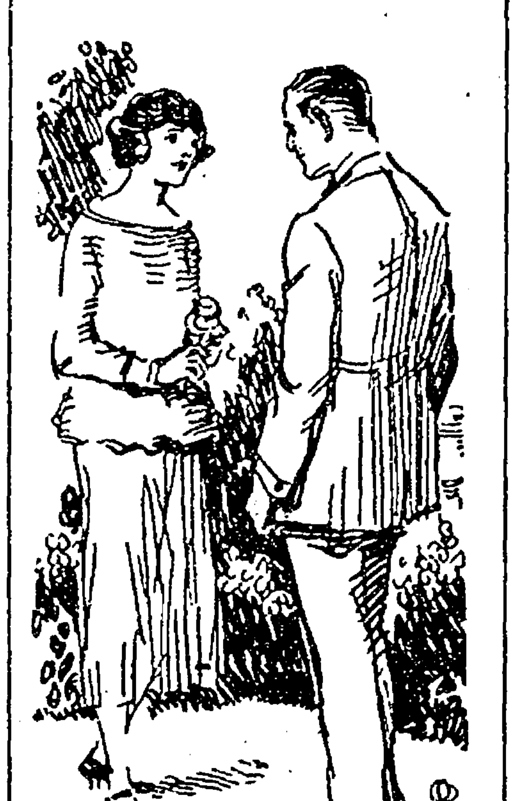
"She died at my birth."

West leaned forward eagerly. "It is the estate then that troubles you?" he asked swiftly. "You imagine it has wasted?"

"No, not at all. They tell me it has increased in value. Percival Coolidge is a good business man, but something strange is going on behind the scenes. I seem to be fighting against a ghost."

"A ghost!"

"Yes; now don't laugh at me! Do you suppose I would ever have done anything as reckless as advertising for help if I had not been actually desperate? Can you imagine a respectable girl performing so ridiculous an act, as putting her whole trust in a stranger, inviting him to her home, introducing him as her promised husband to her relatives and friends? Why, it almost proves me crazed, and, in a measure, I think I must be. But it is because I have exhausted all ordinary methods. I do not seem to be opposing anything of flesh and blood; I am fighting against shadows. I cannot even explain my predicament to another."



"A Ghost!"

"You must try," he insisted firmly, affected by her evident distress. "I must be told everything if I am to be of any value. A half way confidence can accomplish nothing."

"But it sounds so foolish; I am being haunted! I know that, yet that is all I do know."

"Haunted, in what way?"

"I do not even know that; but by a woman, I think—a woman who must strangely resemble me. She pretends to be me—to my friends, to my servants, at my bank. I never see the creature, but I hear of her from others. She has actually drawn checks in my name, imitating my signature, and having them cashed by clerks who know me well. I am constantly reported as being seen at restaurants and hotels where I have not been, and with parties I do not know. This has been going on for a month now. I have endeavored to discuss the situation with a few people, but they only laugh at the strange idea. No one will listen to me seriously."

"And you conceived the thought that perhaps a total stranger might prove more sympathetic?"

"Yes," she admitted, "if he was young and adventurous; provided I interested him at all. It would seem to offer me a chance; and then, if unknown to the party impersonating me, such a one might learn the truth unsuspected. Do you believe me, Captain?"

"I have no reason to doubt what you say. I mean to do my very best to uncover the mystery. You have these fraudulent checks?"

"Yes; one was returned to me only yesterday."

"I shall want them, together with one you drew yourself. You do not mind if I ask you one or two rather direct personal questions?"

"Assuredly not."

"What caused you to announce our engagement?"

She laughed, but from sudden embarrassment.

"It was silly, wasn't it! Really I do not exactly know; a sudden impulse, and the words were spoken. It occurred to me that our intimacy could be accounted for in no other way."

"So I supposed. Well, there is no harm done, but now, you understand, we must play out the game."

"Play it out?"

"Surely; act natural, permit no suspicion to be aroused. Even if I should feel impelled by duty, to kiss you, it is my privilege."

"Why—why, you cannot mean that!"

"Oh, but I do. This is no threat that I shall insist on carrying the matter to such an extreme, yet I must insist on the right if it becomes necessary."

Her eyes fell, the breath pulsing between her lips.

"I am not afraid," she said rather proudly. "Yes, I will play the game."

"Good! I knew you would. And now for the second question; why did you come to my room last night?"

She stared at him incredulously.

"Your room! I come to your room! Assuredly no; what can you mean?"

"Then it must be that I have already encountered the ghost," he declared smilingly. "For the very counterpart of you certainly visited me. I had a clear view of her. I would have sworn she was you."

"A woman?"

"Absolutely a woman; flesh and blood, no doubt as to that."

"When was this?"

"After midnight."

"It was not I, Captain West; please believe that—but hush; there comes Percival Coolidge!"

CHAPTER III

West Wins the First Hand.

The newcomer stood at the edge of the front steps, and paused long enough to light a cigarette before descending. His features were as clear cut as though done in marble, and about as expressive. For the first time, in the glare of the bright morning light, West took stock of the fellow, and realized his true nature. Instinctively he felt that here was the particular antagonist he was to be pitted against. His companion must have sensed the same fact, for she swiftly drew back beneath the shadow of the vines.

"You meet him," she whispered, "alone. I would rather he did not find us together."

She had vanished before he could interpose, slipping away so noiselessly, he was scarcely aware of her swift action. Coolidge strolled on, the blue smoke of the cigarette marking his progress. West stepped carelessly forth from the concealment of the vines, watchful for any change of expression on the face of the other. There was none, not even a look of surprise, or a tightening of the lip.

"Ah! Captain," he said easily, tossing his stub aside, and drawing forth his case for another. "Glorious air this morning; the advantage of early rising; you indulge, I presume?"

"An army habit, I mean to do away with later. Thanks. I suppose breakfast is not ready?"

"Hardly yet," glancing about inquiringly. "My niece is usually out here at this hour, which accounts for my venturing forth. She is not here?"

"Not now, although there are evidences that she has been," indicating the gloves and pruning shears visible beside the walk. "We must have arrived too late."

"So it seems. You are aware of who I am, I presume? the position I hold relative to her property?"

"Certainly; you are her uncle and guardian. Under the terms of the will you remain in full control until she is twenty-five, now almost at hand, except for an annual income, payable to her monthly. Is not that the situation?"

"You have apparently made very careful inquiry," he commented with a perceptible sneer. "No doubt this was a matter of deep interest to you."

"Of some interest, I confess," acknowledged West, controlling his temper. "Although my information has not come from inquiry. Miss Natalie was kind enough to talk to me about her affairs, presupposing my interest in them. My family is far from poverty stricken, and I have a very good profession. It is quite right you should know this."

"What profession, may I ask?"

"Civil engineer."

"But not established, I imagine?"

"I had very good connections before the war. Since returning from France, I have made no effort to renew these, or seek others. I, of course, expect to do so later, and shall be in no way dependent upon Miss Coolidge's fortune."

"Although quite willing to share it, I presume?"

"I think you have insinuated that often enough," returned West, fully aroused by the insolent words and manner of the other. "Perhaps it may be well for us to have a plain understanding without further delay, Mr. Percival Coolidge. As I understand matters, you are her guardian under the special provisions of your brother's will?"

"You are perfectly right, sir, and I should have been consulted previous to this engagement," Coolidge said with dignity. "Even now it is subject to my approval."

"I think not. Your guardianship was merely a special provision of the will, with reference to the estate. So I understand, at least. At twenty-one, she became mistress of her own personal affairs, and no longer needed to consult you."

"I controlled her income."

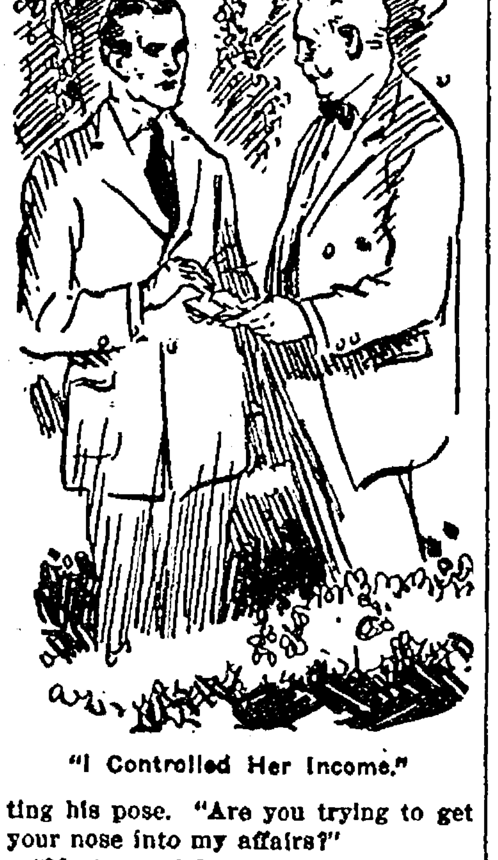
"Only the surplus; a certain sum was to be paid her each month until she was twenty-five; then the entire estate came into her possession. Beyond this you exercised no legal authority."

"You seem well posted."

"The lady herself informed me as to these facts."

Coolidge gave utterance to an oath, which burst from his lips before it could be wholly restrained.

"D—n you! Just what is your game?" he exclaimed roughly, forgetting his pose. "Are you trying to get your nose into my affairs?"



"I Controlled Her Income."

"Most certainly not," returned West coolly, yet facing the other with a steady eye. "But I may be led to investigate those of Miss Coolidge, if she should so request. It seems she possesses no one to represent her at present—not even the family lawyer."

"What do you imply by that remark?"

"That she has gone to you, and to the attorney who represents the estate, relative to some very strange occurrences of late, only to be laughed at. No effort has been made to relieve her anxiety."

"You mean that fool story about some one else pretending to be her? And you propose investigating her wild imaginings, hey? By Gad, you are going to have an interesting time."

"I hope so; at least, I am hoping to discover some truth."

"Good. I wish you well," and his tone was one of decided relief. "Your adventures ought to prove quite amusing."

Coolidge laughed heartily, the whole affair apparently taking on a new aspect, now that he felt he comprehended the real purpose of the other.

"Oh, by the way, West, you must pardon me if I send Sexton into your room for a valise I left there. You see I occupied that suite until you came. I do not know why Natalie decided to change me this time—naturally wished to reserve the best for you, I presume."

"Very kind of her, I am sure. There is Sexton now."

"Which means breakfast is served. Shall we go in?"

The two men walked slowly up the graveled path, leading to the side door. West's thoughts were busy with this new discovery. Had he inadvertently stumbled upon a clue? So he had occupied the room usually reserved for Percival Coolidge. Perhaps here was the explanation of the coming of his strange visitor. West glanced aside at the face of his unconscious companion, deciding quickly to venture a chance shot.

"Were you expecting a caller last night?" he asked calmly.

Coolidge wheeled about, startled out of his self-control.

"A caller! Of course not. What put that in your head?"

"Because I had one, in that room you say you always occupied. The visitor vanished as soon as I was seen, and the thought occurred to me just now that you might have been the one sought."

"Perfectly absurd, West! You must have had a nightmare. What did she look like."

"Oh, I only had a glimpse in the moonlight; resembled a ghost more than anything else."

"And just about what it was," with a laugh of relief. "Some dream you better forget about. Come along; they are waiting on us."

They passed up the steps together; and into the pleasant breakfast room, where the remainder of the company were already gathered. Coolidge was again perfectly at his ease, genially greeting the guests, and had apparently already dismissed the incident from his mind. But West had settled on a point which Coolidge overlooked. He had gained the very information desired. He had carefully refrained from even suggesting the sex of his mysterious visitor. Percival Coolidge knew, without being told, that the caller was a woman. Then he also knew who that woman was.

The morning meal proved delightfully informal, Natalie gracefully presiding, and apparently in the highest spirits. No intimation of anything wrong burdened those present, the single servant silently performing his duties to the constant laughing chatter of those about the table. Even Coolidge, somewhat distant at first, yielded finally to the prevailing humor, and joined freely in the conversation.

This turned at last to the plans for the day, revealing a variety of desires, which Natalie arranged to gratify. Coolidge, rather to the surprise of the lady, suggested that Natalie accompany him into the city on a special errand of mercy. At first, amid the ceaseless clatter of tongues, West was unable to grasp the nature of his plea, or her reply, but finally overheard enough to arouse his personal interest, especially when his own name was mentioned in the discussion.

"I was not aware you ever concerned yourself in such matters," she said soberly. "It must be attended to today?"

"The case is very urgent, I am told."

"But how can I leave my guests—especially Captain West?"

West leaned forward.

"Do not hesitate on my account. I can easily amuse myself; or, if there is room, and it is not disagreeable to Mr. Coolidge, I might enjoy being of the party."

"Why, of course," she coincided eagerly. "Why couldn't he come along? There will be plenty of room if I operate the car. It is a case of destitution of which Uncle Percival has just learned—a widow and three children actually suffering. Surely it can do no harm for Captain West to accompany us?"

Coolidge exhibited no enthusiasm over the proposition; indeed West felt his response almost discourteous; yet this very suspicion aroused his own desire to make one of the party. The man was not pleased with this new proposal, that was evident enough; but the niece unquestionably desired him to accept the invitation. Not only her lips, but equally her eyes, pressed the matter, and West experienced no hesitancy in saying yes.

"Why, of course I will go," he returned heartily, "and I will be ready whenever you are."

"About half an hour then."

He retired to the room upstairs, partly for the purpose of exchanging his coat, but also half tempted to make a hasty examination of the valise which Coolidge had thoughtlessly left overnight. The conception had already taken strong hold on his mind that his visitor of the evening before had been the mysterious impersonator of Natalie Coolidge; and that she had come there with some deliberate purpose—no doubt a secret conference with Percival.

For what purpose? To West's mind only one object appeared probable. The man was too far advanced in life—certainly much above sixty from his appearance—to be involved in a love affair with so young and attractive a woman. Some other purpose, demanding immediate attention, must furnish the reason for her venturing to enter this house at such an hour, and coming directly to the room where she supposed Coolidge to be sleeping. To West's mind there could be but one answer. The two were mutually involved in a conspiracy of some nature, undoubtedly connected with the approaching settlement of the Coolidge estate. This girl, so strangely resembling Natalie, had in some way been discovered by the scheming guardian, who was now using her for his own selfish ends. She had been selected, and trained to act a part—the part of Natalie Coolidge. Her ability to deceive had been tested in various ways. Now the moment approached when they were ready to play out the real game. Yet the nature of that game was in no way apparent. He could only keep quiet, and wait for some further development, even appear indifferent, while he secretly watched every suspicious movement of Percival Coolidge.

It was not at all probable the satchel contained any criminating evidence, yet the temptation was strong to obtain, if possible, a hasty glance at the contents. But for this he was already too late, scarcely reaching the room indeed, before Sexton appeared, announcing his mission.

"Coolidge tells me he usually occupied this room," West ventured curiously, "How did it happen I was put in here?"

"It was upon order from Miss Natalie, sir, but she did not mention the change in time to remove the bag."

"How long have you been here, Sexton?"

"Sixteen years, sir."

"You knew Miss Natalie's father then, and must enjoy the place to remain so long?"

"It has been very pleasant, sir, until the last month or so," regretfully, yet evidently glad of the opportunity to talk, lingering with one hand on the knob of the door. "Since then things haven't been just the same."

"In what way?"

"Well, I don't exactly know, sir. Miss Natalie seems to change her mind, an' we never can please her. That's the trouble, mostly. Last night I waited up until you all went to bed, an' then locked the house, the way she told me to. But that didn't suit her at all, for she stopped me on the stairs, an' made me go back an' leave the side door unlocked—just said she'd attend to that herself."

"Miss Natalie told you? You are sure, Sexton?"

"Oh, it was her, sir; there was a light burning in the hall, an' she was all dressed up as though she was goin' out. 'Taint the first time, either. I ain't got no right to say anything, but it puzzles me what she wants to go out for at that time o' night. And I thought maybe I ought to speak to Mr. Percival Coolidge about it."

"No. I wouldn't, Sexton," said West quietly. "It would likely enough only get you into trouble. Probably she cannot sleep well, and so walks in the garden."

As West made no further effort to continue the conversation, but began to carelessly roll a cigarette, Sexton slipped silently through the opening, the valise in his hand, and closed the door behind him.

This attempt to dig information out of a servant was not a pleasant experience, yet West felt that in this case it was fully justified. If he had retained any lingering doubt to what had occurred the previous night, this doubt had entirely vanished in the face of Sexton's testimony. His visitor, and the one who had ordered the servant to leave the side door unlocked, had been the same—not Natalie Coolidge, but strangely resembling her. Whatever else her purpose would be, one object was clearly connected with the presence there of Percival. Very well! this meant that he already had two distinct lines of investigation opened to him—the woman, and the man. The first was like pursuing a shadow, but Coolidge was real enough. He determined to keep in touch with the fellow, confident that he would thus be eventually led to a discovery of his companion.

CHAPTER IV

A Visit to the Indigent.

The guests had either retired to their rooms, or were wandering about the spacious grounds; at least none were in evidence when West emerged on to the side terrace, where Miss Natalie and Percival Coolidge waited.

It was not a long ride, the point sought being a short submerged street in the southwestern secton of the city. The runabout felt its way cautiously forward through a jostling throng of screaming youngsters, and finally turned into Arch street, only two blocks in length, with low, two storied, wooden cottages on either side. Percival, plainly nervous at the surroundings, indicated the place sought in the middle of the first block, and Natalie ran the car up against the curb.

"Is this the place?" she asked doubtfully, eyeing the rather disreputable cottage, which seemed deserted.

Coolidge unfastened the door, and stepped out.

"Yes, it's all right," he answered sharply. "You might wait here, West; we'll only be gone a few minutes. Come along, Natalie. West won't mind."

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Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Saatoff and family from Algona came down to attend the funeral of the child of Theodore Kessler and wife, which occured Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynch spent the week end at the Harry Brooks home at Clear Lake.

Mrs. W. O. Butterfield from the Odd Fellows Home at Mason City was visiting with friends and relatives here one day last week.

Mrs. Kate McAlpine went to Ackley last week where she will spend a few weeks visiting at the home of her daughter.

Dr. and Mrs. Jewel and son Frank Jewel and wife from Waterloo autoed over Monday for a short visit with their daughter and sister, Miss Claire Jewel, the Commercial teacher in the local school. They returned to Waterloo the next day. Frank Jewel, who is a professional singer well known in the east, and his family went on to California for a tour of that and other western states.

If you have anything you want to sell, or if you want to buy something, need help or have something to trade, try an Independent want ad. They bring big results.

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

The Ladies Aid and the Dorcas society of Trinity Lutheran church will hold their annual bazaar on Saturday, November 10. 471c

NOTICE!

Beet handlers: Do not dump rubbish on Belmond streets.

By Order of Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Holden Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nissen drove to Clarion on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tuffree and Mrs. H. N. Hill motored to Mason City on last Thursday.

Peacock flour $1.80 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace& Co. 41tfc

Mrs. Clyde Jennings went to Eagle Grove last Friday, where she spent the week end at the home of some friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dibble and fa mily drove to Mason City on last Friday.

Miss Erma Wilkinson went to Ft. Dodge last Friday night to attend the conference over the week end. Rev. Wilkinson left early in the week to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin are spending a few days at Colfax where Mr. Martin is taking treatments for his health.

Henry Crist drove to Des Moines on Tuesday to see L. B. Clark, who recently fell and broke his leg. S. D. Martin accompanied him to take the train at Des Moines for New Mexico, to bring back the body of his brother.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans is the owner of a new Chevrolet coupe.

Mrs. W. W. Goetz, who is at Rochester receiving treatment, is reported as getting along nicely, and will remain for a few weeks treatment.

Three Fort Dodge men while going at a high speed failed to negoiate the curve at the Barry bridge south of town, and went thru the fence into the ditch one day last week. They escaped withoht injury, and after having their car hauled out went on their way.

H. C. Thompson, who recently moved here from Fort Dodge, has gone into the automobile business and has the agency for the Star and Durant cars. He will have his headquarters we understand at the Hill gagage.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baldridge returned last week from Washington state, where Frank was called a couple of weeks ago as witness on a government case wherein an army officer was murdered while Frank was in the army.

Philip McBurney and Scott Smith came up from Coe College to spend Sunday at the McBurney home in Belmond.

Three children driving home from the Meservey school last Friday, during the storm, had a narrow escape from death when lightning struck the horse they were driving, killing it instantly. The children were unhurt.

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Kitchen cabinet, table, and range.—F. E. Snyder. 472c

For Sale—Large type Chester White spring boars, sired by five good boars. Farm located two miles west and one-half mile north of Kanawha.—Ed. Riekens, Kanawha. 47tfc

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Be a step ahead and get a litter mate boar to the Junior Champion Spotted Poland.—Roy Jenison, Phone 1811, Belmond. 471*

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For Sale—Six well bred Duroc Jersey boars, weight 200 lbs. each. Sired by pedigreed boar. Phone 2207. —Guy Baker, Belmond. 47tfc

For Sale—Good grade Short Horn bull, 18 months old.—Guy Baker, Belmond. Phone 2207. 47tfc

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Wanted—Corn picker, going wages. Elevator to unload.—O D. Jenison, Belmond. Phone 3217. 47tfc

Corn picker wanted—going wages. Inquire at this office. 471*

Wanted—A pup, from small breed dog. Inquire at this office. 47tfc

Wanted—Corn picker, going wages.—Roy Jenison, Phone 1811, Belmond.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Black leather hand bag, containing money and papers, flashlight and gold pencil. Lost on road just south of Goodell, Thursday evening. Finder leave at this office. Liberal reward. 471*

Found—Blanket. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for advertising. Call this office.

FOOT BALL!
BELMOND HIGH SCHOOL
vs.
KANAWHA HIGH SCHOOL
Ball Park, 3:30 p. m.
Friday, October 13th

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see a house with the window lights all broken? Keep out any rain? Neither will your car.
All kinds of Auto Top Repairing
New Belmond Tailor Shop
Phone 28 F. J. Tuffree

At the City Meat Market
Every purchase made here is a genuine BARGAIN! Because our's is the best meat you can buy at any price, and our price is reasonable.
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NOTICE OF CLAIM FOR STORAGE CHARGES AND NOTICE OF SALE:

To Fred Francis:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Belmond Furniture Company of Belmond, Iowa, have filed an affidavit with W. H. Purdy, a Justice of the Peace in and for Pleasant Township, Wright county, Iowa, alleging that on or about the 1st day of March, 1921, you left with said Belmond Furniture Company of Belmond, Iowa, for storage and care a piano, described more partculary as follows:

A cabinet upright Walworth Piano, golden oak finish.

That said piano has remained with said Belmond Furniture Company at Belmond, Iowa, unclaimed for more than 3 months, and that there are now charges against said piano for 18 1-2 months' storage at $3.00 per month or the sum of $55.50, and that said storage charges are due and unpaid.

You are therefore notified that unless you claim said property on or before the 21st day of October 1922 and pay the storage charges against said piano together with the costs and expenses of said sale, said piano will be sold at public auction upon said date the 21st day of October 1922, at two o'clock p. m. of said day, for the highest price the same will bring, and said storage charges together with costs and expenses of the sale will be first paid from the proceeds derived from said sale.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 27th day of September, 1922.

Belmond Furniture Company.
By J. M. Jensen,
Its' Attorney. 454

Mail Orders Filled

Two-Toned Footwear
ARE quite the thing for ladies this Fall in both oxfords and straps. "Biege" with black or brown is the leading shade and we also have many other good looking combinations for
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WOODRUFF'S
"Good Shoes"
115 N. Fed. Mason City, Iowa

Cato Griesy last week traded the two lots opposite the Belmond Auto company garage to C. Schmeltz, for the lot and building owned by the latter, just next to the Griesy lots.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eide are the happy parents of a fine baby daughter, who arrived at their home on last Wednesday, October 4th.

My pop corn stand is now open for business every afternoon except Sunday, from 4:00 o'clock. Every afternoon and evening I am prepared to supply you with fresh hot buttered pop corn, peanuts, cracker jack and gum. Once a customer always a customer.—Wm. Dempsey.

Henry Schulte, president of the Alexander school board, was in the city Wednesday on business for the school.

The Cemetery Aid society meets with Mrs. Sam Lieuwen on Friday, October 13.

Hot Lunches
You can get dainty lunches or you can get a satisfying meal at The Candy Kitchen. Home cooking, clean foods and pleasant surroundings go a long way to make a meal or a lunch satisfy. You get them all here, and assured cleanliness in the handling of the food.
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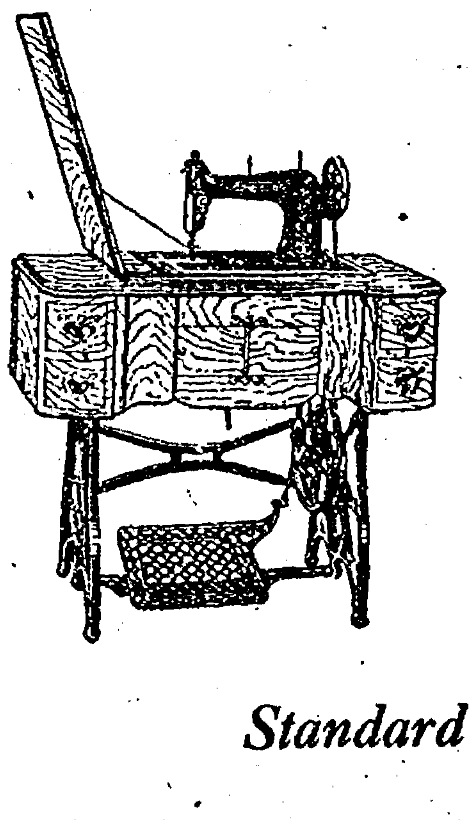
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CO. FEDERATION MEETS HERE WEDNESDAY

Belmond Wins 1st Football Game

Belmond Boys Play Splendidly In First Contest And Win By Good Margin.

OTHER ITEMS OF SCHOOL

Belmond high school played her first football game with Kanawha last Friday, and came out with a lead of 12 to 2. At the beginning of the game it looked pretty dark for Belmond, but when Sam got the ball thru one of Kanawha's numerous fumble, and carried it over for a touchdown, spirits arose. During the last half, especially in the last quarter, Belmond was playing real football, making a gain every time. Come out next time and see a real game.

The line up was as follows:

William Tyrrell—Right end.
Sam Leinbach—Right tackle.
Gerald Treese—Right guard.
Fred Vestweber—Center.
Donald Pech—Left guard.
Winston Thiltgen—Left tackle.
Ray Stapley—Left end.
Lewis Parsons—Right half back.
Edwin Christie—Left half back.
Harvey Chapman—Full back.
Irving Madsen—Quarter back.
Substitutes:
Vere Jenison for Vestweber; Leo McNamara for Parsons.

A pep meeting was held Friday afternoon before the game at the school house and also down town.

The loyal students came to the school house Friday night for a big pep meeting. A big bon fire was the amusement of the evening.

Girls are going to start practicin basket ball this week. All practice will be after school until December 1st.

Leona Reed was substituting for Mrs. Hoganson Monday afternoon.

Genevieve Starnes retains the gold medal of the typing class for the third week. Cecil Riley was a close second and Irving Madsen third.

Mrs. Connor from Hampton visited the 5th grade and kindergarten Oct. 18.

Bernadine Pullen, a member of the 4th grade, moved to Fort Dodge.

Loretta Ersland was absent from school. 2nd grade.

Margaret and Elizabeth Yust are working in the beet fields for a couple of weeks. 2nd grade.

Mr. O. L. Varland visited the kindergarten Oct. 12.

Miss Rowland, a former music teacher of Belmond school, is married to Mr. Ewald Trast, and is now living in Fort Dodge.

Come and see our Literary program Friday afternoon.

"All Aboard, Let's Go!" That's what the Juniors are saying these days and they are going to go. The signal to start will be given Thursday morning. Every Junior equiped with a good supply of both lecture course tickets and pep will start on their way. They will visit every business house and residence, so don't forget to have your pocket book handy.

One dollar is the prize. This admits you to each of the three programs offered on the course and also gives you a chance on the Mystery Box. A number is given with the sale of each ticket. A number is enclosed in the Mystery Box which agrees with one of the numbers given out. The box will be opened the first night of the lecture course and the person holding the number corresponding to the one in the box will be given the prize.

The Mystery Box will be displayed at the Belmond Furniture Co. store. Watch their window!

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Anna Florence McNamara et al to Martha A. Legge Wallace, w 6 ft. of lot 8, blk. 17, Belmond, $1,800.

W. J. Morse to H. C. Thompson, tract in blk. 5, Luick's add, Belmond, $1,000.

Christ Rise to Hazel V. Thomas, s1-2 of n1-2 of blk. 4, Morse's add, Belmond, $7,000.

ST. OLAF

Prayer meeting at the home of Knut Severtson Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Saturday morning class meets at the church at 1:30.

Sunday morning Sunday school will be conducted at 10:30.

The South Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Ole Sharpe Thursday, Oct. 26.

CLOTHING SPECIALIST COMING.

Miss Martha Foster, clothing specialist from Ames, will be in Wright county again next week for three all-day meetings. All ladies who are interested in the work are asked to bring a lunch and come prepared to stay all day.

The meetings will be held according to the following schedule:-

Mon. Oct. 23-Mrs. J. E. Kirstein home, 7 miles south 1½west Clarion.

Tues. Oct. 24,- Mrs. Jay Tice- ½ mile south of Cornelia.

Wed. Oct. 25- Mrs. Glenn Knox, 5-½ mile southwest of Dows.

N. M. Wolcott came up from Des Moines the first of the week to visit friends and look after business matters.

FORMER BELMOND GIRL MARRIED AT WATERLOO

On Tuesday, October 10th, at 10 o'clock a. m. a quiet ceremony was performed at the Cedar Heights Community church, Waterloo, by the Rector. The bride, Grace McAlpin Cook, daughter of W. E. McAlpin, of this city, was united in marriage with W. H. Balow. The only attendant was Miss Ardis Cook, daughter of the bride.

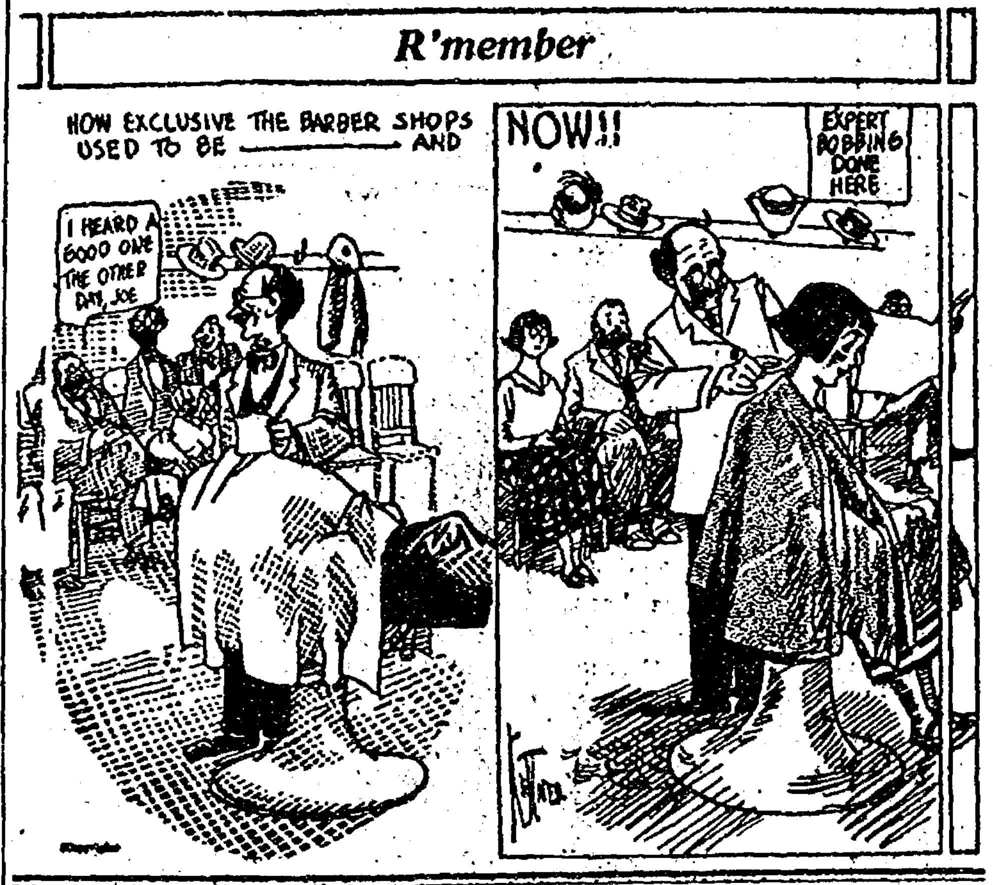
The bride wore a beautiful traveling costume of brown, hat to match, and a corsage of American Beauty roses. The couple left immediately on an extensive motor trip, and will pass the winter in Detroit, Michigan. Returning in the spring, they will reside in their residesce on the Rainbow Drive, Waterloo, where they will be at home to their friends.

Mrs. Balow was office manager for the Waterloo Laundry for eight years, and the past two years has held a similar position with the Black Hawk Fruit Co., both of Waterloo.

Mr. Balow is a buyer of live stock for a Chicago firm. Both are well known in Waterloo, and Grace McAlpin will be remembered as a student of the Belmond schools. Her friends here all join in wishing her joy and prosperity.

ROBINSON HERE MENDING FENCES ON WEDNESDAY

T. J. B. Robinson of Hampton, the republican candidate for Congress in this district, was in town yesterday meeting old friends, and new ones, and mending the political fences prior to the election. The democractic candidate, Hageman, of Waverly, is making a strong campaign, particularly in the eastern part of the state. It is there that he expects to poll his heaviest vote, as he is appealing to the wet element. Hageman was thru Belmond this summer, with his political cards bearing the inscription "I am for light wines and beer." He now has two sets of cards, it is understood, one with this inscription on and one without, for the wets or the drys, as the case may be. The Independent is flatfootedly for Robinson, and if there were no other reason than the wet and dry issue. Every wedge possible is being driven or will try to be driven, in the dry laws this fall, and Hageman appears to be the wedge in the Third District of Iowa. Robinson is a clean-cut, honest-to-goodness Man first of all, absolutely clean morally, and with years of reputation as an honest, straight-forward dealer, with four years experience in the Iowa legislature, and is making his campaign on a dry basis. If the dry vote goes to the polls he will win, but that vote will have to get out for Hageman will carry Dubuque by two thousand, and he will poll a large wet vote in Waterloo. Mr. Robinson was accompanied by Charley Peterson, formerly of Belmond, and Mr. Mott, another Hampton business man.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HOW EXCLUSIVE THE BARBER SHOPS USED TO BE ——— AND
I HEARD A GOOD ONE THE OTHER DAY, JOE
NOW!!
EXPERT BOBBING DONE HERE

DISTRICT COURT IS BUSY LEGAL MILL

Norway Township Farmer Is Indicted For Selling Hooch —Other Indictments.

John Groh of Norway township was indicted by the grand jury Last April Justice Brown bound defedant over to the grand jury in the sum of $700 on two counts, bond being furnished by Kanawha parties. At that time Sheriff Lang and Marshal Leonard raided his premises and from rain barrells buried in the ground under his house found several gallons of whiskey. On being indicted last week Judge McCall increased his bond to $1,000. It is probable that he will plead guilty as there is plenty of evidence against him in the shape of jugs and bottles filled with whiskey, which is in the custody of Clerk Goslin.

The general election is less than three weeks away. Absent voters mening those who do not expect to be able to go to the polls on November 7th, may procure this ballot ten days before election by writing Auditor Walker or applying in person. The Saturday before election, November 4th, is the last day upon which such ballots may be obtained.

The $1,000 damage case from Belmond against ex-Marshal Rierson was disposed of by the jury giving the plaintiff a verdict of $1.

Another indictment returned by the grand jury was that of Al Zeihler of Eagle Grove, who is now serving a sentence imposed by the federal court at Sioux City for his part in an attempt to burn the home of Frank Fischer during the shopmen's strike.

The case brought by the Wright & Franklin Breeders' Association against Lee Aldrich, alias James Lord Bennett, has been dismiissed by plaintiff's at their costs. On being solicited to buy stock in the above association defendant refused and on a latter occasion when surrounded by the committee signed one of the applications with the above nom de plume.

This paper erred last week in stating that Ingevald Berg had been awarded judgment against G. H. Jameson in the sum of $3329.10. This judgment should have been cerdited to the next case on the docket, that of W. F. Insel vs. J. T. Johnson et al.

Gov. Kendall has discharged Lars Skouge from further liability under the sentence passed by Judge Wright at the December term of court in 1920. Defendant was convicted of the crime of larceny, which the judge suspended. The parole board, judge and county attorney and a number of representative citizens recommended his discharge.

Marriage licenses were issued last week to Charles Lee Cannon of Fort Dodge and Vera Marivella Smith of Eagle Grove, Leo John Baker of Belmond and Helen Amanda Hyde of Fort Dodge.

Birth Record

Robert Glen, born October 5th to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Nielsen of Clarion.

Gerald Duane, born October 7th to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Whipple of Grant township.

Alice Elizabeth, born October 6 to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Morris of Clarion.

The soldiers' bonus ballots are now in the hands of the printer and a word of caution regarding the manner of marking the same may not come amiss. The possibility of spoiling your ballot comes from the fact that two "yes" an "no" squares appear on the same. Make your cross mark in the one appearing at the top of the ballot and ignore the smaller one at the bottom of the ticket, which is placed there for the reason that it is a part of the law.

J. E. Parsons of Galt has been appointed temporary guardian of Mrs. P. A. Axen, his bond being fixed at the sum of $40,000.

Last week the board of supervisors rescinded its action regarding the establishment of drainage improvement No. 107 located in Boone and Norway townships, it being determined that the board had no jurisdiction in the matter. Judge Lee of Ames appeared in behalf of the objectors at the meeting.

After being out about ten minutes the jury found John Dorem of Eagle Grove not guilty. Mayor Baker fined the defendant $25 on the charge of drunkeness and he appealed to the district court for vindication.

The second case for this week is that of the State vs. Roy Fortune, who is being tried for larceny of merchandise from the Goldfield store. The case of Herbert Bige, charged with the larceny of goods from the Woolstock store about the same time, will follow the trial above mentioned.

Judge McCall adjourned court last evening until after Wednesday on account of the Clarion corn carnival.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

It was a delight to see so many in our Bible school last Sunday. If we can keep up to that number during this quarter we will pass the goal for the year.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Davenport and Mr. and Mrs. Leinbach attended the Webster City association in its meeting at Humboldt last Wednesday. The churches of the Association are is thriving condition.

The Ladies Aid society will hold their annual bazaar on November the 9th.

We would like to see one hundred and fifty at Sunday school next Sunday. If you are not in Sunday school will you not come and help make up this number. We are now studying the life of Christ and the more that we realize that life is ours the greater our lives will be. Come and let us study together.

Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m. and the morning worship at 11:00. The evening services begin at 7:30 and the first part is conducted by the young people. Our orchestra is furnishing us with some good music at the evening services. There is room for more at the evening services. Why not spend an hour of the closing Sabbath in His house?

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

TRINITY CHURCH

Prayer meeting held at the home of Henry Larsen on Thursday evening.

Wednesday evening choir practice at the church at 7:30.

Saturday morning at 10 o'clock the class meets at the church.

Sunday morning Sunday school and Bible class at 10 o'clock.

Divine services at 11 o'clock in the English language, with communion service in the evening at 7:30 in the Norwegian language.

IOWA BEATS YALE SATURDAY BY 6 TO 0

Iowa University took the measure of the famed Yale football team on Saturday when they trimmed them in a 6 to 0 victory. They also took several tons of hardened conceit out of the East. It was certainly "some" game, and the result made all Iowa glad. Chances of victory had been cossidered about even on both sides here in Iowa; in the East of course it was nothing but Yale. The game was received over the radio by the Independent and Battery company. play by play, and the editor was kept busy answering the telephone most of the afternoon giving results of the game as it progressed. The Ames-Missouri game was also received play by play direct from the field of play. The cheers and yells of the crowd were plainly audible. It is expected to get the result of the Iowa-Illinois game next Saturday; should Iowa beat Illinois—and all indications point to it—the 1923 championship will undoubtedly rest on the Old Gold another year.

In the Clarion-Cedar Rapids game Saturday, Cedar Rapids won 16 to 0. Considering all things, this was more of a victory for Clarion than for Cedar Rapids.

COUNTRY CLUB OFFICERS

At the annual election of officers of the Clarmond Country club, held on October 3rd., the following officers were elected: M. F. Birdsall, president; C. J. Nagle, secretary; A. L. Luick, vice president; Hal E. Smith, treasurer; directors, Dr. G. H. Steele, W. C. Tyrrell, Ray Klemme, F. S. Thornley, C. H. Crowe, J. L. Lundblad, G. W. Young, Sr., and Herman Schultz. A resolution was passed whereby no dues will be exacted for the current year from new members joining at any time prior to January 1.—Monitor.

KLU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZING

According to grape vine telegraph Clarion is to have a Klu Klux Klan. An organizer was here some days ago and it is being quietly tipped off that he secured a good many members. Uniforms are being made as fast as possible and it is understood that the hills in the vicinity of Pike timber will be the scene of the initiation ceremonies. The member ship fee is $10 and some of our business and professional men are said to have joined. The fellows who have been beating their wivies or committing other offenses had better have a care. —Monitor

CLARION CORN CARNIVAL ON OCTOBER THE 18

Present indications point to the fact that Wednesday, October 18 —Clarion Corn Carnival day—will witness the most eventful occasion in Clarion for some time. It bids fair to out class our best Fourth of July celebration or any of the big days at the old county fair. It is proposed to make the corn carnival an annual affair and every possible effort is being put forth to make the open event a successful one in every particular. In addition to the parade and the various sports, to which all residents of the county may enter in competition. Then there will be the wrestling match, the circus clowns, the trick mule, etc., in addition to Municipal band, a musical organization second to none in this part of Iowa. This entire fun fest program is entirely free and it is hoped every person in the county will be in Clarion next Wednesday to enjoy it.—Monitor.

Local Clubs To Entertain Ladies

Progress And Priscilla Clubs To Entertain Ladies From All Parts Of County.

ALL LADIES INVITED THEN

The Priscilla and the Progress clubs of Belmond will be hostesses to the members of the County Federation of Women's clubs on Wednesday, October 25th.

The program begins at ten a. m. with an intermission at noon for lunch.

At 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Van Patten of Fort Dodge will give an address on the subject "The Abundant Life." Every woman in the community is invited to hear this address and also the rest of the program, which consists of some of the best talent in the county.

Mrs. H. F. Graepler of Dows is the president of the County Federation, and Mrs. H. F. Luick of Belmond is vice president.

The meeting will be held in the library basement, and each guest is asked to bring sandwiches and cakes for two. The rest of the luncheon will be served by the members of the Progress and the Priscilla clubs.

INSTITUTE IS INTERESTING

The annual Wright county teachers' institute held Thursday and Friday of last week at Clarion was pronounced by many teachers to be the most profitable pedagogical gathering ever attended. About 250 teachers from the rural, town and city schools were enrolled. This number also included the normal training students of the county. The sessions were held in the high school building.

County superintendent, Miss Bock and deputy, Miss Odland, were busy every minute arranging details to help the teachers and make the meetings of the most possible value to them. Miss Bock is to be congratulated on the excellent talent secured for instructors. The lecture and demonstrations given were all practical and applicable, something that will really aid the teachers in their ordinary routine of helping young minds to develop.

Thursday morning Mr. Roadman of Fayette gave a very timely lecture taking as his subject "Hitching Henry's Wagon to a Star." Immediately after this departmental conferences were held, Miss Maulsby of Des Moines had charge of the rural section and gave some valuable suggestions on primary seat work, she demonstrated several models and gave the teachers patterns to use in this work. The grades were in charge of Mr. Knight of Iowa City who spoke on "The Laws of the Learn ing Process." Mr. Roadman talked to the high school teachers on "Citizenship," his lecture gave much food for thought.

Thursday afternoon, Miss Letitia Whitten, music supervisor of Clarion sang an especially pleasing solo. Mr. Roadman explained the Iowa State Teachers' association, its workings, purpose and prestige. He also gave a lecture on "The Four Things."

At this time a Wright county teachers association was organized the officers elected were Miss Bock, president; Robt. Smile of Dows, vice president; W. J. Guthrie of Belmond, secretary and treasurer. —Monitor.

MARRIED

Friends who knew Ruth Walton, formerly of this place, will be interested to know of her marriage to Professor Frank A. Prather, of Mitchell, South Dakota, who is teaching at Camp Crook.

A legal notice published in the Dows Advocate last week wherein Belmond's attorney, J. M. Jensen, is legal advisor, seems to indicate that J. M. is obtaining a reputation of some extent as an attorney. He is a busy man, at any rate.

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BELMOND IOWA

Belmond Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Moore and children drove to Lidderdale last Thursday in their new Ford to spend the week end with Mr. Moore's parents, his mother being quite ill. However, his mother was much improved when they left.

Watch the Belmond Furniture Store,s window.

W. W. Goetz returned home from Rochester on Sunday. He reports that Mrs. Goetz is feeling much better and will stay there awhile longer to take treatment. He expects to go back to Rochester in a few days.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans and her mother, Mrs. Finch, and Albert Martin drove to Garner on Sunday to spend the day with Mrs. Rosecrans' daughter, Mrs. Clarence Barnes.

NOTICE OF EXAMINATIONS

Uniform county teachers' examinations will be held in Clarion on October 25, 26, 27. Applicants must have had twelve weeks' normal training, or have taught six months on a regular certificate. A year of college work is accepted in lieu of the twelve weeks training.

BLANCHE BOCK, Co. Supt.

Have you heard about the Mystery Box?

Did you attend or give a party, picnic or other social affair? If you did the society editor would appreciate it very much if you phoned the particulars to 316.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Walton and family from Harding, South Dakota, are visiting relatives here this week.

E. F. Bailey went to Des Moines the first of the week on some business matters.

Mrs. A. E. Thompson and daughter Shirley were callers at Mason City Saturday, where they shopped.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stebbleton and children of Britt were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ramsay over the week end.

Miss Blanche Rhorbach and Miss Ransick were Mason City callers last Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson left by auto Tuesday and will be away until Friday.

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BELMOND CREAMERY SELLING BUTTER CHEAP

In answer to the article carried last week by the Independent, in regard to the price of butter at Hampton and at Belmond, the Chronicle of Hampton makes a reply as follows:

On investigation the Chronicle finds that the statement is correct. Belmond grocery merchants are buying their butter from the creamery at Belmond. The retail price last week was thirty-eight cents, just as the Belmond Independent states. This week the creamery at Belmond raised the price three cents, and creamery butter is selling in Belmond at forty-one cents.

In Hampton last Monday creamery butter was selling at from forty-seven to fifty-two cents. Minnesota creamery butter was selling at fifty-two cents, and this might be charged a cent higher because of the cost in getting it here.

Butter made at Coulter was retailing in Hampton last Monday at fifty cents a pound, and Coulter butter is known to rank with the best butter made.

Butter made in Latimer was selling in Hampton last Monday at fifty cents a pound, and Latimer butter is known to be good butter.

Butter made in Iowa Falls was selling in Hampton last Monday at fifty-one cents a pound.

Butter made in Hampton, at the Kratz Dairy Company factory, is selling at forty-seven and forty-eight cents a pound, and there being no freight to pay on this butter probably keeps the price down a cent or two below the butter which is shipped in.

Either the Belmond creamery is making money at the price they are charging, or they are losing money we do not know which. The difference between the retail and cost price is about three cents, the same here as it is at Belmond, which is reasonable enough. The question then is why do Hampton merchants pay about ten cents a pound more for creamery butter at one place than they would have to pay at another—providing the quality is about the same? Belmond butter can hardly be bad enough to force a price ten cents less than other creameries are charging.

(The Independent does not know what profit the Belmond creamery is making, but it does know that Belmond creamery butter is good butter, and butter retailing at ten cents a pound more would have to be mighty good butter to be worth that much more than Belmond's product.)

CLIPPINGS

The farmers are pulling their sugar beets, and the crop promises to be good. Some of the farmers are even hauling now. The scales and dumps are all fixed up for the reception of the beets, and the harvest will do a lot to make times a little easier for the people.—Humboldt Republican.

The electricity was turned off several hours yesterday afternoon which caused some delay in getting our paper out this week as we have to depend on electric power to run the linotype machine and presses. A tree had fallen across the high line near Klemme and C. J. Papousek had to come over from Belmond to fix up the line.—Times.

Miss Laura Brooks and Mrs. Harry Brooks returned from Mason City last Thursday where the latter had been for medical examination. Mrs. Brooks will not need an operation.—Klemme Times.

They tell a great joke on some of the Humboldt sports who were betting on the world series base ball games. Fort Dodge sent out its radio report and mixed the winners, giving out a detailed score in which the Yanks won a game. The Humboldt sports collected their bets on the strength of the report. Then came the corrected report showing that the Giants won. In the meantime the sports had spent their bets and they had to dig down and pay their old bets and the money they had collected and spent.—Republican.

Miss Mary Uline, former missionary in Turkey, addressed an audience at the Congregational church last Tuesday evening. In her opinion, Turkey is winning practically everything taken from her in the World war. Thrace has been given back to her. She has won it anyway in the war with Greece. Constantinople, Miss Uline believes, will be retained by the British in order to keep the Dardanelles open. Much of the work of christianizing and educating the Turks has been lost. Practically all the schools and colleges in Thrace have been burned. Everything in Smyrna is lost. No American lives have been lost as the missionaries and teachers were withdrawn or protected. The Turk probably will be kept in Asia but he remains the same constant menace to the world as before the war and his repugnant and repulsive government is being firmly established in its former stronghold.—Eagle Grove Eagle.

The water in the lake is about a foot lower than it has been for many years. But no doubt the fall rains will bring it back to normal soon.—Clear Lake Reporter.

One day the latter part of last week while Joe Anderson was endeavoring to put the drive belt to his shoe polishing machine which is motor driven, his left hand was caught in the belt and both the hand and wrist were quite badly bruised. Fortunately the belt did not stay on or his injury would have been more serious.—Kanawha Reporter.

The sugar beet harvest is on here and beets were loaded onto cars the fore part of the week. They will go to the Belmond factory.—Klemme Times.

William Schellsmidt, of Waukon, Iowa, recently marketed a timber wolf at Auditor Palmer's counter. It was the 20th wolf he had captured this year during the past three months. He states that the wolves are numerous in that locality.—Exchange.

Mrs. Ethel Papousek was up from Belmond last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jacobs.—Garner Signal.

H. G. Pritchard of Chicago, a nephew of Mayor Pritchard, was in Garner and vicinity last week on business. He is associated with his father in the commission buiness and was here interviewing the stockmen and farmers.—Leader.

Mrs. Gittie Finch went to Belmond Monday for a visit with her daughters, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Rosecrans, after spending several weeks at the Pritchard home here. Mrs. Finch has spent the past few winters in California, but has not decided yet as to whether she will return to the west for this winter or not.—Garner Leader.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Dorcas Society—

The Dorcas society of the Reformed church east of town, held a social in the church parlors on Tuesday evening of last week. A short program was given after which refreshments were served.

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Reception—

The Community Welfare club held their annual reception for the teachers last Thursday evening. About one hundred twenty-five were present to enjoy the splendid musical program and the fun. Many clever stunts were performed by the teachers. Pumpkin pie, mints and coffee were served.

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Chain of Ten—

The Chain of Ten met with Mrs. Gus Johnson on Monday of this week. The next meeting will be in two weeks at the home of Mrs. Tom Brooks.

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M. E. Aid—

The regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Aid society will be held at the home of Mrs. Perry Loomis today (Thursday), by invitation. Election of officers of the society is to take place.

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Progress—

In place of the usual meeting of the club, the members have invited their husbands to meet with them at the library basement on Tuesday evening, where they held a reception for the school faculty and their families. The evening was spent in games and stunts which made everyone acquainted and caused much merriment. Refreshments were then served.

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500—

The 500 club meets this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Benson.

County Federation—

Next Wednesday, October 25th, the County Federation of Women's clubs will meet here. The Progress and Priscilla clubs will be the hostesses. The meeting will be held in the library basement.

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Kensington—

The Kensington club met with Mrs. C. P. Luick on Wednesday afternoon. A social afternoon was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Delphian—

The Delphian club met with Mrs. Claude Benson on Monday evening. The lesson was "Italy in the Middle Ages." The leader was Mrs. Earl Madson. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

WOULD ESTABLISH PLANT TO HATCH 300,00 CHICKS

There is a real prospect that a commercial hatchery will be started here this season and be delivering baby chicks early next spring. To many this news may not seem of a great deal of importance, however, to anyone who is somewhat familiar with the possibilities of the game, it is a business with great possibilities. It is the present plans of those interested to equip a hatchery here with a season's capacity of 300,000 baby chicks. This location of a hatchery from the fact that the past five years has seen pure bred poultry increase by leaps and bounds. Tentative plans have already been made for a most suitable location and the plans are rounding into shape is a most satisfactory manner. Not only will it be the mission of the proposed hatchery to sell baby chicks but as well to do commercial hatching. Those so desiring, may bring the eggs to the hatchery and at a nominal cost have the eggs hatched and get away from the trouble of setting hens and looking after incubators. The writer visited a hatchery at Fairmont, Minn., a few weeks ago and there gained some idea of the magnitude of the busisess located there. During the hatching season this concern pays in the neigborhood of $5,000 per week for eggs for hatching and pays a premium to the producer for eggs purchased. There is an unlimited field for the output of a hatchery as distance, in a way, only adds to the better results obtained in shipping the baby chicks. The Fairmont hatchery has shipped chicks to Texas, Washington and other far away states and had excellent results long distance shipments really working out better than the short ones, for the reason that the average person is apt to feed the youngsters too soon.—Bancroft Register.

Parties contemplating holding a public sale should see T. D. Rankins, Belmond, for dates and prices. Twenty-five years of successful auctioneering. Phone 196 or 115.

Kinseth's Store News

Every housewife has a brand of flour from which she thinks she can make better bread. In order to supply them with what they want, we have four kinds to offer:

Seal of Minnesota at $2.35.
White Swan at $2.30.
Dynamite at $1.95.
Snobread at $2.00.

If a housewife can't make good bread from one of these four brands, then we are badly mistaken, because they are the real thing in flours, every one guaranteed to please you. No matter what flour you are using try one of these.

This cold weather brings to mind good hot pancakes at the breakfast table. We have the finest pancake flour you ever made cakes from; just try a package once. That's all we ask.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Lincoln Township Social

Farmers of Lincoln township farm bureau were back in old form last Wednesday evening, October 11th, when about eighty to one hundred people of that community gathered at the Lincoln township church for their regular monthly farm bureau meeting.

A program consisting of several musical numbers, a number of addresses, and the election of officers for the coming year was enjoyed by all. A short address by the county agent was given and this was followed by the principal address of the evening, which was given by Miss Avis Talcott, home demonstration agent, who happened to be in the county on the farm tour. Miss Talcott's address surely spurred the people on to better and bigger things in the line of improvement of the farm home. She made a special plea to the ladies of the community for a closer co-operation in the problems of the home, also for a closer study of the things which make the home more beautiful and comfortable. A short talk was given by Ross Meachem on his trip to the Iowa state fair as a member of the champion livestock judging team. A short talk was also given by Everett Denby on his trip to the Interstate fair at Sioux City. These boys told in an interesting manner their experiences in the judging work and the splendid time they had while judging in competition with other boys from the various parts of our state and the states of the middle west.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was held and the following people were chosen to direct the affairs of the Lincoln Township Farm Bureau for 1923: L. W. Collins, director; Irene Norton, vice director; Marvel Weld, secretary-treasurer.

Interesting Farm Tour

The two day farm tour which was held in Wright county Wednesday and Thursday of last week proved to be a great success from the standpoint of the interest which was taken by those who had the opportunity to make the trip; also considering the valuable information which was given out by the three extension specialists, who lectured at the various stops on the tour.

Miss Avis Talcott, home demonstration agent from the extension department, lectured to the ladies in the various homes while the men folks listened to the interesting lectures by Professor Rex Beresford on livestock subjects and the talks on farm crops and soils by Professor Churchill. These specialists brought out a great many vital and interesting problems in connection with their discussions and with the questions which were asked by the people who were in attendance. The tour proved to be very beneficial to every one who took time, off to make the trip.

While the weather was somewhat chilly and the season a little bit late for a farm tour the schedule of stops was followed and a number of extra stops, which were not included in the program, were made. The feature of the tour was the picnic lunch which was enjoyed at noon each day. Everyone seemed to enter into the spirit of the occasion and it is needless to say that everyone had a full sized appetite. Everyone who had opportunity to make the trip seems to agree that the information which was given by the specialists and the good fellow ship which was enjoyed with neighbors and friends repaid them for the effort made in planning their work so as to make the tour of the county.

Boys And Girls Clubs

Several kinds of clubs for the boys and girls between the ages of ten and eighteen will be organized this fall. A calf club for boys and girls who wish to feed calves for the state fair next year is now being formed and the younsters will be asked to take calves, born between March 1 and June 1, 1922, and feed them out for showing at the state fair.

A sow and litter club will also be organized this fall and a purebred gilt club next spring. The boys and girls will be asked to keep an accurate record on all feeding operations and make a full report to the county agent at the end of the feeding period. The one showing the best report will be awarded the prize.

All boys and girls who are interested in any kind of club work should get in touch with the county agent at once, because the applications are coming in fast. The boy or girl who starts early will have the best chanre of winning.

Campbell Attends Ft. Dodge Meet

E. W. Campbell, manager of the Clarion Shipping assosiation, attended the two-day short course at Fort Dodge for managers and officers of livestock shipping associations of this section of Iowa. Mr. Campbell gave a very interesting and accurate report of the business of the local association.

Ten counties in northwest Iowa had representatives at this short course. Professors Thompson and Hammons from the Marketing department of the college spoke at the meeting and the managers of the different associations received some valuable suggestions on the marketing of livestock. One day was spent in the discussion of records and office methods, and the other day was spent in dealing with shipping problems and a round table discussion in which all managers and officers took part.

Keeping Books Pays

Farmers on twenty-six representative farms in Marshall county by careful bookkeeping found where they lost money and are ready to check the places where the dollars leaked out. They found by keeping a record of business that their farm business lost them on an average of $1,841.98, which would not allow them to stay in business long at such a leak.

This loss they attribute to the high cost of production and the general slump of market prices which hit the Iowa farmer. The only plan whereby the Iowa farmer can get back onto the better market and increase the profits is to reduce the production costs. This they say can be accomplished by the keeping of books on his operations so that he will know when he is feeding expensive feeds or hiring expensive help that makes the cost of production higher than the selling price.

In corn production in this county it was found that where the labor cost was kept down corn could be sold for forty cents and a profit made, while with a high production cost, such as seventy-three cents on one farm, the farmer had to meet a big loss when he marketed his corn.

Books should be kept on every farm and the amount of labor expended in a crop should be kept accurately, they say, and then at the close of the season a farmer can soon find out where the leaks started.

REFUSED TO RESPECT FLAG

For refusing to lift his hat when the flag passed the place he was standing during the G. A. R. parade, Samnel L. Hiatt, 36 years old, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff George Robb, brother of Sheriff Robb. Hiatt, according to the deputy, become hostile when he was asked to remove his hat and defied "anyone to take it off his head." After three flags had passed and Hiatt had remained covered, Deputy Sheriff Robb snatched the hat from his head. Hiatt replaced it. Another flag went by but the hat was not removed. Hiatt was then taken to thecounty jail. Prisoners occupying the same cell with Hiatt listened to his story and then gave him a severe beating. Before the man could be rescued by turnkeys his forehead was cut and both eyes blackened. He was released on cash bond.—EX

Belmond Local News

Will Brooks of Waverly is visiting a few days this week with Belmond relatives.

Are you lucky? Try your luck with a Lecture Course ticket.

Mrs. Sarah Hachbaasth from Fondulac, Wisconsin, is a guest this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Goorge Butts.

Word has been received here by friends of the marriage of Miss Ermalee Rowland, of Kansas City, a former music teacher of the Belmond schools, to E. G. Trast of Fort Dodge, on October 7th. They are making their home at Fort Dodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Osbon Young drove to Thornton last Sunday to visit their son, Dr. Young, and family.

U. A. Dressman of Lakota visited over Sunday at the M. I. Allen home. Saturday he and Miss Ennis Allen drove to Grinnell to see a brother at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eaton and children drove to Fairbank last Saturday to attend a family reunion of Mrs. Eaton's people.

Mrs. M. I. Allen went to Estherville on Wednesday of this week to spend a few days.

J. H. Eaton of Idaho has been a guest at the home of his brother, W. O., and family, the past week or two.

The early bird gets the worm therefore—Buy your ticket early and win the prize.

Mrs. T. D. Rankins is spending a few days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Leonard, at Swaledale.

A carload of pears for canning purposes was on track here last week a day or two. A car had been advertised as coming, but had been ordered to another point instead, and the second car coming in was taken for the first. As a result the second received the full benefit of the first one's advertising, and had a rushing business, scores of bushels being sold. Prices on the second car were higher than those advertised on the first, however, and quite a bit of dissatisfaction was the result.

BOOST YOUR TOWN AND BUY A LECTURE COURSE TICKET.

A. E. Martin did not go to Colfax, as reported in last week's paper, but stayed in Des Moines where he is taking treatment. He is staying at the Alex McGregor home.

Joe White was a business caller at the county seat on Tuesday morning.

Mrs. E. H. Sands has been spending the first of the week at the home of her daughter near Thornton, returning yesterday.

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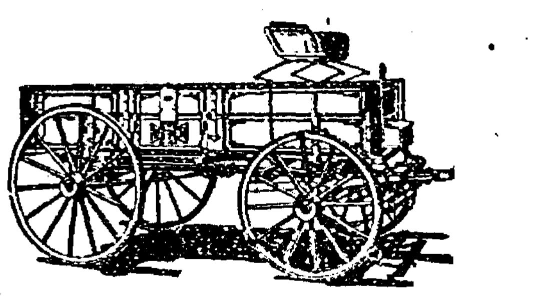

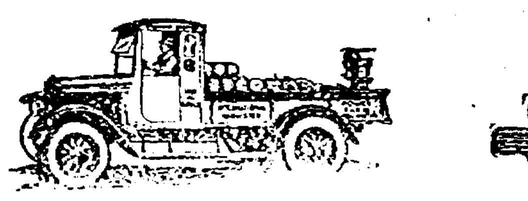

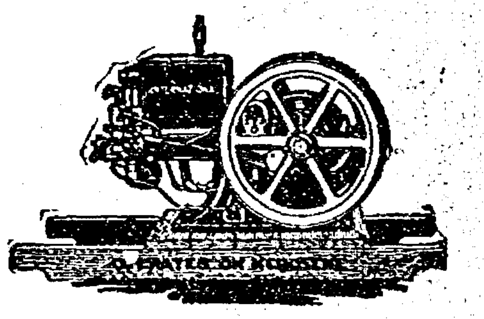

OLD GAME OF FAKING PUBLIC STILL WORKING.

Humboldt Rpublican: The old, old game of faking the public is still working fine. The latest is the game of bringing wrestling touraments to a town and interesting the local fans. One of the latest instances of the art comes from Spencer where a wrestling tournament was shown at the Clay county fair.

One Ben Reeves of Graettinger was known to the wrestling people and he appeared and wanted to go on with the champion at the tourament. Of course the tourament people refused, and there was a great how-de-do. After endless wranglig the tournament peaple allowed Reeves to go on the mat, and the tourament champ began to bite and strike when he failed to down the new-comer. This caused endless wrangling, and finally the principals agreed to put on the gloves and fight it out. Then the local police interfered, but after much persuasion the men were allowed to fight four rounds of one minute each. They went at it hammer and tongs, and were struggling viciously when the referee ralled the end of the last round.

But here is the other side of it:

Wrestling show seemed to be on the bum.
Management sent for Reeves.
Renewed interest.
More interest.
Intense excitement.
Big crods.
Big gate recipts.
Still more excitement.
Still more gate receipts.
Prize fight.
Intense excitement.
Wonderful gate receipts.
Tourament managers retire with a fat bunch of kale.
Finis.

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

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October 20th and 21st

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FOR SALE

Big Type Poland China male hogs. March farrowed. Priced to suit farmers. 4 miles north of Meservey.—G. Lauster. 45tfc

For Sale—A Malleable range and a heating stove. See Carl Herman, Meservey, Iowa. 452*

Milk cow, fresh in two weeks.—E. Harms, Meservey, Iowa. 432*

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MESERVEY, IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ukro of Ackley spent several days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bier. On Thursday they motored to Swea City and visited at the home of Charles Bier, returning Friday.

Miss Sylvia Blum of Renwick spent a short time here with friends the forepart of last week. From here she departed for Naperville, Ill., to again take up her school work at Northwestern college.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Raecker, Mrs. H. K. Pals and daughter Grace, Mrs. E. G. Thomas and daughters Viola, and Evelyn, and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Muller motored to Rockwell last Thursday to attend the afternoon and evening sessions of the third annual county convention of the W. C. T. U. The convention continued over two days and was a success in every way. Miss Louise E. Holliter, National lecturer was the principal speaker and convention guest. On Thursday evening the silver medal contest was held. Mason City, Clear Lake, Meservey, Portland, Plymouth and Rockwell were represented in this contest. All the numbers were rendered. The medal was awarded to Dale Pattschull, of Mason City, whose reading was entitled "The Drunken Engineer." The contestant from Clear Lake was awarded second place and Plymouth third. Rev. Pritchard of Swaledale had charge of the devotions, and gave an inspiring talk, urging all to prepare themselves to be able to "endure hardness." The music by the orchestra was good, and the clarinet solos rendered by one of the number were exceptionally fine, as was the vocal solo given by Miss Williams. Altogether it was a profitable evening for all who attended, and we felt well repaid for having been there.

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H. K. Pals and family motored to Mason City, Saturday, where several of the children had dental work done, and other business matters were attended to.

Who said we didn't need a W. C. T. U. here? Recent proreedings would indicate otherwise. Better become interested and join the ranks.

Mrs. Joe West and baby returned home from Webster City last Saturday, where she had been visiting relatives. Her sister, Mrs. Lee Rollins and small son accompanied her home for a week's visit.

Mrs. H. Koenen of Latimer is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Ruiter, who has not been very well the past week.

George Groen left for Conrad the fore part of last week where he intends to remain until after corn picking.

Miss Jennie Meinderts spent a few days with her sister Mrs. Nelson near Goodell.

CELEBRATE THEIR SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kuhlers, Sr., observed the 25th year of their life together. The 16th of October was a glad day for them, when, surrounded by their children, relatives and a few invited friends, they celebrated the anniversary of their wedding. After a brief service by their pastor, the Rev. H. Pannkuk, refreshments were served and a social time was enjoyed by those present. Quite a number of useful gifts were presented to them.

The special meetings being held at the Evangelical church are growing in interest. Inspiring messages in preaching and song are bringing desired results. Meetings continue over Sunday. Everybody welcome. Bring your friends.

John Neuberger and family of near Klemme were Sunday visitors at the C. Bier home.

John Block and family from Klemme visited at the Simon Fischer home last Sunday.

Mrs. Pittlekom of St. Paul is visiting at the home of her daughter Mrs. Henry Hartwig.

Mrs. Frank Carpenter of St. Paul and Mrs. Lew Foster of Nebraska departed for their homes last Wednesday after spending several days at the H. Hartwig home, having been called here by the death of their niece.

Mrs. M. S. Jackson and son of Clarion left the fore part of last week for her home, having visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. J. Friesleben for several weeks.

Mrs. A. D. Brogan and baby returned the fore part of last week from Whittemore where she spent several weeks visiting home folks.

Mr. Shore of Keokuk visited at the Dr. Agler home last Friday on his return from Mason City where he had been attending the Masonic convention as a delegate.

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

The cemetery society met with Mrs. Bernard Koenen last Tuesday. Those present report a pleasant time.

"Bun" Brogan of Garner was visiting his former playmates here last Saturday.

A. E. Muller and family were callers at the F. D. Fulton home at Belmond on Sunday afternoon.

Al ladies who are interested in the welfare of their community should become a member of the W. C. T. U. Help to make the homes of Meservey and vicinity safe places to live in.

FOR SALE

Thorobred Hampshire male hogs. Price right.

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KEEP UP THE CULLING

October is the time to get the nonproducers out of the farm poultry flock, says H. A. Bittenbender, in charge of poultry work at Iowa State College. *It is at this time that the* farmer can cull out the hens that are loafing and keep over winter only those hens that will pay their board.

Pullets that show any signs of being poor producers, are stunted in growth, have deformed parts or are slow in feathering should be removed at once from the flock. Birds to be held for winter production should be as near perfect as possible and resemble the breed that is desired by the poultryman.

Hens that have good yellow legs and are glossy and that gave up laying some time ago are loafers, and will probably stay on their vacation. Good layers have bright red combs. Hens that have not molted or are molting now are the ones to save. Good layers are strong, healthy, vigorous, with a thin breast bone and an appearance of quality.

Warm quarters, healthy hens and plenty of feed will keep the flock laying all winter.

A culling campaign recently completed in Humboldt county showed that 42 per cent of the farm hens were being kept at a loss to the poultrymen and over 6,000 loafers were eliminated.

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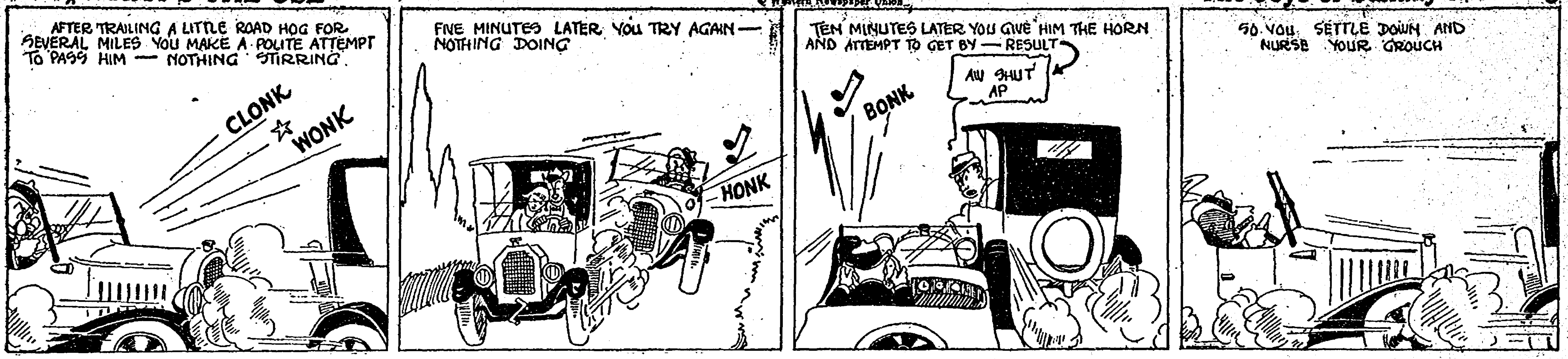
The Joys of Sunday Motoring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FIVE MINUTES LATER YOU TRY AGAIN — NOTHING DOING
HONK
TEN MINUTES LATER YOU GIVE HIM THE HORN AND ATTEMPT TO GET BY — RESULT
AW SHUT AP
BONK
SO YOU SETTLE DOWN AND NURSE YOUR GROUCH

ROWAN NEWS

Friday evening a few girl friends gathered at the home of Evelyn Whitten to help her celebrate her 10th birthday. They surprised her. The evening was spent in games after which refreshments were served and all report a fine time

Thursday afternoon a few relatives and friends of Mrs. Charley Emerson surprised her at her home in honor of her birthday. A very pleasant time is reported. Those present were the Mesdames A. H. Emerson, and daughter Stella, Roy Hyde, C. W. Fowler, B. P. Hadley, Will Bingham, and Harvey Lineweaver. Mrs. Emerson was the recipient of several lovely gifts.

Miss Gladys Whitten went to Hampton Friday evening to visit at the home of Miss Viola Charter, returning home Sunday.

Mrs. Halbert received Friday a letter from her sister in Europe that had been on its way eight weeks. This letter was written just after Miss Eldrige left Granada, Spain, and in it she tells of the death of J. G. Wooley, once candidate for president on the Prohibition ticket. Mystery surrounds his death. He was traveling alone and making the usual tour trip of Spain. He came to Granada from Sevilla already delirious and never regained consciousness His passport gave his name and address, also the name of a pension (hotel) at which he intended stopping and the pension cabled his son in America, who cabled to a sister-in-law in Paris, and she came down the next night. That night the body was temporarily buried at Granada at 10 p. m. That he was the victim of being doped is held by many there.

Mrs. Payne is staying as companion to Mrs. J. D. Brooks at present. Her son lives on the C. W. Fowler farm where she makes her home.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Miss Alice Kent of Dows spent over Sunday with relatives in Rowan.

Harvey Lineweaver and John Riker were home over Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Levens an children of Oelwein came Thursday to visit her mother Mrs. H. H. Barker. She returned Sunday.

Mrs. G. P. Hathaway of Mitchell, S. D., came Monday of last week to visit her daughter Mrs. Will Azeltine and family. She had been attending the M. E. conference at Ft. Dodge. She left Monday noon and will visit a day in Des Moines at a nephew, then spend a day or two in Kansas City with friends. From there she will go to Dewey, Okla., to visit two sons and a daughter for a week. She expects to spend the winter with a daughter at Camamche, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hackley and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Stout motored to Hampton, Tuesday.

Mrs. Dee Halbrook was on the sick list several days last week.

Miss Esther Fowler was a Belmond caller Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham visited Wednesday in Hampton at the J. H. Dix home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teets of Keoto spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Azeltine. They were enroute from a trip to the lakes.

Mrs. Loveland of Dows and Mrs. Henry Azeltine spent Tuesday at the home of Ray Azeltine.

Mrs. Charley Farmer of Clarion visited Friday at the home of Mrs. J. D. Pritchett. Mr. Farmer and son Glen were business callers at Rowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Virden and Miss Frances and Mrs. Geo. Pritchett were Clarion shoppers Saturday.

Mrs. Charley Moon went to Mason City last week to attend the funeral of an uncle.

Duane Bingham is on the sick list this week.

Miss Edna McCutcheon of Dows came Saturday to visit at the home of her aunt, Mrs. R. H. Keith. In the afternoon they motored to Goldfield where they visited her parents. They returned to Rowan, Sunday, and the Misses Parks and Hillyard accompanied them to Dows.

Mesdames L. D. Yoeman, Viola Tibbets, the Misses Alice Kent and LaVonne Ballou and O. E. Ballou visited at the W. L. Kent and W. H. Purdy homes in Belmond, Sunday.

Miss Nora Shaffer left Friday for a short visit at Viola Center.

Mrs. Will Steffens has been very poorly the past week, suffering from neuritis again.

Allie Utter, a former resident of this vicinity, is spending a few days with his niece, Mrs. D. W. Whitten.

Mrs. Ed. Riley and daughter Dollie were Ft. Dodge shoppers Saturday.

Dan Hearn and son Paul were over Sunday visitors with Bristow relatives.

Marshal Myers and Will Patterson motored up from Des Moines Saturday for a visit at the F. M. Myers home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Bowers and family visited relatives at Dows on Sunday p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Olson and son Russell, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Olson and baby motored to Ellendale, Minn., Saturday, to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Nelson. They returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brooks of Waverly came the latter part of last week to spend over Sunday with his mother Mrs. J. D. Brooks and other relatives.

Dr. Maker was at Des Moines a few days the past week.

Roy Hyde enjoyed a visit from his brother Donald, of Britt, Sunday. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Julius Jensen and three children. Mr. and Mrs. Merle Bangs and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Scott of Dows were also Sunday guests at the Hyde home.

The Harvey Lineweaver family have rented the tenant house belonging to Mrs. Mary Braden and recently vacated by the Clarence Johnson family.

Rev. Tomkinson and F. M, Myers were Clarion callers Saturday.

Wesley Azeltine who is attending college at Iowa Falls visited at the home folks over Sunday.

The Misses Anna, Ida and Helen Brinkman returned from Bristow on Saturday and spent Sunday at the Dan Whitten home. Monday they went to Kemme to visit their brother Martin and family.

Mrs. Wm. Tresidder, who went to Iowa City was operated on Thursday. They found an ulcer of the stomach. Mr. Tresidder returned home Monday morning and reports her as doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Hannah Whitten went to Iowa City to be with Mrs. Tresidder during her operation. She returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris and son Leland of Thornton spent Sunday in Rowan.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum left Monday evening for Michigan to visit her sister Gladys and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten were Latimer callers Sunday at the home of Harm Brinkman.

Rowan School Notes

Laural Hill is in school again after his long absence due to scarlet fever.

The first orchestra practice was held Friday p. m.

The basket ball game that was to have been last Friday was not played, in accordance to the wish of Meservey.

Those absent for the past week are Grace Holliday, Joe McKinley, James Kelener and Douglas Farren.

Miss Barker had her little niece to school with her Thursday. She is visiting from Oelwein.

Mrs. Tomkinson visited the lower grades Tuesday.

Walter Barker was absent Monday.

Duane Bingham was absent Monday.

Rev. Tomkinson visited the two lower rooms, Monday afternoon.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Sunday evening, there will be given a program put on by the Woman's Missionary society but given by the young people of the church. There will be a playlet, "Crowded Out," also readings and good music. A free will offering will be taken to help the women meet their apportionment for the W. B. M. I.

Rev. Halbert brought to his people Sunday evening "Echoes" from the Webster City conference, which met at Humboldt last week. One very interesting part was the address of Marvin E. Hall, who is now on furlough from missionary work in Japan. Mr. Hall described graphically a base ball game which was called by the the Buddhists as a test between their god and the God of the christians. It fell to Mr. Hall's lot to pitch for the christian team. He is a born entertainer and the audience sat spell bound as he told of the game from the time he prayed for curves and twists up to the last inning where it stood a tie; and then the mighty effort put forth which won the game for the christians.

The American Legion will hold an auction sale in the Rowan stock pavilion next Friday evening at eight o'clock. There will be for sale chickens, ducks, pigs , etc., as well as fruits and preserves. The Rowan public are asked to stand by the boys with their patronage and presence.

Quite a large number of the Rowan people went over to Clarion last Saturday afternoon to see the Cedar Rapids-Clarion football game and came back not satisfied with the result but with a good game. The Clarion boys put up a strenuous fight against their heaver opponents.

The basket ball teams of the high school are getting ready for the games of the season.

Rowan Methodist Church Notes

10 a. m. Sunday school.

11 a. m. Sermon. Subject: "Lookout Mountain."

6:30 p. m. Epworth League.

7:30 p. m. "A Nation of Readers."

Both these topics that Mr. Tomkinson will discuss are viril and vital. We all ought to have a mountain from which we can look out and see what is going on in the world, and we all ought to be readers. What is wanted in America today is ten million first class readers.

The public of Rowan will have a treat next Friday evening when Corwin Taylor of Korea will speak in the Methodist church. This service is open to all and will be entirely free. Corwin Taylor has a first hand knowledge of the Pacific problem, having 16 years in Japan and Korea. Don't miss this splendid informational and inspiritional treat.

The Epworth League have planned a picnic supper at 6 p. m. in the basement of the church, after which Mr. Taylor wishes to meet the members of the League.

The two supers served by the Congregational and Methodist churches last Thursday were well attended.

WHY HOLD HIM BACK?

Every young man is entitled to a fair opportunity in the business and social world. He is entitled to be judged by his own mental and moral qualifications, and not by the standard of the parents who brought him into the world. Such is sometimes. but not often, the case.

Many a young man of great promise is seriously hampered by the reputation of one or both of his parents. The sins of the father are visited upon the son, and the innocent youth suffers for the acts of the guilty adhlt.

This is true because as a civilized people we are not yet entirely civilized. A polished veneer covers the surface, but often fails to penetrate to the heart. Give the young man a fair chance, and let his own acts make or break him.—Exchange.

GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. George Gruetzmacher of Klemme were Goodell callers last Wednesday.

Mrs. James Schneider went to Garner on Wednesday last.

Mrs. Framer Cordes entertained the Larkins Club at the home of Mrs. Robbert Mcnutt on last Thursday.

Miss Ella Shaffer of Denver Col. is visiting friends in Goodell. She spent Sunday at the home of T. R. Burgess.

Miss Maude Griggs and her father Mr. J. W. Griggs of Ventura spent Sunday at their Goodell home.

Miss McCormick spent Sunday out of town.

Supt. Nelson and Mr. A. Boller on Saturday were putting up two ring swings for the boys.

Friday and Saturday Mr. Letch unloaded a car of coal for the Public School.

Monday Mrs. H. T. Miller left for a two weeks stay with her parents who live at Gladbrook, Iowa.

Mr. Elmer Kienenberger has gone to Klemme to help gravel the north end of the Goodell-Klemme road.

The gravel hauling at this end of the road is about complete.

Most of the farmers are now busy picking corn. Four and five cents is the price paid for picking this year.

SUPPORT DRY CANDIDATES

Leveling his attacks principally at Fred P. Hageman of Waverly, Ia., candidate for Congress from the Third District, R. N. Holsaple, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League issued a pre-election appeal recently to prohibitionists of the state "to stand by prohibition regardless of party."

"The Hageman candidacy is a test case," Holsaple said. "Whether prohibition is to continue to be an issue at every election in spite of the fact that it was consitutionally recognized three years ago, will no doubt be decided by Hageman's election or defeat.

According to the Anti-Saloon superintendent, who bases his accusation on results of a questionaire sent to every political candidate in Iowa, Hageman has come out flatfootedly on a liquor platform. He is openly appealing to the "wet" element of the Third District for support and has announced that his election will mean the voice of the people in favor of legalized liquor.

The Anti-Saloon League has announced an active campaign in the Third District in behalf of Hageman's opponent T. J. B. Robinson, the Reublican candidate, "who has satisfactorily answered the questionnaire and proved himself in other ways worthy of a public office."

All the present Iowa Congressmen who are candidates for re-election are dry except Harry Hull of the 2nd District who the Anti-Saloon League reports states has a long record of voting with the Wet interests. In three other Congressional cases the Anti-Saloon League is yet undecided, Wayne G. Cook of Davenport, Democratic candidate from Second; G. A. Smith, Democratic candidate from Fifth, and Paul Richards of Red Oak, Democratic candidate from Ninth having refused to commit themselves upon a liquor issue.

Seventeen candidates for Congress, 23 for state senator and 107 for state representative have already replied "dry". Both United States senators have expressed themselves as "dry" sympathizers.

"The ticket is a great boost for prohibition," Supt. Holsaple said. "Practically all of the candidates are dry. Iowa politicians are realizing what sort of men Iowa people demand for public offices.

FROM CHICAGO TO THE SEA

Omaha Bee: When the middle west gets an idea into its head, and is convinced that it is right, nothing can turn it. One of the things this midland country is sure of is that it wants the St. Lawrence waterway Indisputable facts show that an open water lane from the great lakes to the Atlantic ocean would save from 5 to 10 cents a bushel on the cost of shipping grain to Europe. This would mean a saving of $336,000,000 a year. The same ratio of economy would apply to other provisions and freight of all kinds.

The states benefiting from the waterway produce three fourths of America's wheat, seventy per cent of the corn, half the cattle, and half of the hogs, horses, butter, eggs, cheese and wool, and eighty five per cent of the iron ore forty per cent of the copper and coal, seventy five per cent of the zinc, and forty five per cent of the lead.

In spite of all the opposition from eastern port interests, the central west is determined to open the seaway. The campaign is active in every state of this region, with the united backing of farmers and business The Board of Trade in Chicago is now forming an association with a membership fee of $50 to push this cause. This is the spirit that wins The west will not forever be landlocked.

SICK
With a Bad Cold
"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa.
Get it from your druggist at 35 cents per bottle, large size 60 cents.

THE ELECTRIC COMPANY

The PUBLIC UTILITY that doubtless is of the most importance in Community life today, is the Electric Light and Power company, as its service is universally used and has become of such importance that no community can be without it and thrive.

This fact is self-evident, as shown by comparison of Communities having effecient ELECTRIC SERVICE with those not so fortunate.

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The scope and diversion of the ELECTRIC COMPANY'S service touches the life of every resident in the Community; it lights your streets, business places and homes; runs your mills and factories; cooks your food, and heats your homes, and generally makes living better, easier, and happier.

Being so VITAL a factor in our daily lives, the business should have the livest interest of all, and be deserving of support.

The business of supplying these essential services is growing rapidly, and to meet the demand for ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER, the Company is constantly extending its lines to serve new homes, additional communities, and to the farms.

The growth of IOWA FALLS ELECTRIC COMPANY which began business on October 4th, 1915, is due to this increasing demand and to the reliability of the Company's service and the efforts of the Management to meet the needs of the Communities.

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The Power Plants consist of the large steam generating station at Iowa Falls, with a capacity of 1,343 Horse-Power, and the auxiliary plant at Garner.

The plant at Iowa Falls is connected with the generating station of the Iowa Railway & Light Company, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The largest in the state of Iowa. 185 MILES OF HIGH TENSION lines connects the system which is under capable, careful Management.

The Company's earnings have developed from NOTHING on Oct. 4th, 1915, to over a "Quarter of A Million Dollars" for the year ending March 31st, 1922.
More facts regarding the Company and its business will be given in the following issues of this Newspaper, as we believe you will want to KNOW YOUR ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Respectfully,

IOWA FALLS ELECTRIC COMPANY,

Iowa Falls, Iowa

STRAIGHT OF DOWS FUSS?

(Editor's Note—The following article from the Dows Advocate is reprinted to give Belmond people the full facts of the disturbance at Dows between one of its ministers, and the American Legion and congregation of the Lutheran church.)

In view of the fact that several articles regarding the trouble in the Otis Grove Lutheran Church of Dows have been published in the News-papers of Wright County which gave only a partial account of the difficulty now existing in our church, the writer believes that a fair and full statement of such facts should be published that the public may decide for themselves the right and wrong in the case. First let me say, that I have been a member of the Otis Grove Lutheran Church since my baptism more than fity years ago. That my Father and Mother were Lutherns and no one deplores the strife and conflict which is now going on among the members of our Church in Dows; one faction asking the resignation of Rev. Belsheim and the other that he be retained as Pastor more than I do.

A conflict which if allowed to continue will disrupt the Church and utterly destroy Its power for good in this community as no truer words were ever spoken than by Lincoln when he said "A House Divided Against Itself Cannot Stand." Dissension and ill feeling has already become so bitter among the members of the church that it will take years for the wound to heal. Families are divided and the friendships of many years standing between neighbors and freinds is changed to hatred. Our hitherto quiet and peaceful congregation both in Country and Town who have worked in harmony for so many years is being torn asunder; have forgotten our purpose as Christians and are now quarreling among ourself in a manner which is a disgrace to us and to our Church which was erected and dedicated to Him who taught peace on earth, good Will to Man and who commanded us to "Love One Another."

I believe that the facts which I hereinafter set forth do warrant the statement that the present deplorable condition of our Church is due to the apparent hostility of Rev. Belsheim toward the American Legion. This hostility first came to surface when he refused to take part with the American Legion in the funeral services of Amos Nelson, a soldier boy who died at Oakdale from tuberculosis contracted while in the service of his Country and whose parents live near Dows and are adherents of the Lutheran Faith. The funeral services were held at the Lutheran Church but were conducted by a Pastor from another church and the body warpped in a Flay of our Country for whom he gave his young life was laid at rest by his comrades of the American Legion. His Father Knudt also fought for the preservation of the Union during the Civil war. I asked the members of the Lutheran Church of America and all others who may chance to read this article "Did Rev. Belsheim do right in refusing to co-operate with the Legion boys who at the request of the grief stricken parents performed the last sad rites for their dead comrade? Would it not have been better for Rev. Belsheim as an American Citizen; for the church of which he is pastor and for the community at large if he had taken part in these services and thus brought the boys of the Legion, many of whom are Lutheran parentage, closer to the Church and also avoided the strife and dessension now existing among our congregation? I leave this to the fair minded judgement of my readeers.

Many of Rev. Belsheim's congregation object strongly to the course taken by him upon this occasion but no decisive action was take; altho the question has been constantly coming up in the church and causing trouble among the members. I have also been informed that Rev. Belsheim had a list of names of members who opposed him, before the Trustees, asking them to take action to have these members expelled from the church, but the Trustees refused to act on same.

The Watson-Beach American Legion Post of Dows held their annual Legion Day on Sept. 11th 1922 and some days prior to this date the Lutheran Ladies aid society of Dows held a meeting at the church basement to consider the question of serving meals to the public to raise money for the Church, using the church basement for that purpose which has been their custom since the basement had been fitted up for that use and mainly furnished and paid for by the Ladies Aid society. Rev. Belsheim was invited to attend this meeting but declined the invitation. After the meeting had been in progress for some time and the Ladies had decided to serve meals to the public at noon and evening of Legion Day, Rev. Belsheim came in and when advised of the purpose of the meeting and the decision arrived at, he positively forbid the ladies to use the basement of the church for that purpose on Legion Day; to which I am informed the ladies replied that they could see no harm in using it and proposed to do so.

Rev. Belsheim then called a meeting of the Trustees of the Church for the purpose as I am informed by one who was present, of their taking action to prevent. The trustees did not agree with him and nothing definite was done at this meeting. I am informed however, that Rev. Belsheim did say those present that if they allow the Ladies to use the basement he would resign; the doors of the Church would be closed and the Congregation would be without a Pastor. The next day Rev. Belsheim called upon the Trustees and they signed the following notice with him:

> Mrs. John Jacobson President:
>
> It has come to our notice that some members of the town Ladies Aid of our Church pian to serve meals and other refreshments at our Church basement on Monday, Sept.11.
>
> Believing as we do that this is planned, in order to cause trouble and disturbance among us and that it will have that effect, we as custodians of our Church property will not permit the use of the church or church basement for this purpose at this time It is therefore plain that such possession can only be had, if at all, thru the action of the congregation assembled in a legally called business meeting. To force an entrance to the church against the will of this board must be considered an act of lawlessness.
>
> G. G. Belsheim, Pastor
> G. Ingebritson
> O. H. Gardelen
> Ole Jacobson
> H. F. Johnson
> Nelson Bauge
> Trustees.

Form the above notice prepared by Rev. Belsheim it would appear that the church basement cannot be used for any purpose without first calling a meeting of the congregation and obtaining their consent to occupy and use the church basement which ruling I think my readers will agree is most unfair and unreasonable and would psactically prevent the ladies from using the basement for any purpose.

After the above notice was served the Trustees upon more mature reflection decided that it would be unfair to deprive the ladies of the basement on Sept. 11th and they therefore rescinded the above order and gave their written consent to the Ladies who accordingly served meals in the Church basement on Legion day.

In the printed bills advertising the program for Legion day there appeared about midway on such program the announcement that the Lutheran Ladies Aid Society would serve a chicken dinner at noon and in the evening in the basement of the Lutheran Church and at the bottom of program a dance was advertised to take place in the evening. After the Trustees had granted the Ladies the right to use the basement they again met with Rev. Belsheim and upon advising him what they had done I am informedthat he told them that he had no objection to the Ladies serving meals in the basement o n that day and would have eaten his meals there and attended the rest of the morning program if a dance had not been advertised upon the same bills with the chicken dinner. As these bills were not printed until after hisfirst meeting with the Ladies Aid Society. I leave my readers to draw their own conclusions why Rev. Belsheim refused them the use of the basement on that particular day and occasion. I am also informed that Rev. Belsheim made the statement that if the Ladies served meals in the basement over his protest that they would be outlaws. At the request of a number of the members of the church that a congregational meeting would be held at the Lutheran Church in Dows on Sept. 23rd. 1922 at Two o'clock P. M. at which meeting about sixty of the members were present.

Rev. Belsheim opened the meeting with Scripture reading after which it was stated by a member of the congregation that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the trouble existing in the church and to try to find some solution of the difficulty. That in his judgement the only way to bring harmony and good feeling among the members was thru the resignation of Rev. Belsheim and that he be therefore asked to resign by a vote of those present and to the end that such vote might be taken moved that Andrew Erickson act as Chairman in the place of Rev. Belsheim; to which Rev. Belsheim replied "I am the Chairman" and when asked if the constitution and bylaws of the Lutheran Church did not give the congregation the right to select its own chairman he said "Not when I am here" A free translation of the article referring to the selection of a chairman reads as follows "The Chairman may be the Pastor or any one whom the members may elect" Waiving the question of Chairmanship a motion was made and seconded that a written ballot be cast upon the question of whether Rev. Belsheim should be asked to resign; those in favor voting "Yes" and those opposed "No". Rev. Belsheim refused to put this motion to a vote and stated that if a stack of ballots as high as the church were cast asking him to resign he would not do so; and after some discussion said that a motion to adjourn was in order. This motion by a rising vote of the congregation was lost but the congregation realizing that nothing could be accomplished with Rev. Belsheim as chairman left the church and the situation remains the same as before the meeting. I again ask my readers whether this meeting was fairly conducted by the self elected chairman.

The foregoing is I believe a correct statement of what has caused the trouble in our church and ask my brother and sister members to read this carefully and knowing them to be fair minded men and women I believe that they will agree with me that the future of our church; and the unity, peace and good will among its members can only come thru a change in pastor and that Rev. Belsheim should be asked to resign as our Pastor.

O. C. Sime.

BUSINESS PERSONALS

The Belmond Rendering Works, which were recently acquired by a Mr. Lamb of near Clarion, and his partner, have been doing a very nice business the month of operation A total of fifteen head of animals were handled during the month. Tankage and fertilizer is made from the carcasses of dead animals, which the company will remove free from the premises of local farmers upon being notified. The plant is located in the grove, about two miles from the town, and there is no disagreeable ordor connected with its operation.

Dr. E. A. Allen of Hampton is the new *Chiropractor located here.* He has made his headquarters here, and his wife, who is also a Chiropractor, has charge of the offices at Hampton.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans sent a number of new fall hats and winter hats to Meservey recently, where they were placed on sale at the Hulsebus-Muller store. Very good results were received. The Hat Shoppe has also placed hats at Alexander with equally good results.

Townsan Hardware put on a sudden rush sale of South Bend mallable ranges last week three days, got out some quick advertising, and had a successful sale.

"Scoop" Larsen of the City Market put on a demonstration of the famous "57 Varieties" of Heinz products Saturday, with a special demonstrator from the factory, and entertained scores of the busy housewives during the day with samples of various Heinz products, served hot.

Gus Nissen of the City Market reports business as being very good, and picking up. The City Market has been making quite a hit with their specials.

Matt Holtzbauer has begun work on a gasoline-gas burner for the linotype of the Independent, which was described a few weeks ago in these columns. If Matt perfects this so that it is practical and can be sold for a reasonable price, he has a fortune within reach, for burner trouble is one of the pests of the newspaper man's life. They'll clog up, fail to heat, and pull every "dirty" trick in the catalogue when most badly needed

The Independent is informed that a Mr. and Mrs. Stevens of Hampton are to start a book store in Belmond in the near future, to be located in the Hill jewelry building.

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176 Head of Pure Bred

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Consisting of 101 pure breds of different breeds, and 75 feeding barrows.

Wednesday, October 25th

Rowan Sale Pavilion, Rowan. Iowa

Sale Starts at 1:00 O'clock p. m Sharp

30 - Head of Duroc Jerseys - 30

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Consisting of 20 boars and 15 gilts. These are from Blue Ribbon Winners.

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10 - Head of Hampshires - 10

Consisting of boars and gilts.

75 - Head of Feeding Barrows - 75

Weighing from 80 to 140 pounds.

We will also have a few Chester Whites by sale day.

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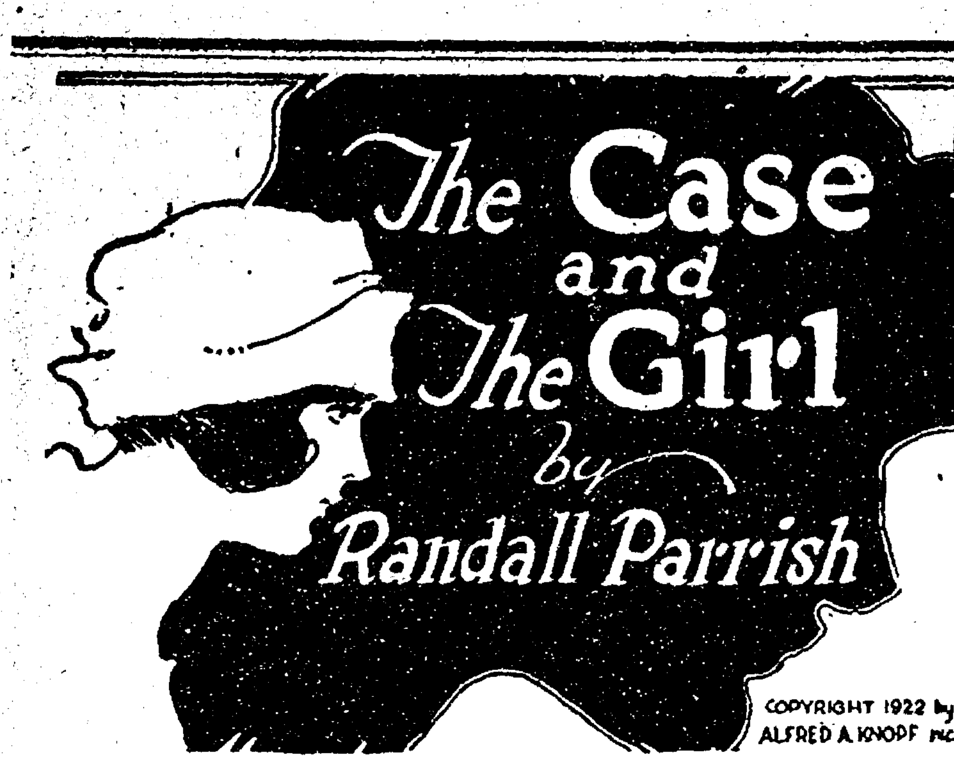

The Case and The Girl

by

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Answering an advertisement calling for a young man willing to engage in service of danger, Matthew West, ex-service man just returned from France, where he had been captain of engineers, meets Natalie Coolidge, writer of the advertisement, and without being instructed as to his probable duties, is engaged by her, and that same evening introduced to her friends as her fiance.

CHAPTER II.—That night, in the Coolidge home, West is startled by the appearance in his room of a young woman, whom he takes to be Natalie, but who escapes before he can be sure. Next morning Natalie tells West she has been troubled by some woman, apparently her double, who has been impersonating her.

CHAPTER III.—Percival Coolidge, Natalie's uncle and guardian, apparently is disgruntled by West's appearance as Natalie's fiance, and the feeling of antagonism is mutual. Natalie, Coolidge, and West plan a visit of charity to a poor and remote section of the city.

CHAPTER IV.—Leaving West in the car, Natalie and Coolidge enter a small cottage, remaining a length of time which causes him some uneasiness. Before they return, West secures information which leads him to believe Coolidge is deceiving Natalie, and has ulterior motives.

"Certainly not," the younger man said heartily, "I shall be very comfortable; don't bother about me."

He had a distinct impression that Coolidge did not desire his company any further, yet this suspicion aroused no sentiment. This was a matter with which he was in no way concerned, and the only interest he felt was strictly impersonal. Sinking comfortably back in the seat, his gaze centered on the maze of children playing in the street. Their antics amused him for some time, but, at last, he began wondering at the delay of those within, and his mind drifted to the peculiar conditions with which he was confronted. If some conspiracy was on foot against Natalie, what could be its object? and who were directly involved? Seemingly, Percival Coolidge was the only person who could be directly interested should misfortune occur to his niece; he was the guardian of her inheritance, and responsible for what remained of her father's estate. Undoubtedly he also was the next heir at law. His interest in the matter was therefore easily figured out. West had to learn the condition of the Steven Coolidge estate, and whether or not Percival had administered it justly. Once satisfied upon that point, he would know better what further steps to take.

If Coolidge was engaged in some criminal scheme the man was certainly shrewd enough to carefully cover his trail. It was no sudden temptation to which he had yielded, but a deeply laid plan, formed, perhaps, as long ago as his brother's death, and now just coming to a head.

West's glance took in the surroundings, but with no conception that they would have any direct bearing upon the mystery he was endeavoring to solve. It was a block of irregular houses, a tenement on the corner, a dirty-looking brick, the other houses of wood, mostly two stories in height, rather disreputable in appearance, but the one before which the machine waited was a frame cottage, well back from the street, and rather respectable in appearance, although it must have been some years since last painted. The door was shut. The chimney indicated no sign of smoke, the front yard gave every evidence of long neglect.

An urchin, chasing a ball, plunged recklessly beneath the auto, emerging with the sphere in his grimy fist. West stopped him with a question.

"Who lives in there?"

"I don't know. These folks just come in. They ain't got no kids. Here ye are, Micky!"

"Wait a minute. Here's a dime for you. You say these people just moved in?"

"Yep."

"When?"

"Couple days, maybe. Hooligans moved out 'bout a week ago, an' then, a while after that, these guys moved in. I ain't seen nobody 'round, but a sorter middlin' ol' woman."

West, having abstracted all the information possible, made no further effort. The knowledge thus obtained as to the present occupants of the cottage did not exactly coincide with the story Coolidge had told. He had spoken of a widow with three children in destitute circumstances following the father's death. The boy asserted there were no children in the family. And they had just moved in, within a very few days, during which time the neighborhood had only glimpsed a "middling old" woman. It was strange at least, adding distinctly to the puzzle of the whole affair. West grew nervous, wondering why the two should remain so long within, out of sight and hearing. He had been waiting now for three-quarters of an hour. He opened the door of the car and stepped out upon the curb, almost tempted to investigate the cause of delay. As he stood there undecided, the two emerged from the cottage, and descended the steps together. Through the opened door he caught no glimpse of any one within, yet some unseen hand closed it quickly behind them.

They came down the narrow board walk together, Percival carefully holding the lady's arm to prevent her tripping over the loosened planks, but neither exchanging a word. Natalie appeared somewhat sobered by her visit, and West noticed that she had tied a light veil over her face, which slightly shadowed her features. It was only as they reached the curb that she spoke, her voice rather low and listless.

"Would you mind driving the car back?" she asked Coolidge. "Really I feel quite unnerved."

"No wonder," he returned sympathetically, "I have never witnessed a sadder case; the conditions were even worse than I imagined. I should never have brought you with me, my dear."

"Oh, I am not sorry I came; but it has been a lesson to me. I do not think I ever before realized what such poverty meant. It was most pitiful."

"Do not think of it any longer, Natalie," Coolidge insisted rather gruffly. "They are all right now. I shall telephone for a doctor as soon as we get back, and attend to the rent the first thing tomorrow."

"I know, Uncle, but I cannot forget so easily."

The returning ride seemed very brief, and, almost before West realized it, the car whirled in through the Coolidge gate, and came to a stop at the door. The party separated pleasantly. Natalie disappeared somewhere within, while the two men strolled out to the tennis court where the guests were enjoying a spirited game. All met again at lunch, and then separated, some to motor over to the lake, the others amusing themselves as they saw fit. Both Coolidge and Natalie vanished, while West, finding himself alone, chose a book from the library, and, solaced by a cigar, sought a shady nook on the porch.

The book, however, was but a mark for his thoughts, which continually revolved about the strange surroundings in which he found himself. He was apparently making no progress, was no nearer a solution of the mystery confronting him. Thus far, at least, no direct clue had presented itself. Numerous things had occurred to strengthen suspicion, and to increase interest in the quest. But beyond this—nothing. He liked the girl and was completely enlisted in her service. He disliked Percival, and was convinced the fellow was planning evil. Several incidents had already strengthened this belief; yet there was nothing positive upon which to build; no path of adventure for him to follow. To speculate was easy enough, but real facts eluded him.

Sexton appeared in the door, evidently looking for some one. The man espied him there in the shadow of the vines, and came forward.

"Miss Coolidge requests your presence, sir, for a few moments," he said gravely.

"Why, certainly; did she say where, Sexton?"

"In the library, sir; she is waiting there now."

"Very well. I will join her at once. Thank you, Sexton," and West disappeared into the cool, darkened hall.

CHAPTER V

An Unexpected Dismissal.

The shades had been drawn closely to exclude the sun, and, for a moment after he first crossed the threshold of the library, West was unable to distinguish any occupant. He heard Sexton silently close the door behind him, but it was not until she moved slightly that he was able to perceive her presence directly across from where he stood. Her voice broke the silence.

"You will find a seat next to the window, Captain," she said quietly. "It was very good of you to come."

"The pleasure was mine," he replied. "You wished to speak with me, the servant said."

"Yes." She leaned back against the couch on which she rested, with face now clearly revealed, one hand nervously twirling a fan. "This is a very strange situation in which we find ourselves, Captain West."

"I have felt so," he admitted, surprised at this beginning. "Yet I must confess, I am now becoming quite reconciled."

She sat up suddenly, with eyes searching his face.

"What do you mean by that?"

"Perhaps I ought not to say," he answered boldly. "Yet circumstances seemingly justify frankness between us. I mean that I feel far more deeply interested in the final outcome of this affair today than I did yesterday—it means more to me."

"Indeed! Why?"

"Largely, I imagine, because I am privileged to know you much better. That naturally makes a difference."

"Does it indeed? You imply then an increased interest in myself as an individual brings with it a greater desire to serve me?"

"Assuredly, yes."

"Then you render my task doubly hard," she said soberly, yet with a certain hardness in the tone. "I had not suspected any personal side whatever. You were a total stranger to me, Captain West, and I employed you in this matter merely in a business way, as—as—a detective. Surely you understand this clearly?"

"In a measure that is quite true," feeling the sharp sting of her words. "Yet the comparison is hardly fair, is it? I am not a detective in the sense with which you employ the term. You knew I was not serving you for pay."

"Did I?"

"I should hope you did," his voice hardening slightly.

"But for what other end did you volunteer your services?"

"Perhaps that is not so easily explained. It was a spirit of adventure which first led me to answer your advertisement, I presume. At least, I can give it no other name. Then, when we met, you appealed to me personally; I felt a desire to further our acquaintance and — well, your story aroused my interest.

"Is that all?"

"It might have been had not you chosen methods of procedure which led me to other thoughts."

She laughed.

"Oh, I see! All this has happened because I introduced you to the others as my fiance. Why, that is positively funny. Didn't you know that was only a part of the game being played?"

"Yes," he said, ignoring the humor of it, and feeling oddly sober, "I understood, and was playing, the same as you. Only both of us, I think, forget an important fact."

"What, please?"

"That we were young, socially on a level, and that you were an exceedingly charming young woman."

She laughed again, yet this time with more restraint.

"That is quite ridiculous, Captain West. Surely, you are not actually making love to me?"

"No, I am not. I am merely facing the situation very frankly. It would be useless for me to claim lack of interest in you. From our very first meeting you have appealed to me strongly—more so than any other woman of my acquaintance. I confess I care for you—as a woman."

"Really you are quite flattering. I never dreamed I possessed such marvelous powers." She remained silent a moment, her eyes shaded by their long lashes; then uplifted them again to his face. "This makes it all the more necessary that I now speak plainly," she went on at length, "That I should explain to you it has all been a mistake. That was why I asked you to come here now."

"All a mistake! Not the trouble you were in, surely?"

"Yes. I must have dreamed most of it, I think. I have just had a long, confidential talk with Percival Coolidge, and we understood each other perfectly. Everything has been explained. So there is no necessity for our pretending any longer."

West rose to his feet, comprehending her full meaning, yet unwilling to yield his position without further explanation.

"Your words are certainly plain enough," he said slowly, "yet I trust I may be pardoned if I ask a question or so. Do you mean the mystery is already solved without my further assistance?"

"I am convinced there was no mystery; that it was only imagination, Captain West. My calling you was a mistake."

"There is no one impersonating you?"

"No."

"The checks at the bank; the strange person using your name; all these were myths?"

She laughed.

"Of course. I really believed all I said to you at the time, but everything has been explained since, and I realize how very foolish I have been."

"You sent for me, then, merely to say I was dismissed?"

"Yes."

"And you told Coolidge, of course, how I came to be here?"

"Yes."

"And the others? What will they think?"

"Why, that can make no difference. Let them suppose we had a quarrel, and that our engagement is broken," and she laughed again, evidently vastly amused at the idea.

"But you, personally?" he insisted.

She sobered instantly, also rising, and facing him.

"Captain West, let us be sensible. I invited you here for a certain purpose. You were employed as much as any of my other servants. Is that a sufficient answer?"

"It certainly is. I will depart at once."

"Thank you. The limousine will be at the door. You will return to the club, I presume?"

"Temporarily, until other arrangements are made."

He bowed and left her standing there in the shadows, the expression of her face veiled, but there seemed no response, no softening in the rigid attitude of her figure. She did not care; was only interested in his immediate departure. The change had occurred with such abruptness, West was unable as yet to realize its full significance, but, with no attempt to combat her decision, left the room, closing the door behind him.

CHAPTER VI

The Body of a Suicide.

As the car whirled West down the circling driveway, the only sign of life visible about the house was the motionless figure of Sexton on the steps. If either Miss Natalie, or Percival Coolidge, took interest enough in the proceedings to witness his departure, they chose to remain carefully concealed within. There was no pretense even at speeding the parting guest. He had simply been dismissed, turned out, decently enough, perhaps, considering his status, yet with a certain measure of contempt which rankled nevertheless.

The young man could not altogether reconcile this style of treatment with his preconceived conception of Miss Natalie Coolidge. He had been too deeply impressed by her to easily relinquish his previously formed opinion of her character. This latest action did not at all coincide with her former open friendliness. He had not gone to her as a servant, nor had she in any way treated him as such. What could account for so remarkable a change?

Perhaps it was the influence of Percival Coolidge. This explanation seemed probable. The man had in some way regained her confidence, and then, through trickery, had succeeded in poisoning her mind. From the very first Coolidge had disliked him instinctively, and made no effort to conceal his feelings; he resented the intimacy between him and Natalie, naturally enough, and would use every means possible to get the younger man completely out of the house. No doubt he looked upon him as dangerous. But why? There could only be one answer to this query. His own dishonesty; his secret knowledge of some trickery relative to the funds of the estate. He had convinced the girl of his honesty, but, more than ever, West believed the fellow a rascal.

These thoughts flitted through his mind, yet not consecutively, as the car left the grounds, and turned on to the main road, leading citywards. They were still skirting the Coolidge estate, although the house behind was concealed by shrubbery. Suddenly, just as they cleared the bridge, and began to mount the opposite grade, there came a sharp report, sounding so close at hand the chauffeur clamped on his brake, and glanced anxiously over the side of the car.

"Blow-out, wasn't it, sir?"

"No," said West shortly, staring himself out into the thicket of trees at their left. "It was a shot fired over there; a revolver I should say. Wait a second, Sanders, until I see what has happened."

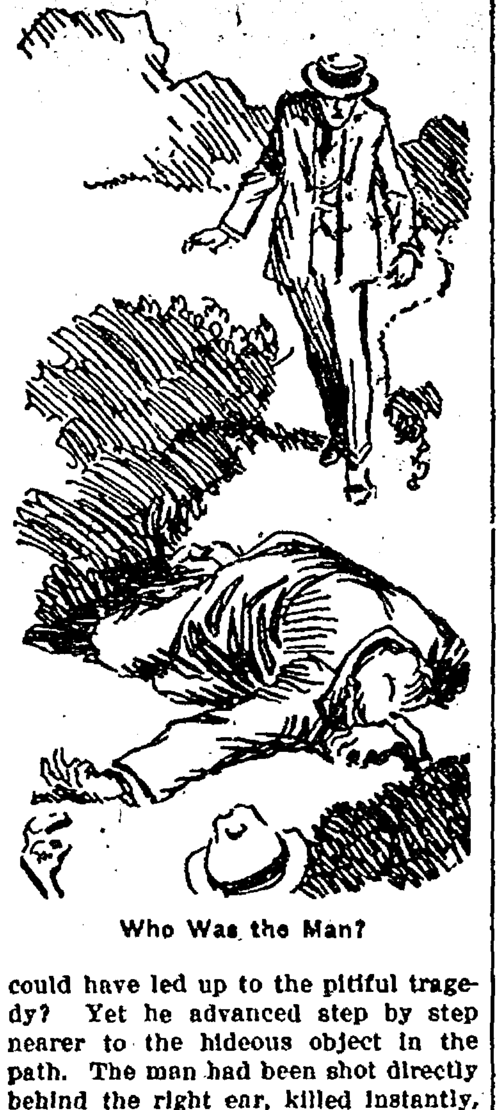
It was largely curiosity which led him to leave the car. The sound of either a rifle or a shotgun in that lonely spot would have been instantly dismissed as natural enough, but a pistol was different. That was no place for such a weapon. It somehow had a grimly sinister sound.

Determined to learn exactly what had happened, West pressed his passage forward through the vines of the fence, and emerged into the field beyond. A half dozen yards and he found the clover trampled, as though a man had passed that way. The trail led into a shallow depression, past a rather large boulder, near which the trampling of the grass was even more plainly revealed, as though the stranger had remained here for some time, had even seated himself, and then, abruptly ended a few yards away. Evidently the fellow had turned back at this point and retraced his steps.

West, now thoroughly puzzled and already convinced that some mystery hovered over the place, began to circle through the untrampled clover, but without any defined purpose. All at once, at the lower end of the gully he came, unexpectedly, upon another trail, this one well marked, apparently frequently used, which led straight across the field, and terminated at a small gate leading through the wire fence. Evidently here was a short cut to the road, well known to the servants on the estate, and possibly others. The discovery, however, told nothing further than this, and contenting himself with another glance about the unchanged field of rustling clover, West proceeded along the course of the path, intending to thus rejoin the automobile, waiting his return behind the trees.

Within a few steps of the gate, which was closed, he came to a sudden, horrified pause, staring ahead at a strange something huddled in the path. It was a shapeless thing, bearing no resemblance to a human being, until he advanced closer; then he recognized the form of a man, curled up as a dog sleeps, face down, hidden by his arm, and limbs drawn up, as if in a sudden spasm of agony. A hat was in the path beyond, where it had fallen, and a revolver lay glittering in the sunlight a few feet away. There was nothing familiar about either figure or clothing, yet unquestionably there lay the body of a suicide. The single shot they had heard, the tell-tale revolver close to the dead man's hand, were clear evidence of what had occurred.

The unexpectedness of this discovery, the peculiar position of the dead man, the loneliness of that deserted field in which he lay, shocked West and, for a moment left him strangely hesitant. Who was the man? What could have led up to the pitiful tragedy? Yet he advanced step by step nearer to the hideous object in the path. The man had been shot directly behind the right ear, killed instantly, no doubt, as the deadly bullet crashed through the brain. West lifted the arm which concealed the face, already shrinking from the suspicion which had began to assail him. Then he knew who the dead man was—Percival Coolidge.



Who Was the Man?

West stood guard beside the body until servants came and bore it to the house, but made no effort to follow. Instead he gave his address to Sexton, and continued his journey into the city. After what had passed between them he had no desire to again encounter Miss Natalie; and under these circumstances, actually shrank from meeting her. Just what this man's death might mean to the girl he could not safely conjecture, yet deep down in his own heart, he felt convinced that this act of self-destruction would later prove to be a confession of guilt. Yet, be that as it may, he was already definitely ruled out of the matter. Not unless she personally sent for him could he ever venture to go to her again in any capacity. To his mind this decision was final.

He was called for the inquest and gave his testimony. The hearing was brief, and the facts ascertained so clear there remained no doubt in the minds of any one but what this was a case of suicide. No particular attempt was made to probe into the cause, the personal affairs of the dead man being left for later investigation. West saw Natalie at the inquest for the very few moments she was upon the stand, but their eyes did not meet, nor did the girl give any evidence of recognition. Somehow the impression the young woman left upon him in those few moments was not a pleasant one. He could not clearly analyze this result, yet she was either acting a part to conceal her true emotions, or else she was really indifferent.

It was not until the following day that reason began to reassert itself, and he succeeded in marshaling the facts of the case more clearly in his own mind. He even began to doubt and question his own testimony, yet, before he reached any real conclusion, one of the club servants approached his chair.

"Captain West, there is a man out here asking to see you."

"A man! Where?"

"I had him wait in the anteroom, sir."

"Very well, Mapes."

It was Sexton, twirling his hat nervously in his hands, and still standing irresolutely in the middle of the floor. As sight of West he took a hasty step forward, eager to explain the cause of his presence.

"You'll pardon me, sir," he burst forth in apology, "But I must see you, sir."

"That's quite all right, Sexton. Let's step in here where we can talk quietly."

He pointed the way into a private card room, closing the door behind his visitor.

"Take the seat over there, Sexton. You came in to see me from Fairlawn?"

"No, sir, I didn't. The fact is, I'm not out there any longer."

"Not there! What do you mean?"

"I've been discharged, sir, with two other servants, since the funeral yesterday."

"Discharged! By whom? Not Miss Natalie, surely?"

"Yes, sir. She didn't give no reason; just said we were not wanted any longer. That's one reason why I came here to see you, sir."

"But I hardly know how I can be of help. I have no house of my own, and—well, the truth of the matter is, Sexton, just at present I am not on very good terms with the young lady myself."

"I know that, sir," more confidently, "and it isn't a position I am seeking, at all. I have quite a tidy bit of money laid away, and could get plenty of work. That's not the point, sir. Why should Miss Natalie tell me to go like that? It isn't a bit like her, sir; she ain't seemed natural at all lately, and I tell you there's something wrong goin' on out there. I'm sure o' that, sir."

"Sure of what?"

"Well, for one thing, it's my opinion that Percival Coolidge never killed himself, sir."

West sat up stiffly, as though struck a blow. These words startled him; drove his own mind into sudden activity.

"What makes you think that, Sexton?" he questioned slowly.

"Well, there's more than one thing," as though glad to have made the plunge, and anxious to justify himself. "But first of all that wasn't his revolver they found lying beside him. He always had one in his valise, an' it's there now, or was when I looked to see."

"You didn't tell that to the coroner."

"No, sir; he never put me on the stand. Besides I didn't know about it then. Did you notice where he was shot, sir?"

"Behind the right ear; the wound was plainly visible."

"Not very easy for a man to do himself, sir."

"No, but possible, nevertheless. The coroner was satisfied on that point."

"Yes, sir, but the coroner overlooked one thing, sir. He was sure it was a suicide case, and wanted to get done with it in a hurry. I and Simmons, sir, washed the body to get it ready for burial, an' I combed the hair down over the bullet wound. There wasn't no powder marks on the skin, an' not a hair was singed, sir. That's what makes me say he never killed himself."

West sat silent and motionless, looking straight at the man opposite, endeavoring to decide on a course of action. Some way in the depth of his earnestness, Sexton no longer appeared a servant. He was a man, voicing a man's heart. West realized the change instinctively; here was an intelligent loyal fellow, to be met frankly, and for the time being, at least, on the ground of equality. It would be useless to try to either mislead, or deceive.

"Sexton," he began finally, "this is a pretty serious charge you make, my man, but since I have been thinking things over, I confess some suspicious circumstances have arisen in my own mind. Of course I was not aware of these facts you have just related, but they fit in nicely with some observations of my own. The truth is," he confessed frankly, "I did not tell all I knew to the coroner's jury. I meant to do so, but the right questions were not asked me, and certain details slipped my memory until too late. Do you recall a boulder of rock out in that clover field?"

"Yes, sir, to the right of the path; it is mostly hidden now by the growth."

"Entirely concealed, a few yards away. Well, when I crawled through the fence after hearing that shot fired, I saw nothing, and heard nothing. I had advanced into the field several rods when I came upon the trail of some one leading directly north. It was not a path; merely evidence that a single person had passed that way. I followed, and came to this boulder. Here there was every proof visible that the previous party had remained for some time, seated and lying on the ground under protection of the stone. The occupancy was a recent one. Then evidently, whoever it was, had advanced to the right in the general direction of the gate through the fence, near where Coolidge's body was found. The marks of advance ended on a little rise, some ten yards from the boulder, where the fellow apparently turned about and retraced his steps."

"How far was that from the gate into the road, sir?" Sexton asked breathlessly.

"Within easy shooting distance for a revolver of that calibre, I should say. Any good marksman could have rung the bell."

"And you saw no one?"

"No; not a sign; the fact is I failed at the time to put two and two together. The thought of a possible murder never occurred to me."

"You think it was murder then, sir?"

"Yes, I do," replied West gravely. "It has all the marks, but who committed the crime? What was the motive? It will never do for us to make such a charge, after the coroner's verdict, without positive proof."

"No, sir."

"And you know of nothing which might clear this up?"

"No, sir; I've been with the Coolidges, sir, ever since Miss Natalie was a little girl, and I ain't heard of any trouble that ought to end in murder, sir."

"How old was Miss Coolidge when her father died?"

"She must have been seventeen, sir."

"And since then Percival Coolidge had full charge of the estate?"

"Practically, yes, sir; there was another trustee, but he died; and then, as I understand, Miss Natalie had some funds of her own."

West took a cigar from his pocket, and lit it. Although not altogether clear in his own mind, he had begun to see light.

CHAPTER VII

Against a Stone Wall.

Was this discovery anything to him? What difference could it make whether Percival Coolidge had died by his own hand, or been treacherously shot from ambush? How would it benefit Natalie Coolidge to have the truth revealed? And, if it would benefit her, why should he devote his time and labor to such an effort? She had cast him off, thrown him aside; her affairs had no further interest for him. Let her lawyer take care of them. These were West's first thoughts.

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

A number of foot ball fans from Kanawha came down last Friday to witness the game between Kasawha and Belmond.

Joe Justus came down from Hudson Wisconsin, last Friday to spesd a few days with his mother here, and to visit old friends.

Mrs. Justus left the first of this week for Kansas City, where she will spend the winter at the home of her daughter.

Cosmos Preftakes of Clarion was a business and social caller in the city last Friday.

A Mr. J. E. Bell, representing the Tri-State Cattle company, had a couple carloads of feeding cattle in the Great Western yards Tuesday, which were sold at public auction.

Hats that are artistic in design and right in price, at the Hat Shoppe.

E. M. Lathop has been badly infected with the radio bug, and has ordered a Westinghouse set somewhat similar to that of the Independent and Belmond Storage Battery Co., which he expects in the near future. Ed. will be able to "listen'in" at his pleasure then, and catch a lot of the good things floating around in the atmosphere. His set upon arrival will be hooked up to the aerial of the Independent-Battery Co. station for a try-out.

Monday saw the first snow of the season here, when a short flury of half snow and half rain came to town. The weather has been far from agreeable to say the least.

Sunday scores of visitors were at the sugar factory, hoping to see the sights, but the doors were not open yet to the public so they contented themselves by giving the outside a thoro "once over." It is reported that visitors are not to be permitted on Sunday, and inasmuch as this is the only time many people have to see the plant running, there may be a great many disappointed visitors during the fall.

Buy a ticket and solve the mystery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Martin and daughter Harriett spent Sunday at Kanawha with friends.

Have your pocket-book ready—You are expected to spend a dollar on the Lecture Course.

Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

The suit in district court, which occupied the most of the forepart of the week, was that between Holver Rierson and Danny Solazzo, wherein Danny alleged unjustified assault in Holver's term of offire on the police force of Belmond. The jury gave Solazzo a verdict of one dollar damages. About a dozen witnesses from Belmond were called.

Rev. H. T. Miller of the United Brethern church at Goodell was a business caller here on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Irene Bailey came down from Minneapolis last week to look after business affairs here.

S. B. Heath was up from Rowan last Thursday attending to some affairs of business.

H. Pals, of the teaching force here, spent the week end at the home of relatives in Meservey.

The Hat Shoppe is showing some good looking up-to-date slip-on sweaters, also novelties in hand-embroidered handkerchiefs.

The recent rather snappy weather has stimulated coal buying largely, and householders are beginning to lay in a winter's supply. Coal is selling at from $9.75 to $11.75 for the better grades of soft coal. There seems to be plenty on hand.

NOTICE

To My Old Friends and Patrons:

I will be open for business in the jewelry line Monday, October 23rd, at the old locaton, next to the Savings bank. I will carry a complete new stock of jewelry, and will be prepared to give you service and satisfaction in repairing.

D. L. MALLORY.

FORCED PIANO SALE

The Chambers Music House of Mason City, Iowa, who have a reputation for their straight forward buscontract, forced to dispose of a contradt, forsed to dispose of a large number of pianos and player pianos regardless of cost in order to move stock and are now holding a mammouth Forced Piano Sale, including such well known makes as Baldwin, Lyon & Healy, Howard, Hamilton and Washburn. Their regular line of instruments are being offered and is surely a rare opportunity to save money. Used pianos are offered as low as $48, anr new instruments as low as $238. Prospective purchasers will do well to investigate their offerings during this sale. Their address is 29 E. State St., Mason City, Iowa. Adv.

The Wright & Franklin Co. Breeders Association will hold their first annual sale at the Rowan Sale Pavilion next Wednesday, October 25. They are offering 176 head of pure bred hogs of different breeds, as their ad on page five shows. Later on they will hold a cattle sale. Some good stuff is offered.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Smith of Des Moines, and their daughter Ruth, visited last week with Mrs. Hildebrand and family.

Miss Helen Hildebrand spent the week end with relatives at Des Moines, returning home on Monday.

Esther Hardwick spent the week end with her parents. She is attending school at Fort Dodge.

Buy a Lecture Course ticket and take a chance on the Mystery Box.

Dr. Steele and W. T. Gfeller left Friday for a few days' hunting in Minnesota.

D. L. Mallory was at Minneapolis a day or two this week buying his new stock of jewelry goods.

Mr. and Mrs. Mallory went to Britt last week to visit relatives, the Lee Brothers, who are jewelers. At Britt they met some people whom they had become acquainted with in the Black Hills, and whom they had camped out with there while on their western trip. A very pleasant visit was enjoyed.

Do not let your radiator freeze. Better be safe than sorry. Denatured Alcohol 50 cents per gallon.—Schultz Drug Co.

NOTICE!

Beet handlers: Do not dump rubbish on Belmond streets.

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Attorney J. M. Jensen was at the county seat last week several days where he had cases in the district court.

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Kitchen cabinet, table, and range.—F. E. Snyder. 472c

For Sale—Large type Chester White spring boars, sired by five good boars. Farm located two miles west and one-half mile north of Kanawha.—Ed. Riekens, Kanawha. 47tfc

For Sale—One registered Poland China herd boar, "Major's Smooth Jumbo 1st," No. 463083.—H. J. Stoffer, Alexander, Iowa. 473c

We still have a few half English Spotted Poland China boars for sale, at farmers' prices,—Heath & Box, Rowan. 482*

For Sale—Six well bred Duroc Jersey boars, weight 200 lbs. each. Sired by pedigreed boar. Phone 2207. —Guy Baker, Belmond. 47tfc

For Sale—Sorted Rural New York Potatoes, 50 cents per bushel. Phone 2712. —Chas. Gealow. 482*

For Sale—Thorobred Duroc Jersey boars, also herd boar. Price right. —L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. 48tfc

For Sale—Good grade Short Horn bull, 18 months old.—Guy Baker, Belmond. Phone 2207. 47tfc

FOR RENT

For Rent—Rooms, single with board, $6.50, double $6 per week. Inquire this office. 481*

WANTED

Wanted—Corn picker, going wages. Elevator to unload.—O D. Jenison, Belmond. Phone 3217. 47tfc

Wanted—A pup, from small breed dog. Inquire at this office. 47tfc

Wanted—Girl to do housework. Inquire at this office. 482c

LOST AND FOUND

Found—Blanket. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for advertising. Call this office.

Found—White and yellow Scotch Collie dog, came to my place Tuesday. Owner may have dog by paying costs.—R. E. Webb, Phone 299, 481c

Lost—Two Jiffy side curtains for Chandler car. Finder please leave at this office. Reward. 481*

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

ANNUAL BAZAAR

The Congregational Ladies Aid society will hold their Annual Bazaar and Supper on Thursday, November 9th, 1922, in the basement of the church. Any parties having goods for sale, will please leave same with either Mrs. Earhart or Mrs. Robbins. 48tfc

PRACTICAL USE

Eight year old Walter, reading a book far beyond his years, had just had the word diplomacy defined to *him by his father* as "doing the right thing at the right time." For a moment he was silent and then explained:

"Well then, I guess I used diplomacy last night. It was dark when mother came in with the castor oil. And I rolled Johnny into my place, and then when she got to the other side of the bed I rolled him back again."

To Grant No Moratorium

"He thinks we ought to forget the money the allies borrowed from us during the war."

"That so?"

"Yes, but when I asked him to forget the $5 I borrowed from him a few weeks ago, he said that was an altogether different matter."

NOTICE OF CLAIM FOR STORAGE CHARGES AND NOTICE OF SALE:

To Fred Francis:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Belmond Furniture Company of Belmond, Iowa, have filed an affidavit with W. H. Purdy, a Justice of the Peace in and for Pleasant Township, Wright county, Iowa, alleging that on or about the 1st day of March, 1921, you left with said Belmond Furniture Company of Belmond, Iowa, for storage and care a piano, described more partcularly as follows;

A cabinet upright Walworth Piano, golden oak finish.

That said piano has remained with said Belmond Furniture Company at Belmond, Iowa, unclaimed for more than 3 months, and that there are now charges against said piano for 18 1-2 months' storage at $3.00 per month or the sum of $55.50, and that said storage charges are due and unpaid.

You are therefore notified that unless you claim said property on or before the 21st day of October 1922 and pay the storage charges against said piano together with the costs and expenses of said sale, said piano will be sold at public auction upon said date the 21st day of October 1922, at two o'clock p. m. of said day, for the highest price the same will bring, and said storage charges together with costs and expenses of the sale will be first paid from the proceeds derived from said sale.

Dated at Belmond, Iowa, this 27th day of September, 1922.

Belmond Furniture Company.

By J. M. Jensen,

Its' Attorney. 454

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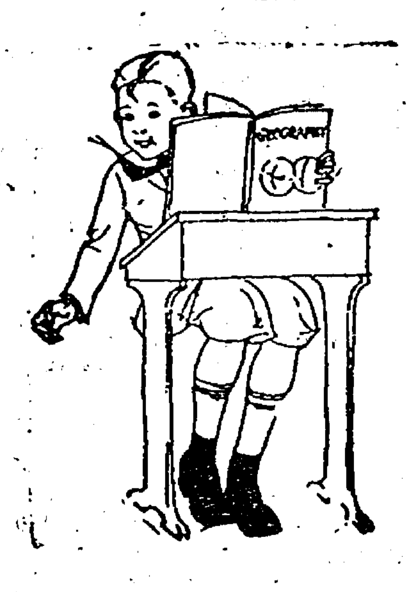

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SCHOOL IS ENGAGED IN MANY ACTIVITIES

Ku Klux Klan Organized Here?

Rumors Of Business Man Receiving Letter Signed By Famous Initials.

MAY BE JUST A JOKE

The town has been running over the past week with reports of one of the business men receiving a letter recently, containing some severe advice and signed by the "K. K. K." Other parties also received such a communication, this paper understands, of a similar nature, and one or two others are reported as expecting to be favored (?) with letters. On top of these stories, the Independent has been told by a citizen of the community that several nights at 11 to 11:30 several auto loads of men in large cars have passed his place going toward the grove, and around 1 to 2 in the morning they returned. Pipe dreams? Many at least have been expecting to hear of the Ku Klux Klan organizing in Belmond. It is reported that one is being formed at Clarion also.

ST. OLAF

Thursday afternoon the South Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Ole Sharpe.

Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock promptly the class meets at the church.

Wednesday evening cottage prayer meeting at the home of Henry Eide.

English Service next Sunday at 10:30 with communion.

Sunday evening an English service will be held at 8 o'clock. You are welcome.

Wednesday afternoon Nov. 1 the North Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Torres Scott.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Rev. Waalkes and the Primary and Junior Sunday School Teachers of the Immanuel Church, attended the conference at Clarion last Saturday afternoon.

School districts No. 3 and No. 5 received their Standardization money last week.

Miss Nora Finn left for Rochester Minn. last Sunday where she will consult a physician. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Kate Finn.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boelman and family, were visitors at the Lousie Kramer home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling and children were Sunday visitors at the home of Henry Schulte Sr.

Grandma Loats returned from Ackley last Friday where she has been visiting friends and relatives the past three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Pals of Alexander, were Sunday visitors at the Menno Frohling home.

Gail Thompson spent Saturday at the A. C. Lieuwen home.

ACCIDENT RESULTS IN BROKEN BONES FOR TWO

Guy Bates and Artie Ebie both suffered broken bones Sunday when they experienced an accident with a horse and buggy. They were driving out in the country east of town, and near the Jim Cannon place the horse in some manner fell or threw herself, tipping the buggy over into the ditch. Bates suffered a number of broken ribs, and Ebie sustained a compound fracture of one ankle.

BELMOND ENTRIES IN CLARION CORN CARNIVAL

The following farmers in the vicinity of Belmond had entries in the Clarion corn carnival last Wednesday:

E. G. Reed and R. R. Reed, entries in the 10 ears, yellow; J. F. Henn, entries in the 10 ears, white. E. G. Reed won 5th in the 10 ear yellow. He was also entered in the single ear yellow, as was R. R. Reed. F. M. Henn was entered in the single ear yellow class. H. L. Hadley entered in the single ear white.

ANNUAL RED CROSS ROLL CALL OPENS NOVEMBER 11

Iowa's annual Red Cross Roll Call will open on Armistice Day, November 11, and continue through Thanksgiving.

Every county in the state will have a complete organization of its own for the conduct of the Roll Call, and in most communities all cities and towns will have similar organization. Every resident of the state, men and women alike, will be reached by the membership workers this year, officials declared.

The American Legion, business men's clubs, Boy Scouts, women's organizations and like bodies have pledged themselves in all parts of the state to join in carrying on the Roll Call. Churches of all denominations will hold special services on Nov. 12, Red Cross Sunday, touching upon humanitarian work and the call for service as sounded by the Red Cross.

As in past years, the Red Cross membership will be $1, wih special membership in larger amounts for those desiring them.

The membership fund will be used for a continuation of the work which the Red Cross has carried on for years nursing care and instruction in the schools, relief in great disasters and fmilnes, aid to the suffering in foreign countries and other activities for the good of the nation and the world.

Appointment of county chairmen for the Roll Call is expected to be announced within the coming two weeks.

NEW BANK AT SHEFFIELD

Walter W. Duff, cashier of the First National Bank at Wadden's Grove, Illinois, has been here the past week looking after his proposition of opening up a new bank at Sheffield. He has made application for a national bank charter, and has selected the name of the First National Bank of Sheffield, for the proposed bank. Mr. Duff says that he expects the national banking department to approve his application.

R. G. Wolf and Lavino Jones, of this city, with several well known and substantial residents of Sheffield, have had under consideration the organization of a state bank at Sheffield, but nothing definite has been decided upon.

Other parties have been figuring on opening up a new bank in Sheffield, so whether Sneffield will have a half dozen banks, or two good ones, as many as the town ought to have, will not be known until the financiers have sifted down the mix.—Hampton Chronicle.

RECENT SALES OF FORD CARS AND TRUCKS

The following sales and deliveries of Ford cars and trucks have been made by the Belmond Auto Co., and indicate that business is pretty good with this popular firm:

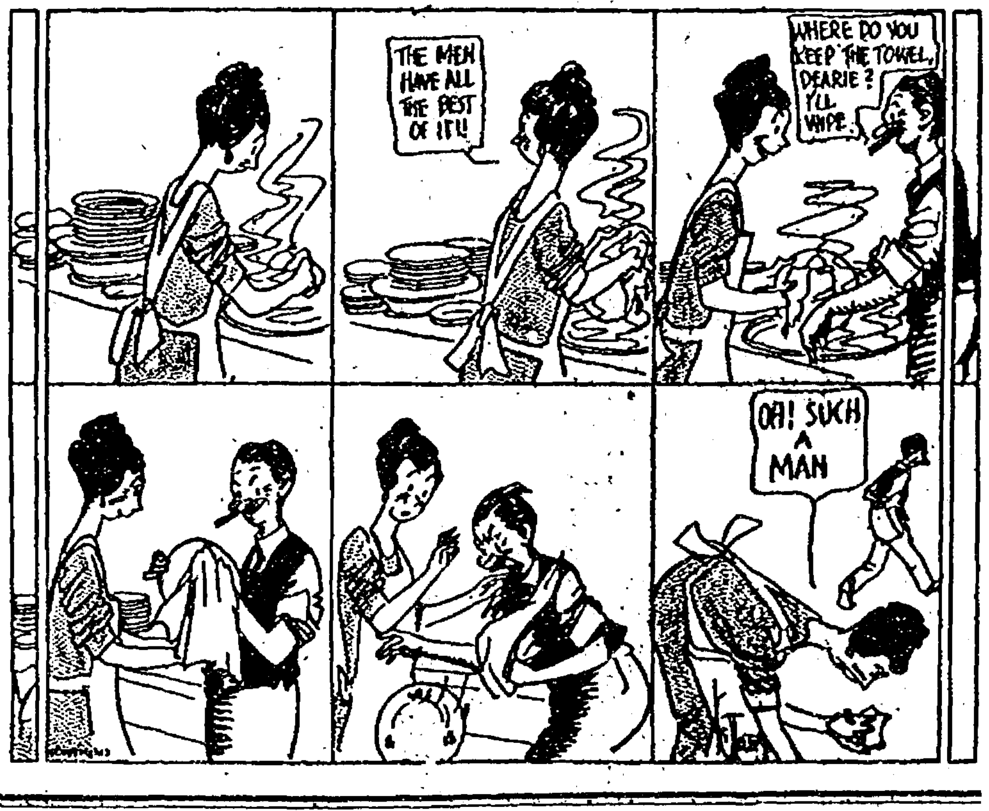
Ed. Nigg, Clarion, touring.
T. K. Holliday, Rowan, Sedan.
Geo. Hake, Belmond, Touring.
Joe Heginger, Goodell, Coupe.
L. R. Fitz, Clarion Truck.
John M. Bohning, Belmond, Touring
Wm. J. Collins, Belmond, Coupe.
C. E. Jacobs, Goodell, Touring.
Ira Studebaker, Belmond, Touring.
Fred Loats, Belmond, Touring.
Geo. P. Hardwick, Belmond, Touring.
Wm. Messelheiser, Meservey, Sedan.
Dale Smith, Thornton, Coupe.
Harold Smith, Belmond, Truck.
F. H. Brooks, Rowan, Truck.
Belmond Furniture Co., Belmond, Truck.
Frank Davenport, Belmond, Touring.
L. W. Schroeder, Dows, Runabout.
Chas. Hopkey, Alexander, Sedan.
Wm. Garfin, Mason City, Runabout.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Ladies Missionary society will meet in the church parlors Thursday afternoon.

The regular services next Sunday. Sabbath school at 10 a. m., morning worship at 11, and evening services at 7:30. Everyone is urged to attend.

On the Road of Good Intentions


THE MEN HAVE ALL THE BEST OF IT!!
WHERE DO YOU KEEP THE TOWEL, DEARIE? I'LL WIPE.
OH! SUCH A MAN

WATERLOO MEN NOW WANT A NEW PARK

Sportsmen Who Tried To Stop Park At Wall Lake Now Offer Free Site.

Waterloo sportsmen who some time ago, had their lands condemned at Wall Lake, in order that the public might have access to the hunting and fishing there without paying tribute to them, have asked the state to rescind its action in condemning the lands and accept in lieu thereof a tract of equal size which they promise to give free of charge for the return of their old property. Secretary of State Ramsay has been making a pesonal investigation of the proposition and will report to the state executive council whether, in his judgment, the proposition being made by the Waterloo men is fair.

The Waterloo men had undoubtedly secured the best frontage on Wall Lake for their purpose. Their eagerness to get it back indicates they know a good thing when they see it. The tract offered in exchange for their old sites is said to be far less desirable. Webster City sportsmen are protesting against any change being made, and neighboring towns are asked to back them up.

It was thought that the matter had been definiely settled when the land was condemned by the state and the purchase price was forwarded to local officials more than a month ago, to be paid over to the men whose lands were condemned. But the Waterloo men first appealed the awards and since then have decided to offer the new site free for the return of their old properties.—News.

NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

Adult

McCutcheon, "Viola Gwyn."
Rinehart, "Breaking Point."
Quick, "Vandemark's Folly."
Johnson, "Williams of West Point."
Tomlinson, "Scouting With Danial Boone."
Lewis, "Babbitt-Buck."

Juvenile

Altsheler, "Host of the Air."
Seton, "Biography of A Grizzly."

Children's

Marshall, "Cat School."
Olmsted, "Ned and Nan in Holland."
Spyri, "Tom the Little Wood Carver."
Blaisdell, "Tommy Tinkers' Book."
Bannerman, "Black Sambo."
Andrews, "Ten Boys."
Blaisdell, "American History Story Book."
Sinclair, "Nixie Bunnie in Manners Land."
Burgess, "Adventures of Bob White," "Adventures of Grandfather Frog," "Adventures of Jimmy Skunk" "Adventures of Old Mistah Buzzard."
Banta, "Brownie Primer."
Field, "Primer."

The American Legion and the town at Garner are making big plans to observe Armistice Day. Ray Files of Fort Dodge, democratic candidate for governor, is to deliver an address and a big football game is to be a part of the day's features. Various other attractions are on the program for the day.

ALEXANDER SCENE OF MANY ACCIDENTS

Three Year Old Child Run Down By Auto Tuesday And Is Badly Injured.

Alexander was the scene of three quite serious accidents within the past two days.

Eldon Bell, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell of Alexander, was struck and seriously injured about 5:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by an automobile driven by Will Root. The little tot was crossing the road. Two cars were approaching, from opposite directions and the boy failed to see the one being driven by Root. Root also failed to see the child, and struck him. The boy was badly injured about the head and hip, and was unconscious for some time. He was given immediate attention and is recovering nicely.

Louis Schulte, a farmer, while engaged in corn picking, had his team run away the wagon wheels passing over both legs. He was badly bruised but is recovering nicely.

Jim Walsh, while cutting down a tree, had the misfortune to have his axe slip, the blade cutting deep into his foot, several stitches being required to close the wound.

GOING LIKE —— AND FAIL TO MAKE BRIDGE TURN

Henry Olson of Clarion, accompanied by a companion, and driving a Ford touring car failed to make the turn to the Barry bridge south of town late Saturday afternoon, and as a result crashed thru the fence and over the embankment into a telephone pole at the side of the river. It is said they were going at a very high speed and could not slow down in time to make the turn. They were coming from the north. Neither of the men were injured aside from a few little scratches, and the car for a wonder was but slightly damaged, one wheel being broken and a few other things somewhat disrupted. The windshield was not broken.

GARNER HAVING TROUBLE OVER PAVING TAXES

Wayne F. Fuller et al vs. Town of Garner et al is a suit in the Hancock county court wherein the town is being sued over the paving taxes. The case grows out of an assessment, or rather judgment, against the town for $43,463.42, awarded the Empire Construction Co. as the amount in excess of what could be raised by the regular assessment. The petition alleges that the paving, levies, contract, funding bonds, are illegal, and asks an injunction restraining the levy for taxation. It alleges that the valuation of Garner property in 1920 was $1,500,000, and that in 1921 it was $1,400,000 that on execution of the contract property affected by paving was worth but $800,000, and that therefore any contract in excess of $200,000 was more than the legal limit.

The next football game of the local school will be played Saturday of this week with the Britt team at the Britt field.

"BAD COON" SHOT AND KILLED AT WOOLSTOCK

An unknown negro was shot and instantly killed Wednesday of last week, at Woolstock, by the Woolstock marshal. The coon, with a companion, had been seen in the Great Western railroad yards at Eagle Grove, by a railroad detective, who had ordered them to move on. The dead negro had pulled a 44 calibre revolver and ordered the detective to move on himself, and as the officer did not have a gun with him, he moved. Before he could go up town and secure a gun, the two negroes left, walking toward Woostock. On the way they robbed a farmhouse. The Woolstock marshal was notified that the pair were in the stockyards there, and he went after them. Upon being accosted, the one negro drew his gun and fired. The marshal struck his arm so that the shot went wild, and before the coon could fire again the marshal had his own gun out and with one shot killed him, shooting him thru the head. The dead man's companion denies knowing his name, where he came from, or anything about him, and efforts to establish his identity have been fruitless. The remains therefore, it is reported, are to be sent to the clinic at Iowa City.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening choir meets at the church at 7:30.

Thursday evening cottage prayer meeting will be held at the home of John Kalvig at 7:30.

Saturday morning at 10 o'clock the class meets at the church.

Sunday morning Sunday school and Bible classes at usual hour, 10 a. m.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the lay people conduct the service in the Norwegian language. You are welcome.

Sunday evening the Young Peoples League has a meeting. A Reformation day program will be given. All welcome.

Tuesday evening, Oct. 31, the Dorcas society will meet in the church parlors. Thursday afternoon the Ladies Aid meets at the church

SECRETARY FOR HAMPTON COMMERCIAL CLUB

Hampton Chronicle—Lynn L. James of Meshoppen, Pennsylvania, has been engaged as secretary of the Hampton Commercial Club, and also as director of the Hampton Municipal Band for the coming year. Mr. James has been holding a similar position at Meshoppen during the past two years. For eight years previous to that time he held a like position at Bloomington, Pennsylvania. At Bloomington Mr. James developed a band that was considered one of the best in the east.

Mr. James comes to Hampton very highly recommended as a business man and citizen, and ability as a band director is said to be of a very high order. Mr. and Mrs. James have four children, two boys and two girls, and the family is expected to arrive in Hampton some time next week. They have leased the Hartwell residence property on the west side.

The Hampton Commercial Club had under consideration for some time the employment of a secretary who could give the greater part of his time to the interests of the town and community both in a social and business way. Mr. James seems to be well equipped for the position. He will be able to carry out the details of any big day events, thus saving the business men, who usually have to do these things, from a lot of unnecessary work and worry, and neglect their own business.

It is the desire of the Hampton Commercial Club that every active business man in Hampton become a member of the club. It is the desire of the Hampton commercial club that every booster for Hampton who can afford the small annual dues of $15 per year, become a member of the club. Sustaining nembers, which means real booters, can support the club with any amount over the $15 fee that they desire to give. Then there is a place for associate members, and this ought to include a large number of our best citizens whose dues will be only $5 a year.

Some people exploit their own purity by arguing that it is a sin only when found out.

Hallowe'en Program Given Friday P. M.

Many Activities Engaging Interest Of Scholars—Hallowe'en Parties Held.

FOOTBALL AT BRITT SAT.

The second football game of the season will be at Britt on Saturday at 3:00.

The Freshman Home Economics classes are having a contest. The losers are to entertain the winners at the end of each six weeks. The afternoon section is the losing side and is entertaining the winners at a Hallowe'en dinner tonight.

Cecil Riley is the winner of the Typing medal this week. There is no longer competition between two people but there are six who are leading the race.

Miss Merle Miller of Waterloo spent the week end with Miss Jewel.

The Juniors are anticipating a weiner roast Thursday night at Tyrell Park.

Miss Mary Brown was unable to teach Tuesday on account of illness.

The Junior class have taken over the financing of the lecture course this year. They have done very well in selling tickets so far. The first number of the lecture course was given Oct. 24.

The Literary program given on Oct. 20 by Division II was well executed. Those on the program took their parts well.

Division I is giving a Halloween Program Friday P. M. at 2:30.

Piano Duet - - - - - Cloe Thomas
Marion McNulty
Halloween Story - - - - Laura Riley
Reading - - - - - - - Helen Elder
Old Halloween Customs - - - - - - - -
Elma Stapley
Cornet Solo - - - - Caryl McIntyre
Farce - "The Haunted Gate"
Marion Hunter - - - - Elaine Moe
Grace Hunter - - - - Laura Brooks
Marie Kingsley ---- Ida Steenblock
Irene Dodge ------ Sylvia Chapman
Ruth Morse ------ Gladys Johnston
Phillip Dodge ---- Samuel Leinbach
Ralph Dodge ------ Carl Whittaker
Donald Herick ------ Irving Madsen
Miss Angeling Dodge ------------
---------------- Bernetas Wolle
Miss Matilda Morse -- Emma Jacobs

The Sophomores wil have their first class party Saturday night at the gym.

Mrs. Guthrie and Mrs. Elsie Johnson visited the 7th and 8th grades Friday p. m.

Leroy Eaton was absent last week.

Ialeen Baker has left the 7th grade.

Martha Lutz was absent last week due to a sprained knee.

Mrs. R. H. Klemme visited the 4th grade Friday p. m.

Mrs Wm. Dempsey and Miss Verna Jones visited the 4th grade Wednesday p. m.

Raymond Lamb entered the 4th grade Wednesday.

Margaret Carlston reentered the 4th grade after a week's absence due to illness.

Mrs. Brady visited the 4th grade Friday p. m.

Lynn Hake entered the 4th grade Monday, Oct. 16.

The 1st and 2nd grades are getting ready for a Hallowe'en party.

Mrs. Nordschow and Mrs. Brady visited the 1st grade Friday.

Mrs. L. R. Parsons and Dr. Parson's mother and Mrs. C. M. Morse visited the kindergarten Thursday p. m.

Mrs. Nordschow, Mrs. Brady, Mrs. L. R. Parsons, Dr. Parson's mother, and Mrs. C. M. Morse visited the 2nd grade Thursday p. m

SMALL FIRE YESTERDAY

The fire company was called into action yesterday forenoon about 11 o'clock by a small blaze in the Elite Cafe. The blaze amounted to but little, and practically no damage was done.

There's a reason why fortune smiles upon some people. They grab it.

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PEACEFULLY SLEEPING

Does anyone know what has become of the Chamber of Commerce? This organization was once upon a time living in this city, was well and favorably known, up and coming, and its name was familiar to those in far countries. In those days there were stirring times, with much doing, and the name of Belmond was spoken in many places. But alas, the sleeping sickness came upon it, and today it lies peacefully sleeping amid the dust of yesterday, its' hopes for the future dreamily mingling with the ashes of the past. The beauty sleeps, awaiting the magic touch of the fairy prince who shall awaken it to—what? Morelike 'twill be dynamite that awakens it, if, indeed, it ever awakens. Perhaps in sleep it has passed away and now, in other spheres, looks down upon us. Shall we send for Conan Doyle? It is a sad and pathetic case, deserving of the sympathy of all. Cards of condolence should be sent to the town of Belmond.

WHICH SHALL IT BE?

November 6th is election. Among the offices to be filled of particular interest to Belmond people are those of Congressman and county attorney. Of the latter, Belmond's candidate, Attorney J. M. Jensen, has the world "by the tail." His election is a matter of form. But just the same, Belmond people should give him a big vote to show the rest of the county that the town is behind him.

Of the other office, Belmond voters have two candidates to choose from, T. J. B. Robinson of Hampton, the republican candidate, and Fred Hageman of Waverly, the democratic candidate. The issues between them has narrowed down to one thing: Wet or Dry. Robinson is dry, Hageman Wet. Robinson has been endorsed by church people, by the Anti-Saloon League, and by business men the district over; he is a church man, a clean, upright moral citizen, a banker with a splendid reputation as a straightforward dealer and a man of high honor, square to the world, a man whom politics very seldom sees. Of all the candidates in the state, the Independent does not know of one more qualified to fill the position he seeks, or one who will give the people a squarer deal.

Hageman, so far as this paper knows, is a good man, and if elected will doubtless give the district good representation. But Hageman is a wet; it is claimed he has made the statement that his election will mean the voice of the people in favor of light wines and beer. His first campaign cards carried the line "I am for light wines and beer." The Independent, in his visit here last summer, gave him credit for having the nerve to publicly announce the fact that he did favor them. But since then he is said to have gotten out another set of cards without this line on them, one for the drys and another for the wets. This doesn't set well; no man can serve two masters; he cannot be on both sides of the fence at once; either Hageman is dry or he is wet, he can't be dry in Belmond and wet in Dubuque..

The issue plainly is wet or dry, and so far as this paper is concerned it is dry. The voters have the two men to pick *from*, the issue clearly defined: on the one side light wines and beer, on the other enforcement of prihibition. The Independent believes that light wines and beer is the opening wedge to bring back the stronger stuff, if not the old-time saloons. The voters can decide the issue November 6th. Hageman will carry the eastern end of the district, in and around Dubuque, by heavy majorities, Robinson will have to do his work in this end. Which shall it be? If you believe that prohibition is worth while, your vote for Robinson will decide it.

CLIPPINGS

The train service in this branch isn't like wine, by any means. The service being handed us is hard to take and does not improve with age. Part of the time we have trains and other times we do not. The M. & St. L. has not made a settlement with their striking laborers, hence no service and we are forced to play the part of the "suffering public." We believe a protest would do no harm, and might result to advantage, for as long as we suffer the present inadequate service in silence, just that long will the company permit us to. We received improved service, previous to the walkout of the employees thru efforts of a committee appointed by the commercial club, and we may be able to do it again. It's worth trying.—Kanawha Reporter.

Tell Him Now

If with pleasure you are viewing a
work a man is doing,
If you like it, or you love him, tell
him now;
Don't withhold your approbation till
the parson make oration,
And he lies with lillies o'er his brow.
For no matter how you shout it, he
won't really care about it,
He won't know how many teardrops
you have shed;
If you think some praise is due him,
Now's the time to slip it to him,
For he cannot read his tombstone
when he's dead.

More than fame and more than money
is the comment, kind and sunny,
And the hearty, warm approval of a
friend;
For it gives to life a savor and it
makes you stronger, braver,
And it gives you heart and spirit to
the end.
If he earns your praise, bestow it;
If you like him, let him know it;
Let the words of true encouragement
be said;
Do not wait 'till life is over and he's
underneath the clover,
For he cannot read his tombstone
when he's dead.

—Selected.

Since Monday night the nower company whistle warns everybody that Forest City is now making use ot the curfew ordinance.—Summit.

Pete Swenson was up from Belmond, Saturday, to attend the Roesdahl-Anderson hog sale. Pete is farming west of Belmond.—Klemme Times.

Miss Beulah Smith, of Belmond, was a business visitor in Klemme Tuesday.—Times.

Mrs. Dan Brooks and son, and Mrs. Dibble, of Belmond, were Sunday callers in Klemme.—Times.

Frank Collins of Livermore paid a fine in justice court totalling about $35 for illegal sale of cigarettes. Mr. Collins brought out the fact that the sale was made by a member of his family, but did not release him from responsibility. The illegal sale consisted of selling to a minor.

The Soda Grill in Humboldt was also the victim of an employee selling to one John Rhiner, a minor. It seems that young Rhiner was in Fort Dodge promiscously smoking his cigarettes, and when taken up by the police made a disturbance, and was given a couple of days in the jouvenile ward of the station, and later made affidavit that he bought the cigarettes from the Soda Grill.

There is some doubt of the evidence but rather than fight the matter the proprietor of the Grill paid the fine. It is well known here that the Soda Grill is not catering to illegal sale of cigarettes, but young clerks do not always realize the necessity of knowing to whom they sell. The law places the burden of proof on the business house which makes the sale. It makes no difference that the purchaser declares that he is of age. That is a matter in which no business man can take a chance.—Humboldt Republican.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Community Welfare Club—

There has been a change in the program of the Community Welfare Club. The Thistle Art exhibit which was to have been here at the November meeting is here this week, and Mrs. Armstrong, the president of the State Federation, will speak at the November meeting. Friday, October 27th, is the regular meeting of the club, but the art exhibit is here all this week, and the library basement will be open every afternoon of the week, including Sunday, from 2:30 p. m. to 5:00 p. m. There will be a vote taken to find the most popular picture in the exhibit.

There will be no charges as the exhibit is secured thru the state federation, so everyone is cordially invited to see this fine exhibit which is reported to include many beautiful pictures.

Mrs. Snyder is chairman of the refreshment committee for Friday afternoon.

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Idle-A-While—

The Idle-a-while club meeting was postponed from Wednesday to Friday evening of this week on account of the County Federation Wednesday. *The club ueets with Mrs. Ray Morris* on Friday. Refreshments will be served by the hostess. Two weeks ago the club met with Mrs. Ira Christie. All the members were present and a *jolly time* was *enjoyed.*

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Cong. Missionary—

The Congregational Missionary society meets in the church parlors this (Thursday) afternoon, with Mrs. Bullard as leader. Mrs. Tom Cullinan and Mrs. Robbins are hostesses

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Hallowe'en Party—

The young people of the Congregational church held a Hallowe'en party in the church basement last evening. The evening was spent in Hallowe'en stunts and games, after which refreshments were served in proper Hallowe'en style.

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Progress—

The Progress club met with Mrs. George Elder on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen was the leader. The lesson was "The Coming of the Hebrew Nation."

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Entertain—

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bailey entertained some thirty relatives at their home last Saturday evening in honor of Mrs. Bailey's brother and family from Harding, South Dakota. The out of town relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Walton and two children of Harding, the guests of honor, Mrs. Angie Walton of Camp Cook, South Dakota, and Raymond Walton of Iowa Falls.

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Bridge—

Miss Nellie Barry entertained the girls' bridge club on Monday evening at her home. Miss Maye Tracy was winner with the high score.

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Rosary—

The Rosary society meets at the library basement this afternoon with Mrs. Solon Jones as hostess.

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Dorcas society—

The Dorcas society of the Trinity church will hold their regular meeting at the church next Tuesday evening, the hostesses being Miss Julia Johnson and Miss Amanda Johnson.

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Surprise—

On Friday afternoon a number of friends and neighbors of Mrs. Sam Johnson sprung a surprise on her in honor of her birthday. Well filled baskets were brought and a nice lunch was served. Mrs. Johnson was the recipient of many beautiful presents and a sum of money, as a token of friendship and esteem from those in attendance.—(One that was there.)

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Bridge—

Miss Daisy Cameron will entertain the bridge club at her home this evening.

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Chain of Ten—

The Chain of Ten will meet next week Monday at the home of Mrs. Tom Brooks.

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Annual Bazaar—

The annual bazaar of the M. E. church will be held the last Saturday in November, the 25th. Lunches *are to be served thruout the day as* usual.

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Picnic Supper—

The members and friends of the *Methodist* church will have a picnic supper in the parlors of the church this (Thursday) evening, to welcome Rev. Wilkinson and family back to the pastorate here for another year. All are invited. Those attending are requested to bring baskets, dishes and table linen. The Aid society will serve hot coffee.

Kinseth's Store News

We're not offering you any great special this week, because everything in our store is a special. We have downright real bargains all the time, as you will find upon visiting us. We are in a position to supply you with everything in the line of eatables. The quality is the best we can get, and our prices are the lowest in town.

We have some dandy overshoes for men, and some work and dress shirts that you cannot duplicate elsewhere near the price we ask. Then we have men's socks, and work and dress shoes. In fact, just about everything you need in the wearing apparel line.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Clarion Corn Carnival a Success.

From the standpoint of agricultural exhibits, particularly in the poultry department, the Clarion corn carnival was a great success. The weather was ideal, the concessions and all entertainments were of the very highest type, although the attendance at this fall festival was not as high as was expected—especially since so much time and money were spent in making preparations for this great occasion.

Professor John B. Wentz, of the Farm Crop Department at Ames college, who judged the corn, commented upon the splendid showing of corn which was made by the farmers of this county and especially upon the arrangement of the corn in the exhibit. The corn show brought out many splendid samples of corn of the county, although it would seem that with the exceptionally high premiums which were offered that more corn would have been exhibited. The corn carnival came at a time of year this season when farmers of the county were just beginning their corn picking work and they were somewhat reluctant about leaving their fields to attend the show. The farmer is unusually anxious about his corn crop this year for the reason that he is unable to secure pickers to get his crop out of the fields.

According to Professor W. H. Lapp, of Ames, who judged the poultry exhibit, this poultry show was far above the average of the state. This was a fine exhibition of what is being done in our county in poultry production. Those in charge of the poultry exhibit found it difficult to provide pens for all entries. This is evidence that poultry raising is becoming more popular in our community.

Poultry Club Exhibit

A splendid showing was made by boys and girls of Wright county in the poultry exhibit of the Clarion corn and poultry show. There were 20 pens of poultry exhibited in the club department of the show, including 12 entries in the trio class and 3 entries in the single bird class.

Boys and girls who made the best showing in the poultry exhibit and premiums received are as follows:

Earl Michelson, S. C. White Leghorn cockeral, best bird in club.

Earl Mickelson, S. C. White Leghorn trio, best in club.

Edna Hanson, Barred Rock, best cockeral in club.

John Bell, S. C. Rhode Island Red pullet, best in club.

Ruth Dorr, Buff Orpington trio second best in club.

Themla Streveler, White Wyandotte cockeral, second best in club.

Leola Jenison, Buff Rock pullet, second best in club.

Tillie Henn, Barred Rock trio, third best in club.

Will Henn, Barred Rock cockeral, third best in club.

Ruth Dorr, Buff Orpington pullet, third best in club.

This exhibit of poultry by the youngsters of the county shows in a measure what can be done and what has been done during the past year in the club work with boys and girls. This should demonstrate to the boys and girls, as well as to the parents, that it is worth while to take part in club work. Members of the poultry club should bear in mind that there will be another opportunity to show their birds at the Goldfield short course which is to be held December 14 and 15.

Corn Pickers Scarce

There seems to be an unusual scarcity of corn pickers, not only in Wright county, but throughout the state of Iowa, and the farmers are becoming anxious about getting their corn crop out of the fields. The weather has been ideal so far for husking and if this weather continues the corn crop may be husked without a great deal of outside help.

The scarcity of corn pickers this fall is acount for largely by the fact that there are about 250 road gangs working in about eighty-three counties in the state of Iowa, and that the construction work is being pushed forward in the cities and about fifty to sixty per cent of these men are corn pickers. This means that the farmers will not be able to get these men to work in the corn fields until we have cold freezing weather, which will put a stop to the road and construction work.

This is not very encouraging to the farmers, but it is a condition which we find ourselves up against and everyone will have to be patient because there will be plenty of corn pickers later in the season. There are about twenty-five to thirty applications for corn pickers at the county agent's office and it has been imossible to fill a single one on account of the scarcity of help.

Corn Yield Plots

Arrangements are being made for holding demonstrations on the farms where the corn yield experiments were conducted during the past year. Professor B. E. Heitzman, of the Farm Crops Department at Ames, will be in the county November 7th and 8th to assist with the demonstrations for checking up the different varieties of corn which were grown in the experimental plots.

The demonstrations will be held November 7th at the Harry Inners farm two miles northeast of Goldfield, and November 8th at the H. A. Flett farm six miles southwest of Dows. The general plan of the demonstrations will be to have the corn of each man's plot husked and piled at the end of the field where it will be measured, weighed up and a moisture test taken of each variety of corn. In this way the yielding qualities of the different varieties of corn will be brought out.

BUY ADVERTISED FOODS OF STANDARD MAKES

Advertising benefits the consumer most of all. Advertised goods are trade marked to propect the consumer for quality and quantity.

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All of these things are rather intricate. It would cost a small fortune to prepare a few of them for private use.

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One of the best examples of how this is done is Eskimo Pie. Within six months after the inventor first had his idea, everybody in the United States knew about these delicious new chocolate covered ice cream bars.

This was a spectacular demonstration of how advertising can bring a new idea to the American public, But in every advertising success, the same principal holds true.

But advertising does more than introduce new things to you. It safeguards you in the purchase of any advertised product. You can depend upon it—nothing can succeed through advertising unless the article itself has merit. Advertising a bad prodoct will make just as many enemies for that product as advertising a good product will make friends for the good product.

And so, if an article has been widely advertised for a long time, you can be sure that it is good or the public never would have supported it. You know that the advertised and trademarked product must have a deffinite quality—and be fully worth the price You can be sure that you get more real value in an advertised product for every cent you spend than you will in an unadvertised product, because advertising is the cheapest selling method there is.

You know the advantages of cooperative buying. You have heard a lot about the idea in the last two or three years. You belong to a cooperative buying society every time you buy an advertised product. Read advertising. Buy advertised product.

It is the surest way to be certain of satisfaction and money's worth.—Exchange.

PREPARE PULLETS FOR WINTER EGG PRODUCTION

According to J. J. Warren, poultry specialist of the Agricultural Extension Service, "the care and management your pullets receive from now on will determine largely the results you will recieve this winter . One flock owner visited recently had been feeding his pullets on an exclusive oat diet. As a result, they were very thin and in no condition to force for egg production. Several weeks of heavy feeding on corn will be necessary to overcome this diffculty.

"Feeding new corn, oats, wheat or barley which has not been sufficiently dried or "cured" often result in severe bowel trouble and often in heavy losses. It is much better to buy old grain than to take chances with unseasoned grain.

"Many flock owners have more chickens this year than they ever had before. Some of them, however, do not realize that this great increase calls for greater care and system in management, particularty in feeding. A dry mash kept before the chickens constantly will do wonders in developing them.

"At least one full feed a day of corn and oats—equal parts by measure—fed in the evening, will be relished by the birds.

"The sooner the pullets are placed in their permanent laying quarters, the better off they will be. It will be easier to give them better care and they will be accustomed to their quarters before they begin to lay.

"Serious trouble may be escaped by throughly cleaning and disinfecting the laying quarters before putting the pullets in. Treating the birds with some good louse powder, such as sodium fluoride is also advisable at this time.

"Many flock owners are planning on wintering over twice, and in some instances three times as many hens and pullets as their house can safely accommodate. This is one of the most serious mistaks a flock owner can have. It usually results in a lower total winter egg production for the farm, and often in heavy losses from diseases."

BIRD SMASHES TRAIN

C. R. Attig, of Marshalltown, a brakeman on the M. & St. L. railroad, received a bad cut over his right eye, on the nose and on the right cheek, and also was severely bruised on the lips in a unique accident last Saturday evening.

Mr. Attig was running on the north bound evening passenger, No 9, and when the train was about two and one-haft miles northwest of Geneva a beautiful ring-necked pheasant flew against the window pane of the locomotive cab and broke it. Mr. Attig was riding in the engine cab that time and the pieces of flying glass struck him in the face and inflicted the wounds mentioned above. The pheasant was killed instantly when it struck the window pane.

Birds have often been know to fly against window panes at night, attracted by a light from the inside but no one in this vicinity has any record of a pheasant bumping into a moving train.—Hampton Chronicle.

M'NIDER FIGHTS MOVE TO RE-ELECT HIM

New Orleans, La.,—Hanford MacNider, national comdander of the American Legion, Friday declared that uder no circumstances would he be a canditate to succeed himself as national commander, and that he would "bitterly oppose" any proposal to change the national constitution of the legion which would make possible a second term for a national head of the legion.

"I would regard such an action by the legion as a tragic distake," Mr. MacNider said in a state ment.

The announcement was brught forth by repeated rumors, current among delegate here that, in the event of an impending deadlock over the national commandership, friends of MacNider might bring forward a constitutional amendent which would make it possible for him to succed himself, with a view to carrying forward the fight for national legislation and adjusted compensation.

Griesy's Store News

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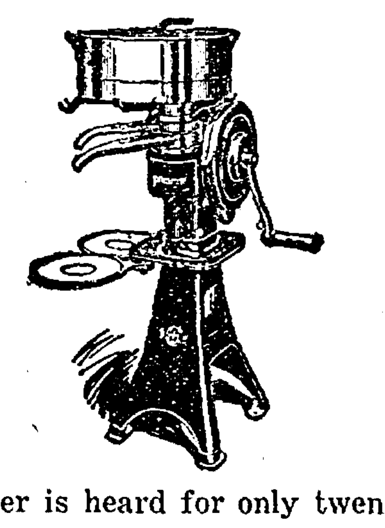

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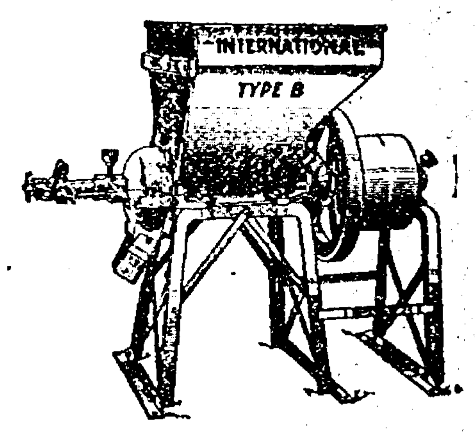
McCormick-Deering ..dealers are so numerous that no farm is more than a few miles from one. Farmers who own and operate McCormick-Deering machines appreciate this when they need repairs. You will appreciate it all the more if you ever bought a farm machine and found out, when too late, that no repairs could be secured in your locality. The Dealer Service on McCormick-Deering farm-operating equipment is unequalled; it is your insurance against loss of time when in need of repairs. Remember this when you buy your next farm machine.

Mr. Luick, of the Ash Grove Dairy, has just added new stock to his present fine herd, and believing in proper feed for milk production has just installed a new Type B International feed grinder which he says he wouldn't do without.



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The approaching blasts of winter have no terrors for those who do not dwell upon their advent.

Politicians make promises. Statesmen accomplish results. Which should we send to Washington?

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MESERVEY, IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Braga of Iowa Falls, accompanied by their granddaughters Mrs. Peterson and Miss Laura Maitland of Storm Lake, were guests at the Walter Braga home on last Tuesday.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats and Mildred Gealow were Mason City callers last Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe West and her sister Mrs. Lee Rollins of Webster City, who has been visiting her, left last Sunday for Madelia, Minn., for a week's visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Braga and daughter Barbara were Sunday visitors at the Cliff Brogan home at Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Cooper are happy over the arrival of a baby daughter, born to them last Thursday, Oct. 19.

Rev. H. C. Schluter and son of Ackley were visiting at the home of his brother Fred and family on last Friday.

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ANOTHER ROBBERY IN TOWN

Last Sunday night robbers were again busy in our little burg, breaking into different homes and business houses. Indications are that the party of one or more entered the home of L. B. Hulsebus first, where they got away with two good suits and a bunch of keys. L. B. and wife had left for Clear Lake to take Walter and Herman and Mrs. Bonner and Mrs. Islup back, and Alma and Louise Witt(who were upstairs remember hearing a commotion down stairs shortly after retiring. They gained entrance thru the north window of the bedroom downstairs. It seems the next place was Albert Wendel's home. Here they took sheets tablecloths and pillows besides several articles of wearing apparel, a few pieces of jewelry, and to appease their hunger they took a loaf of bread some butter and jelly. The hardware store was also entered, where knives, razors, glass cutters, flash lights, batteries, bulbs, about 12 dozen mittens, and all husking pegs and hooks that were on the counter were taken. The restaurant was also visited and here they helped themselves to tobacco, candy and bread. Next they broke into the garage and tried to crank Fred Mensel's car, but he was too wise for them this time. He had it fixed so that no one could get away with it. Next they tried cars belonging to H. Fischer, Rev. Pannkuk, L. B. Hulsebus and Heine Waage, but they all refused to work for the miscreants. Up to the present writing the parties have not been found.

H. F. Reif, Harold Blewitt and C. E. Brogan motored last Tuesday evening to Thornton, where they attended a meeting of the Masonic order.

REFORMED CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 9:30.
German preaching services 10:30.
Young peoples meeting 7:15.
Evening services (German) 8:00.

The church extends a cordial invitation to all who have no church home to attend these meetings.

"I was glad when they said unto me, 'let us go into the house of the Lord.'"

The Ladies Aid met Monday afternoon at the usual hour in the basement of the church. The goodly number of 21 were present. The fact that the ladies tied 5 comforters goes to show that the time was well and profitably spent. Mrs. H. J. Groen served refreshments. The Ladies Aid gladly accepts orders for tying comforters at 65 cents apiece.

Altho the young peoples' meeting is quite well attended, there is still much room for improvement. Let us have a large attendance next Sunday.

Topic for the evening: "A Saloonless World and How to Get It." The world needs no saloon; it's pitiful need, its one need, is The Christ. Let us therefore remember that a saloonless world is not a saved world. A picture of a saved world is given in Rev. 22: 3-4-5. It means something—something great to be a christian. It means not only to take Christ into our name but into our daily experience, to practice His presence at home, in the shop, and office, and in all our relations with those about us. It means the three greatest things in the universe, namely: Salvation, Character, and Usefulness.

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EGGS AND POULTRY WANTED

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Langlitz and children of near Goodell were Sunday visitors at the Geo. Langlitz home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Eimbrink and daughter Zelda, of Goodell, spent Sunday at the Reif home. They called on Thornton friends in the after noon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus had as their guests Sunday, Mrs. Bonner, Mrs. Islup, Walter and Herman Witt of Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Raecker and daughter Jeanette, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Foss motored to Waverly, Sunday, to spend the day at the home of Gar's parents.

Marie Pals, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Pals, had the misfortune of breaking her left arm, just above the elbow, last Saturday while out in the barnyard running to catch a horse. She was taken to Belmond where she had an x-ray examination and her arm was attended to. She is getting along as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

Our girls' basket ball team went to Thornton last Friday afternoon, where they played the girls' team a game, which resulted in a victory for Thornton. The score was 14 to 12.

Last Tuesday the Latimer H. S. ball nine came over to play our boys a fast game, but were defeated, altho it was a very close and interesting game. The score ran 17 to 18 in our favor.

The girls' basket ball team also played our girls a game. The score was 6 to 2 in favor of our girls.

Three buildings went up in flames early Friday morning at Thornton. The barbershop, postoffice and warehouse of the Thornton Hardware and Implement Co. were the buildings completely destroyed, and but for the courageous work of the fire fighters the loss would have been more. As it was, the other buildings in the block were saved.

Simon Fischer lost one of his horses one day last week thru "intemperance." Ate too much corn.

Albert Wendell and wife motored to Waseca, Minn., last Saturday evening where they visited with her people, returning home Sunday night.

FOR SALE—Good buggy horse, if taken at once.—E. Harms, Meservey. 492*

For Sale—Thorobred Duroc Jersey boars, also herd boar. Price right. —L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. 48tfc

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MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

The Meservey schools will be closed from Oct. 23 to Nov. 6 in order that the pupils can assist their parents in corn husking.

A number of the children in the grades have been absent from school the past week. However, the only ones absent from high school were Peter Koenen, Gerald Janssen, Oliver and Eva Sprau.

Thursday evening the teachers were entertaned at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Pals. We found that the Pals were royal entertainers and all enjoyed a jolly time.

On Wednesday of last week Meservey went down to Latimer where they crossed bats with the fast base ball team of that place. The boys came back with the short end of the score.

Latimer returned the game Wednesday afternoon and Meservey was successful in winning the game, score 15 to 14. The game was very loosely played with may errors on both sides.

The girls' basket ball team won from Latimer girls by the score of 6 to 2 in the first game of the season. The teams were evenly matched and the game was a fast one. The mmbers of the team are as follows: Ollie Pals and Agnes Fischer, centers; Mildred Koehler and Evelyn Thomas, guards; and Anna Pals and Grace Groen forwards.

The teachers from out of town will spend their vacation as follows: Miss Esher Anderson, primary, will visit with her parents at Story City; Miss Amalia Hueneman, grade teach- will visit her parents at Garner; Miss Hazel Hawthorne, grade teacher, will visit her parents at Renwick; Miss Louise Humke, high school teacher, visits her parents at Ackley; Miss Lois Horoyd, high school principal, will visit her parents at Plymouth; Supt. J. G. Herbster will visit friends at Mason City and Milford, and also attend the State Teachers' convention at Des Moines Nov. 1 to 4.

Several of the high school students have decided to enter the declamatory contest, which will be held sometime in December. These students deserve much credit for going into this contest, for it means much hard work. Each and every one will derive a great deal of good from the experience, whether he wins a prize or not. Those who have entered the contest are Peter Koenen, Mervin Wickersheim, George Brater, Agnes Fischer, Evelyn Thomas, Elma Witt, Donald Muller, Lena Pals, Eva Sprau, Thelma Thomas, Gerald Janssen, Oliver Sprau, Grace Groen, and Molly Zieman.

Six weeks tests are over and work for the second period is well under way. The students who received the highest grades for the period are as follows:

English Literature: Anna Pals, Evelyn Thomas
10th English: Donald Muller, Elma Witt
9th English: Oliver Sprau, Molly Zieman
Commercial Law: Anna Pals, Agnes Fischer.
Physics: Agnes Fischer, Anna Pals.
German II: Anna Pals, Ollie Pals.
German I: Donald Muller, Eva Schluter.
Geometry: Donald Muller, Eva Schluter.
Agriculture: Clarence Pals, Peter Koenen.
General Science: Agnes Fischer, Donald Butz.
Algebra: Molly Zieman, Oliver Sprau.

Harry Lauen and Bert Fry were absent from 6th grade duties the past two weeks.

The following people of the 5th and 6th grades have earned perfect deportment stars every day this week: Mildred Janssen, Arlene Nissen, Wayne Waddingham, Harland Blewitt, Neva Muller, Emma Boelman, Fredona Lemke, Nellie Fry, Laura Bier, Edward Kuhlers, Marie Pals, Lydia Pannkuk, Alma Dorenkamp.

Everybody in the 5th grade had a perfect spelling lesson Tuesday.

Little Myron Blewitt was a 5th grade caller Friday p. m.

Alma Dorenkamp provided her classmates with a good essay on "Petroleum" Thursday. The other members of the class were glad to relax and listen.

The Independent is in receipt of the following interesting item from G. F. Lee, an official of Central College at Pella, Iowa:

Mr. Herman Dirks of Meservey, a student at Central College played in the second half of the football game between Central College and Graceland on the local athletic field. Central defeated Graceland 25 to 0. Dirks substituted Vander Myde at right tackle.

Joe West of Truman, Minn., spent Saturday and Sunday with his family north of town.

ROWAN NEWS

Rowan School Notes

There will be a basket ball game here Saturday evening of this week, Rowan vs. Williams.

Kathryn Harsen missed one day of school last week.

Dale Hiams stayed out of school several days for work.

Walter Barker was not in school last week.

Duane Bingham, who has been suffering the past week from the grippe is in school again.

All who attended the high school Hallowe'en party in the gym last Friday evening have reported it a grand success. The only flaw being that some of the pie had disappeared when it came time for lunch. But the pop corn and apples were plentiful enough to fill all.

The two literary societies were organized last week. The first program will be given on Friday, Nov. 3rd. The names for the societies have not been chosen yet. The officers are as follows: One side, James Kercheval, pres, Clesson Azeltine, vice pres., Edward Campbell, sec. and treas, Marie Hinkley and Esther Emerson, censors, George Utz, sargent of arms; other side, Ruth Emerson pres., Ray Azeltine vice pres, Joe McKinley sec. and treas, Amy Azeltine and Bernice Hanson censors, Harold Moellering, sargent of arms.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

The regular services will be held next Sunday.

Morning worship at 11.
Sunday school at 12.
Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.
Evening service at 7:30.
Mid week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

The Junior Endeavor will meet to organize Wednesday afternoon at the close of school.

Beginning next Sunday morning the pastor plans to give a ten minute talk to the children at the first of the services

Last Sunday evening the young people of the church gave a three-act playlet entitled "Crowded Out." This was in the interest of the Missionary society. The program was very well rendered after which a free will offering was taken which amounted to ten dollars. This goes to Kobe college in Japan to help provide more room so that more pupils can be accomodated.

The Ladies Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Elsie Allen on Thursday afternoon.

D. W. Whitten had the misfortune to fall at his home Sunday morning and break a bone in his right hand. It is very painful.

Mrs. Kleinschrodt was a Belmond caller Wednesday.

Carl Steffens returned from Iowa City on Tuesday. He had a thoro medical examination. His back was put in a cast which will have to remain on for several weeks.

Will Bingham has been seriously ill the past week with the flu. He is thought to be out of danger at the present writing. Duane who was taken sick first is able to be out again and back in school.

Miss Esther Fowler was a Belmond caller Wednesday.

L. D. Bingham motored up from Ia. Falls, Friday, and visited relatives until Sunday afternoon, when he returned home.

Mrs. H. J. Whitten, Clarence and Kenneth and Miss Susan Duffy left for Minnesota early Saturday morning to visit at the Art Walker home over Sunday.

Messrs. R. H. Keith, and F. B. Sheldon went to Emmons, Minn., last Friday on business.

Ed. Baines stopped in Rowan, Friday evening, on his way home to Dows from Spirit Lake, where he had been visiting his three brothers.

Miss Etta Carr returned from Latimer last Friday where she had been visiting relatives.

Almond Drury of Dows, Mrs. L. T. Pascoe of Eagle Grove, and Frank Drury and Mrs. Herb Hadley of this place left Sunday morning by auto for Highmore, S. D., to visit at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Drury.

Miss Anna Brinkman is to have charge of the services at Bethel church south of Galt next Sunday evening, Oct. 29.

Hubbard McCallum was visiting relatives here the first of the week.

Miss Angie Baines taught school in Maple Grove school last Monday for Miss Susan Duffy.

Hattie Ballou returned Wednesday from her visit in Crockston, International Falls and Dodge Center, Minn. She leaves Tuesday for Long Beach where she will spend the winter. Mrs. Viola Tibbets went to Anita last week and will join Mrs. Ballou at Omaha from which place they will go on to California together.

Miss Nora Shaffer has rented the Mrs. Peddle house in the north part of town and expects to move in soon to spend the winter.

Dr. Maker moved to Goldfield the latter part of the week and will practice from that city in the future. We are sorry to lose him from our town and wish that some Doctor might settle here.

J. A. Whitten sells Goodyear tires.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barker from Grundy Center stopped at the Will Whitten home Saturday. They went from here to Goldfield and Armstrong Mr. Barker is an uncle of Mrs. Whitten.

After next Sunday Rev. Tomkinson will have charge of the Latimer charge at 2;30 p. m. instead of 9:00 a. m. He will continue this order for five months. This will give him a chance to attend S. S. here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whitten and family visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Conn near Coulter Sunday.

Dr. W. Chassell of Belle Fouche, S. D., came Monday for a short visit with relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clowes and family and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gray and family of Renwick spent Sunday at the R. H. Keith home.

Miss Alice Kent of Dows spent a few days the past week with rela- here.

Joe Cowley was on the sick list last week.

Word received from Mrs. Wm. Tresidder who is in the hospital at Iowa City recovering from an operation, states that she was not quite so well the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and children motored to Humboldt, Saturday evening, and spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Howell.

Quite a number of Rowan people attended the corn carnival at Clarion last Wednesday.

Last Thursday at Forest City occured the marriage of Miss Carol Hoke and Harry Harson, both of this place. The bride is the younger daughter of W. A. Hoke and is well known around this vicinity, having been raised here. The groom is the son of Mrs. Edith Harson and has spent several years in and around Rowan. Both young people are well liked in the community and a host of friends extend congratulations and best wishes to this couple for a long and happy journey thru life. They were accompanied to Forest City by Mrs Edith Harson and Miss Kathryn Leeper, mother and niece of the groom. They expect to move to the Whitten and Emerson farm now occupied by the Alben Anderson family in the spring.

The Young Ladies Mission Study club met at the home of Mrs. Roy Hyde last Thursday evening. Seven members were present. The new book of study "Ann of Ava", was started. This promises to be a very interesting study and we wish every member would try to be present so as not to miss any of the story. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ray Azeltine with Miss Frances Virden as leader.

Mrs. Ray Azeltine was a dental caller at Belmond Thursday where she had a troublesome tooth removed.

Mr. and Mrs. Tice Streveler went to Popejoy Sunday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Logan McBurney. When they returned home about 7:30 in the evening they found their home had been entered and all the dresser and buffet drawers had been emptied of their contents and the things scattered around all over the floors. The thief had entered the house thru the cellar. $28 in money and a check which belonged to the two daughters for $5 was taken. Nothing else has been missed so far so it looks like they were after just money. $22 of the money belonged to the man who is working for Mr. Streveler.

Mrs. W. A. Hoke, who has been cooking for the road graveling outfit near Allison, returned home one day last week as it is getting too cold to camp out now.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Hansen were Clarion callers Saturday.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum visited Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Glen Jennings at Clarion.

Mrs. George Whitten and daughter Vinnie, returned from Rochester, last Thursday. Mrs. Whitten is very weak since returning home being unable to sit up much. Her many friends wish for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Lizzie Brooks has been very sick the past week with the grippe. A nurse from Hampton has been caring for her.

Last Thursday morning as Mr. and Mrs. Herb Ketchum and son were driving to Rowan a truck coming from the west ran into them at the Earl Sellers corner. It struck the Ketchum automobile right in the center and threw it over the fence, practically wrecking the car. Mrs. Ketchum was injured very much and is still very sick from the effects of it. It is feared she was injured internally. However, no bones were broken. Mr. Ketchum and the son escaped uninjured.

Mrs. Will Whitten has been on the sick list the past week with the grippe. She is some improved at this writing.

Last Thursday afternoon the members and friends of the W. C. T. U. were entertained at the home of Mrs. D. W. Whitten. About 50 were present. The program opened with a violin solo by Miss Viola Charter. She was accompanied by Mrs. Clint Kercheval. Mrs. L. A. McCallum read a scripture lesson, followed by prayer by Rev. Halbert. Mrs. Bert Pelley and Rev. Tomkinson sang a very pleasing duet after which Mrs. Holman of Eagle Grove gave a fine address on Citizenship. This was a very instructive talk and was much enjoyed by all present. The ladies served a very nice lunch. The members are starting a course of study in citizenship which will be very beneficial to them as voters. All present at this meeting felt that they had spent a profitable afternoon. Mrs Holman was born across the waters and knows the trials of an alien in becoming a citizen of the U. S. and she has helped many of them to get ready to pass their examinations.

The local post of the American Legion put on a very successful sale last Friday evening at the Stock Pavilion. The boys solicited the friends of the country and town and secured a large quantity of farm products and household goods which went at a good price. There was a large attendance, the pavilion being nearly full. The proceeds of the sale amounted to $108.

The American Legion expresses its appreciation of the generosity and support of the public for its help last Friday.

The Rowan high school held a masquerade social last Friday evening in the assembly hall. A good time was enjoyed by all.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. John Pritchett next Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Carl Seffens visited Saturday in Clarion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jennings.

Rowan Methodist Church Notes
10 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. Public worship.
:30 p. m. Epworth League
7:30 p. m. Evensong.

Mrs. Avard has been laid up with sickness at the Methodist parsonage.

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Mr. Schanke was born in Minnesota in 1878, of fine old Norwegian Lutheran parentage. During his boyhood he clerked in a store owned by his father. Later he attended high school at Elmore, Minnesota, in which town he later entered the banking business. From the beginning his ability along commercial lines was very evident and his progress was rapid. Twelve years ago he moved to Mason City where he has since made his home. It was there that he and his brother laid the foundations of Schanke & Company, now one of the leading Investment Banking Houses in Iowa, dealing in Farm Mortgages and School and Municipal Bonds, the market for which has been materially broadened to the advantage of the borrower. From a very modest beginning he has been eminently successful. Mr. Schanke's reputation for strict business integrity and fair dealing has given his organization a large following especially throughout Northwestern Iowa.

Mr. Schanke, like the majority of America's leading statesmen and publicists, is a self made man. He is a close student of public affairs and understands the problems that confront the nation. Very democratic in his tastes, his sympathies are with the common people, and if elected to Congress his industry and his ability as an organizer will be devoted to seuring legislation calculated to promote the welfare of the producing classes and guarding against the enroachment of interests bent on securing special privileges either in the way of exhorbitant tariffs, subsidies, or exemption from surtaxes on large incomes, thus throwing the burden onto the farmers and laboring men, who are taxed, not on their ability on pay, but on their necessities when they come to buy.

Mr. Schanke owns and operates a number of farms and takes a very active part in their affairs. All of his interests are closely identified with farming and he understands the farmer's problems.

HIS PLATFORM

MR. SCHANKE——
Is opposed to Ship Subsidies.
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Believes in applying to governmental matters the same efficiency that is applied to successful business enterprises.
Favors the adoption of legislation necessary to the economical distribution of farm products to the end that hey may bring a greater proportion of return to the producer.
Takes the position that labor is not a commodity and the principle must be recognized in all legislation. We must assure all who toil an honest and commensurate return for that toil.
Favors increasing from $10,000 to $25,000 the amount that may be loaned by the Federal Farm Loan Bank to one person and popularizing the Farm Loan Bonds thus reducing the interest rate to the borrower.
Condemns the practice followed by many congressmen of playing politics by "side stepping" the issues in Congress by being absent or voting "present" or "not voting."
Is opposed to the present exhorbitant tariff which taxes the farmer $5 on the things he buys for every $1 protection he receives on his products. In so far as European goods are barred from our markets to protect our high cost manufacturers, the Europeans lose their power to buy our farm crops. That must mean lower prices for American farm products in the end.

MR. SCHANKE'S OPPONENT HAS BEEN IN CONGRESS 24 YEARS. IS IT NOT TIME A CHANGE WAS MADE?

By Order CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Belmond Local News

Mrs. R. M. Cameron and daughter, Miss Daisy, were visitors at Mason City last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Martin attended the corn carnival at Clarion last Wednesdy.

Mart Mors, who has been in the hospital at Iowa City for some weeks returned home Tuesday.

Word has been received by relatives and friends here that Philip McBurney has been promoted to district superintendent for the Standard Oil Company. His headquarters will be at Traer. Philip's many friends are glad to learn of his advancement and rejoice with him in his promotion.

Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Eaton from Fairbanks, Minnesota, and L. M. Cline of Tracy, Minnesota, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eaton here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wallace and son John, and Miss Lottie Wallace of Goldfield, visited at the C. H. Wallace home Sunday.

J. C. Atherton has moved his shoe shop from the old Kenefick building to the building used by the Johnson, Wright, Sampson Implement Co. It is reported that another restaurant is to be opened in the building vacated by Atherton.

Joe Scott was a business caller at Meservey on Friday of last week.

The sugar factory is now running full blast, and can use a few more men.

Hampton has employed a commercial secretary, whose business it will be to look after the best interests of the town, to boost all the while, have charge of community social affairs, lead the band, etc. He receives over three thousand dollars a year and does nothing but look after the advancement and improvement of the city.

The best husking mitts are purchased at Carlston & Skovlin's.

Mr. and Mrs. Claussen returned from the west Monday morning. Mrs. Claussen left for Neola, Iowa, Monday afternoon where she will stay with her grandmother for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard expect to leave for their home in Durango, Colorado, on Saturday of this week. They have been here for several weeks visiting with relatives and friends.

Miss Wilma Thompson, who is employed as a stenographer at Fort Dodge, spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler of Sheffield were in the city last week Saturday looking after some business matters.

Raymond Walton dove up from Iowa Falls, Sunday, to spend the day with relatves here. His mother returned with him on Monday.

Husking mitts at $1.50 to $2.00 per dozen at Carlston & Skovlin's.

ALEXANDER NEWS

School closed Friday for a two weeks' corn picking vacation and all the teachers have left for their respective homes.

Bernard McCallum was a caller at Rowan last Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter Leona of Hampton were visitors at the Nels Larsen home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and daughters Edna and Lena, and Ruth Beenen, Imo Hall and Edith Dirksen were callers at Belmond last Saturday.

Arthur Peters and Arthur Butler were Dows callers Sunday.

Fred Burbank and daughters Margaret and Kate were visitors at Belmond last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bobst are the happy parents of a fine baby boy.

Mrs. L. M. Green was a caller at Hampton one day last week.

Miss Susie Schulte was a caller at Belmond on Monday.

Miss Lelia Klinefelter of Dows visited with friends and relatives here the past week.

Claas Symens was a business caller at Belmond, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and their daughter, Virgina Ruth, of Hampton, visited with relatives at Alexander the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Beenen were business callers at Belmond last week Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Rodemeyer and children spent Sunday with relatives at Iowa Falls.

The Misses Eva Whetstone and Ethel Roulet spent the week end with Miss Lillie Cornwell at Dows.

F. L. Greenfield was a business visitor at Belmond last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were Dows callers last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dunn and children were callers at Mason City last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling and two children of Belmond spent Sunday at the Henry Schulte home.

A. M. Butler, Mrs. Butler, the Misses Eva Whetstone and Ethel Roulet were Eagle Grove callers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy and two sons spent several days last week with Mrs. Murphy's parents at Des Moines.

The Misses Theressa Mors and Maud Gordon of New Hampton were visitors at the Fred Dunn home the last of the week.

The Cemetery society will meet at the home of Mrs. Charley Hansen on next Thursday afternoon, Nov. 2nd. Hostesses for the meeting are the Mesdames C. R. Clark, Charley Hansen and Grant Smith.

Miss Edna Arends entertained several of the high school pupils at a party given at her home on Friday evening. Social games were played and dainty refreshments were served. The young people returned to their homs reporting a jolly good time.

Alexander Methodist Church Notes

Services, preaching at 9:30 a. m. Sunday school at 10:30. Those not present last Sunday missed a fine sermon on the 32nd of Deut. Next Sunday morning there will be a missionary from Korea who will tell us some things about the country, and the progress being made there. Let us have a full house. All are invited to attend.

Next Saturday evening, Oct. 28th, the ladies of the church will hold their annual bazaar and supper at the implement building on East st. Look for the bills up town and the list of the menus to be served. All come and get the things you want. Remember next Sat. Oct. 28 from 5:30 until all are served.

(Editor's Note: These items were supposed to have been printed last week, but owing to the unsurpassed service of the M. & St. L. they did not arrive here until after the paper was printed and in the mails. The editor hopes to arrange matters so that henceforth Alexander items will get here sooner.)

On Saturday, October 28th, the ladies of the Methodist church will hold their annual bazaar and serve a chicken supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bakey of Spirit Lake spent the first of the week with their daughter Mrs. Leslie Borne of this place.

Mrs. Anna Sairley of Des Moines and Rudolph Beenen of this place were united in marriage last week. Friends of the couple extend their hearty congratulations.

Ben Arends living north of town had the misfortune to get his hand caught in the gearing of his electric elevator and broke the bones of one finger and badly mashed two of the other fingers.

Mrs. Edd Butler and two sons Edwin and John of Hampton spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Arends, at this place.

Dr. Warner of Dows was a professional caller at Alexander last week.

The Helping Hand society will meet at the home of Mrs. Grant Smith next Wed. p. m.

Mrs. Peter Pals has been seriously ill for the past week but is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy of Hampton were Sunday guests at the Clarence Murphy home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and son Frederick, and Miss Florence Zara were callers at Belmond Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Larsen and sons Elmer and Wilbur visited at the Harry Hardy home in Hampton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winwood and son were Hampton callers on last Saturday.

Mrs. Butler, Miss Eva Whetstone and Arthur Butler accompained by Edd Butler of Hampton autoed to Beamen Iowa Saturday where they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schnebly.

Miss Ruth Hansen, who has been attending school at Cedar Falls, was an over Sunday visitor with home folks.

Chris Yakel was a business caller at Belmond on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel have been enjoyng a visit from the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hensel of Webster City.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Yaw of Iowa Falls were Sunday guests at the F. D. Rodemeyer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Claas Symens were business callers at Belmond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stadtander and sons visited at the Bert Stadtlander home near Hampton last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bell and children visited with relatives at Hampton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Dybdohl and children of Thornton were Sunday visitors at the Karl Johansen home.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Tuesday evening after school the Halfpop children had a rather fortunate mixup. Their horse tried to wrap himself around the flag pole. The shafts were demolished, but beyond that little damage was done to the buggy and no one was hurt.

Last week Mr. Ed. Mellem made a business trip to Bricelyn.

Saturday Walt Mason and wife, Mrs. John Ahrenkeil and Mrs. Gus Okrueg autoed to Cedar Rapids to visit their daughters who are attending Coe college. They returned on Sunday afternoon. They enjoyed the trip and found the Goodell young folks enjoying their college work.

Fred Estela of Jefferson, Wis., is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Estela.

Rev. R. B. Emerson, pastor of the United Brethern churches near Kingley, Iowa, visited his daughter, Mrs. L. W. Wesenberg, last Friday and Saturday.

Miss Clara Johnson was a Mason City caller on Saturday.

Mrs. John Ahrenkeil who accompanied the Masons to Cedar Rapids, remained in the city to make an extended visit with friends and relatives.

Supt. Nelson drove to Albert Lea Friday evening and returned Sunday, bringing Mrs. Nelson with him.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Beier drove to Manson on Saturday afternoon to visit their son Walter. They returned Sunday afternoon.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. O. Sandberg and son Carl were at Oelwein, visiting friends. They returned home Sunday.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Matson made a trip to southern Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wood of Marshalltown spent Saturday afternoon and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Africa.

Roy Cline of Buffalo Center spent Saturday evening and Sunday with his parents here.

Chas. Weatherford and Theo. Saurballe of Ames drove down Sunday morning to Garner and also visited Charle's sister, Mrs. O. Busick. They returned Sunday evening.

Late Saturday evening some auto driver who, according to reports, had aboard too much hootch, ran into Harvey Hubbard's car which was standing by the road side in front of A. C. Carpenter's home. Fortunately Mr. Hubbard's car was hurt but little. Hootch and automobiles were not made to go together. But some people do no realize that.

Mrs. Julius Cook went to Rochester last week for medical advice.

Clarence Arnold who is in the hospital at Mason City, is reported some better.

United Brethern Church Notes

The Ladies Aid food sale at Julius Ahrenkeil's store on Saturday evening was well patronized. They realized about $16.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society will have their annual Woman's Day program on Sunday morning at the preaching hour. The offering will go toward a home in Canton, China, and the rural church work in the United States.

This is Rally Month in the Sunday school; the interest is fine. You are invited to meet with us for the study of God's word at 9:45 and for general worship at 11 a. m.

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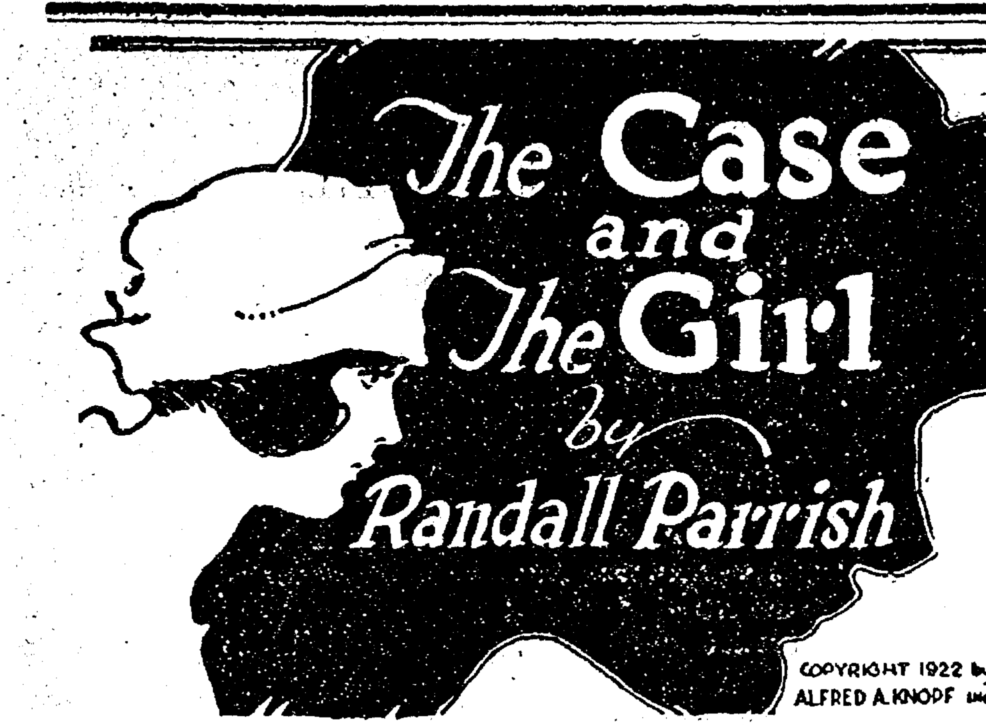

The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Answering an advertisement calling for a young man willing to engage in service of danger, Matthew West, ex-service man just returned from France, where he had been captain of engineers, meets Natalie Coolidge, writer of the advertisement, and without being instructed as to his probable duties, is engaged by her, and that same evening introduced to her friends as her fiance.

CHAPTER II.—That night, in the Coolidge home, West is startled by the appearance in his room of a young woman, whom he takes to be Natalie, but who escapes before he can be sure. Next morning Natalie tells West she has been troubled by some woman, apparently her double, who has been impersonating her.

CHAPTER III.—Percival Coolidge, Natalie's uncle and guardian, apparently is disgruntled by West's appearance as Natalie's fiance, and the feeling of antagonism is mutual. Natalie, Coolidge, and West plan a visit of charity to a poor and remote section of the city.

CHAPTER IV.—Leaving West in the car, Natalie and Coolidge enter a small cottage, remaining a length of time which causes him some uneasiness. Before they return, West secures information which leads him to believe Coolidge is deceiving Natalie, and has ulterior motives.

CHAPTER V.—On the party's return to the Coolidge home, Natalie informs West she has been mistaken in her suspicions concerning her "double," and that she has no further need for his services. West is astounded, but helpless. He leaves.

CHAPTER VI.—On his way out of the grounds, West hears a revolver shot, and investigates. He finds Percival Coolidge dead, apparently a suicide. The inquest so determines. In the city West is visited by Sexton, an old servant of the Coolidges. Sexton tells him he has been abruptly dismissed, for no apparent reason. He gives it as his belief that Coolidge was murdered, and about convinces West he is right.

CHAPTER VII.—Sexton has overheard a telephone conversation in the Coolidge home, in which a man demands Natalie's presence immediately. He gives an address, and with Sexton, West, his suspicions of things not being right strengthened by his learning that Coolidge had lied about the reason for the trip to the cottage, visits the place. It is a disreputable saloon.

All true, yet this state of mind brought no satisfaction. He was interested; he could not escape his first impressions of the girl, or drive from him a desire to serve her, whether she wished it, or not. She might, indeed, be in equal danger from an assassin. He could not determine this until he learned the cause of the slaying of Percival. Then, on the other hand, suppose some one else's suspicions were also aroused. Who would they naturally look to as guilty of this horrible crime? There was but one answer—Natalie Coolidge. She was seemingly the only person to directly benefit by his death. All these considerations urged him on, overcame his doubt and indecision. Then he desired to learn the truth himself. His eyes rested on Sexton's anxious face.

"I've been thinking it over," he admitted quietly, "and I guess it is up to you and me to find out what this means."

"Yes, sir," hesitatingly. "You—you don't think it was Miss Natalie, sir?"

"No, I do not, Sexton. I have my own reasons for saying that. Yet naturally she is the one to be first suspected. Do you know anything?"

"Only that I am sure she was in the garden, sir, when the shot was fired. I saw her there just after you drove away."

"That is conclusive then, so far as her personal actions are concerned."

"Where was it the three of you went on Sunday in the runabout, Captain West?" asked Sexton.

"To a house over in the factory district; some charity case that Coolidge was interested in—the widow of one of his employees, I believe.

"Did you see the people?"

"No, I didn't go in; waited outside in the car; it was no affair of mine. Why?" he asked in surprise.

"Because, sir, Miss Natalie seemed like a different person when she got back. Not in looks, or nothing like that, I don't mean, but in the way she talked and acted. Nothing suited her all the rest of the day. You know how she was to you, sir. Well she was just that snappy with all of us, even after we brought the body back to the house. And she wouldn't look at him, sir, not even after he was dressed proper and laid out."

"I hardly believe," said West thoughtfully, "you can attribute her state of mind to anything that occurred on that trip. Indeed she was in high spirits all the way home."

"I can't help that, sir," Sexton insisted blindly, "It was something that happened yesterday what set her wrong, an' if I was you, sir, I'd find out what happened in that house first of all. Could you find the place?"

"Yes, I think so. I'll look it up, although I don't have much faith in your theory." He glanced at his watch. "I'll go out there now. You come back here about five, and we will talk over any discoveries I may make."

"And what shall I do, sir?"

Both were standing, West with hand on the knob of the door. The light in his eyes hardened.

"Nothing occurs to me now, Sexton, unless you can find an excuse to return to Fairlawn, after something you have forgotten, let us say. If we can learn what Miss Natalie proposes doing it might furnish a clue."

"Very well, sir, and I am to be here at five o'clock?"

"Yes, at five; I will leave word with the doorman to show you in at once."

West picked up a taxi-cab for the trip, bidding the chauffeur to drive to a certain section of the city, and then up and down the various streets until told to stop. His conversation with Sexton had greatly strengthened his conviction that this was a murder, and he had determined to ferret out the truth if possible. Yet, thus far there was nothing to build upon, no clue, no motive, no suspicion as to who had perpetrated the deed. He simply faced a blank wall, in which no entrance was apparent, yet there must be one, if he was only fortunate enough to stumble upon it. Deep down in his heart West was conscious that he possessed a motive in this search far more worthy than mere curiosity. That motive was Natalie Coolidge. He smiled at the thought, yet confessed it true. In spite of her curt dismissal, his memory of the girl centered about those earlier hours of their acquaintance. Something mysterious had occurred to make her change so quickly, and he was unwilling to condemn her before learning the real reason.

The chauffeur drove slowly up and down obscure streets for half an hour before West recognized familiar surroundings, and motioned for him to draw up against the curb. He had discovered the place sought, but from the street it exhibited no signs of occupancy, nor did any knocking at the front door bring response from within. He circled the building. Every door was locked, but, as he passed along the other side to regain the taxi, a man emerged from the next house, and hailed him.

"Say, what're yer snoopin' round there for? Lookin' for somebody?"

"Yes, the parties who were here Sunday. What's become of them?"

"Hobart, you mean?"

"Is that his name? I met him downtown, and he told me to come here," West explained rapidly. "We had a deal on."

"Oh, yer did, hey," leaning his arms on the fence. "Well, Jim Hobart was the name he giv' me. That's my house, which is why I happen to know what his name was. Something queer about that fellar, I reckon, but 'tain't none o' my business. You ain't a detective, or nothin' like that, are yer?"

"Nothing at all like that," West laughed, although interested. "Why? Did you think the police might be after him?"

"Not for enything I know about, only he skipped out mighty sudden. Paid me a month's rent, and only stayed there three days. That looks sorter queer. Then Sunday that fellar what committed suicide out south—I read about it in the papers—came to see him in a car. I got a boy workin' in his factory. that's how I come to know who the guy was. The next night Hobart, an' them with him, just naturally skipped out."

"Who did he have with him here—a family?"

"A woman 'bout his age, I should say, an' a younger one. I didn't see 'em only from the window; didn't get no sight o' the girl's face at all, but could tell the way she walked she was young. They didn't have nothin' with 'em; that's all my stuff in the house there."

Feeling the uselessness of trying to learn anything more, West thanked him, and returned to the taxi.

"Back to the club," he ordered briefly, and settled into his seat to think.

The information thus gained had been small enough, yet sufficient to stimulate his belief that he was at least upon the right trail. The sudden departure of this man Hobart, and the fact that no young children were in the family, were important items to consider. Coolidge, then, had not visited this cottage to aid a widow and orphans. There had been some other object in his call. The girl must have known and understood the real purpose; that was why they both acquiesced so readily to his remaining outside in the car. It was part of their mutual plan to thus leave him in ignorance. Yet they had made a mistake in taking him along at all. This error alone gave him now an opportunity to unravel the riddle. But did it? What did he know? Merely that Coolidge had not gone to this house on an errand of charity; that the occupant called himself, temporarily, perhaps, Jim Hobart; that his family consisted of two women, undescribed except as to age; and that all three had mysteriously disappeared together. He might take it for granted that this disappearance was caused by the death of Coolidge, but they had left no trail, no inkling as to where they had gone. He might suspect this sudden vanishing had direct connection with the crime he was endeavoring to solve, but he possessed absolutely no proof, and, apparently, any further movement on his part was completely blocked.

More puzzled than ever, although now fully convinced that murder had been committed, West could do nothing but wait the reappearance of Sexton. The latter arrived promptly on time, and West told his story. His listener seemed to sense the situation clearly.

"It wasn't no mistake, your goin' out there, sir," he said confidently. "What we know now gives us something to work on anyhow, an' it's just what I thought—that trip Sunday led up to this killin', an' something happened while they was in there to stir Miss Natalie all up. Now we got to find this fellow—what did you say his name was, sir?"

"Hobart—Jim Hobart; that is, he was known by that name there."

"And did you say he has simply dropped out o' sight?"

"That's true; never left a clue behind him."

"Well, sir, I'm not quite so sure about that. You listen to me, sir. This afternoon I walked out to Fairlawn from the car line, an' come in across the fields to the house. I didn't have no good excuse for goin' back there, sir, an' was sorter afraid to meet up with Miss Natalie. She might have thought I was just spyin' 'round. But I didn't have no need for being afraid, for it seems she'd driven into town about noon, an' hadn't got back. There wasn't nobody but the servant around the place, sir. Do you remember Lizzie, the second maid—sorter full face, an' light hair?"

West nodded, wondering what all this might be leading to.

"Well, she an' I always hit it off together, an' I talked with her quite a bit. She told me, sir, that Miss Natalie had a telephone call this morning that took her into the city. Lizzie she went to the 'phone when it rang, an' it was a man's voice. He wouldn't leave no message, but insisted on speaking to Miss Natalie. Lizize had to call her down from upstairs."

"Did the girl overhear the conversation?"

"Not so as to make much out of it, sir. She was sorter interested, the man's voice being strange, and hung around in the hall listening, but about all she could make out was what Miss Natalie said. It seemed like he was givin' her some kind of address, which she didn't exactly understand, an' so she repeated it after him two or three times to be sure."

"What was the address?"

"238 Ray street, sir, an' then about an hour later, Miss Natalie ordered her car, an' drove into town."

"Alone?"

"Yes, sir; it was the electric she took."

West remained silent, tapping with his knife on the table. This might prove important, and he could not afford to ignore the information. While to his mind it was hardly likely Hobart had called the girl, yet the possibility remained.

"I never heard of a Ray street," he said at length, "but of course, there may be one. Oh, Charlie," he stopped a waiter passing. "Bring me up a city directory, will you?"

The man returned with the book, placing it on a chair next West, who immediately began to inspect the volume.

"Ray street," he said doubtfully, fingering the pages. "There is no such street here, Sexton. Are you sure you got that right?"

"That's what she said, sir; I made her say it over twice."

"Ray Street; wonder if it could be spelled with a W? By jove, it is—Wray! Here we have it, only five blocks long, extending from Conway to Grogan. Rather tough section I should judge. It wouldn't do any harm to take a look around there. Perhaps that is where Hobart went; he might have been the one calling Natalie. Rather a wild guess, but it will give us something to do. Are you game, Sexton?"

"Quite so, sir."

West hardly took the adventure seriously, being more influenced by curiosity than any other motive, but Sexton was deeply in earnest, in full faith they were upon the right trail. Doubtful as he was, West had neglected no precautions. The map assured him that they were invading a disorderly section of the city, where to be well-dressed would only invite suspicion, and might lead to trouble. To avoid this possibility, he had donned his most shabby suit, and wore a cap largely concealing his face. In one pocket of his jacket within easy reach lay hidden his service revolver loaded, and he had induced Sexton to accept a smaller weapon in case of emergency.

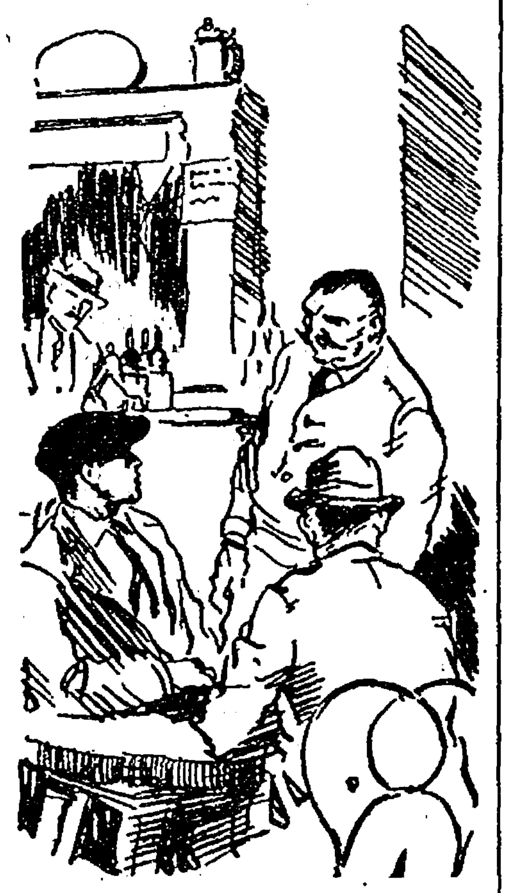
The street was not inviting, the saloon on the corner being flanked by several small factories. The brick sidewalk was in bad condition, and littered with junk of all kinds, while the roadway was entirely uncared for, and deeply rutted from heavy traffic. Half way down the block was a tannery, closed now for the night, but with its odor yet permeating the entire atmosphere. Altogether, the scene was desolate and disagreeable enough, but the street was deserted of pedestrians, the factory doors tightly closed for the night.

The two men pressed their way through along a narrow passage, finding less obstruction as they advanced, the second block being composed entirely of houses, largely of the tenement type, and apparently principally populated by children.

Wray street was lined with homes, usually humble enough outwardly, yet the thoroughfare was clean, and the small yards had generally an appearance of neatness; 238 was a three-story brick, on the corner, the second story evidently utilized for living purposes, and the ground floor occupied as a saloon. The upper story exhibited no signs of occupancy, the windows unwashed, and two of them boarded up. The two lingered in uncertainty opposite the house. Standing there idly, however, did not appeal to West.

"Well, let's go over," he said impatiently. "There is nothing to be learned here."

It was an ordinary bar-room and, their entrance apparently aroused no special interest. Besides the man behind the bar, a rather rough-looking foreigner, a Pole, in West's judgment, three customers were in the place, two with feet upon the rail talking with the drink dispenser, and, one at a small table moodily contemplating a half emptied stein of beer. There were three other tables in the room, and the captain, with a swift glance about, drew out a chair and sat down, his action being imitated by Sexton. The bartender came forward around the end of the bar, while the man nearest shifted his position slightly so as to look them over, conversation instantly ceasing. Something indefinable in the fellow's attitude, and steady stare, gave West a feeling of hostility, which was not dispelled by the gruff greeting of the bartender.



"Well, What Is It You Fellers Want?"

"Well, what is it you fellers want?"

"A stein apiece, and a sandwich—you serve them, don't you?"

"Sure; ham or beef?"

"Ham."

There was no cordiality, no welcome in either manner or speech. It was plainly the proprietor of the saloon felt no enthusiasm over his unknown customers. He came back with the beer and sandwiches, pausing this time to wipe off the table, as an excuse for speech.

"You guys live 'round here?" he asked gruffly, "Don't remember ever seein' yer in here before."

"No," returned West indifferently, looking directly into the hard face. "I'm a smoke inspector, an' we just dropped in on our way back to the office. Why?"

"Oh, nothin'; only we don't get much trade outside the neighborhood."

He walked back toward the bar, pausing an instant to whisper a word to the taller man who still stood there staring moodily at the table. What he said apparently determined action, for the fellow addressed crossed the room to where West and Sexton sat, deliberately pulled up a vacant chair and joined them.

"Bring me another, Mike," he ordered. "That is, if these gents don't object to my joining 'em awhile."

CHAPTER VIII

Trapped.

West smiled pleasantly, glad the man had taken the initiative, thus naturally opening up a way for asking certain questions. Whatever his own immediate object might be in thus scraping an acquaintance made no difference. It would doubtless develop in time, but meanwhile here was the opportunity sought to discuss the affairs of the neighborhood. Yet the subject must be approached with due caution. The very indifference of the bartender, coupled with the evident desire of this hanger-on to form an acquaintance, served to reveal the real nature of the place. Plainly enough strangers were viewed with suspicion, and this was no ordinary saloon, catering to whatever trade drifted within its doors. More than likely it was rather a thieves' hang-out, ever suspicious of the activity of the police.

Yet this fellow bore no outward semblance to the common conception of the underworld. He was well dressed, easy of manner, with an exceptionally intelligent face, blue eyes meeting West's gaze frankly, a carefully trimmed mustache, with white teeth good humoredly showing when he smiled, and threads of gray in his hair. His very appearance invited confidence and comradeship, while his outspoken words increased this impression.

"Excuse my butting in," he explained genially. "But it's d—n dull around here tonight. Nobody to talk with but a couple o' bums. You see I don't belong around here; just dropped in for a bit of business with Mike."

"I see," admitted West, puzzled,

(Continued next week)

Hampton Chronicle — Franklin county collected $1,700 in fines during the month of September and only collected $100 during the other months of this year, according to a report made by W. T. Webb, clerk of the district court. Of course, local towns in the county, Hampton included, have collected several hundred dollars in fines, but they do not pass thru the records of the district court.

Nearly all of the fines assessed by the district court have been for bootlegging and the illegal manufacture of "hootch." Of the total amount collected, $700 has been paid by violators who broke the law in driving automobiles while intoxicated.

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Belmond Local News

ANNOUNCEMENT

To the voters of Pleasant township and Belmond: I am running on the Independent ticket for Trustee against Ailt Riekens.—S. A. Bohning. 492*

Do not let your radiator freeze. Better be safe than sorry. Denatured Alcohol 60 cents per gallon.—Schultz Drug Co.

The voters of Pleasant township and Belmond should support the Independent canddate for Trustee. Adv.

If you have anything you want to sell, or if you want to buy something, need help or have something to trade, try an Independent want ad. They bring big results.

Mrs. W. H. White was up to Clear Lake last Friday, where she closed up the cottage there for the winter and looked after some other bussiness matters.

The Hat Shoppe is showing some good looking up-to-date slip-on sweaters, also novelties in hand-embroidered handkerchiefs.

Mrs. J. S. White, Mrs. Frank Baldridge and Mrs. Marsh were shoppers at Mason City on Thursday of last week.

For good milk and cream. call the **Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 8506.** tf

H. C. Thompson has commenced work on his new house, located on the lot between Willard Morses and Will Kents. He expects to push the construction work along and hopes to get into his new home before hard winter sets in.

Royal Society Package Outfits come to you complete; always the best materials, floss suhicient to work, for sale at The Hat Shoppe.

The Clarion corn carnival did not draw as large a crowd as had been anticipated, but those who did attend enjoyed a good time. There were a number of fine exhibits, and particularly in the poultry line.

Rev. Theo. Lerud, of Clifton, Texas, preached last Sunday morning in the Trinity church. He also occupied the pulpit in the St. Olaf church in the afternoon. Rev. Lerud is traveling in the interests of Clifton col. lege, soliciting money for a boys' dormatory.

Editor Jorgenson of the Klemme Times, accomanied by his wife, was in town last Saturday, and we acknowledge a pleasant call.

Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolle and daughter Bernetas were guests Sunday at the home of Prof. and Mrs. E. S. Fyler at Sheffield, where they enjoyed Sunday dinner. They report Mr. and Mrs. Fyler as being very nicely settled in their new home.

Peacock flour $1.90 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace& Co. 41tfc

The new radio for Ed. Lathrop has arrived and has been hooked up to the aerial of the Independent and Battery Station outfit. It works very nicely. Saturday the results of the various football games were received over the Independent-Battery Station radio.

ANNUAL BAZAAR

The Congregational Ladies Aid society will hold their Annual Bazaar and Supper on Thursday, November 9th, 1922, in the basement of the church. Any parties having rummage, will please leave same with either Mrs. Earhart or Mrs. Robbins. 48tfc

Wear a pair of our husking mitts and be convinced that they are the best.—Carlston & Skovlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson returned Friday from their trip to Independence.

"Premium" means the best in bacon as surely as "57'. means the best in pickles. The Cash Market has them both.

Miss Marjorie Purcell and Miss Clara Johnson were home from their duties as teachers to spend the week end with home folks.

John Brodahl is improving his shoe shop by a new coat of paint.

Wm. Nelson has purchased the Cuppet residence, and takes possession at once.

New goods are arriving daily at the D. L. Mallory Jewelry Store. Adv.

Dressmaking. Miss Hegland. In the Sorenson house, 3 blocks no. of Belmond Lbr. Co. 494*

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Mallory drove to Webster City and Fort Dodge last Thursday, where Mr Thompson was looking after business interests.

The Belmond Furniture Co. sold a piano Saturday for storage charges. The instrument had been left there many months ago and never called for or charges paid.

Mrs. Guy Baker was the lucky winner at the Engeseth sale last Saturday when she drew a pair of $18 blankets.

Theo. Closz, a former resident of this vicinity and now located at St. Paul, was in town the latter part of last week with a carload of dairy cattle, which he sold at private sale. All but three of the 22 head were sold, the highest price paid being $105, and the average being $80. The stock was exceptionally high grade.

Mrs. Ward Martin and daughter Miss Harriett, drove to Mason City where they spent the week end visiting with friends. They returned Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin are expected home from Colfax the latter part of this week. Mr. Martin has been taking treatments for his health at Colfax.

Nucoa, the original nut butter, betters the bread. The Cash Market sells it.

Mr. and Mrs. Mooney and family from Jamestown, North Dakota, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Luick and family on Friday of last week.

Miss Merle Miller of Waterloo spent the week end at this place with her friend, Miss Jewel.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans drove to Garner on Sunday where she spent the day with her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey drove to Mason City last Thursday on a few business matters.

Dr. and Mrs. Kain and Billie from Algona are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks this week.

We invite you in to the Cash Market coolers and convince yourself as to the fine grade of meats we carry.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Moore drove to Whiteman and Lidderdale, Tuesday. Mr. Moore has an elevator at Whiteman and went there on business. From there they drove to Lidderdale to see his mother, who is ill.

Mrs. George Goelz left the first of the week for Des Moines. She is attending a convention of the Eastern Star as a delegate from the local lodge.

Meservey was the scene of another robbery this week, when five different residences and business places were entered.

Rev. Leinbach has his new home in the country started and work is being pushed to complete before the severe winter weather comes.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Riley and family and Mrs. Ed. Riley from Rowan, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Byron Riley are moving to Belmond, their home being at Holyoke, Colorado.

The little daughter of W. G Walton had her tonsils removed at the hospital here Wednesday morning. The Walton family came here from South Dakota last week and are vising relatives.

Dr. Steele and W. T. Gfeller returned from their hunting trip to South Dakota last Thursday. They report hunting as being excellent.

Miss Grace Reed spent the week end here with her parents. She is teaching at Beeman his year.

Rev. T. A. Barry of Webster City is spending a few days here visiting his brothers and sisters.

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Supt. and Mrs. Guthrie were callers at Mason City one day last week on business matters.

Art Cuppett, writing to a friend in Belmond, says he is very well satisfied with his Minnesota farm. He states that the farm paid very good this year, oats going 38 bushel to the acre, corn 25, rye 24 to 28, buck wheat 18 1-2, barley 15 to 26, flax 14. In fact all crops were good with the exception of wheat. He states tha they are milking nine cows now and expect to have 13 next spring. They sell 35 pounds of butter fat a week, besides what the family uses. Tame hay sells at $15 a ton. Wood sells at $4.50 for soft, and $6.50 for hard, and he expects to cut and sell from 50 to 75 cords this winter. He tells of Martin House, who with his family are helping on the farm, going hunting and gettin 16 partridges in two hours. Art claims they can raise anything that is raised in Iowa. He has had an offer to sell his farm at an $1,800 profit, but says he is going to hang onto it at least for awhile.

Ask the Cash Market about what to serve at that dinner you are going to have, and if it's meat they have it.

If you have headache, fever, constipation, kidney or liver trouble, bronchitis, neuralgia, you must adjust the cause before you can obtain relief. That is what the chiropractor does. With his bare hands alone he releases the prisoned impulses by adjusting the movable segments of the spinal column to normal position. The chiropractor can and will help you to get well. Office hours from 2 to 6. Phone 21.—Dr. E. A. Allen, Belmond, Iowa. 49tfc

Andrew Jacobson has been working the past week for the Moore Grain Co.

It is said that parties are going thru the country contracting corn for future delivery at 60 cents a bushel. If this is true, then there are some folks who figure that corn is going up in price. Whether it will go to 75 cents is a question. At any rate, it ought to go higher than it is if the man who raises it is going to get anything for his work.

Adolph Skovlin was a business visitor at Goodell on Tuesday morning.

The County Federation of Womens clubs met in Belmond yesterday. A good attendance and a fine meeting was enjoyed. A more detailed report will be given next week.

The American Legion will hold a big dance in the opera house on Monday night of next week.

The first number of the lecture course was held Tuesday evening in the high school auditorium. It was attended by a large audience, and the entertainment was pronounced by all as being very good.

The Independent has some very nice samples of Christmas cards and will be pleased to have you look them over. Order early so that there will be no delay when you need them.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson drove to Cedar Rapids last week on combined business and pleasure.

Thornton was partially destroyed by fire last Friday, when the post office, restaurant and a warehouse of the hardware and implement company went up in smoke. A barber shop was also destroyed.

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Large type Chester White spring boars, sired by five good boars. Farm located two miles west and one-half mile north of Kanawha.—Ed. Riekens, Kanawha. 47tfc

For Sale—Second Hand cook stove. —S. Enger, Phone 309. 492*

For Sale—High grade Guernsey bull.—M. G. Luick, Belmond. Phone 3506. 493c

Four-Hundred-Bushel American wire corn crib. See Bock Lumber Co. 492c

For Sale—Two new Dickelman ventilated metal corn or grain cribs. Priced reasonable. — Johnson & Wright. 492c

For Sale—One registered Poland China herd boar, "Major's Smooth Jumbo 1st," No. 463083.—H. J. Stoffer, Alexander, Iowa. 473c

We still have a few half English Spotted Poland China boars for sale, at farmers' prices,—Heath & Box, Rowan. 482*

For Sale—Sorted Rural New York Potatoes, 50 cents per bushel. Phone 2712. —Chas. Gealow. 482*

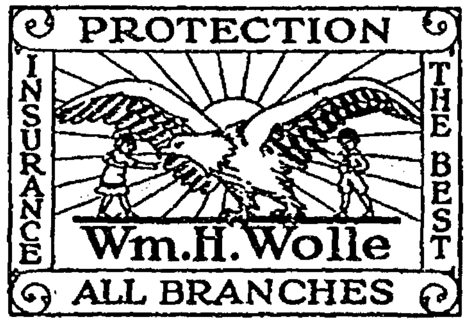
WANTED

Wanted—Corn picker, going wages. Elevator to unload.—O D. Jenison, Belmond. Phone 3217. 47tfc

Wanted—Girl to do housework. Inquire at this office. 482c

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc



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YOUTH KILLED WHEN CAR TURNS OVER

Basket Ball Next On Sports Program

School Teams Getting Ready To Start Winter Season—Other Activities Many.

BRITT WINS GAME 7 TO 0

The Junior high girls have begun their basket ball practice.

The 6th grade was visited Wednesday of last week by Misses A. D. and M. G. Luick.

The 6th grade will have a party in the gym Tuesday night from 5 to 8, and the 8th grade will have their party the same evening in the gym from 8 to 11 o'clock.

Archie Wilson will move to Manchester, Iowa, this week. He is now a member of the 3rd grade.

Floyd Hamilton entered the 3rd grade Monday.

The kindergarten held a party on Monday and Tuesday mornings. The pupils dressed as brownies, played many games and were lead by Old Mother Witch in a peanut hunt.

The following have had perfect spelling lessons in the 3rd grade this week: Herman Dorenkamp, Christina Groen, Ruth Rowe, Myrtle Johnson, Peter Steenblock, Deward McNulty, and Dwan Packard.

The following have had perfect arithmetic lessons for the past two weeks: Harriett Gowdy, Muriel Luick and Unita Packard.

Joe Zeiger re-entered the 3rd grade again after three weeks' absence while working in the beet fields.

Mrs. Starnes and Miss Kernan were visitors to the 5th grade.

The 5th grade had a picnic during the last week.

There will be no school Thursday and Friday of this week on account of the state teachers convention.

The Freshmen had a Hallowe'en party in the gym Friday, Oct. 27. The gym was decorated appropriately for the occasion with corn fodder and pumpkins. The costumes were clever. After an evening of games, light refreshments were served.

The Juniors enjoyed a picnic in the grove last Thursday evening given by their class teacher, Miss Jewel. Everyone had a very good time.

The football team played Britt last Saturday, Oct. 28. The boys played a good game but the luck for the day seemed to be with Britt. A few home folks went over to boost for the boys. The pupils that went enjoyed meeting their old teacher, Mr. Gruetzmacher, again. Britt carried off the honors by the score of 7 to 0. Britt "put up" supper for our boys before they started home.

The B. H. S. Literary society gave their program last Friday and many visitors were present. We hope to have as many at the next program.

The following people visited the grades last week:

Kindergarten—Mrs. Ned Packard, Mrs. Trafford, Mrs. George Starnes and Mrs. Ernest Stapley.

Second: Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Buntu.

Third: Miss Marie Johnson of Ackley, and Mary Kernan.

Fourth: Lee Lowenberg, Miss Brady Mrs. Pfaltzgraff, Mrs. Trafford, Mrs. Ned Packad, Mrs. Schultz, and Mrs. Brown.

The typing medal went to Cecil Riley again last week. This makes the second week that Cecil has had the honor of wearing the pin.

CONTRACT FOR GRAVELING WILSON HIGHWAY FINISHED

The work of graveling the Wilson Highway between Klemme and the Wright County line just south of Goodell has been completed.

Truck drivers hauled and dumped the last load of gravel on the highway the other day.

When the gravel is well smoothed and packed down hard the road will be as smooth and as good as paving It is now a migthy fine road which will stand a lot of traffic and will not be affected by heavy rain. —Klemme Times.

Geo. Peterson spent the week end here with his family.

SAYS HAGEMAN IS STRADDLING FENCE

Declaring that F. P. Hageman of Waverly is attempting to "straddle both sides of the liquor fence" in his campaign for Congress in the Third District, Supt. R. N. Holsaple of the Iowa Anti-Saloon League issued a statement to citizens of the Third District, urging support of T. J. B. Robinson, the Republican candidate for Congress.

Hageman's statement that he is "against liquor but in favor of light wines and beer" refutes itself, Holsaple's declaration says.

"The prohibition amendment declares against all kinds of intoxicating beverages," Holsaple continues. "The men who are sent to Congress should be men who stand ready to support the Constitution of this country thru all possible emergencies. Prohibition is a part of the Constitution and when a man declares against prohibition he is attacking the Constitution of the United States. I do not believe that the citizens of the Third District want such a man to represent them at Washington."

The League superintendent, in the same statement, heartily endorses T. J. B. Robinson, the Republican candidate.

TRINITY CHURCH

Choir practice at the church Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Thursday afternoon the Ladies Aid meets in the church parlors.

Saturday at 10 o'clock the class meets at the church.

Sunday morning Sunday school and service in the Norwegian language. at the usual hour.

The evening service will be conducted in the English language.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday afternoon the North Ladies Aid meets at the home of Torres Scott.

Thursday afternoon the class will meet at the church at 4 o'clock.

Sunday morning Sunday school at 10:30.

CO. FEDERATION HAS ENJOYABLE MEETING

Meet In Belmond Last Week As Guests Of Local Clubs—President Gives Talk.

The Wright County Federation of Womens clubs met at the library in Belmond last Wednesday. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a. m. by the president, Mrs. Henry Graepler of Dows. Mrs. H. F Luick of Belmond extended a welcome to the Federation and Mrs. Emerson of Rowan responded.

The forenoon session was devoted chiefly to the roll call, which was responded to by the delegates of the various clubs giving a few minutes' report of the work of their clubs, and the general business of the Federation.

At noon luncheon was served by the hostesses, the members of the Progress and Priscilla clubs of Belmond.

The afternoon session was opened by a talk by Mrs. Bert Thompson of Forest City, who told about her trip to Oberammergau to see the Passion Play. She told of the life of the characters of the play, and she had photos of the different characters. Her talk was highly enjoyed.

Mrs. Vera Hanson of Clarion played a piano solo. Mrs. Van Patton of Fort Dodge gave a very good lecture on "The Abundant Life."

Mrs. Hoffman of Clarion gave a review of the new book, "This Freedom." Mrs. Rosecrans of Belmond gave a talk on the pictures of the Art Exhibit. A vote was taken and "The Home of the Heron," by Innes, called the Corot of America, was found to be the most popular, with "The Harp of the Winds" as second.

During the afternoon session much discussion was held about the county nurse, and about the necessity of the services of such a nurse.

Mrs. Crowe of Clarion sang a very beautiful solo, and Miss Mulnix from Dows gave a humorous reading.

WELL KNOWN GOODELL MAN PASSES AWAY

Other Items Of Interest From Neighboring Town As Reported By Correspondent

J. W. Griggs and daughter, Maud, came down from Ventura Saturday evening.

Mrs. H. T. Miller returned home from Ames on Monday.

There was a Hallowe'en party at the high school last week for the school children

The U. B. ladies staged a nice Hallowe'en party in the basement of the church for those who did not attend the high school party.

The Women's Missonary Association gave a very interesting program last Sunday morning. The offering was about $30.

The W. M. A. will hold their November meeting at the parsonage on Friday p. m. at 2 o'clock

CLARENCE A. ARNOLD

Last Friday afternoon at his home was held the last sad rites of this good and influential man in his community. On Monday evening at 5:00 o'clock he passed away. Some weeks ago he was taken to a hospital at Msson City where medical and surgical skill did all that it could to save his life, but his life's work seemed to have been completed and medical science was of no avail.

Mr. Arnold was a progressive and up to date farmer, beng an extensive breeder of good live stock. However, his intrests were not all centered in farming. He took a very active part in all movements that tended to benefit rural life. He was especially active in promoting the agencies that develope the educational and moral life of the youth.

He was an active, dependable and spiritual member of the First M E. church at Klemme. The pastor who was instrumental in getting him to religious life preached the sermon, assisted by Rev Bergman. His last words were "I have kept the faith." A loyal citizen, a helpful neighbor, a kind, loving husband, and a godly man has gone from this world of tears to join that innumerable company of the redeemed.

The large attendance at the funeral services is a testimony of his inestimable worth to the community and their high appreciation of him.

James Trumbell of Mason City was in town last Wednesday.

A. D. White was a Mason City visitor last Tuesday.

Elmer Kienenberger and Tony Boller left Wednesday for Garwin, where they will work this fall and winter, loading gravel for the trucks that are graveling the Lincoln highway. The married men of the crew will have their wives with them and they will live in tents and board themselves.

Last Wednesday a large per cent of the school pupils had their pictures taken.

Supt. Nelson is constructing a radio for the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wesenberg were in Mason City on Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Julius Cook returned from Rochester last Tuesday.

Last Thursday as Joseph Heginger was crossing the Wilson highway just south of the school grounds his car stopped. A Ford car coming from the south and running at high speed, ran into his car. The car from the south was unable to see Mr. Heginger's car until within a few rods, but the driver was able to reduce the speed enough so that little damage was done aside from a smashed fender, foot board, and the side of the car. Mr. Heginger feels that he was lucky to get out so fortunate.

Mr. Engeseth's closing out sale brought many buyers from a distance and he closed his place of business Saturday. He is now packing his remaining stock which he will move to Frost, Minn.

Earl Jenison an family visited at the O. Sandberg home on Sunday.

Earl Clark made a business trip to Garner last Friday.

Miss Adalaide Engeseth of Blue Earth, Minn., came down Thursday night and helped with the closing out sale.

Mrs. H. T. Miller made the address for the Women's Missionary association of the Ames United Brethern church on Oct. 29.

Saturday, Supt. Nelson moved into the Goodrich house. Tony Boller had moved out a few days before.

Caryl Church of Clear Lake visited at the home of Mrs. Christensen on Friday.

The Goodell hotel changed hands the last of October. Mr. W. Kirkwood moved out and N. C. Chelvig moved from the farm into the hotel.

KANAWHA MAN SAYS BRIDE WAS STOLEN

"Other Fellow" And Mother Get Her To Leave After Marriage He Claims.

Clarion News—A few hours after Albent Judd and Miss Doris Wheeler of Kanawha were married at the Little Brown Church, things began to happen. The bride's mother came down from Algona early that morning and was said to have been brought by Albert Smith, a cracker salesman who had kept company with Miss Wheeler for some two years past and who, it is claimed, was engaged to marry her. The two induced, thru threats or force, the husband believes, the bride of a few hours to depart with them, and since then he has failed to find a trace of her.

Mr. Judd's story of the marriage, as told to friends, is that he had been attentive to Miss Wheeler, a seventh grade teacher in the Kanawha schools the past two terms, and their friendship had ripened into love. He knew that Albert Smith was also keeping company with Miss Wheeler, but hoped to win her hand. A tacit understanding is said to have been had between Miss Wheeler and Mr. Smith, but one report is that the girl claimed Smith's suit was advanced more by the mother than Smith himself, and finally there was an agreement between Miss Wheeler and Mr. Judd to consummate their marriage at the Little Brown Church in the Vale. This understanding was reached after Corn Carnival Day in Clarion, the two having spent the afternoon and evening here.

Saturday morning at seven o'clock the young folks started from Kanawha for New Hampton, where a marriage license was secured. A friend accompanied the couple to the Little Brown church, where the marriage is said to have been solemnized.

Smith, the jilted lover, is said to have been in Kanawha Friday learning that Judd was paying marked attention to Miss Wheeler. Next day, it is claimed, he drove to Algona and returned with the mother. When the bridal souple returned, Mr. Judd left his bride at the Dr. Stewart home where she had been rooming, and went to his father, Dr. Judd's home. Then the mother and Mr. Smith shortly afterward departed in company with the bride.

To friends Mr. Judd is said to have stated that he would fight for his bride. He was in Algona Monday but could not find Mrs. Judd at home. It is understood an attorney is representing him in the matter, and a habeas corpus may be secured forcing the mother to produce the daughter in open court.

Mr. Judd is a young man in his late twenties. His bride is nearing twenty-three. Judd was married when a young man, but is divoced. He is a sign painter. Mrs. Judd is a teacher of experience and has a splendid reputation and character. She is a petite young lady, inclined to dress well, and is very good looking Among her friends and close associates it was know that she was having hard work to make up her mind as to whom she really loved. Kanawha people are considerably excited over this dramatic episode of real life.

Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

LITTLE CHILD CLAWED BY BEAR AT WEST BEND GROTTO

A child from Storm Lake, who, with its parents were visiting the Grotto at West Bend Sunday suffered a severe injury to its arm near the shoulder when old Dick, the mammoth bear caught it with his paws and pulled and clawed the arm of the little one. The child was finally released by men using a crowbar to pry loose the bear's claws. As the local doctor was absent the child was taken to Algona for treatment. The bear will be chained or killed that no such occurence will take place again. Father Dobberstein, the proprietor of the Grotto, is very much worried over the affair.

Three years ago a little girl from Britt was nearly killed by one of the bears. That bear was killed immediately after, but they thought this bear was safe as it appeared to be quite gentle. Warning signs have always been posted all about the grotto. —Exchange.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

We were glad to see a good increase last Sunday over the Sunday before. However, we were not quite up to normal yet. Let us try to be in our places next Sunday on time. We are hoping that our teaching force will all soon be able to be in their places again.

The services last Sunday evening were well attended and the address by Dr. Varnadore was one that should open the eyes of all to the need of a united effort to combat the immorality which is so prevalent.

If the reports are half true much "booze" is being sold and drunk around Belmond but the officers do not seem to find it out. If anyone has any legal information that they would give before the court we would be glad to get it

. There will be the regular services next Sunday morning and night. Remember November the 9th is the day for the Ladies Aid bazaar.

LARGEST SUGAR BEET WEIGHS 15 1-2 POUNDS

And 15 Acres Of Beets Stand To Bring Belmond Farmer A Nice Fat Profit.

The five dollar gold prize offered by the State Bank for the largest sugar beet grown this year for the Belmond factory, went to a Belmond farmer, Fred Loats, whose entry had a weight of 15 1-2 pounds. Mr. Loats has been presented with his prize.

Mr. Loats had around 15 acres of sugar beets in this year, and the one big beet was not all he raised on them His beets averaged between 14 and 15 tons to the acre. The cost per acre in raising these beets will amount to around $25 to $27. It is safe to say that he will realize $6.00 a ton from the beets. Therefore an acre of beets will bring in around $85 while the cost of raising will be less than $30. Mr. Loats should be on the right side of the ledger from $60 to $70 an acre. How does that compare with corn? And in addition Mr. Loats has the beet tops—fine stock feed—and his ground is already plowed—he can plant corn on the ground next year without plowing, and get a 15 per cent better crop because he had the beets there this year.

DEMOCRAT SPEAKER TO BE HERE FRIDAY EVENING

Honorable Ed. Murtagh of Algona will be in Belmond on Friday evening of this week to address the voters of this community. The meeting is to be held in the city hall at 8:00 o'clock. Mr. Murtagh, who is a well known banker, is an able and convincing speaker and will present to Belmond people the democratic side of the fence in the various political issues

Scoop Larsen was called to Klemme last week by the funeral of a relative.

Three Others Are Badly Injured

Four Young Men Speeding Are Blinded By Lights And Go Into Ditch.

HAPPENS NEAR CLARION

One man was killed, another very badly injured, and two others more or less seriously bruised late Saturday night when the Paige speedster they were driving went into the ditch and turned over, near Clarion.

Albert Larsen, residing west of Belmond was killed outright, Gerhard Tegland and Walter Ford of Clarion were badly bruised, and Fred Hobson suffered a fractured skull and other injuries. According to the best available information, the four young men were driving from Eagle Grove to Clarion, and going at a pretty stiff speed. When within about three miles of Clarion on the west, Tegland, who was driving and whose car it was, states he was blinded by the lights of an approaching car. He turned out to the right to avoid it, and it is thought turned too far, so that the wheels began to slip down the grade. The other car passed and Tegland, feeling the car slipping, turned back into the road. It is presumed that he turned so sharply that the car sped across the road and into the ditch on the left side before he could help it. The right rear wheel broke as the car went into the ditch, and this helped the car to keep a balance for several yards. Tegland evidently tried to swerve back into the road, and the front wheels, hitting soft sand, caused the car to turn a somersault forward, end for end.

Larsen, who was sitting in front with Tegland, was evidently thrown out to the side as the car turned over, and became caught under the rear axle and dragged. The spokes of the wheel penetrated his chest, and when found he was pinned down by the axle.

The car, said to be a new one and valued at $2,800, is a total wreck, being smashed to kindling and torn to pieces.

While one of the men says that the report of their going 60 miles an hour when the accident occured is not true, yet people who have seen the wreck and viewed the scene of the tragedy, are of the opinion that only excessive speed could have caused such an accident. It is also reported that the men admitted having had a "nip" before they left, altho there is no charge that they were under the influence of liquor when the accident occured.

A coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death, and a phone call to the county attorney's office yesterday afternoon gave the information that contrary to reports here, no criminal poceedings are planned in connection with the case.

FACTORY GOING FULL BLAST

The sugar factory continues to operate at full blast. The mill is going at capacity or better every day, and the sweet stuff is pouring out by the hundreds of pounds daily. Altho the operating force has been rather small the work has not been hindered and things are running very smoothly and economically.

The factory is now open to the public every day of the week with the exception of Sundays. It was decided that no visitors would be allowed Sundays because of the crowds that would be there, and the more or less interference with the workmen which they would cause. Week days however the public is welcome.

Sugar is being sold as it is made to some extend, and some is being stored. The price of sugar has been good, and indications are that it will be better. Beets are piled at the factory grounds by the thousands of tons, the bins being full and many piled along the side tracks. There is every reason to believe that the company will return a profit, which, while it may not be extra large, should nevertheless be good.

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THINGS TANGLED OFTENTIMES

Waverly Democrat: How much mental anguish we could spare ourselves if we had the ability always to look at the bright side of things, and how much injustice in our judgment of others would be avoided if we always understood the motives that govern their actions and behavior.

You meet a friend on the street and offer a friendly greeting. He seems to look you squarely in the eye but does not return the greeting. At another time a good acquaintance crosses the street when he sees you coming or deliberately looks the other way, apparently to avoid you. Immediately you feel the pang of having been snubbed. You are miserable for days and wonder what you may have done to deserve such treatment. If you had the facts you would know that your friend was deeply engrossed in thought, perhaps he was trying to untangle some business or household problem or was himself worrying about some imaginary grievance and therefore was not conscious of seeing you.

A cutting, insinuating remark may hurt your innermost feelings, and yet it was not meant to be unkind. The one who made it may have been ill and nervous from overwork and worry and, therefore not responsible for what he said.

At another time you address a remark or a question to a person who apparently ignores you entirely. If he is a good friend you feel hurt and slighted, while if he is merely a casual acquaintance or a stranger you think, "the big stiff," and silently put him down as a dub—and all this because you do not know that he did not hear a word you said.

We accuse others of being unfriendly and "stuck-up" because they seem haughty and unfriendly, when as a matter of fact they simply haven't the same gift of gab that you have, some physical defect may prevent them from being good mixers, or they are simply overly self-conscious, timid and bashful. Just go out of your way to be friendly to such a person and see how he will warm up to you.

Try always to look at the bright side of things and to be more charitable in your judgment of others and see how much more cheerful the world will smile back at you. Ah, we judge each other harshly,

Knowing not life's hidden force.
Knowing not the fount of action
Is less turbid at its source,
Seeing not among the evil
All the golden grains of good;
Oh, we'd love each other better—
If we only understood.

Men Being What They Are.

"This is the first time Henry has been away from me at night since we were married," sobbed the young bride.

"But your mother is with you."

"That only makes matters worse. She's been telling me about father."

Second thoughts are best only when they are an improvement over the first.

Need Them.

"Do you think girls ought to put on knickerbockers?"

"Yes, replied Miss Cayenne, "especially those I have seen photographed in bathing suits."

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IOWA PRESS ASSOCIATION

VOTE "YES"

One of the things to be decided next Tuesday is the soldier bonus. The state of Iowa wants to know whether you want to give the ex-service men of the state a bonus for their services in the war.

Vote "yes."

Some may say that the boys do not need it; that no premium should be placed on patriotism. None is. And perhaps there are some of the boys who do not need it. But the idea is here, that they left everything to go—and drew a dollar a day for the privilege of being shot and gassed and starved and frozen, while the war laborer stayed at home in warm quarters with plenty of food, and he drew his ten dollars a day regularly. And he had no risk of life. To be fair should we not see that the man when went into active service gets a little to balance it up. The country was not at all backward in allowing contractors a bonus for their services and materials; no holler was heard about that; then we should be ashamed of ourselves to deny the bonus now to those who really deserves it.

The issue will call for $20,000,000, to be raised in bonds and paid by the same old way, taxes. Now don't get excited over that word taxes; you aren't going to be hurt. The amount need is spread over a long period of time, and the levy is small, two mills the first year, after that one. If you own property worth four hundred dollars, the taxable value is one fourth, or $100. A two mill tax on that will be 20 cents. Is your patriotism worth 20 cents?

LOST

One Chamber of Commerce. When last seen was vainly struggliug for breath, gasping for air, and endeavoring to look alive. Is good workable machine if properly oiled and looked after. Has three speeds, one forward and two back. Was running in reverse gear when last seen. May have died from sleeping sickness. No reward offered for information as to whereabouts, as it is of no good to anyone in condition last seen. Might be rejuvinated if tied to the high line of the Iowa Falls Co. Definite assurance as to whether it is alive or dead would be appreciated by the citizens of Belmond. If located, sound fire siren.

A WHATISIT?

In a recent edtiorial the Hampton Chronicle takes to task the newspaper which retains an independent political line. The Chronicle maintains, as the Independent gathers it, that the newspaper which is neither republican or democrat whole hearted ly is neither fish, fowl nor good red herring. It is a sort of Barnum's Whatisit, a thing of curiosity, without foundation. How come, T. W? Does a paper have to be one or the other to have sound vews or to see clearly the issues? The Independent is neither republican nor democrat; it is just what its name implies. No party ever had a monopoly on good men, or bad ones; the politician who advises you to vote a straight ticket is pretty apt to be crooked, and he who votes straight regardless is too easily led to be a good voter.

Enough pure junk comes to the editorial desk of this paper each week to paper a good sized room—if one wasn't paricular about what he looked at. The democratic committee is frothing at the mouth with the iniquities of the republians, and the republicans are weeping tears of bitter anguish because the democrats may get control and start us all to the demnition bow-wows. If the newspaper is democrat it swallows one side, if republican it gulps the other. The independent view endeavors to pick the meat from both nuts and throws the balance in the waste basket. Sometimes there is nothing but balance.

Nay, nay, Tom; he who sits on the side lines is pretty apt to get a bettr view of the game than the players. And it's a cinch he can enjoy the game. The newspaper which is not tied hoof and horns to any one party or organization is in a better position to serve its readers and the general public better. It is more free to honestly praise or justly condemn, and it is much more liable to see what is deserving of either.

The manufacturer of the Durant cars says he will meet every price drop of Henry Ford. Hope so. If he does, some of us will be able to get a car for nothing, and maybe get paid for taking it.

To judge from the daily press, this seems, to be an unlucky year for some folks. Have you noticed the headlines?

If you have ever noticed, the man who knows it all is pretty apt to ask his wife about it before hand.

It's too bad that things can't be run by others than those who are running them; they know how to do it so much better.

Pretty soon you'll hear the same old story, "Pretty cold, ain't t?"

CLIPPINGS

One day last week a man who was passing the Henry Thomas home noticed that the house was on fire. Upon investigation it was found that the fire had been started, and was not accidental. The Thomas family was not at home.—News.

A. L. Lamb, of near Eagle Grove, was in the city Tuesday advertising his public sale. He is moving from the Carson farm to Belmond, where he has purchased the rendering plant, and which he has already opened to the public. Mr. Lamb is an experienced man in this business and has engaged competent help to assist in the business. A farmer named McCoy, from near Williams, will move to the Carson farm.—News

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith of Belmond were visiting Klemme friends and shopping Saturday. —Times.

Louie Henschen took his gold fish out of the fountain in front of the Court House last week and put them into winter quarters in the basement. He had about 25 fish last spring and there were nearly three times that many when he corralled them last week. The small gold fish were almost black, but are getting lighter colored, and Louie says that in a short time they will all be gold colored. —Garner Signal.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mechem, of Belmond, were Klemme shoppers Saturday.—Times.

A four-year old baby, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peterman of Burt, climbed a ladder until he was about twenty feet from the ground, and after shouting down to his small playmates that they had better look out as he might fall, he lost his hold and fell to the ground, and was killed almost instantly.—Humboldt Republican

Mrs. LuVerne Smith went to Belmond Wednesday evening for a visit with relatives.—Klemme Times.

Last week, we mentional briefly, the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown from their home in St. Louis. They came here to visit Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Brown, and made the trip in their Curtis aeroplane. Their flying time from St. Louis to Garner, a distance of 425 miles was six hours.—Garner Leader

Wesly sugar beet raisers are harvesting their beets and loading them as fast as possible. Owing to the dry condition of the ground the beets are in nice shape and handle easily. The crop in this vicinity is a good average yield.—Wesley News-World.

Chicken thieves have been getting in their work in this vicintiy of late. At the Nick Neve home the first of the week some 200 chickens, about all he had, were stolen. An organized effort upon the part of dealers in all neighboring towns in which an agreement is entered into not to buy poultry from a stranger, would go a long way toward stopping the nefarious business. Perhaps the most effective plan to adopt is to so arrange a shotgun in your chicken house so that it can not be entered without dischanging the gun. There is one large raiser of poultry in this vicinity who has successfully prepared for these nightly visitors in this way, and the arrangement is so skillfully placed as to mean a job for the undertaker.—Thornton Enterprise.

A farmer near Havelock named Obrecht, was severely shocked a short time ago when he was climbing a woven wire fence by boosting himself by a guy wire from an electric high line pole. It seems that he was taking his dog with him and was assisting the dog over the fence at the same time. When he lifted the dog and rested it on the guy wire to the high line pole, the dog caine into contact with the live wire, and the electricity passed through the dog and into Obrecht. This is probably what saved his life. He was knocked down and severely burned, and is still in bed. The dog, however, is as frisky as ever, through it is now afraid of wire fences.—Exchange.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Luthern Aid—

The Ladies Aid of the St. John's Luthern church meets this afternoon with Mrs. Wippermann.

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Idle-a-while—

The members of the Idle-a-while club held a Hallowe'en party in the basement of the library Tuesday evening. The rooms were decorated with Hallowe'en decorations. The members had a jolly good time with the witches and ghosts, and when they were ready for their big chicken supper they found that two quarts of whipped cream that had been set on the window sill to keep cool had been taken by witches who roam on Hallowe'en.

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Auxiliary—

The Auxiliary postponed their regular meeting until Mrs. J. E. Wallace the presidnt, who has been ill, is able to conduct the meeting. As soon as she is able a special meeting will be called as there is much business to be done.

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Eastern Star—

The Eastern Stars held their regular meeting Wednesday evening. One new member, Miss Beatrice Leinbach, was initiated Mrs. Geo. Goelz gave a report of the meeting of the Grand Chapter at Des Moines, which she attended as a delegate. Refreshments were served.

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Home Talent—

The Community Club is planning a home talent play to be given on Nov. 17 and 18. Mrs. Josephine Friel McAlpin will train the characters.

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Delphian—

The Delphian club members entertained their husbands at a Hallowe'en masquerade party at the home of Mrs. R. H. Klemme on this week Tuesday evening. The rooms were elaborately decorated in Hallowe'en style and the evening was spent in various stunts which caused much amusement. A witch was present who told each ones' fortune, and she revealed many surprising events in the past and future of some of the guests. At the close a two course luncheon was served by the hostess.

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Progress—

Members of the Progress cub met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. W. R. Ramsay. Mrs. H. C. Thompson was the leader, and the lesson was "Occupation of the Land of Promise."

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Community—

The Community Welfare club met last Friday at the library. After the business meeting, Mrs. A. E. Martin and Mrs. Rosecrans gave talks about the pictures in the Thistle Art exhibit, and explained some of their good and bad points. The exhibit included reproductions of many of the old masters and was a rare treat to the ladies of the community. A vote was taken to prove which one of the pictures was the most popular, and "The Home of the Heron" proved to be the winner.

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Kensington—

Mrs. J. J. Sharon entertained the members of the Kensington club on Wednesday afternoon. A two-course supper was served by the hostess. A very enjoyable social afternoon was had.

Children's
MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

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Cough Remedy
is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

Kinseth's Store News

We have received a barrel of irported Lincoln Berries for pies and sauce. Have you ever tried them? They are bettr than cranberries and make delicious pies. Come in and get a few for a trial.

If you will wait until the last of the week we will have some dandy apples for you at only $1.60 a bushel. They are good eating and will keep. Better call 19 and have us send you up a barrel, because they are going to go fast.

There's really nothing like a steaming hot cup of good coffee for the breakfast. We have the best Peaberry coffee at 38 cents. Use four-fifths of the package—if you are not entirely satisfied return the other fifth and get your money back. We are that sure it will please you. It's REAL coffee, folks.

Canned milk at 5 and 10 a can.

Some nice canned blackberries and Logan berries at 28c.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Corn Demonstrations On November 7th and 8th

Professor B. E. Heizman of the Farm Bureau Crops Department at Ames will be in Wright county on November 7th and 8th to assist with the demonstrations in checking up the results of the corn yield experiments which were conducted in four different points thruout the county this year.

The first demonstration will be held Tuesday, November 7th, at the Harry Inners farm two miles northeast of Goldfield, when the weights will be taken and moisture determinations made on samples of corn which were contributed by the following men:

Miller S. Nelson
Bert Siemens
M. L. Clark
Herald Holm
Jas. McGowan
Clarence McBride.
L. B. Price
T. A. Knight

The second demonstration will be held at the H. A. Flett farm 6 miles southwest of Dows, when reports will be made on samples from the following men:

F. L. Bubeck
Chas. M. Overbaugh
G. D. Denger
:d Harring
Harry Woodley
M. R. Pierce
W. F. Mechem
Harry Inners
N. L. Vanderlip

The men on whose farms the experiments were conducted will, with the assistance of those contributing samples, husk and pile the corn of each man's sample at the end of the field where it will be weighed and moisture determination made in order that the highest yielding corn may be found how the various strains of corn of the county yield on the different types of soil.

Meat Cutting Demonstrations

Many Wright county farmers will be interested in the meat demonstrations planned by the Wright County Farm Bureau for next week. County Agent Edwards has arranged with Mr. C. W. Macdonald, Animal Husbandry specialist from the Extension department of Iowa state college to demonstrate methods of slaughtering, cutting and curing meat on the farm at two meetings to be held in different sections of the county November 9th and 10th of next week.

Many Iowa farmers have forotten the old fashioned butcher days. Some have been losing meat as the result of improper methods in curing and have found it easier, tho more expensive, to buy their meat. Mr. MacDonald will present the demonstrations in such a way that those present will be given an opportunity to actually practice in the slaughtering and cutting. He says the men attending these demonstrations will find the annual butchering days less of a task, and the loss of meat on the farm should be reduced to a minimum. Hogs, beef and sheep will be slaughtered and the carcasses cut up at the demonstrations. Methods of curing and smoking and sausage making will be fully discussed.

The places of meeting for the demonstrations have not been decided as yet, but announcement will be made by mail of the places and time of meeting. Nearly all the farmers are busy picking corn and some may feel that they cannot afford to take the time to attend the meat demonstrations, but we feel that those who can arrange their work so as to attend one of these demonstrations will be greatly repaid for their effort.

Bring your knives and overalls and come prepared to work.

Costume Planning Demonstrations

Miss Bertha Foster, Clothing expert from Ames, conducted three very interesting demonstrations in the county last week. Her demonstrations were along the line of "Costume Planning" and according to the ladies who attended these meetings, her work was very interesting and highly instructive.

The first meeting was held Monday October 23, at the J. E. Kirstein home, Wollstock township, and was attended by about 25 ladies of the township and surrounding community. The second demonstration was held at the Jay Tice home near Cornelia, Tuesday, October 24th and was attended by about 50 ladies of the community, and the third meeting was held at the Glen Knox home, Vernon township, on Wednesday, October 25. with an attendance of about 30.

Even tho Wright county is without a home demonstration agent the ladies department of the farm bureau is not being neglected. There seems to be a growing demand for demonstrations and specialized work for the ladies of the county, and there is an effort being made to have a complete ladies organization, the purpose of which will be to carry on the home projects more extensively. Beginning November 13 there will be Home Demonstration agent work held thruout the county and every lady is asked to be thinking about the work which will be conducted by Miss Huber, Clothing specialist from Ames. The projects which Miss Huber will take up in the meetings will be:

"Alteration of Commercial Pattern, "Making the Foundation pattern," and "Short cuts in sewing."

Club Work Progressing

Farmers of the county will be interested to know about the great interest which is being taken by the boys and girls of the county in the club work which is now being organized. Since the call went out for enrollments in the Baby Beef club there have been about 25 to 30 boys and girls who have indicated their willingness to feed and care for a calf to be fed out and shown at the state fair next year. About 40 or 50 calves have been located on the different livestock farms of the county and this number includes individuals from the Shorthorn, Angus, and Hereford breeds

Any boy or girl who enters the feeding contest will take a calf which was born between March to June of this year and feed this animal until fair time next year, when all calves will be shown in a local show and possibly in a neighboring county fair, and then at the state fair at Des Moines. Weights will be taken and the actual feeding contest will begin December 1st and each club member will be required to keep an accurate account of all feed consumed in order that definite figures may be had on the cost per pound of the gains on the animal.

Boys and girls who are interested in the Baby Beef club should remember that the baby beeves which were sold at the state fair this year ranged in price from nine to 12 cents per pound and the average weight of the calves sold was about a thousand pounds. This shows what a return is made to the boy or girl for efforts put forth and of course every boy or girl has the chance of winning the prize which amounts to a neat sum.

Judging Team To Chicago

Word has just been received from Paul Taff, State Club leader at Ames, to the effect that the Wright county boys and gris have been entered at livestock judging contest of the International Livestock Show, which is to be held December 2nd to 9th.

The Wright county boys who proved themselves champions of the state will make the trip, accompanied by the County Agent, to Chicago, where they will judge in competition with champion teams from other states of the union as well as teams from foreign countries, including Mexico, Canada and possibly England. According to the state club leader, Clarence Clark, who is attending Iowa State College this year, will be barred from taking part in the judging contest which, according to the International Livestock Judging rules, must be a noncollegiate judging contest.

The boys who will make the trip to Chicago with County Agent Edwards are as follows:

Everett Denby, Lake township.
Clyde Knight, Liberty township.
Ross Meachem, Lincoln township.

It will be remembered that Ross Mechem was chosen as alternate on the team which represented our county at the state fair at Des Moines, and the Interstate fair at Sioux City. Since Clarence Clark has been barred from entering the Chicago contest Ross Mechem automatically becomes a member of the regular team.

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You are hereby notified that by virtue of a Special execution, to me directed, and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgment rendered in said Court in favor of Johnson & Wright, a co-partnership, and against Henry F. Sporaa for the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Two and 46-100 Dollars debt, and Forty Four and 05-100 dollars costs, I have levied upon the folowing described personal property, to-wit:

One Jenney Silo Filler and Husker, Six Roll.

And that on the 13th day of November, 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m. at the H. Sporaa farm 4 miles east and 2 miles south of Belmond, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clarion, on this 21st day of October, 1922.

HENRY LANG
Sheriff Wright County, Iowa
J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

Belmond Local News

Mrs. Lena Anderson fsom Westbrook, Minnesota, was a guest last week at the Ward Martin and Tom Brooks homes.

Mrs. Dan Brooks and son John went to Hayfield last Thursday. Mrs. Ray Hawley and children returned with them.

Miss Claire Jewell, the Commercial teacher in the local school, spent the week end at her home in Waterloo.

The ten year old son of Geo. Luick was operated on for appendicitis at the local hospital Sunday. It was a rather serious case, as the appendix was ruptured, but the little fellow is reported as coming along very nicely at this writing.

Thowald Hodney, one of the men working at the sugar factory, narrowly escaped death one day last week when he became caught in the conveyor belt. His overalls in some manner were drawn into the belt, and seeing his danger the man gave a hard, sudden jerk, which enabled hm to get loose, altho his clothes were torn from his body. It was in a somewhat similar manner that a death occured during the first campaign. Hodney can consider himself lucky.

Mrs. Raymond Norris and children from Garner visited at the home of Mr. and Ms. W. A. Brewer last week a few days.

Mrs. Will White went to Fort Dodge on Monday to attend to some business affairs and spend a while at the home of her son, Clair, and wife

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bohning took Mr. and Mrs. S. Hubbard to Des Moines on Sunday. They are enroute to their home at Durango, Colorado.

Charley Peterson and family from Hampton spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. P. J. Peterson.

Mrs. Seth Huntington and two children came Tuesday for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Boughton.

Griesy's Store News

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You don't need to fear tomorrow if you have done your level best today.

Genuine I. H. C. Repairs

The rate of depreciation of farm machines depends very largely on the kind of repairs that are used. The right kind of repairs add new life to a machine, but the "made-for" kind are like patches. The International Harvester company makes repair parts from the original patterns for every McCormick-Deering machine. Parts sold for repairs are made exacty the same as for new machines. You naturally want to make your farm machines last as long as possible, and the next time you need I. H. C. repairs be sure to get the genuine from us.

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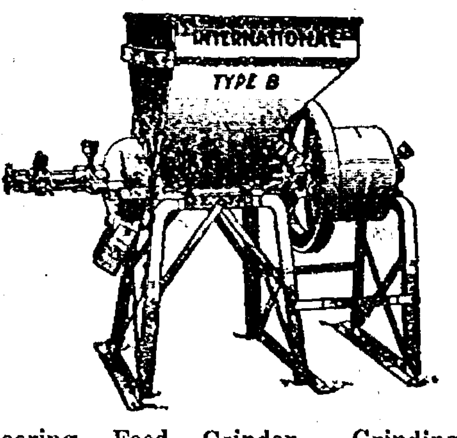

Power For the Farm Shop

Every farmer will find it a great advantage to have a repair shop—a place where all ordinary repair work can be done quickly and economically. This shop should have a few simple tools and a dependable kerosene engine. There is no question but that a repair shop will prove a profitable investment because it will permit repairing to be done in the shortest possble time. The power for the farm shop should be dependable. International engines are meeting this need and are pleasing their owners. International engines have removable cylinders, enclosed crank cases, serviceable magnetos, improved oiling facilities, etc. They are made in 1 1-2, 3, 6 and 10 horse power sizes.

One reason why so many men leave home is because they hate to stay there alone.

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WHERE GOD'S COUNTRY IS.

Those who read only the dailies of great cities, and never see the home-town paper, may taste the spice of American life, but they miss much of its salt. Many a pen that might be a power in the metropolis strolls leisurely across the lesser pages of a country weekly because its owner, perhaps, prefers to work where he can go home to lunch every day through quiet streets overarched with familar trees and paved with contentment. The other day we found this on the editorial page of the Goshen (New York) "Democrat":

"When a man is far away from the placed that he has lived in for years, and his heart yearns for home, he says: 'Some day I am going back to God's country.' "

Whether it is some little country town where the only lights come from the windows that glitter down the lane, and the only noises are the lowing of the cattle in the fields and the sighing of the winds through the trees, it is God's country for the man who knows that there are faces there which will light up at sight of him and hands that will grasp his own in open friendliness and affection.

Or, if it is some great city where countless, thoughtless thousands squirm and twist in their endless rushings to and fro, it is past all speaking dear to the man who calls it home.

All over the nation men say that they live in God's country or that they used to live there and are looking forward to their return.

God's country is America, thruout its length and breadth. But to the individual, God's country is where the home is and where the friends are.

In all his wanderings he believes it. There, he knows, are the sweetest girls, the bravest men, the bluest skies, the reddest roses. There he finds the peace that passeth understanding near the things he loves. —Colliers Weekly.

A Jewel.

"Does his new wife love him?"

"Does she? Why, she even takes in washing to help him meet his alimony.

A Soft Answer.

She—You ought to give up smoking—it affects the heart.

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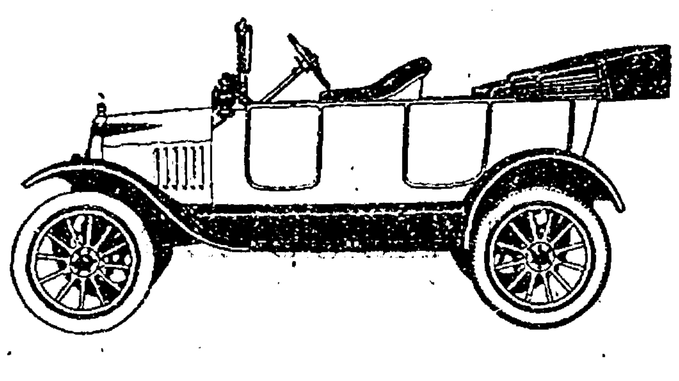

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John Ruiter and family moved into the house in the north part of town owned by C. Bier.

La Bonna Brogan of Garner was visiting her young friends here on Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and daughter Lydia motored to Mason City on Friday. While there they called on Bert Stadtlander who is in a hospital where he had undergone an operation the fore part of the week. They report him getting along as well as can be expected.

K. [illegible] Ruigh Harm Groer and M. A. Smith motored to Mason City on Thursday evening to hear Congressman G. N. Haugen.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bier were Mason City shoppers on Wednesday, making the trip in their car.

Mrs. James Hemming of Thornton spent several days the fore part of the week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Foss.

Mrs. Dan Wenzell, Sr., of Belmond was visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walt Braga, several days last week.

For Sale—Young cattle. See U. J. Cooper, Meservey, Iowa. 50tfc

ROBBERS CAPTURED

The two robbers wanted here were captured at Osceola last week and brought to Mason City where they pled guilty, each receiving a sentence for ten years.

A third member, who accompanied the party from Des Moines was given five years. A week ago last Sunday night two houses and three business places were robbed and five automobiles were tampered with in an attempt to get a conveyance to carry the loot, but somehow they all failed to start.

Local talent was suspected from the start on account of the similarity of the work done a few months ago, by some of the same local talent who has now confessed. The trio were sentenced soon after they plead guilty and John Schloendorf passed as Art Anderson and was sentenced under that name, but several of our citizens happened to be at the county capital about two hours before they were taken to their future home, and John admitted that he was John, and not Anderson. He gave his reason for assuming the ficticous name being that he hoped to get a lighter sentence, but we are informed that when he has served his first ten years that his first offense of several month ago will be taken up and that will be for ten years more. John had made his home here part of the time since he was released from the Industrial school and as long as ho possesses a mania for stealing it is much better that the prison authorities take care of him, in hopes that he may outgrow it in time.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday with home folks at Belmond.

Most of the ladies in town are taking advantage of the beautiful weather to get their fall house cleaning done. Everywhere can be heard the beating of rugs and the way the windows and furniture have taken to shining only goes to remind the men that these are harbingers of approaching change of season.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Russell of Gray Eagle, Minn, called on friends here Saturday.

A. E. Muller, accompanied by Mrs. Emma Stadtander, and John Jordan, were Thornton business callers last Monday.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats, Sundayed with her people at home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Geigel and their daughter Miss Lena, and Mrs. Church of Renwick were Sunday visitors at the Rev. Schlesselman home, also attending services here.

Hartley Blewitt of Thornton was in town last Wednesday evening greeting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hulslebus were Mason City callers last Monday afternoon.

A. J. Nissen, G. E. Raecker and A. E. Muller were Belmond callers Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Zimmerman of Sheffield, who have been at the home of their son Victor, for the past two weeks, returned home Sunday afternoon Mr. Zimmerman has been afflicted with the same throat trouble he had last fall, but had sufficiently recovered to take the trip home.

A. E. Muller and family and Lucile Paul were calling on friends at Sheffield Sunday.

REFORMED CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 9:30. (English.)

German preaching services 10:30.

Young Peoples meeting 7:15. (English.)

Evening servies (English) 8:00.

Primary and junior classes in Catechism Sat., 1:30 to 3:00, Senior class 3:00.

Children may enter the primary class at the age of 5 years. We are looking forward to a large enrollment in this class.

The church extends a cordial invitation to both young and old who have no church home to attend these meetings. We are glad to help you.

The Ladies Aid meets next Thursday at the usual hour at its regular place of meeting. The Aid gladly accepts orders for tying comforters at 65 cents apiece.

Instruction in Bible and catechism will be resumed next Saturday. May we look for a large enrollment. The time next Saturday will be taken up with the arranging of classes and assignment of lessons.

We very strongly urge upon all parents to be faithful in the discharge of the bringing up of their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Remember the baptismal vow.

It cannot be gainsaid that christian education is the supreme need of the hour. "Knowledge is power." How true this is both of secular and biblical knowledge. We boldly declare that no education is complete without a study of the Bible. The Bible puts in right relation to God, to our fellowmen and the universe. It alone lays the foundation for sound moral character, conduct, and the most useful service—the service of God. Dr. Martin Luther, the great reformer, worked for education. It was education in order that men and women might know the way of life and salvation. The church today, possibly as never before, feels intensely the deep need of educating the youth in the truths of the Bible.

H. Pannkuk, Minister.

The W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Joe Smith last Thursday afternoon. The usual business session was held. Also the convention report was given by the delegate, after which the first chapter of the new text book "Building with India," was read and discussed.

FOR SALE—Good buggy horse, if taken at once.—E. Harms, Meservey. 492*

For Sale—Thorobred Duroc Jersey boars, also herd boar. Price right. —L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. 48tfc

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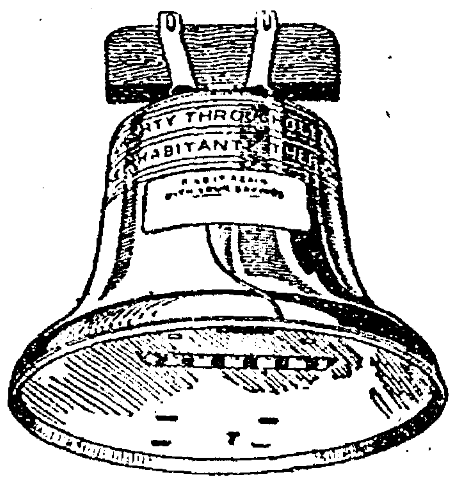

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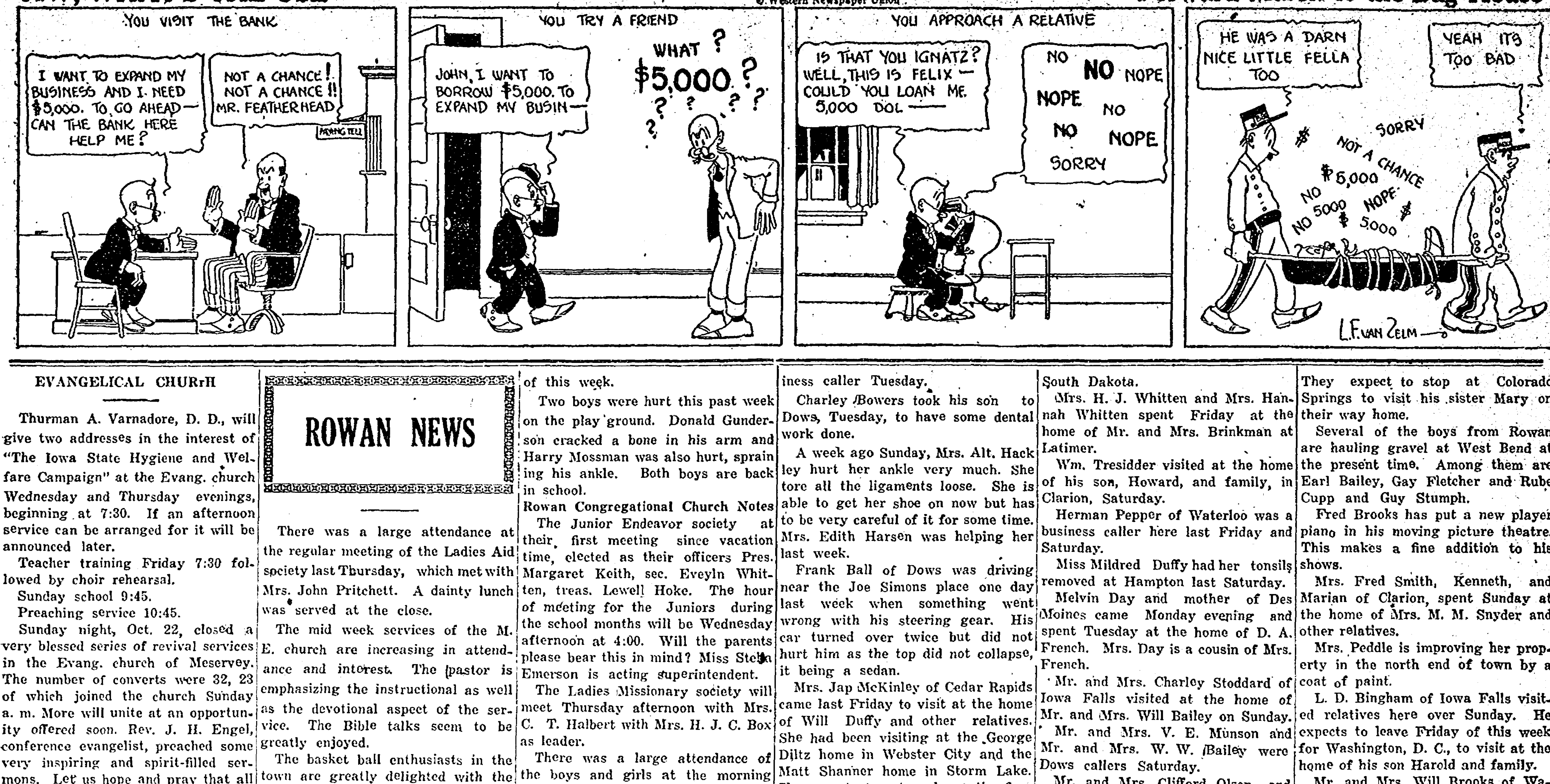
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NO NO NOPE NOPE NO NO NOPE SORRY
HE WAS A DARN NICE LITTLE FELLA TOO
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EVANGELICAL CHURrH

Thurman A. Varnadore, D. D., will give two addresses in the interest of "The Iowa State Hygiene and Welfare Campaign" at the Evang. church Wednesday and Thursday evenings, beginning at 7:30. If an afternoon service can be arranged for it will be announced later.

Teacher training Friday 7:30 followed by choir rehearsal.

Sunday school 9:45.

Preaching service 10:45.

Sunday night, Oct. 22, closed a very blessed series of revival services in the Evang. church of Meservey. The number of converts were 32, 23 of which joined the church Sunday a. m. More will unite at an opportunity offered soon. Rev. J. H. Engel, conference evangelist, preached some very inspiring and spirit-filled sermons. Let us hope and pray that all may remain true and that this is only the beginning of what shall follow. A free will offering of $173.15 was taken for the evangelist on the last Sunday of the meeting.

A. W. Schlesselman.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boughton from Webster City visited at the L. B. Hulsebus home last Sunday. They were accompanied home by Alma and Louise Witt who will spend the week with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartfelder visited at the home of Hartley Blewitt in Thornton last Sunday.

Presiding Elder Brecher of Le Mars conducted quarterly meeting at the county appointment known as Hartwig church. He had just recently returned from General Conference sessons at Barrington, Ill., and Detroit, Mich, and was all enthusiasm over the outcome of these meetings. He spoke of the beautiful spirit which pervaded throughout the sessons and of the warm hearted reception that everyone present received. Now that the two factors are one again, namely the Evangelical Association and the United Evangelical, they are now known as The Evangelical Church. Since the session held at Detroit one of the newly elected bishops has passed away. Bishop G. Heinmiller was chosen to have charge of the work in Europe and it is with profound regret that *his death is chronicled even before he* had the opportunity of taking up the work to which he would have been especially adapted

BEER AND LIGHT WINE

Monticello Express: Iowa gave what the wets are now bawling for, a real test fo a generation and it didn't work, nor will it work now in the delusion of an interpretation of the prohibitory amendment, which would allow the sale of beer and light wines. For a long period of time prior to the adoption of the Iowa prohibitory amendment, which was invalidated through informalities in its adoption, Iowa had a liquor law which permitted the sale of beer and native wines, only. Nevertheless there was plenty of whisky to be had at nearly every saloon. Nor did the saloons confine their sales to native wines. It is estimated that nine-tenhs of the wine sold was made outside of the state of Iowa. This state is not, and never was, a wine manufacturing state. It could not have supplied a tenth of the wine demanded. It was brought into the state in defiance of the law, and whisky selling became so prevalent over the saloon bars, in defiance of law, that the people in their indignation, arose in their might and smote the saloons, "hip and thigh."

What happened in the past would happen again in restricted saloons. Every such saloon in its greed for profits would become a joint for the sale of strong alcoholic beverages, where its violation of the law would be more or less hidden under the privilege accorded it. The saloon, restricted or unrestricted, has never been worthy of trust, and it never can be trusted.

ROWAN NEWS

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society last Thursday, which met with Mrs. John Pritchett. A dainty lunch was served at the close.

The mid week services of the M. E. church are increasing in attendance and interest. The pastor is emphasizing the instructional as well as the devotional aspect of the service. The Bible talks seem to be greatly enjoyed.

The basket ball enthusiasts in the town are greatly delighted with the opening victories which the girls' and boys' teams gained over Williams on Friday.

A party including the relatives and a few of the near neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Azeltine invaded their home Friday and surprised them by settling down for an evening's entertainment. After a while spent in music and games, the Rev. Harold Tomkinson presented to the recent bride and groom, on behalf of the company, some substantial tokens of their good will. After this refreshments were served.

Rowan Methodist Church Notes

Sunday school at 10.

Public worship at 11. "Life's Salvages."

Epworth League 6:30.

Public worship 7:30. "Dumb Dogs."

You are invited to be present at these services and enjoy the good things that are given.

Rowan School Notes

The basket ball games played here Friday night between Rowan and Williams were Rowan's from start to finish. Both the boys and girls had fine play in every way. The scores were, girls' 33-11, boys' 25-9, which prove that they had team work and pep. The players on the girls' team were Forwards, Amy Azeltine, Bernice Hansen and Esther Emerson, Guards, Laura Aldinger and Grace Holliday, Centers, Cleo Duffy and Clara Azeltine. The boys' team was Forwards, Ray Azeltine and James Kercheval, Guards, George Utz and Fred Moellering, Centers, Joe McKinley. The Referees Frances and "Scotty" Farren are also to be congratulated for their square play. There was a fine crowd out. It helps when there are lots to boost so ALL COME. Every effort is being made to have another game next Friday. They plan to play the return game with Williams a week from next Friday. This promises to be pepy for it will be a strong fight from start to finish.

Vey Ketchum who came home for the week end visited school Friday a. m. Everyone was glad to see her again and wished she could stay.

Mrs. Arthur Hansen visited in the grades last week.

Miss Angie Baines visited the 2nd and 3rd grades Friday.

Mrs. D. W. Whitten was a visitor last week.

Dale Hiams was absent several days last week.

Doris Gunderson was absent part of last week.

Mrs. Moellering vsited school last week.

Fred Moellering was not in school Monday of this week.

The Literary program to be given Friday, Nov. 3, is as follows

Roll Call: Quotations from Longfellow.

Music: Nina Rietz.

Essay Rolly Duffy.

Reading: Garnet Stumph.

Cornet solo: Kenneth Keith.

Stunt: A Womanless Wedding.

Criticism: Director.

Adjournment.

Miss Maude Cowley and Miss Hillyard were not teaching Friday p. m. They went to Cedar Rapids where they lately attended college to attend the Home Coming at Coe College.

Mrs. Hinkley was a visitor Monday of this week.

Two boys were hurt this past week on the play ground. Donald Gunderson cracked a bone in his arm and Harry Mossman was also hurt, spraining his ankle. Both boys are back in school.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

The Junior Endeavor society at their first meeting since vacation time, elected as their officers Pres. Margaret Keith, sec. Eveyln Whitten, treas. Lewell Hoke. The hour of meeting for the Juniors during the school months will be Wednesday afternoon at 4:00. Will the parents please bear this in mind? Miss Stella Emerson is acting superintendent.

The Ladies Missionary society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. C. T. Halbert with Mrs. H. J. C. Box as leader.

There was a large attendance of the boys and girls at the morning service Sunday to hear the special sermon given by the pastor. The interest manifest was very gratifying and Rev. Halbert promises them a sermon of their own next Sunday morning.

The large congregation enjoyed a splendid anthem by the choir and spent a profitable time listening to "Our Duty in the Present Crisis."

The fourth division of the Ladies Aid will hold a 25 cent supper in the church basement on Thursday, Nov. 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rowen attended a party in Clarion Monday evening which was given to the American Legion by the Auxilary of that place.

George Vanston of Sheffield is visiting at the Nels Hanson home and working at the carpenter trade for J. F. Howell.

Fred Spencer, a merchant of Alden, held a sale of ladies coats and dresses at the D. W. Whitten store last Wednesday. The sale proved very *successful. He had a fine line of* goods here a year ago also.

Harvey Lineweaver was home from Marshalltown over Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Carver and children of Mason City spent several days at the Fred Hackley home. Mrs. Carver will be remembered as Hazel Gill formerly of this place. Mr. and Mrs. Hackley motored to Goldfield with her Monday where she will visit for a short time.

Fred Brooks, Herb Hadley, Edgar Mantle and Ray Cupp motored to West Bend, Saturday, to look after their trucks there.

Miss Dorothy Steffens was a Belmond caller Tuesday.

Roy Hyde was a dental caller at Belmond Tuesday.

Lloyd Myers of Nebraska came on Tuesday to visit at the home of his brother, F. M. and family. He expects to spend the winter here.

Carl Steffens was a Belmond business caller Tuesday.

Charley Bowers took his son to Dows, Tuesday, to have some dental work done.

A week ago Sunday, Mrs. Alt. Hackley hurt her ankle very much. She tore all the ligaments loose. She is able to get her shoe on now but has to be very careful of it for some time. Mrs. Edith Harsen was helping her last week.

Frank Ball of Dows was driving near the Joe Simons place one day last week when something went wrong with his steering gear. His car turned over twice but did not hurt him as the top did not collapse, it being a sedan.

Mrs. Jap McKinley of Cedar Rapids came last Friday to visit at the home of Will Duffy and other relatives. She had been visiting at the George Diltz home in Webster City and the Matt Shanner home in Storm Lake. She expects to return home the first of the week.

O. F. Braden was a Dows caller on Saturday.

Mrs. Charley Peddle and Mrs. Mary Williams were Clarion shoppers on Thursday.

Mrs. Jim Rowen went to Clarion Friday to visit at the home of her parents. Jim motored after her on Sunday.

Ira Fletcher, who has been working at Collins, the past several months, visited his sister, Mrs. Cliff Steffens, Saturday. He was on his way to Minnesota to work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair and son Russell, of Clarion, visited at the home of C. W. Fowler on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammer of Jenkns, Minn., visited at the F. M. Myers' *home last week.*

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Whitten of Clarion have been visiting the past week at the parental Tom Whitten home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Peddle spent Sunday at the Ross Echelberger home near Eagle Grove.

Dr. Maker was a professional caller in Rowan, Monday. He is getting well settled in Goldfield.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and Mrs O. F. Braden motored to Ft. Dodge on Thursday.

Ben Hackley and family are moving to the William McCallum farm. Mr. and Mrs. McCallum have moved to town to spend the winter with their sons.

The Misses Anna, Ida and Helen Brinkman are visiting at the Carpenter and Ed. Baines homes near Dows this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lindsey and baby were Hampton callers on Monday.

Mrs. S. A. Ferguson went to Dows Thursday to visit at the home of her son Will and wife.

Miss Nellie Hackley returned home the latter part of last week from an extended visit with her sisters in South Dakota.

Mrs. H. J. Whitten and Mrs. Hannah Whitten spent Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brinkman at Latimer.

Wm. Tresidder visited at the home of his son, Howard, and family, in Clarion, Saturday.

Herman Pepper of Waterloo was a business caller here last Friday and Saturday.

Miss Mildred Duffy had her tonsils removed at Hampton last Saturday.

Melvin Day and mother of Des Moines came Monday evening and spent Tuesday at the home of D. A. French. Mrs. Day is a cousin of Mrs. French.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Stoddard of Iowa Falls visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Bailey on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Munson and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bailey were Dows callers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Olson and baby who have been visiting relatives here for the past several weeks, left Friday for their home in Pueblo, Col.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brooks of Waverly spent several days in Rowan They expect to stop at Colorado Springs to visit his sister Mary on their way home.

Several of the boys from Rowan are hauling gravel at West Bend at the present time. Among them are Earl Bailey, Gay Fletcher and Rube Cupp and Guy Stumph.

Fred Brooks has put a new player piano in his moving picture theatre. This makes a fine addition to his shows.

Mrs. Fred Smith, Kenneth, and Marian of Clarion, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. M. M. Snyder and other relatives.

Mrs. Peddle is improving her property in the north end of town by a coat of paint.

L. D. Bingham of Iowa Falls visited relatives here over Sunday. He expects to leave Friday of this week for Washington, D. C., to visit at the home of his son Harold and family.

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FOR SHERIFF

Of Wright County

Vote for X Service Man

I earnestly ask your support and vote in behalf of my candidacy for election to the office of sheriff, and if elected I promise to fulfill the duties of that office with promptness and efficiency.

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Clarion, Iowa

Mr. Haugen, Where Were You?

If Congressman Haugen is performing such wonderful service for the country as we are led to believe from alleged speeches mailed out by him, what was he doing when we were obliged to sell our corn at 16 cents per bushel?

Where was he when we were forced to liquidate our debts to the banks and they in turn to the Federal Reserve Banks at a time when the live stock, and crops we had to sell scarcely brought enough to pay for the revenue stamps required on our notes?

Why did he not help us when our products were suddenly deflated and most of the things we must purchase have not as yet been deflated?

Why did he not help us when the Federal Reserve Banks kept increasing the rate of interest during the depression to force liquidation when we could scarely raise money enough to buy a postage stamp to send him a letter of protest?

If he really desires to lessen our burdens why did he permit himself to be registered as "Not voting" upon the passage of resolution subjecting salaries of members of Congress to war excess profits tax?

Was he playing politics when in January 1921 he voted "Present" upon the motion to strike out the free seed appropriation from the agricultural appropriation bill instead of voting "No" and by that vote lending his efforts to a reduction of a quarter million dollars annually in government expenses, which expenditure serves no other purpose than to keep himself in office?

Why has he not endeavored to amend the Esch Cummids Railroad act so as to wipe out its objectionable features?

Why has he not attempted to lessen the burden of the farmer and the consumer by securing for us a reduction in freight rates?

Why is it that in view of his long service he has not made himself one of the outstanding figures in Congress and in the nation, thus reflecting credit upon the district he represents?

If he desires to lessen our burdens why does he clog the mails just before election with government pamphlets and printed matter all at Government expense thus compelling the voter to pay the expense of his campaign?

Is not 24 years in Congress enough? The district needs a new broom that will sweep clean.

The foregoing questions have been put to Mr. Haugen repeatedly during this campaign, but no response has been received from him. No doubt the voters can supply their own answers. Then the most effective way in which they can register their dissatisfaction with Haugen's inaction is to vote for A. M. SCHANKE for Congrefs.

Are you satisfied with present conditions?

Don't you want a change?

Mr. Haugen has been in Congress for 24 years. Is it not time a change were made?

Then VOTE FOR A. M. SCHANKE

Congressional Committee.

ROWAN LOCAL NEWS

(Continued from page five)

at the home of his mother, Mrs. J. D. Brooks, who has been very ill. She is much better now and the nurse has returned to her home in Des Moines.

O. F. Braden went to Des Moines Sunday evening from a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris and son Leland of Thornton spent Sunday at the parental L. W. Stevenson home.

Mrs. Charley Baumgarter and daughter and son-in-law of Ft. Dodge visited at the C. W. Fowler home on Sunday.

Last Tuesday evening D. W. Whitten, J. A. Whitten and O. E. Ballou attended Masonic lodge at Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lineweaver and Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Ramsay near Dows.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weber are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy last Thusday.

Last Friday night Mrs. Fred Brooks entertained the 8th grade at her home. About 28 young people were present. The evening was spent in games and stunts after which refreshments were served. The Hallowe'en idea was carried out.

Miss Edna McCutcheon visited at the home of Miss Laura McCallum last Friday, returning to her school duties at Dows Saturday.

R. H. Keith and son Kenneth and F. B. Sheldon were Marshalltown visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Guy Stumph returned home Sunday from jury duty. She served 13 days on the jury. She also visited her parents while in Clarion.

Miss Vey Ketchum came home from Oelwein where she is attending school on account of her mother's injuries which she received in the auto accident last week. She returnde to school the first of the week, leaving her mother improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knolls and family of Kanawha spent Sunday in Rowan at the home of Mrs. Edith Harson. Mrs. Harson returned with them to spend a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Riley who have been living in Oregon and Colorado, have moved to Rowan and will occupy the C. W. Fowler house.

Mrs. Darrell Stout and baby daughter Wanda went to Clarion, Monday, where they spent a few days at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Haun.

Mrs. Ed. Riley and Miss Dollie were Ft. Dodge shoppers Saturday.

Mrs. John Farren went to Oskaloosa, Tuesday, as a delegate to the state W. C. T. U. convention.

Miss Almyra Roath was born in Ohio in 1856 and died at Bayfield, Wis., in October, 1922, at the age of 66 years and two months. She lived with her parents until their death after which time she made her home with her brother, Charles, and family. Mrs. Charles Roath accompanied the body from Bayfield to Rowan where it was laid to rest by the side of her parents. Her brother Charles died about a year ago. His burial preceeded his son's, whose body was brought back from France, only a week. In her girlhood the family lived in this community on what is now known as the George Ballou forty. Only a sister, Mrs. Bertha Gilberts, and family are left to mourn her loss.

The Dee Halbrook family have rented the Ed. Ballou farm and will move on it in the spring. Mr. and Mrs. Ballou will move to the Halbrook residence in town.

Mrs. Harry Robinson of Mason City came own Monday evening and accompanied her uncle, R. H. Virden and daughters, Frances and Mrs. Geo. Pritchett, and Roy Fitz on a motor trip to South Dakota. They expect to visit Mrs. Otis Christian at Stratford and Mrs Mullins at Aberdeen before returning. As they were near Spencer on their way their car was run into, breaking it some but not injuring any of the occupants. It delayed them on their trip for 24 hours while they were getting it fixed

Last Tuesday evening a large number of friends gathered at the Cong. church parlors where a miscellaneous post nuptial shower was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harson. The room was beautifully decorated in autumn leaves and crepe paper while the addition of rugs from the homes made a very inviting looking place of it. The evening was spent in games of various sorts after which the bride and groom were presented with many useful and beautiful gifts which showed the high esteem in which they are held. Before refreshments were served much fun was derived from selling the ladies who were draped in sheets to the highest bidder. Many of the gentlemen proved their Morman instincts by bidding in several partners. The bride brought the highest pice. The guests left at a late hour wishing the happy couple a long and happy life and voting the evening a fine success.

A meeting was held in the sales pavilion Monday evening for the purpose of organizing a Short Course to be held in Rowan, the date of which will be announced later. Co. Agent Edwards of Clarion and County Agent Hamilton of Franklin county were in attendance. There was a good representation of business men breeders association and farmers of Rowan present. Lee Aldrich was chosen temporary chairman. D. W. Whitten was elected representative of the business men, Supt. Holliday of the school, Joe Simons of the farm bureau, Earl Patton of the Farmers Union, O. R. Meyers for the breeders association, and Mrs. Fred Brooks for the ladies of the community. The duties of this committee are to notify the different ones of their department to be present at a meeting to be held at the school house on Thursday night, Nov. 2., to complete plans and settle a date for the Short Course. Let us all give our asistance by co-operating to make this a rousing success.

Word received from Mrs. William Tresidder at the hospita in Iowa City states she is doing very well and may be able to return home this week.

ALEXANDER NEWS ITEMS

St. John's Evang. Luth. Church

Sunday school at 2:00 o'clock. John Arends, supt.

Preachng services at 3:00 p. m. with Lord's Supper. All services in the English language. All friends are cordially invited to worship with us.

C. J. Barth, Pastor.

Fred L. Greenfied and son Frederick were business callers at Clarion last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohlen were among the visitors at Dows Friday.

Miss Gertrude Beringhausen of Eldora is visiting with friends here this week.

Mrs. Lyle Hall and daughters Imo and Margaret and Mss Edna Arends were callers at Belmond on Saturday.

Oscar Hensel was transacting business at Dows one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Clark and sons Donald and Lyle were Sunday visitors at Carion.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Larsen and family spent Sunday at the Vern Finkle home at Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bell were business callers at Latimer last week Tuesday.

Miss Jessie Bernard of Gilman spent the week end with friends at this place.

Cornelius Stoffer was a Sunday visitor at Belmond.

J. C. Bode and daughters Edith, Carrie and Gertrude, and Jake Deberg of Kesley, were Sunday visitors at the J. C. Arends home.

Ben Arends and daughters Clare and Dorothy were Dows callers on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and sons, Carrol and Donald Paul, and Mrs. A. B Arends visited at the E E. Butler home at Hampton Sunday.

Dr. Steele of Belmond was a professional caller here Monay.

Frank Underkofler of Clear Lake was in this vicinity on business on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Rodemeyer and children were Sunday visitors with relatives at Latimer.

Miss Lillie Cornwell of Dows spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenfield.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed and two children visited at the J. J. Flynn home in Belmond, Sunday.

Miss Ruth Johnson of Latimer visited with friends here the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Penning of Ackley and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson of Ohio were visitors at the Peter Bohlen home last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Scott and children of Latimer were Sunday visitors at the John Moddermann home.

Peter Bohlen was a business caller at Hampton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Roeds and children of Chapin visited at the Frank Bohlen home last Sunday.

Mrs. John Murphy and daughter are spending the week end with her mother at Aredale.

Mrs. Chas. Winwood and baby are visiting with relatives at Iowa Falls this week.

John Modderman was a business visitor at Latimer on Monday.

Miss Alice Barkema, who is attending school at Cedar Falls, spent over Sunday with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Yaw of Iowa Falls are visiting at the Chas. Hensen home the first of the week.

Jerry Beenen of Latimer was a visitor here Sunday.

Arthur Butler and Miss Eva Whetstone were callers at Hampton on Saturday.

Arthur Winwood and Miss Nellie Bell were Clarion callers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Abin Johnson and children of Hampton were calling on friends at Alexander ast Sunday.

The Helping Hand society of the Congregational church will meet at the home of Mrs. Jesse Latham next Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 8.

Mrs. L. M. Green and Mrs Forest Gillett and son Alva George were callers at Hampton last Friday.

Herman Pals is seriously ill at his home with an attack of appendicitis.

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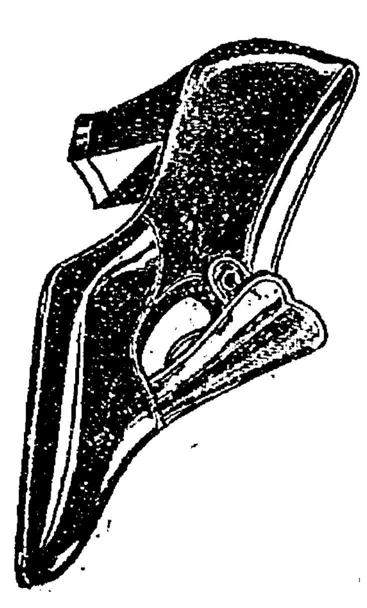

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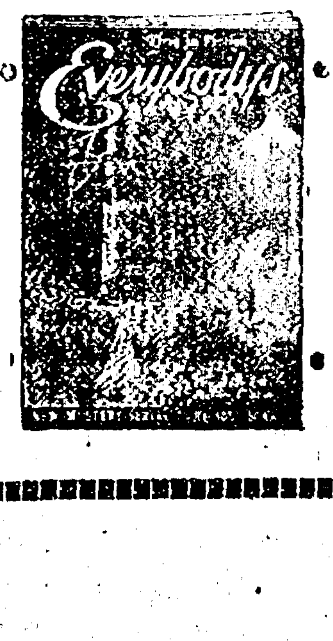

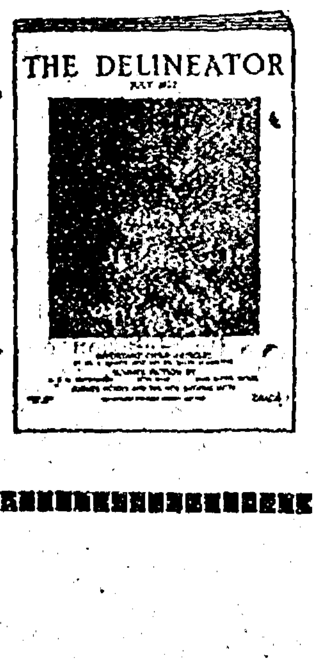

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The Case and The Girl

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Answering an advertisement calling for a young man willing to engage in service of danger, Matthew West, ex-service man just returned from France, where he had been captain of engineers, meets Natalie Coolidge, writer of the advertisement, and without being instructed as to his probable duties, is engaged by her, and that same evening introduced to her friends as her fiance.

CHAPTER II.—That night, in the Coolidge home, West is startled by the appearance in his room of a young woman, whom he takes to be Natalie, but who escapes before he can be sure. Next morning Natalie tells West she has been troubled by some woman, apparently her double, who has been impersonating her.

CHAPTER III.—Percival Coolidge, Natalie's uncle and guardian, apparently is disgruntled by West's appearance as Natalie's fiance, and the feeling of antagonism is mutual. Natalie, Coolidge, and West plan a visit of charity to a poor and remote section of the city.

CHAPTER IV.—Leaving West in the car, Natalie and Coolidge enter a small cottage, remaining a length of time which causes him some uneasiness. Before they return, West secures information which leads him to believe Coolidge is deceiving Natalie, and has ulterior motives.

CHAPTER V.—On the party's return to the Coolidge home, Natalie informs West she has been mistaken in her suspicions concerning her "double," and that she has no further need for his services. West is astounded, but helpless. He leaves.

CHAPTER VI.—On his way out of the grounds, West hears a revolver shot, and investigates. He finds Percival Coolidge dead, apparently a suicide. The inquest so determines. In the city West is visited by Sexton, an old servant of the Coolidges. Sexton tells him he has been abruptly dismissed, for no apparent reason. He gives it as his belief that Coolidge was murdered, and about convinces West he is right.

CHAPTER VII.—Sexton has overheard a telephone conversation in the Coolidge home, in which a man demands Natalie's presence immediately. He gives an address, and with Sexton, West, his suspicions of things not being right strengthened by his learning that Coolidge had lied about the reason for the trip to the cottage, visits the place. It is a disreputable saloon.

CHAPTER VIII.—West is taken by surprise, knocked out, separated from Sexton, and comes to his senses to find himself bound and helpless, and confronted by a man named Hobart, whom West knows to be the man who had rented the house which Natalie visited. The man tells him he (West) is interfering with his plans and if he persists will be done away with. West refuses any compromise. Hobart sends for Natalie, hoping she can induce West to give up his quest.

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and wondering how far he dared venture. "You can get lonelier in a big city than anywhere else."

"You bet you can. You see I run a broker's office down town, an' it's pretty blame slow around a dump like this—you get me?"

"Sure; this seems to be a pretty quiet place."

"Quiet! H—l! It isn't always so quiet. I've dropped in here when it was lively enough, believe me. But tonight it's the limit. Fact is I come up for a little excitement, as much as anything else, but must have struck an off night. You're a smoke inspector, Mike says?"

West nodded.

"Know Fred Karvan, I suppose?"

"Oh, yes; friend of yours?"

"Used to be; we were kids together down on the South side. He's got a pretty soft job now; stands in strong with the City hall, they tell me. Mean to drop in and see him some of these days."

"You'll find him a mighty good fellow," asserted West, to whom the name was entirely unfamiliar.

"Well, I'm not so sure about that. He's got pretty stiff the last few years, they tell me. But then you work under him, and ought to know. Head of your department, isn't he?"

"Yes, but I only meet him in a business way, of course."

"Sure; but that is the way you get to know them best. Been a soldier, haven't you?"

"Yes, but what made you think that?" in some surprise at the unexpected query. The man laughed, lighting a cigar carelessly.

"Oh, it has not been so long since, that the evidence is obliterated. I've got a habit of noticing things. The way you sit, and square your shoulders told me you'd been in uniform; besides, you're the right age. Get across to France?"

"Had over a year there," wondering what the fellow could be angling after. "You didn't get in?"

"No; I was over the limit. I was thinking you might be interested in looking over a collection of war relics Mike has got stowed away here somewhere. He had two boys over there, and I reckon they must have put in most of their time gathering up souvenirs. Anyhow they brought back the greatest collection of war junk I've ever seen. Say, Mike, what did you do with those war relics the boys sent home?"

The fellow addressed leaned over the bar, his face glowing with sudden interest.

"They vas in the back-room, all, spread out. Why you ask? The gentlemen would see them, what?"

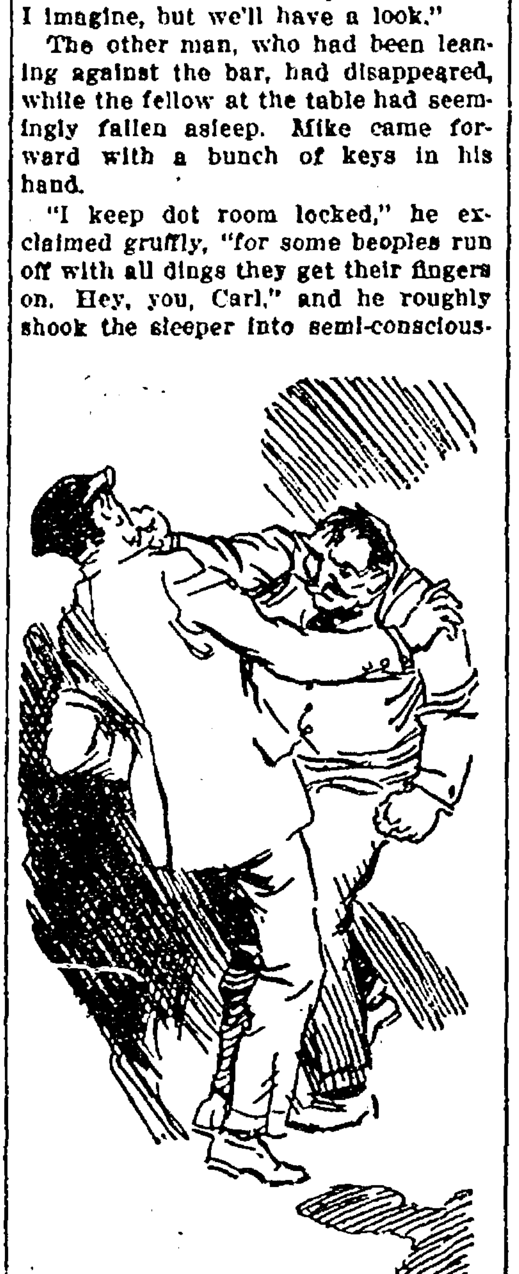
"Yes; this one was a soldier himself. How is it? You fellows like to see the things?"

West hesitated for just an instant, his eyes turning unconsciously toward Sexton, who had not spoken. He felt no suspicion, merely a vague doubt as to what this invitation might conceal. Yet it had all been natural enough, and promised an opportunity for him to learn something more of the place. Besides, there could be no danger; both he and Sexton were armed, and apparently the invitation was innocently extended. To refuse to accept would be churlish.

"Certainly," he said at last, quaffing the last of his beer and rising to his feet. "It will be nothing new to me, I imagine, but we'll have a look."

The other man, who had been leaning against the bar, had disappeared, while the fellow at the table had seemingly fallen asleep. Mike came forward with a bunch of keys in his hand.

"I keep dot room locked," he exclaimed gruffly, "for some beoples run off with all dings they get their fingers on. Hey, you, Carl," and he roughly shook the sleeper into semi-consciousness, "wake up, and see to the bar awhile. I've got some business. Whoever comes, you keep them here—understand. All right, gents."



The Giant Pole Flung His Whole Weight Into the Crashing Blow.

The three stood close behind him as Mike inserted the key, and opened the door. The tightly closed room, with shades drawn at the single window, was so dark that West could scarcely discern its shape and contents. Mike, without hesitation, stepped within, his great bulk blotting out whatever view there was.

"Come right in, gents," he insisted. "Von minute, an' I turn on the light."

West never understood why he responded so recklessly to this invitation, and advanced without hesitation. He had no suspicion of any trick, no conception of being in any danger. He stepped in directly behind the leader, and Sexton followed. An instant later, the door closed, with the sharp click of a night latch, and Mike flashed on the light. As he did so, he wheeled about, and shot one mighty clenched fist straight into West's face. This was done so suddenly, so unexpectedly, the man attacked found no opportunity to even throw up a hand in self-defense. The giant Pole flung his whole weight into the crashing blow, and the ex-soldier went down as though struck by a pole-ax. For an instant, he realized that Sexton was in a fierce struggle; that his assailant stood poised above him ready to land again if he moved; then consciousness left him entirely.

He woke up, sitting in a chair, his hands bound to the arms with strips of cloth. For a moment everything about seemed tinged with yellow, the various objects in sight vague and shapeless. It hurt him to move his head, and his mind functioned dully. He could not think, or bring back to memory a recollection of what had occurred. Yet slowly the mist cleared and the objects about him assumed natural form. He was in a room of some size—not the one in which he had been attacked, he felt sure—fitted up with a long table, and a number of chairs. There was no other furniture; the walls were bare, and only a small rag rug partially covered the floor. At first he perceived no other occupants; only as, painfully, he finally twisted his head to the right, his eyes distinguished two men seated against the wall. The sight of their faces restored instantly his memory of what had occurred. The Pole rested back, with feet on the table and eyes closed, but the other—the younger man—was watching him closely, an unlighted cigar gripped in his teeth.

"So, you've come out of it," the latter said unpleasantly. "I'd begun to think Mike had handed you a real knock-out that time. Ready to answer a few questions?"

West, his brain clearing rapidly, sat up straighter in the chair, determined to play out his part the best he could

"Perfectly ready," he replied struggling to control his voice. "Only I should like to know what all this means? Why attack me?"

"You'll find that out soon enough, Captain; but first I'll do the questioning."

"Not until I know one thing, at least—what has become of the man who was with me?"

"Well, I might as well tell you," carelessly. "He got hurt; the fool compelled me to hit him with a gat; so he's out of it, and you might as well come through clean—that guy isn't going to help you any."

"You mean you killed him?"

"Well, he's out of the game; that's enough. And as for you, your best play right now is to talk up straight." He laughed sneeringly, "Unless you want to call up your friend Karvan, at the City hall, you know. H—l, but you was easy!"

"Easy?"

"That's what I said. I knew you all right when you first blew in, only I wasn't quite sure. I naturally guessed your smoke-inspector stunt was a sham. So I ran that Fred Karvan stuff in on you. You ate it up, which gave you clean away, for I never knew any guy of that name. Do you see the point, Captain West?"

"Yes, I see all that plainly, but it does not explain the attack on me. You evidently know my name, and this assault has been deliberately made. Why? What have you against me?"

"Perhaps I'll tell you when you explain. What brought you into this neighborhood. Hunting some one, wasn't you?"

"Not exactly."

"Oh, don't lie; that will bring you nothing, West. You were sticking your nose into a private matter which does not concern you in any way. That's right, isn't it? Very well, you've had your lesson, and now it is simply up to you to either drop this thing, or else take another. It's up to you how far we go. Now listen. I believe it was merely curiosity that brought you here. That's true, isn't it?"

"Largely, yes."

"You suspected something, and wanted to find out if it was so. Well, you came into a bad neighborhood. We are not nice to your kind around here. What really caused your seeking me?"

"I do not know that I did," West answered honestly. "In fact I haven't the slightest idea who you are."

The other laughed.

"So you are as green as that. Then I'll give you the information. My name is Hobart, Jim Hobart. I am the guy you were looking for?"

"Yes," West admitted, seeing no reason to refuse an answer.

"I thought so, although darned if I know how you ever located me here. However, the sooner we come to some understanding, the better. What do you know about me?"

"Nothing."

"Is that so! You knew my name when I spoke it. It was the Coolidge matter that sent you hunting me. You thought the girl was here, didn't you?"

"I had reason to believe she came here."

"I see; how did you gain that news?"

"A conversation by telephone was overheard."

"Now we are getting down to facts. And this comprises your entire information, doesn't it? Let's check up. You connected me with the case because you were with the uncle and her on their call Sunday. You discovered in some way that I had since disappeared from that neighborhood. Then you accidentally got on to this telephone call, and decided to run me down. Some cute little detective, I'll say. But what's the object? What is it you are trying to connect me up with. What possible cause can you have for butting in on this affair?"

"I told you before; merely curiosity."

"And who was the guy with you?"

"An old servant of the Coolidge family."

"It was mere curiosity in his case also, I presume?"

"So far as I know, yes."

Hobart smiled, showing his teeth cruelly.

"West," he said slowly, "you are a d—d good liar, but I am about to spike your gun. Go on out, Mike, and send in the first witness."

The two sat silently watching each other, Hobart pretending a carelessness he was far from feeling, uncertain as to West's real purpose. The latter realized now the true seriousness of his position, yet this only increased his belief in the reality of the crime. Previously his mind had harbored doubts, but the very fact that Hobart would resort to such desperate methods was ample proof of his apprehension of danger. If Percival Coolidge had committed suicide, this fellow would surely have nothing to fear; he could safely ignore any efforts to trap him; indeed would possess no suspicions along that line. It was his own guilty conscience which drove him to desperation. Coolidge had been murdered, and this man was either guilty of the crime, or else knew the one who was, and had personal reasons for protecting the party.

These thoughts took possession of his mind and were convincing. He no longer questioned but that he was on the track of crime, yet his thought at that moment concentrated more vividly on his own personal peril. How could he escape? What was he about to be confronted with? Nothing around him afforded inspiration. He was bound helplessly; Sexton had disappeared, whether dead or a prisoner, he did not know; the walls of the room exhibited no signs of weakness, while Hobart eyed his every movement coldly, evidently enjoying his predicament. Apparently the man comprehended the nature of his thought.

"Perfectly useless, West," he said carelessly. "This place was constructed for the purpose, and you are not the only one who has tested its strength. You will get out when I say so, and not before."

"Do you intend to say so?"

"Well, that depends," shrewdly. "Not if your release means my taking any chances. But frankly, I do not believe it will. So far as I can see you possess no particular interest in this matter—only the attraction a young fellow always feels in a pretty woman. Have I got that doped out right?"

"To an extent, at least."

"Yes, to a very large extent. Of course, curiosity also played a part, while everybody possesses a sneaking desire to do a detective act. Miss Coolidge filled you up with a lot of bunk; she was good looking, and you fell for it. Certain things happened that you failed to understand, so you rather naturally jumped to the conclusion that some crime was being concocted. That was what brought you here. Now I take it that, ordinarily, you are a man of some sense. Consequently I mean to try to get you to drop the whole affair, as being none of your business. If you agree to this, I accept your pledge, the door opens, and you go free; otherwise—" he waved his hand expressively.

"Otherwise what?" asked West quietly.

"I will see that you are removed from all temptation; my plans are too important to be interfered with by a meddlesome fool."

"But you can scarcely expect me to give such a promise?"

"Well, I don't know about that. It doesn't pay to be too obstinate. You have been in the army, I understand; then you are aware there is a harsh side to life, a way to make or break men. All right, now I've got the power; I can keep you locked up here; I could even kill you if necessary. You are utterly helpless. There is an argument worth your consideration. But I will give you yet another which may have even more weight."

"What?"

The door opened quietly, and then closed, leaving Natalie Coolidge standing there in the light, her eyes slightly frowning as she looked silently at the two men.

"The lady, of course," explained Hobart, rising to his feet, "you will, at least, be gentleman enough to accept her word!"

She waited, seemingly unable to grasp the situation, or realize the part she was called upon to perform, but as West failed to respond, finally asked a question.

"What is it, Jim? You sent for me?"

"Yes, as a last resort. You recognize this man?"

"Of course," indifferently; "what is he doing here?"

Hobart laughed.

"It seems the fellow hasn't taken his dismissal very seriously, Natalie," he explained, "and remains very much interested in your affairs."

"You mean he followed me here?"

"He was on the trail, but just for what particular purpose I have failed to learn; the lad is a bit close mouthed, but it looks to me as though he was in love with you."

The girl smiled, tossing her head as she stepped forward.

"In love with me," she echoed. "That is a joke, yet I had some such suspicion when I told him to quit the job. He acted like a fool then, and began to question me as though he had a right. It was that being engaged business, most likely."

"Sure; he thought he had you copped, fortune and all, and it looks to me like he needs another jolt to put the idea entirely out of his head. That is what I brought you in for. I'll explain first just how it happened. This army guy blew in here before dark, along with another fellow, Sexton.

"I was standing by the bar talking with Issy, and I was sure I knew this lad's face. I was stumped a bit at first where I had seen him; then all at once it came to me—he was the guy sitting out there alone in the automobile over on Arch street. I knew then what he was over here for, and got to talking with him. He give himself away the first thing, and that is why we got him up in this dump."

"How did he know I was here?"

"Some of your precious help out there heard you talk to me over the 'phone, and passed it on."

"And what does he want? What do these men want?"

"Well Sexton don't want much of anything—he's knocked out; the fool made a fight, and had to be hit; and, as to this bird, I rather think he was just naturally nosing around out of curiosity, and because he was stuck on you. I don't figure he is anything to be afraid of, but I am not going to have the fellow gum-shoeing around. I'll take his word to get out and stay out; otherwise he and I are going to have a little seance of our own. That's all there is about it."

West had said nothing, watching the others, and waiting to choose some course of action. His mind was confused, uncertain, yet he found encouragement in Hobart's statement of the case. The fellow felt no serious fear of him; had no suspicion as yet that any one believed Percival Coolidge murdered. The probability was that not even the girl dreamed of such a thing. Whatever her connection might be with this man, she must be innocent of so foul a crime. If he could only speak to her alone; bring to her the truth; reveal to her the real character of this man Hobart, there would be no doubt of the result. In spite of the strange situation he yet retained faith in the girl; she had been deceived, led astray in some manner, but his first impression of her true nature still controlled his thought. He could only believe her a victim of scheming villains, driven by circumstances to play a part uterly foreign to her character. His only hope of learning the facts from her own lips, or of re-establishing her faith in him, lay in a moment's conversation alone. His mind instantly leaped to this conclusion, and his eyes met her own. They were wide open, full of curiosity yet not unkind. He spoke swiftly.

"That sounds fair enough, Hobart," he said quietly, taking the chance as though it was the most natural thing in the world. "I am not hunting trouble in any way, or seeking to butt in where I am not wanted. Your guess as to my purpose in coming here is about right. I had no other object but to be of some service to this young lady. If I can talk with her a moment alone, and thus assure myself as to her wishes, I'll give you any pledge you want, and forget all about the affair. Is that satisfactory?"

"Alone, you said? You want to see her alone?"

"Absolutely no other arrangement will answer. I want her to talk freely; to answer my questions with no interference."

Hobart glanced toward his companion inquiringly, evidently inclined to deny the request.

"H—l, you don't want much," he said rather gruffly. "What do you think about this proposition, Natalie?"

The girl smiled, her eyes still on West's face.

"Fair enough," she admitted as though the whole matter was a joke. "It looks like the easiest way out."

"All right, if you say so. It is my guess you are equal to the job. How much time do you want, West?"

"Ten or fifteen minutes. I want to get down to the bottom of this thing.

"Oh, you do, hey? Modest as ever, I see. Well, here's luck to you. You needn't be afraid of the guy, Natalie; we got his gat before we brought him up here, and if he makes any break, I'll be out in the hall ready to take a hand. You're still for it?"

"Yes," indifferently, seating herself on a convenient chair. "We might as well talk it out now as any time. You go on Jim, and leave it to me."

Hobart was not entirely satisfied, hesitating as he lit a fresh cigar, his keen eyes watchful of them both. However, it was plain to be seen the girl had made her decision, and he evidently knew her well enough to realize the uselessness of revolt.

"All right, then," he replied finally, turning to the door. "Suit yourself, only watch your step. Anyhow, I'll be within calling distance, if this guy gets gay."

"Don't worry about that," a flash of anger in her eyes. "I am no baby, Jim Hobart. Go on now, and leave Captain West to me."

He closed the door behind him, and the two were alone in the room. No sound reached them from without, not even an echo of Hobart's footsteps in the hall. West looked across at the girl, who sat motionless, her eyes shaded by long lashes, and ringless fingers clasped in her lap. She appeared indifferent, uninterested, scarcely aware of his presence. He wondered if Hobart was listening at the door; what had become of Mike, and whether Sexton was alive or dead. For the moment he could scarcely make himself realize the true situation. His silence served to arouse her interest, for she suddenly lifted her head and looked at him.

"Well," she said soberly. "You have something to ask?"

"Much—yes; but first, are we alone?"

"Certainly—why?"

"This man Hobart, you are sure he is not listening at the door?"

She glanced about; then laughed.

"Little good that would do him; there is no key-hole, no chance for sound to penetrate. We are quite alone, Captain, and you are perfectly free to say whatever you please."

"But even then, is this wholly fair?"

"What do you mean?"

"I came here," he explained earnestly, "with no bad intention; no desire to injure any one, Miss Coolidge; my only thought the possibility of being of some service to you."

"That is very interesting, I am sure. I am quite grateful.

"Then I am going to ask you a favor. Release my hands and feet. You need not be afraid; I give my pledge to make no attempt to escape while we are together. Will you do this?"

CHAPTER IX

West Makes His Choice.

The girl neither answered, nor hesitated, but crossed the room swiftly, her hands seeking the lashings about his wrists. Her movement thrilled him, and his blood leaped at the soft touch of her fingers.

"Really, I did not realize you were tied into the chair," she exclaimed indignantly. "Hobart is a fool to do such a thing. Why, what has caused him to become so frightened? Tell me, Captain West, how all this occurred?"

"You know nothing?"

"Only what has been said since I entered the room. Mike simply told me they had a man here who Hobart thought was a detective, and he wanted me to come in a moment. I came, and found you. Now, please, what does it all mean?"

She slipped back to her seat again, her eyes on his face, as he arose and stretched his limbs to restore circulation. To his quick glance her face expressed only sympathy, and innocent interest. Any doubt he may have felt as to the sincerity of the girl vanished instantly; whatever of crime was concealed here, she had no suspicion. He could tell her the whole story without fear.

"I'll try and explain, Miss Natalie," he began rather lamely, "although perhaps, you may not wholly understand the motives which have prompted me. This, of course, is really no business of mine, and the only thing that has involved me is the deep interest I have felt in you."

"In me! Why, that is rather interesting. It was to serve me you came here?"

"At least I thought so. Shall I make it more definite? No doubt you are aware that you are an unusually pretty woman. Well, at least, I think so for one, and our first meeting, with its subsequent adventures, was romantic enough to shake me out of a commonplace existence. In fact, I became quite deeply interested in you."

"Why, really, Captain," she interrupted, slightly puzzled. "I perhaps do not fully comprehend to what you refer. Do you mean there was something between us? Some special intimacy?"

"Oh, no; not that; probably no dream of what was occurring in your mind. Yet the circumstances of our meeting were peculiar; they rendered a very brief acquaintance into what promised to become a real friendship."

"How do you mean?"

"Surely you cannot have forgotten so soon," he explained in surprise at her attitude, seating himself once more and facing her determinedly. "I came to you in response to a strange advertisement; you trusted me so completely as to introduce me to your friends as your fiance, and later confided to me the special trouble you were in. I pledged you my assistance, and it was surely very natural that, under these circumstances, I as a young man, should have become rather deeply interested—"

"In both the case and the girl."

"Yes; so much so, indeed, that even when I was rather harshly dismissed, I could not accept it without a protest. I had grown to feel that this was not a mere business arrangement between us. Do you understand now?"

"I can see it from your standpoint. But nevertheless, I am surprised, Captain West. You—you mean you actually fell in love with me?"

"I felt a very, very deep interest in you," he admitted gravely, "a greater interest than I have ever felt in any other woman. That is my sole excuse for becoming involved in your affairs. I could not bear to see you make a mistake it might be in my power to prevent."

"What mistake?"

"Well, first of all, trusting in this man Hobart."

She laughed, her eyes glancing up quickly into his face.

"And why not, please? Remember your confession; I may think this only jealousy."

"You are not so silly as that," earnestly. "Moreover, I may as well be perfectly frank. I did confess an interest in you, and in a measure, I still feel eager to serve you in every possible way; but you have changed so greatly, Miss Natalie, that my confidence in you has been severely tried."

"You no longer believe?"

"I hardly know; I fail utterly to understand you of late; you seem an entirely different girl. For one thing, you have deliberately deceived me."

"Indeed! in what?"

"In your visit to Arch street with Percival Coolidge. That was no mission of charity to a poor widow and children."

"What then?"

"An arranged conference with this fellow Hobart. He rented that cottage for no other purpose, and left it the next day. You made a mistake when you took me along."

She straightened up slightly in the chair, yet spoke rather indifferently, her voice cold.

"No doubt I did," she said tersely, "Indeed I have already discovered, Captain West, that I made an even greater mistake when I first took you into my service. You have proven altogether too inquisitive. Now I will be plain with you. Whatever need I once supposed I had for your services ended with the explanation I received in that Arch street cottage. I told you so very distinctly after our return home. You recall that interview, no doubt?"

He bowed, waiting for her to go on.

"You were then and there dismissed from my service. That should have been sufficient. I knew nothing of your silly feeling of personal interest in me; nor did I realize any occasion for discussing with you the reasons causing me to change my plans. You were my employee, and I discharged you; that was all. It is true Percival Coolidge took me to that cottage to have certain mysterious things explained, and they were explained to my complete satisfaction."

"By Hobart?"

"Yes."

"You knew the fellow before?"

She hesitated slightly, although there was no perceptible change in the answering voice.

"For several years; he was in my father's employ; the—the whole trouble originated in a joke, and—and was quite amusing, once I understood. Of course, after that, I had no further need for you. Why did you persist in annoying me?"

(Continued next week)

Don't worry over the stinginess of your neighbor. Ten years hence he may have plenty while you are hunting a square meal.

Belmond Local News

E. E. Boughton last week purchased the second hand store from Herb Harberts, possession being taken on November 1st, and has severed his connection with the Belmond Furniture company, with which firm he has been connected for some twenty two years.

Two gentlemen were down from Kanawha, one from Alexander and another from Meservey last week to look over the radio set of the Belmond Storage Battery Co. and the Independent, with the idea of having a set installed. Very fine results are being received over this set during the past month, stations from all parts of the country being heard.. If you have not as yet been in to listen in, you are welcome at any time.

Atty. J. M. Jensen was a visitor at the county seat last Thursday where he had a case in district court.

Belmond's candidate for county attorney, J. M. Jensen, is going to have opposition at the election November 7th. Attorney Henneberry of Eagle Grove has come out on the democrat ticket against him. The Independent was of the opinion that a candidate could not run in the election unless he had been among those present in the primary If this is the case, then Henneberry is not entitled to be on the ballot, and only Messrs. R. C. Morse for supervisor, and Dunn for sheriff, can legally run at the election. Anyway, J. M. should worry.

G. E. Raecker, of the Meservey garage, was a business caller here on Thursday last.

Sheriff Lang was in the city last Thursday on some legal affairs for the county.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stacy and family spent the week end at Hampton with relatives.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey to spend the week end with reatives here.

Monday morning a sure sign of approaching cold weather was evidenced in the stream of blackbirds that were headed south For several hours the birds flew over in a steady flock, and while we didn't take the time to count them, it is a safe bet that at least half a million went over the town. They were quite a sight.

Joe Sampson, who is raising some extra fine Spotted Polands, recently sold several, two going to a farmer near Klemme. Joe has some extra fancy blood lines in his herd.

Senator Brookhart was at Hampton on Saturday where he delivered an address. A football game between Hampton and Mason City drew by far the largest crowd, something like four housand being out to see it. Evidently people are not much excited over politics this year.

Corn pickers are as scarce as hen's teeth this fall, and many of the farmers are having a hard time to get their corn out. The good weather has been a great help, and as they were able to get started from two to three weeks earlier than usual they have been doing nicely.

New goods are arriving daily at the D. L. Mallory Jewelry Store. Adv.

L. V. Hyde, presdent of the Old Homestead Chemical company of Shenadoah, spent a few days last week with F. A. Stine of this place, who represents them here.

The American Legion dance held Monday was a fine success and was attended by a large crowd.

Mrs. James Abrams of Mason City and formerly of Seattle, Washington, is visiting at the home of her old-time friend, Mrs. Frank Stine. They motored to Eagle Grove, Sunday, and were guests at the John Thiebay home.

If you have anything you want to sell, or if you want to buy something, need help or have something to trade, try an Independent want ad. They bring big results.

F. A. Stine was a business caller in Butler county and at Hampton on Friday.

Mrs. T. N. Davenport and Mrs. E. E. Boughton were callers at Goodell last Thursday.

W. W. Goetz returned last Thursday from Rochester where he had been with his wife, who is receiving treatment at the hospital there. He reports Mrs. Goetz as improving in health nicely. She is now able to be up and around somewhat each day and is gaining in strength.

ANNOUNCEMENT

To the voters of Pleasant township and Belmond: I am running on the Independent ticket for Trustee against Ailt Riekens.—S. A. Bohning. 492*

Dressmaking. Miss Hegland. In the Sorenson house, 3 blocks no. of Belmond Lbr. Co. 494*

CONGREGATIONAL BAZAAR AND SUPPER

The Congregational Ladies Aid society will hold their annual Bazaar and Supper in the basement of the church Thursday, November 9th, 1922 Rummage, housedresses, aprons, and children's clothing, comforters, quilts and rugs, potted plants, cut flowers, home made candy, and numerous other articles will be sold. Chicken supper will be served.

The voters of Pleasant township and Belmond should support the Independent canddate for Trustee. Adv.

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Mrs. Dan Wenzell, Sr., spent a few days last week at the home of her daughter near Meservey.

Mrs. McBride from Wyoming is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Madsen.

Miss Estella Shaffer of Denver, Colorado, was the guest of friends here a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell of Gray Eagle, Minnesota, have been visiting at the T. S. Wallace home here the past week. Mrs. Russell is a daughter of Mr. Wallace.

Mrs. Irene Bailey returned to her home at Minneapolis the first of the week after a few days spent here on business matters.

Two days of almost constant rain this week have soaked things up in good shape, and put a temporary damper on corn husking.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Having purchased the Herb Harberts' Second Hand store, we wish to announce that it is our purpose to conduct a first class store, and buy and sell second hand goods. Store will be open for business every day after Nov 1, at the old stand next door to Adams Drug store. All are invited to call and see what we have to offer. Will also do repairing and refinishing. Bring in your work and have it done right.—E. E. Boughton & Co. 501*

SIX FIGURES ON AUTO LICENSES

Every Iowa automobile license plate for 1923 will carry six figures, according to announcements recently received from the office of the secretary of state. Supplies for making the 1923 registrations have already been received by county treasurers. Treasurers are now ready to take applications for new auto licenses, but will not issue the plates till the first of the year.

The reason for the six-figure number is to prevent anyone with a short number from filling in the vacancies and changing the number. The new plates are black with orange figures. The registration fee is the same as for 1922. Treasurers in a number of the counties have announced that no requests of individuals for certain numbers would be honored. Each year a number of such requests are made, but because of the rush incident at that time of the year, it is impossible to consider these requests.

Henry Robinson, son of C. S. Robinson, is making a radio of his own and now has the aerials up. Within a short time he will be ready to listen in to the world.

Peacock flour $1.90 per sack. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back. Ask your dealer for it.—T. S. Wallace& Co. 41tfc

Joe White has purchased a Ford truck for use in his poultry business.

Martin Lewis was down from Mason City the first of the week on business affairs.

W. L. Wilson and family are moving this week to Manchester where they will make their future home and here Mr. Wilson expects to conduct a panatorium.

Hallowe'en passed quietly here and very little "foolishness" was done by the boys.

The Independent has some very nice samples of Christmas cards and will be pleased to have you look them over. Order early so that there will be no delay when you need them.

If you have headache, fever, constipation, kidney or liver trouble, bronchitis, neuralgia, you must adjust the cause before you can obtain relief. That is what the chiropractor does. With his bare hands alone he releases the prisoned impulses by adjusting the movable segments of the spinal column to normal position. The chiropractor can and will help you to get well. Office hours from 2 to 6. Phone 21.—Dr. E. A. Allen, Belmond, Iowa. 49tfc

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

WANTED

Wanted—Corn picker, going wages. Elevator to unload.—O D. Jenison, Belmond. Phone 3217. 47tfc

FOR SALE

For Sale—Carload of feeding hogs. Weighing from 100 to 150 pounds. On C. G W tracks Saturday, November 4th

For Sale—Large type Chester White spring boars, sired by five good boars. Farm located two miles west and one-half mile north of Kanawha.—Ed. Riekens, Kanawha. 47tfc

For Sale—Second Hand cook stove. —S. Enger, Phone 309. 492*

Spotted Poland China boars from Registered stock. The breed that have advanced to the third largest in America in the past five years. Only a few choice ones left.—J. M. Sampson, 2 1-2 miles southeast of Belmond. Phone 2707. 50tfc

For Sale—A few O. I. C. boars. —R. E. Ryder, Rowan. Two miles south. Phone 412. 503*

For Sale—High grade Guernsey bull.—M. G. Luick, Belmond. Phone 3506. 493c

Four-Hundred-Bushel American wire corn crib. See Bock Lumber Co. 492c

For Sale—Two new Dickelman ventilated metal corn or grain cribs. Priced reasonable. — Johnson & Wright. 492c

For Sale—Sorted Rural New York Potatoes, 50 cents per bushel. Phone 2712. —Chas. Gealow. 482*

For Sale—Carload of feeding hogs. Weighing from 100 to 150 pounds. On C. G W tracks Saturday, November 4th

FOR RENT

For Rent—Five room house, modern except bath. Inquire of F. E. Christie. Phone 2202. 50tfc

For Rent—Four room house. $10 a month. Inquire of F. E Christie Phone 2202 50tfc

For Rent—The Greenlander house in south part of town.—A. W. Martin. 50tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Black Martin fur collar. Finder please leave at this office. Reward. 50tfc

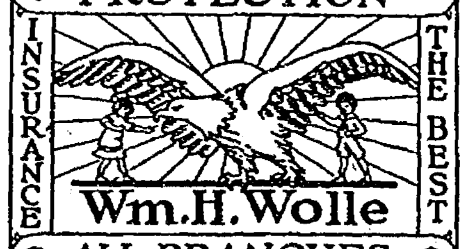
Lost—Black note book, about 4x6, between oil station and 5 miles west of town. Finder leave at this office. Reward. 502*

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

Earnest Peters of Alexander under went an operation Monday at the Steele hospital here for appendicitis. He is reported as recovering in nice shape.

No matter how humble his origin, the judge who presides over a divorce court is constantly in touch with high society.



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ROBINSON WINS OVER HAGEMAN BY BIG VOTE

Annual Red Cross Campaign Nov. 11th

Annual Drive For Memberships Starts Armistice Day And Goes To Thanksgiving.

JOIN THE RED CROSS SAT.

The Red Cross membership enroolment begins November 11, Armistice Day, and will continue to Thanksgiving Day, November 30, during which its volunteer army of four million and more men and women and many others will again enlist to wage battle against disease, disaster, misery and suffering in peace, even more than in war.

The service given by the Red Cross in connection with the Mississippi River Valley floods the past season in Illinois and Iowa, in the disasterrous storms and tornadoes of Wisconsin and South Dakota, in the forest fires of Minnesota and in the droughts of the far West are all fresh in the public mind. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been expended by the organization in giving immediate relief and in re-establishing families that have suffered. No county is safe without community insurance in the form of an organization ready to meet these unexpected disasters. Nearly a million and a half dollars in disaster relief have been given in 19 states the past year.

More than $9,000,000 was given last year by the Red Cross in addition to the services of 50.000 volunteer workers for the disabled ex-service men, 30,000 of whom are now in hospitals.

38,855 Red Cross nurses are enrolled for service with the Army and Navy for other emergency Red Cross Life Saving and prevention of disease and accident has been carried on a national scale, and 5,000,000 children in the schools, enrolled in the Junior Red Cross, are receiving training in practical social service.

This record leads our Red Cross chapter to believe the organization will receive adequae local membership support at the present Roll Call for the coming year. The membership campaign will start in Belmond on Saturday, Armistice Day.

Under the new arrangement, all funds remain with the local chapter for the support of its present activities, with the exception of fifty cents from each annual, contributing or sustaining membership, which goes to the National fund to support the disaster relief, soldier work health and other projects. Plans for Roll Call activities will be announced shortly.

GIRL CAUGHT FOOT IN RAIL ENGINEER SAW HER

Hampton Chronicle.—Engineer Harry Elliott, piloting the engine on the M. & St. L. freight No. 32 while switching in the yard here last Saturday, stopped his train just in time to avoid running over little Margaret Whitehead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Whitehead, of this city.

The little girl was out roller skating and when she went to cross the M. & St. L. tracks on Sixth street her skate became caught between the rails of a switch and she was unable to get loose. Freight No. 32 was rapidly approaching the crossing where the little girl's foot was caught and when she saw that she would be unable to get way she threw herself back away from the rails and, covering her eyes with her hand, waited for the train to run over her. But Engineer Elliott saw the girl and was able to stop his train just in time to keep from hitting her. It was necessary for the child's shoe to be removed to get her foot from between the rails.

BAZAAR

The Trinity Lutheran Ladies' Aid and Dorcas societies will hold their annual bazaar in the church basement on Saturday, November 18th. The sale begins at 1 o'clock. A cafeteria lunch will be served from 3 o'clock until all are served.

PARKER-ROURK

Mr. W. A. Parker and Miss Viva Rourk were united in marriage last Saturday morning, November 4th, at 8:00 o'clock, at the St. Francis church in Belmond, the Rev. Father Eardley officiating. Only the immediate relatives of the couple were present, the out of town guests being the brides parents and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. James Rourk, Mrs. Leo Gilligan, Miss Ethel Rourk, and Anson Avery of Kanawha. After the ceremony the wedding party motored to Kanawha, where a wedding breakfast **was served at the home of the bride's** parents. The happy couple left for the Twin Cities and other points for a short honeymoon.

The bride is very well known in Belmond, where she has taught the third grade in the public school for the past three years. Her charming ways and pleasant manner have earned her a host of friends here who unite in wishing them the best of life's blessings.

Mr. Parker is now, and for several years past has been, connected with the C. C. McGuire clothing business. He is one of this city's best known and most popular young men, capable and industrious, and will make a happy home for the bride he has won.

The many friends of both young people, with whom the Independent takes pleasure in joining, extend to them their heartiest congratulations and sincere good wishes.

Mrs. Parker will go on with her duties in the local school for the present. Later they expect to begin housekeeping in the Thos. Cullinan residence.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock the class meets at the church.

Wednesday evening, roads and the weather permitting, prayer meeting at the home of Otto Tegland.

Sunday morning service will be at 10:30, with confirmation.

Sunday evening the League will meet, likely for the last time, this year. Something impertant to be considered. Therefore all must be present. Please come.

INTERESTING ITEMS OF THE LOCAL SCHOOLS

Foot Ball Team To Meet Kanawha In Return Game On This Week Friday.

The Literary program for this week will be given by both Division 1 and 2. The subject for the program is "Armistice Day".

Reading—Everill Thompson

The Meaning of Armistice Day—Doris Bailey.

Special Musical Number—William Tyrrell.

Song—Girls' Glee Club.

"Hands All Around"

Mr. Mathew Austin	Winston Thiltgenh
Frank Austin	Harvey Chapman
Mrs. Austin	Grace Quigley
Stella Austin	Gladys Johnson
Nancy Wheelock	Valda Robinson
Katy O'Brien	Loretta Barry

The football team will play Kanawha next Friday. Judging from the other time the boys played Kanawha they will come home with the bacon.

The teachers attended the State Teachers convention at Des Moines last week. Much enthusiasm was shown on Monday morning. Everyone was glad to get back to work.

Everyone is invited to come to the Literary program Friday afternoon. Be present for you will miss something if you are not there.

Mrs. Gene Sullivan,, Miss Mary Barry, Miss Frances Baker and Miss Beatrice Barry visited the kindergarten the past week.

Miss Beatrice Barry is teaching the 3rd grade during the absence of Mrs. Parker.

Mrs. Gene Sullivan and Miss Mary Barry visitd the 4th grade Wednesday.

Lorena Ersland re-entered the 4th grade Monday.

Esther Thorman visited the 4th grade Monday afternoon.

DISTRICT COURT IN DISPOSAL OF CASES

Several Cases From Belmond In Court Are Settled—Negroes Taken To Pen.

Judge McCall adjourned the October term of court Friday, having disposed of a goodly number of case.

O. P. Morton, Harry Sumners and Nels Koltvet have been appointed commissioners by the court to adjust terms upon which property sought to be set outside the city limits of Clarion by F. B. Mathias et al. The commission is to ascertain the liabilities of said city in connection therewith and report at the November term of court.

Henry Sporaa of Belmond failed to defend the suit brought by Johnson & Wright and the court directed a judgment in their favor for $372.46.

A $50,000 bond is required of C. O. Fitts as referee in the case of Kessler vs. Kessler. The appraisers are Ward Martin, M. D. Sullivan and C. P. Luick. After paying costs it is ordered that proceeds from the sale of the land be divided among the several heirs.

Taft Co. have secured a judgment against Norris & son for $177.09.

Three divorces were granted during the last week of court, as follows: Beulah Keena of Eagle Grove was granted separation from her husband, James Keena, and given the custody of their three minor children. She is to receive $40 per month alimony and $100 attorney fee. Louise Clemmons of Clarion was granted a divorce from her husband, Clyde Clemmons, who did not appear to defend the case. Mina Mills of Eagle Grove was given the custody of the minor child Dorothy with her petition for a divorce from Joseph Mills.

The criminal cases against John Puls of Eagle Grove, Ed Holmes and Earl Ewing of Clarion, J. D. Longorth of Eagle Grove and Thos. Merris of Woolsock, have been continued until the November term.

After a week spent in the trial of the Herbert Bige case, charged with the larceny of merchandise from the Wheeler store at Woolsock two years ago, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, being out goods taken was fixed at $1600. Defendant will ask for a new trial.

Belmond Savings bank was awarded judgment for $137.93 against John Thayer, who defaulted.

H. B. Cole, assignee, is ordered to sell at public or private sale the accounts, notes and judgments belonging to the People's Co-operative store at Eagle Grove.

In the case of Busick vs. Busick the court ordered the real estate in controversy sold and the proceeds divided among the several heirs. C. C. Benson was appointed referee to make such sale, his bond being fixed in the sum of $10,000. D. E. Packard, C. P. Luick and M. D. Sullivan were appointed appraisers. Following this order the property was sold to Henry Busick at private sale for $9573.25 cash.

W. A. Cox, a Clarion merchant was given judgment against Willard Parks for $88.58. Crowe & Sons secured a judgment against Wesley Parks for $113.28. Both claims were made a leif upon a tractor which is to be sold to satisfy said judgments.

Judgment for $18,097.81 and $229.97 attorney fee and foreclosure of a mortgage is entered of record in the case of Sam McCombs vs. W. H. Short. Special execution has been ordered to sell the real estate in question, which is subject to a first mortgage of $12,000 held by the Citizens State bank of Goldfield

Deputy Denger returned Sunday from Anamosa, where he took Matt Brooks, the colored man arrested at Woolstock at the time his companion was shot. Judge McCall gave him a two year sentence for carrying concealed weapons.

Out of the 116 teachers in Wright county, sixty-one hold normal training certificates; six, first grade county; forty-four, second grade and five, third grads; ninety-six are high school graduates and sixty-three have had training above the high school. Thirty-six of the teachers are beginners in their profession.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to Orville Francis Wood and Cecilia Julius, Elmer Buckingham and Bernice Spangler.

D. E. Packard was a business visitor at Fort Dodge on Wednesday.

IOWA TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU MEETS NOV. 16

Clothing Demonstration To Be Held At Lieuwen Home Near Alexander.

A sewing demonstration on "Alteration of the Commercial Pattern" to be given by Miss Bertha Huber of Ames will be held at the home of Mrs. Lyle Hall, 2½ miles west of Alexander, 4 miles sorth and 1 1-2 miles East of Rowan, 3½ miles East and 3 miles south of Belmond, on Thursday Nov. 16.

The demonstration will begin promptly at 10 a. m. The ladies will please bring sandwiches and one other article of food and paper and pencil. Those desiring special work should bring five newspapers, scissor, pins, tapemeasure and their own waist pattern with setin sleeves.

It is hoped that all Iowa township ladies and all others interested will come and get what benefit they can from the lecture and from observation.

OBITUARY

Mary Kelley was born November 16, 1854, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She came to this state 39 years ago, at which time she was married to John Kelly of Hancock county. For a number of years they made their home on a farm between Belmond and Goodell. In 1900 Mr. Kelly died, and in 1907 she was married to Thos. McNulty, residing in Belmond until her death. About three years ago she underwent an operation for cancer. For awhile she was improved, but the disease returned and during the past summer slowly brought death. She died at the home here on Thursday, November 2. Funeral servics were from St. Francis church Saturday morning, solemn requiem high mass being celebrated by Rev. Father Eardley, assisted by Dean Nolan of Eagle Grove and Father Torpey of Clarion. Interment was in the St. Francis cemetery.

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There Is Nothing Wrong With Iowa

EXCEPT—

"That entirely too many of us get up in the morning at the alarm of a Connecticut clock, button a pair of Chicago Trousers to Ohio Suspenders, put on a pair of shoes made in Massachusets, wash in a Pittsburg Tin Basin, using Cincinatti Soap and a Cotton Towel made in New Hampshire; sit down to a Grand Rapids Table and eat pancakes made from Minneapolis Flour, spread with Vermont Maple Syrup and Kansas City Bacon fried on a St. Louis Stove; buy Fruit put up in California, seasoned with Rhode Island Spices; put on a Hat made in Philadelphia, hitch a Detroit Tin Mule fed on Texas gasolene to an Ohio Plow and work like Hell all day long on an Iowa farm covered with a New England Mortgage; send our money to Ohio for automobile tires, wondering why Iowa Taxes are $2.75 per Acre while the farmers of Ohio pay $1.00 and drive everywhere on paved roads, and at night we crawl under a New Jersey Blanket to be kept awake by a Damned Dog—The only Home Product on the Place—wondering all the while why ready money and Prosperity are not more abundant in this Wonderful State of Ours!"

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GOODELL NEWS ITEMS

Wednesday evening Supt. Nelson and the Misses Hill and McCormick went to Des Moines to attend the Iowa State Teachers convention. Supt. Nelson returned Saturday and the ladies on Sunday.

During the past week Carl Engeseth moved his dry goods and groceries to Frost, Minn.

Elmer Kienenberger came up from Garwin last Wednesday and returned Thursday, taking Mrs. Kienenberger with him.

Howard Ruka put lightning rods on Wilmer Burk's new hog house last week. Mr. Burk is a successful hog raiser and has just completed a fine new hog house.

Master Donald Luick, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Luick, underwent an operation last week.

Last Friday O. Sandberg and son Carl drove to Mason City and back.

Carl Clark has accepted a position as printer with the Garner Leader. He expects to move his family there soon.

Earny Wilkins has been in charge of the cream station the past week. So far the Higley company has not contracted with anyone to have charge of the station.

A week ago last Tuesday night Mrs. Framer Cordes was called to Illinois by the death of her mother. She returned last Monday.

Monday afternoon the new manager of the Mason City oil and grease business moved into Mr. Heginger's rooms over Reimer's store.

U. B. Church Notes

The Sunday school during October had an average attendance of 82. There has been a fine interest in the Sunday school this fall. November is Rural Church month; each Sunday some interesting fact will be given about the Rural Church life. The school has a number of books on rural life. Plan to read one or more of them.

Sunday school at 9:45, preaching at 11 and 7:30, prayer meeting every Thursday night at 7:30. You will find a welcome at all of these services.

Pastor.

GAME WARDEN ISSUES WARNING TO HUNTERS

Says You Cannot Depend On Calendar To Determine The Sunrise Time.

Eagle Grove Times.—Warning to all hunters that the hour of sunrise and sunset as set in the calendar is not correct for this section of the country, is contained in a statement made last week by August Greiner, state and federal deputy game warden at Wall Lake.

The calendar cannot be taken as a guide, Mr. Greiner says, because the hours of sunrise and sunset as fixed in it are sixteen minutes earlier than the official hours in this section of the country. He suggests that hunters write either the geological survey or the Des Moines Register for the official hour in this section.

Mr. Greiner has been lenient, he says, with men who were using the calendar time as a guide because they were showing a disposition to observe the law. However, since warning has been issued, the plea of ignorance will not be considered when hunters are caught shooting too early or late and it behooves every one to make an effort to find out the proper hours before opening fire.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

Lambert Pals, Sr., a pioneer of this township, died at his home in Meservey last week at the age of about 82 years. Funeral services were held at Meservey, Saturday, interment being made at the Immanuel church cemetery east of Belmond.

Grandma Waalkes returned Saturday from a six weeks' visit with relatives in Illinois.

Mrs. E. Targer is reported as being on the sick list.

The Robert Walters family was released from quarantine last week.

Mrs Adolph Meinders, Sr., returned from a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives in Illinois.

Jensen Smothers Henneberry 3 to 1

Wright County Returns Big Republican Majorities For All Candidates.

BAKER WINS OVER MORSE

Election Tuesday returned T. J. B. Robinson of Hampton victor over F. Hageman of Waverly, his "light wines and beer opponent, by an immense majority, and settled for good the opinion of the people of the third district as to the wet and dry issue. Robinson's lead as the Independent goes to press has not been determined, but as it had been 8,000 twelve hours previous there is little doubt but what Robinson has so completely snowed him under that he can't be found in the race. In Wright county Robinson polled a vote of 3116 to 783 for Hageman. Waterloo and Dubuque went for Hageman, but this was expected.

Belmond's candidate for county attorney won over Henneberry of Eagle Grove by 3079 to 907, or better than three to one. This was a foregone conclusion, but the great majority of Jensen is highly pleasing to his many friends.

John Baker won over R. C. Morse by 577 to 278. Baker carried all three townships.

For trustee in Pleasant township Riekens won over Bohning 269 to 100.

The local returns on the most important offices were as follows:

Pleasant: Brookhart 341, Herring 141
Belmond: Brookhart 116, Herring 36
Pleasant: Robinson 325, Hageman 127
Belmond: Robinson 112, Hageman 37
Pleasant: Kendall 346, Files 97.
Belmond: Kendall 120, Files 25.
Pleasant: Ramsay, 389, Frederickson 93.
Belmond: Ramsay 137, Frederickson 20.
Pleasant: Ulstad 301, Barry 140.
Belmond: Ulstad 120, Barry 25.
Pleasant: Lang 337, Dunn 145.
Belmond: Lang 110, Dunn 40.
Pleasant: Jensen 340, Henneberry 128
Belmond: Jensen 114, Henneberry 32
Pleasant: For the Bonus 356, against 89.
Belmond: For the Bonus 141, against 60.

The total vote of the county on the respective candidates was:

Robinson 3116, Hagemen 783.
Jensen 3079, Henneberry 907.
Walker 3183, Hildebrand 615.
Ulstad 3175, Barry 655.
Lang 3123, Dunn 1058.
Vaughn 3393, Filkins 515.
Walker (for coronor) 3130, O'Toole 721.
Baker 577, Morse 278.
For the Bonus 2801, against 1380.

The county returned heavy pluralities for Brookhart over Herring, and for Kendall over Files. The estimated majority for Kendall in the state is 200,000, while Brookhart is expected to win over Herring about 2 to 1.

Radio reports of the election were received over the Battery Station-Independent set up to 12 o'clock midnight from all parts of the country. The race in some states was close, but on the whole the expected Republican victory was announced, altho not by as large a margin as had been claimed.

New York went democratic, and it was claimed that Kansas and Nebraska would return democrati governors. Ohio was a very close race but the republicans won out as had been anticipated.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening choir practice at 7:30.

Thursday evening prayer meeting at the home of Mrs H. Jaobson at 7:30.

Class meets at 10 o'clock Saturday.

Sunday morning Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the lay people will conduct a service in the Norwegian language.

Sunday evening the League will conduct a meeting.

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Priscilla—
Mrs. W. E. Bullard was hostess to the Priscilla club on Wednesday of this week.

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Kings' Heralds—
The Kings' Heralds will meet this coming Saturday at the home of Ruth Ramsay.

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Chain of Ten—
Mrs. Clyde Jennings will be hostess to the ladies of the Chain of Ten on next week Monday.

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S. W. Division of Aid—
The S. W. Division of the M. E. Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Truer Davenport today.

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N. W. Division—
Mrs. Wilkinson was hostess to the N. W. Division of the M. E. Aid yesterday afternoon.

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Birthday Party—
Mrs. Elsie Johnson entertained 32 young people Monday evening in honor of the 12th birthday of her daughter, Lora Belle. Games were played and a social evening enjoyed, after which refreshments were served.

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Progress—
Mrs. C. O. Fitts entertained the Progress club at her home Tuesday evening of this week. The lesson was The Judges of the old Testament. Mrs. H. F. Luick was the leader.

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Bridge—
The girls Bridge club was entertained by Mrs. Herman Schultz on Monday evening of this week. Miss Eva Brown, who was a guest, won the highest honors. Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF IOWA,
Wright County, ss.
To Henry F. Sporaa:

You are hereby notified that by virtue of a Special execution, to me directed, and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgment rendered in said Court in favor of Johnson & Wright, a co-partnership, and against Henry F. Sporaa for the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Two and 46-100 Dollars debt, and Forty Four and 05-100 dollars costs, I have levied upon the folowing described personal property, to-wit:

One Jenney Silo Filler and Husker, Six Roll.

And that on the 18th day of November, 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m. at the H. Sporaa farm 4 miles east and 2 miles south of Belmond, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clarion, on this 21st day of October, 1922.

HENRY LANG
Sheriff Wright County, Iowa
J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

Don't tell everything you know, but know everything you tell.

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SHALL WE GIVE IT ?

Much has been said regarding the debt owed America by the European nations, most of which, in fact practically all of which, was contracted during the war and for war purposes. Below is given the complete list of what is due the United States, by whom owed and the amount. Glance it over, consider the total, over eleven billions, and then consider what has been said of the part America took in the war. Consider whether we should present to the old world over eleven billions of dollars, when they are now making no effort, aside from England, to pay what they borrowed, and hardly any effort to stabilize the governments over there so as to get back on a firm peace basis and have a place in the sun with America. They would have us give them this sum, a sum so stupendous that none ran comprehend it. Instead of settling down and trying to do something for themselves, they are going ahead on warlike plans, and trusting that our good heartedness will cancel their obligations. Why not call it charity and be done with it? November 11th brings to American minds a cost that was too dear to so easily forget. Uncle Sam is not so rich that he can afford it, all other things aside. Read what they owe, and then ask yourself: Can we afford to, and should we anyway, give them this staggering sum?

Almost all the allied governments to which the United States advanced funds during the war have appointed special commissions to meet the foreign debt funding commission, of which Secretary of the Treasury Mellon is chairman, with a view to placing this indebtedness on a permanent basis.

Elliot Wadsworth, assistant secretary of the treasury, in charge of foreign loans gives the latest figures on all sums owing to the Unite States as a result of the war and the post-armistice events. This schedule represents the task to which the foreign debt funding commission has addressed itself and indicates the great extent of the burden which rests upon the allies to arrange payment.

Twenty-seven nations signed the treaty of Versailles, which offically terminated the European war. The United States has made loans to 20 nations. This is an indication of the invisible aid which the American people gave the allied cause during the war in addition to the visible assistance of men, munitions and food.

A survey of what was advanced, what it was used for, and what has been repaid should be of interest and value.

Great Britain heads the list of debtors. She borrowed $4,135,818,358; she has paid $250,132,158 in interest but total accrued interest amounts to $611,044,201, bringing the total debt due to $4,746,862,560. Great Britain used these funds in the United States buying arms and food, agricultural and manufacturing implements, and a great variety of other goods necessary to the prosecution of the war. She lent other allies about $9,0[illegible],000,000, so that all the money she borrowed from the United States amounted to only about half her advances.

France borrowed $3,340,857,593; she has paid interest of $170,804,490; total accrued interest is $430,049,062 and the net debt now due is $3,770,906,655. Practically all of this loan was spent in this country for munitions and supplies.

Italy Our Third Debtor.

Italy stands third. She borrowed $1,648,034,050; she has paid $57,598,852; total accrued interest is $243,480,583 and net debt, $1,891,514,634. She used her money for munitions and supplies and to stabilize her exchange with the United States.

Belgium borrowed $337,123,745; she has repaid $14,609,062; total accrued interest amounts to$51,515,733. Belgium bought munitions and supplies in the United States.

Russia, before the fall of the czarist government which was our ally, borrowed $192,601,297; she paid interest amounting to $7,717,333; accrued interst is $35,019,427 and net debt $227,620,724. All Russia's expenditures were for munitions and supplies in the United States.

The status of this loan is much in doubt. The existing soviet government recognizes none of the old debts. It is not likely Russia will be recognized by the United States until she acknowledges this debt.

Sixth in the list of debtors stands Poland. The loans to her were made after the treaty because prior to that event she was not a nation. Chiefly they were for food and medical supplies. She borrowed $135,662,867; has paid interest of $1,290,620; accrued interest is $17,380,785 and net debt, $153,040,652.

In the same class is Czechoslovakia, another treaty country. She borrowed, chiefly for food, $91,887,668; paid interest of $304,178; accrued interest is $12,797,876 and net debt, $104,685,545.

Serbia, a belligerent ally, borrowed $51,104,595; she has paid $636,059; accrued interest is $7,336,455 and net debt, $58,441,051. Serbia bought munitions and supples in the United States and also used some of these funds to meet the expenses of detaining German and Austrian prisoners intrusted to her custody.

Rumania borrowed $36,128,494; she has paid $262,313; accrued interest is $5,283,958 and net debt, $41,412,453. Rumania bought Amercan supplies and, at times urgently needed this financial assistance to pay her army.

Austria borrowed $24,055,708 wholly for emergency food relief after the armistice. She has paid no interest and $2,165,014 has accrued, making the net debt, $26,220,722.

Smaller Loans on List

Greece borrowed $15,000,000; she has repaid $1,159,152; accrued interest amounts to $375,000 and net debt, $15,375,000. This money was used largely by Greece to stabilize her own currency. Much of it was retained in the United States on deposit in gold, as a currency reserve for Greek circulating notes.

Esthonia, another treaty country borrowed $13,999,145 after the armistice. She has paid no interest and $2,098,625 has accrued, bringing the net debt to $16,088,771. This was a food loan to a large extent.

Armenia borrowed $11,959,917 for food relief. She has paid no interest and $1,677,356 has accrued, bringing the debt to $13,637,174.

Finland, a treaty country, formerly part of Russia, borrowed $8,281,926 for rehabilitation. No interest has been paid and $1,012,436 has accrued, bringing the net debt to $9,294,362.

Cuba, borrowed $7,740,500 during the war to assist in her military preparedness. She has kept her interest paid up to date.

Latvia, a treaty country, borrowed $5,132,287 for rehabilitation. She has paid $126,266 in interest, but $643,576 has accrued, bringing the net debt to $5,775,864.

Lithuania is a debtor of the same class who borrowed $4,981,628, has paid no interest, although $747,344 has accrued, bringing the net debt to $5,728,872.

Hungary borrowed $1,685,835 as an emergency food loan after the war Interest to extent of $202,300 has accrued, none having been paid, so the net debt stands at $1,888,135.

Nicaragua, another war ally, borrowed $170,585. That is her net debt , for she has kept her interest paid up. It is a curious fact that out all the score of mighty nations which have borrowed from the United States, the relatively small Latin-American states of Cuba and Nicaragua are the only ones which have kept their interest paid up.

The least of our debtors is Liberia, who borrowed $26,000. She has paid $861 in interest; $2,868 has accrued, so the net debt is $28,868. Liberia was a war ally and this money was used in part to assist her in maintaining a wireless station useful to the allied cause.

The total lendings of the United States amounted to the impressive total of $10,102,252,207. Total interest paid thus far amounts to $506,002,109, only about one-third of what has accrued, which is $1,422,699,662. The net debt to the United States, therefore, is $11,524,951,867.

The bulk of this money was lent at 5 per cent interest and is payable on demand. The commission now trying to fund the debt is expected to translate the demand obligations into term notes probably running over half a century or more.—Federic J. Haskin in the Chicago Daily News.

IN FLANDERS' FIELDS

Armistice Day 1922 only brings a renewed reverence to the minds of Americans for the heroic service and sacrifice made by their sons in the greatest of all conflicts. It brings again to their thoughts the days of 1918, when their sons went gayly forth to battle, smiling and full of cheer, optimistic and determined, in full knowledge of the dangers and the possible cost, yet nevertheless willingly, hopefully. It brings to our minds those who went, and did not return, and there is born anew in our hearts a great and lasting love and reverence for they who sleep in Flanders' Fields. It renews again our determination and resolve that the land they gave their lives for shall always remain the haven of the oppressed and the home of freedom; it makes our loyalty greater, and stronger.

To those men, those youths, who went, to those who returned and to those who did not return, America bows its head again in reverence and in humility, in thankfulness and in pride. Their names shall remain in our hearts forever, so long as this nation shall endure, fresh and green in love. We shall not break faith with they who died, nor with they who came home again to us. each passing year shall but strengthen the love that binds them to us. All honor to the sons of America.

The Hay Fever Season.

She—Marry you! Why your salary wouldn't keep me in handkerchiefs.

He—Oh, very well. I'll wait till your cold is better.

It is just as well, perhaps, that men do not understand the minds of women. Vanity doesn't like to be perpetually jolted.

Children's MEDICINE
"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

Kinseth's Store News

Well, the election is all over, and the best man won, of course. Did it go to satisfy you? We'll get along just the same, we always do, don't we? Sure! We still have some of best coffee you ever tasted. Peaberry at 38 cents, and we guarantee it to be exactly what we say, the best you ever tasted at the price. Use four fifths of a package, and if you aren't satisfied, why just bring the other fifth back and it won't cost you a cent.

Those apples we were telling you about last week, well they're here and we still have a few good ones left Baldwins, Black Twig, Jonathan Delicious by the bushel or barrel. And they are real apples, sound, smooth and full of sweet satisfying juices.

If you haven't tried a package of our pancake flour, for "goodness" sake come in or phone and get one, because these snappy mornings they sure do go good!

Don't forget the Store on the Corner, where you get bargains all the time at bargain prices too.

STRENGTH SERVICE
Watch Out!

Don't be a SHINING MARK for a MINING SHARK or an oil shark or any other of the great family of get-rich-quick sharks.

The country is full of them, smooth and oily, shrewd salesmen out for easy money by selling stock in some wonderful prospect that promises to make you rich in quick order. Just stop and think. If these things were as good as they are represented, there would be no need to peddle them around. Before investing it is always a good plan to consult your banker and then follow his advice.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Short Course Being Planned

The old time short course with its exhibition of agricultural products and general community interest seems to be coming back in Wright county. There was a time when it was quite common to hold a short course or farmers' institute in each township within the county. The busine men of several town communities of the county are co-operating with the farmers in making plans for the winter short courses.

The farmers and business men of Goldfield and surrounding communities met in the fore part of October and laid plans for a two day short course to be held in the White Motor company garage December 14th and 15th. B. E. Heitzmen, farm crops specialist, Mark G. Thornburg, former professor of Animal husbandry at Ames, livestock judge. S. W. Henn of the poulty department at Ames, poultry judge, and a lady demonstrator who has not been arranged for as yet. It will be remembered that the Goldfield people held a most successful short course last year and they are planning to out do their last year's record.

A joint meeting was held at the Rowan Consolidated school last Thursday evening for the making of plans for the winter short course. This was a meeting of representatives from the livestock breeders, the farmers union, the farm bureau, the Rowan business men, the Rowan cosolidated school and from the ladies' clubs of the community. The meeting was opened by an interesting program by the Rowan consolidated school, which was arranged by Mr. Sheldon, Earl Patton, president of the farmers' union, Lee Aldrich, and many others. Following this was a general discussion of the Short Course plans after which committees were appointed from the various organizations to cooperate with one another in making final plans for the short course.

Some of the specialists which have been secured for the Rowan short course are as follows: M. A. Hauser, farm crops, J. J. Warren, poultry E L. Quaife, animal husbandry, and Miss Florence Imlay, household exhibits. With Rowan situated as it is, in the heart of a purebred livestock community and with the splendid livestock pavilion, this short course should be a great success. While the dates have not been decided upon definitely, December 19 and 20 have been suggested for this two-day short course.

Meat Killing and Cutting

Those who are planning to attend the meat killing and cutting demonstrations will be interested to know something about the general plan of the work. On Thursday morning, November 9th, a demonstration on butchering will be held at the M. L. Clark farm (Lake township) 2 miles north and 2 miles west of Clarion, and in the afternoon at the Frank Drury farm one mile west of Rowan. On Friday, November 10, a demonstration on meat cutting will be given in the afternoon at the Frank Drury home.

Professor C. W. MacDonald of the animal husbandry department at Ames will give actual demonstration in the killing and cutting up of carcassess of hogs, sheep, and cattle, which will be brought to these farms for this purpose. It will be noted that according to the schedule the animals will be slaughtered the first day and the cutting up of the carcassas the second day. This arrangement allows the meat to cool over night.

While most farmers know in a general way the methods generally followed in killing meat for farm use there are a number of valuable suggestionsto be had from Prof. MacDonald in this work, and especially in connection with the cutting and curing of home meats. This demonstration was held in the county two years ago and proved to be very popular at that time.

Tuberculosis in Herds

One of the federal veterinary instructors was in Wright county during the last week in October running the tuberculin test on several herds of cattle in this community and fifteen head of cattle on the farms of H. N. Denby and P. A. Thielen were found to be tubercular. The fact that these tubercular cattle were found on these farms was a great surprise to these men and it goes to show the great danger which lies in keeping cattle from year to year without having them tested for the deadly disease of tuberculosis.

According to the October report of the Iowa commission of animal health there are six accredited herds in Wright county, 56 applications on the waiting list which includes that the farmers of our county are awaking to the danger of tuberculosis. Many farmers have had their applications filed for several months and in some cases a year or more and have not had the tuberculin test made yet. The reason for this is that there is a limited amount of money appropriated by the state and federal deartments each year for this work and the testing work is done in the order in which the applications are received.

Some counties are making an effort to stamp out tuberculosis carrying on a county wide campaign in which every farmer takes part. In carrying out this system the local veterinaians are used in making the tests altho the indemnity from the state and federal departments is not allowed. It would seem, however, that when one considers the dangers of this disease and the fact that it is transmissible to the human that an effort should be made to have our herds clean, in fact have all of our livestock free from tuberculosis.

Club Work Progressing

The interest in the boys and girls club work of the county seems to be growing and if the enrollments continue to come in the County Agent will have more than he can handle in taking care of the clubs which are being organized.

Considerable time has been spent during the past two weeks in organizing the baby beef club and the dairy calf club. From thirty to forty boys and girls have enrooled in the baby beef club and enrollments are still coming in. The enrollments in the baby beef club includes boys and girls from the territory of Goldfield, Eagle Grove, Dows and Rowan. The dairy calf club seems to be centered around Belmond where a great deal of interest has been taken during the past year in the dairy industry.

Wright county happens to have some of the best livestock in the state of Iowa and there is no good reason why the boys and girls club work should not be developed more extensively. We have the quality in the livestock and with the right kind of care and feeding the boys and girls who take part in the club work will make winners when they enroll in the different club contests.

Clothing Specialist Coming

Beginning Monday, November 13, Miss Bertha Huber of the extension department at Ames, will conduct a series of demonstrations on "Alteration of the Commercial Pattern." One demonstration will be held in each township in the county and will be in the nature of a training school. Five ladies from each township will be asked to attend this training school and be responsible for taking the work back to the ladies of her township. These five ladies will bring material and actually do the work as demonstrated. All other ladies are invited to come and observe the demonstration.

The demonstrations will be all-day meetings and those who attend are asked to bring lunches and a picnic dinner will be held in the home where the demonstration is put on. The schedule which will be followed during the first week of Miss Huber's work in the county will be as follows:

Monday, Nov. 13, Vernon township, H. Engeland.

Tuesday, Nov. 14, Wall Lake township.

Wednesday, November 15, Blaine township.

Thursday, November 16, Iowa township, Mrs. Lyle Hall.

Friday, November 17, Lincoln township.

Saturday, November 18, Grant township, Mrs. L. E. Spencer home.

Will Elect New Officers

Meetings for the purpose of electing officers for the year 1923 will be held thruout the county beginning Monday evening, November 13th.

Each township farm bureau in the county is arranging a short social program for the evening of their regular monthly meeting. After the social program is completed the election of officers for the ensuing year will be taken up and every member will have opportunity to help decide who shall direct the affairs of the township for the coming year.

According to instructions received from the state office at Ames the system of electing officers will be changed somewhat this year. Heretofore there has been one man director elected from each township, but according to the new plan a man director will be elected and the vice director will be a lady, and the secretary-treasurer may be either a man or lady. The directors who are elected to represent the various townships will constitute the county board of directors for the coming year of 1923.

Watch For The Mill Moth

Attacks on stored grains by the saw toothed bettle, the Mediterranean mill moth, the Cadelle moth and the flour bettle have been reported by the Iowa state college entomologsts to be ruining considerable stored grain. These pests, they say, can be controlled if the bins or storage places be either heated or fumigated. The Cadelle moth can be recognized by the fact that it eats *out the germs of the seed. It is a* rather large insect and easily seen. Heating of bins or elevators to control the pests, while effective, might cause fire or kill the germs of seeds on hand. If facilities are present, a temperature of 120 to 130 degrees F. will kill the pests.

Fumigation of small bins or lots of grain with carbon bisulfide will clean up the pests. Considerable caution in its use should be exercised as it is highly explosive and all lights and fires should be kept away during the fumigation. For every 1000 cubic feet use between five and eight pints of liquid carbon bisulfide. Place this on top of the grain in a dish and seal the bin so that it is air tight. Due to the heaviness of the gas it will go down and kill all infestations. Choose a day when little wind is stirring and do not try to fumigate too large an area at once. Where large elevators are infested it will not pay to take the risk of explosion to rid the place of pests.

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ALEXANDER NEWS ITEMS

Miss Velma Larsen spent the past week with her sister at Hampton.

Bernice and Jesse Arends were visitors at Belmond last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Blau are the happy parents of a baby girl, born last Saturday, November 4.

Earnest Peters, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the hospital at Belmond, is reported getting along nicely at this writing.

Mrs. Clarence Murphy and two children spent the first of the week with relatives at Hampton.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Rodemeyer next Wednesday p. m., November 15. A large attendance is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and their daughter Ruth of Hampton visited with relatives at this place Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Beenen spent the first of the week at Des Moines.

Dr. Steele of Belmond was a professional caller in town last week.

Oscar Walsh has moved their household goods to Sheffield and will make that their future home. They will be in charge of a restaurant at that place.

Mrs. Chas. Winwood and baby are visiting with his parents at Iowa Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schlagel and family were visitors at Belmond last Sunday.

Miss Anna Beenen was a caller at Hampton last Tuesday.

Mrs. John Murphy and daughter are visiting with relatives at Aredale.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Eldora is visiting friends at this place.

Oscar Walsh was a business caller at Sheffield on Monday.

Frank Bohlen is in charge of the janitor work at the school house as Herman Pals is unable to do the work on account of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Peters and children were visitors at Dows last Sunday.

Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, NOVEMBER 9, 1922. No. 35.

Easiest Turning Separator In The World

We mean just that. The new Primrose with its ball bearings is in a class by itself when it comes to easy turning qualities. The next time you are in town step in our store and take hold of the handle of the Primrose waiting here for you and give it a spin. The ball bearings tell the story at once—easiest turning machine for its capacity in the world. But this is not the only way in which the Primrose excells. The postive lubricating system, the close skimming, the improved tin ware and the compactness—all these features will appeal to you.

A Money Maker.

The basis of profitable farming is a fertile soil. In farming, as in other businesses, there are poor years and good ones, but the farmer who keeps up the productivity of his soil will forge ahead. No method of maintaining soil fertility has proved so efficient as the proper application of barnyard manure. It is a foresighted policy to build up crop yields with an Internation Roller-Bearing Manure Spreader. Put manure on your fields finely, uniformly, and economically; the extra fertility will in a short time pay for the International Spreader.

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Some flappers remind us of those store keepers who put all their stock in trade in the window.

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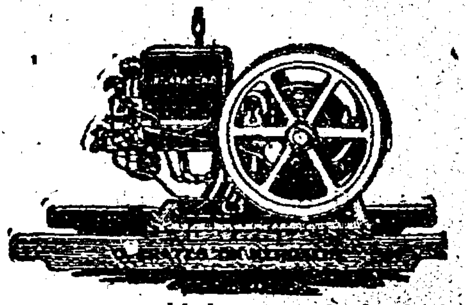
The International Kerosene Engine was made to deliver an abundance of power cheaply, dependably and continuously. The reason it does these things has been told in these columns before. There's another reason why the International Kerosene Engine is one of the best hired men you could have, and that's because there is always some one near to take care of any repairs it may need. When parts become worn, it's a matter of only a day to get the brand new repairs, replace them and be ready to go again. This service is part of the engine itself and something you can expect to get when you buy an International from us.



A good worker is the first characteristic of a good citizen.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

State Bank of Belmond

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Belmond, Iowa in the County of Wright, at the close of business on the 31st day of October, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, bonds and securities		$793,347.78
Overdrafts		$10,471.38
Banking House	$ 40,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	15,000.00	55,000.00
Other real estate owned		11,500.00
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		39,065.43
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) Tax Receipts		5,571.61
Total Resources		914,956.20

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$ 80,000.00	
Surplus Fund	20,000.00	$100,000.00
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand	$ 11,697.52	
Undivided Profits (after deducting expenses)		3,723.20
Individual deposits subject to check	281,806.38	
Demand deposits (certificates, certified checks and unpaid dividends)	3,311.88	
Time certificates of deposit	159,236.56	
Savings deposits	25,589.06	481,641.40
Bills Payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	164,358.37	
Rediscounts	148,633.23	312,991.60
Customers Bonds		16,600.00
Total Liabilities		914,956.20

State of Iowa, Wright County—ss.

We, A. L. Luick, President, and W. T. Gfeller, Cashier of the bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

(BANK SEAL) A. L. LUICK, President
W. T. GFELLER, Cashier

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by A. L. Luick, and W. T. Gfeller this 6th day of November, 1922.

(SEAL) C. C. BENSON
Notary Public in and for Wright County.

Attested by Henry Groen, T. A. Davenport, G. F. Elder, W. C. Tyrrell, Jr., and R. H. Klemme, Directors.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

Belmond Savings Bank

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Belmond, Iowa, in the County of Wright, at the close of business on the 31st day of October, 1922.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, Bond and Securities		$441,134.93
Overdrafts		1,723.82
Banking House	6,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	3,253.74	9,253.74
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		24,934.58
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) Tax Receipts		801.39
Total Resources		477,848.46

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$ 25,000.00	
Surplus Fund	12,000	37,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses	$ 4,008.62	
Reserve	1,500.00	5,508.62
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand	4,429.36	
Individual deposits subject to check	172,961.50	
Demand deposits (certificates, certified checks and unpaid dividends)	1,277.00	
Time certificates of deposit	120,254.85	
Savings deposits	69,317.61	368,240.32
Bills Payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	25,000.00	
Rediscounts	42,009.52	67,099.52
Total Liabilities		477,848.46

State of Iowa, Wright County—ss.

We, C. P. Luick, president, D. E. Packard, vice president, and C. O. Fitts, cashier of the bank above named do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets

C. P. Luick, President.
D. E. Packard, Vice President.
C. O. Fitts, Cashier.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by C. P. Luick, D. E. Packard and C. O. Fitts this 4th day of November, 1922.

W. T. GFELLER,
[SEAL] Notary Public in and for Wright County.

Attested by O. T. Jacobson, M. D. Sullivan, W. J. Morse, and A. C. Hinman, Directors.

WINTER IS COMING!

This Bank Invites Your Checking Account

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This bank will pay you 5 per cent interest on your savings.

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Belmond Savings Bank

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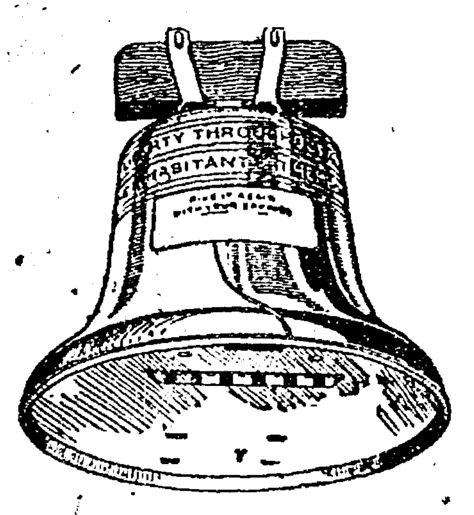
Big Type Poland China male hogs. March farrowed. Priced to suit farmers. 4 miles north of Meservey.—G. Lauster. 45tfc

Miss Amanda Raecker of Waverly was a guest at the home of her brother Gar, several days last week.

Edward Manz of Wyoming is visiting friends and relatives in this neighborhood.



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MESERVEY, IOWA

Something took place in our little burg last week which led a goodly number to believe that 'ere long wedding bells will ring in our midst. Well one never can tell.

Those who availed themselves of the opportunity were privileged to hear two strong lectures on last Wednesday and Thursday nights. They were given by Thurman A. Varadore, D. D., at the Evangelical church, in the interest of the Iowa State Hygiene and Welfare Campaign He brought out some startling facts of conditions as they exist today, and gave good wholesome advice to parents and young people, which, if heeded will bring about better conditions.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and Lydia returned home from Stout, Ia., last Wednesday, where they had gone last Monday by the auto route, accompanied by Miss Martha Watermiller, sister of Mrs Pann.kuk, who had been spending a few days with them. They were guests at the home of Rev. Reverts.

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THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL!

Last Friday at exactly 2:30 p.m. there was much joy in Meservey and the scene reminded one of the old home town comics. All on account of the safe arrival home of Harry T., our village blacksmith, who had driven an old worn out Ford to his home in Maryland, a total distance of 3000 miles.

Not knowing just when Harry T. would arrive, no band was out to meet him, but the small boys spied him driving his trusty iron steed with its radiator belching steam like a small locomotive.

The boys gave a yelp that reminded one of the fire alarm when Harry T. brought his boat to a sudden stop in front of Marshal Proost's office, and less than three minutes we counted 38 persons gathered around the car asking questions and waiting for Harry to tell his story. In the crowd were two nice young ladies, a clergyman, a banker, several general merchants, a druggist, garageman, ticket agent, hardware dealer, and many others who have no regular business except near election time.

We are all glad Harry T. is back, but why did he telegraph for $20.00 from Joliet, Ill? We were always under the impression that the state prison was located there. And why did it take him four days to drive from there home, when the whole trip over took only a week? Possibly Harry can explain.

Our corps of school teachers all returned Saturday and Sunday and school began again Monday after a two weeks corn husking vacation.

For Sale—Young cattle. See U. J. Cooper, Meservey, Iowa. 50tfc

Mrs. Carrie Lucus from Mason City will give an address on Armistice day at the Evangelical Church. The address will be in the forenoon.

A car of Hormel tankage on track the end of this week. See us for prices. City Meat Market, Meservey.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulsebus returned Tuesday afternoon from their trip to Germany.

Miss Eletha Taylor returned to her school work Sunday, after spending a few days here with friends. She had been attending teachers meeting at Des Moines several days last week.

Talk about radio bugs! We sure have about three, who are badly afflicted with the fever. If you have any doubts as to who they are, just do a little observing. You will see them together frequently for every mail brings in new radio information, and naturally they must compare outfits, prices, etc. And still they are waiting for more.

The Helping Hand society will meet with Mrs. Chas. Halfpop on Thursday, November 16. Everybody welcome.

Miss Eva Sprau has been quite ill but at present she is slowy improving.

Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

The Independent has some very nice samples of Christmas cards and will be pleased to have you look them over. Order early so that there will be no delay when you need them.

OBITUARY

Mr. Lambert Pals, Sr., died suddenly early Wednesday morning, November 1, at his home in Meservey at the age of 82 years, 5 months and 11 days. He was born May 20, 1840 at Bunde, Ostfriesland, Germany, and in the year 1865 he came to Ackley where he lived until 1876 when he came to Belmond, where he lived on a farm until about 6 years ago when he retired and moved to Meservey. He was married three times, two of his wives preceeded him in death many years ago. Oct. 17, 1882, he married Miss Martha Steeler. This union was blessed with 10 children, who, except the oldest, are all living. They are Mrs. Dick Barkema, Belmond, Ia., Mrs. Jake Dorenkamp, Alexander, Ia., Mrs. Henry Pals, Meservey, Ia., Mrs. Claus Blau, Alexander, Ia., Lambert and Harm Pals of Belmond, John of Meservey, and the Misses Tillie and Ollie Pals.

The children of his former marriage are John L. Pals of Meservey, Dick Pals of Belmond, Mrs. John Herriot of Hampton, Ia., and Mrs J. Freerks of Alexander.

Mr. Pals had been a successful farmer, which is proven by the fact that he accumulated a comfortable fortune in farm lands and other property. He possessed undaunted courage, was always hopeful, ever willing to extend a helping hand to those in need.

He was one of the founders of the Immanuel Reformed church near Palsville. For 30 years he served this church as deacon. He rendered his church faithful service and valuable support. When he moved to Meservey he had his membership transfered to the Meservey Reformed church. Funeral services were held at the Reformed church and also at Immanuel Reformed church, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Palsville cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many kind friends and neighbors who assisted us in our late bereavement.

Mrs. Lambert Pals and Children.

The Cemetery society will meet on Tuesday, Novemer 14th, in the Evangelical church basement for work. A full attendance is desired.

The Legion boys enjoyed a big feed to which they treated themselves, last Thursday evening. Mrs. L. Jones prepared the meal and we venture to say if the boys planned the menu it was a most elaborate affair.

Bernard La Dassor of Nevada spent the week with his friend, Ferdinand Lemke, returning last Friday.

W. F. Butz was taken suddenly ill Monday night, and has been suffering considerably since then.

For Sale—Thorobred Duroc Jersey boars, also herd boar. Price right. —L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. 48tfc

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

Hogs For Sale.

Large type Poland China boars for sale. March and Apr. farrow. Sired by Long Joe by The Joker. Others by The Yank. The kind that will improve your herd .New blood for old customers.(Cholera Immune) Price $25.& $30.

C H. Quandt, 2 1-2 miles south of Meservey. Phone 619.

For Sale—A limited number of April farrow Duroc Jersey boars. 200 pounds. $25 and $30.—C. J. Janssen & Son, Meservey, Iowa. 46tfc

About the Same.

"So you ran across Betty. When I saw her last she was quite a little girl—short skirts and all legs, you know."

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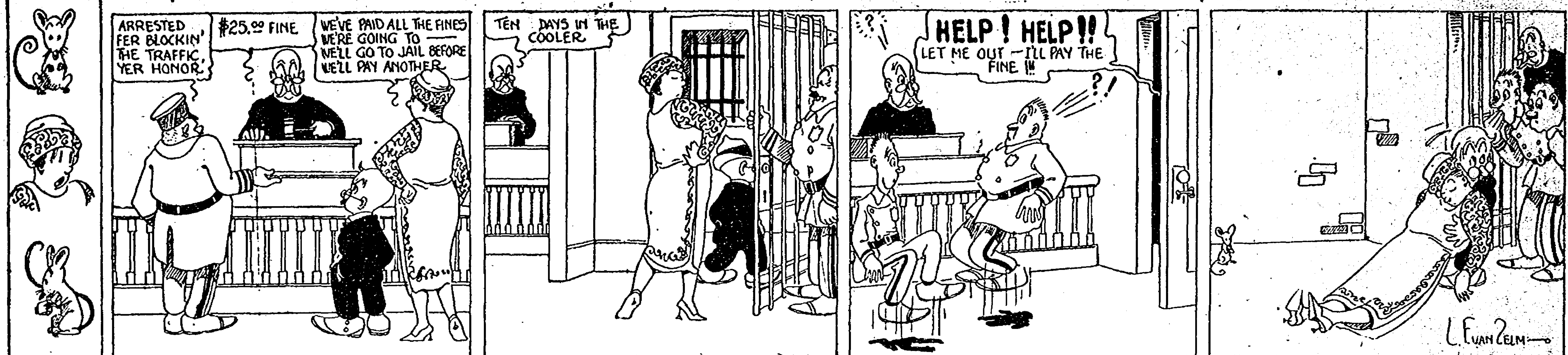
All Elephants Are Afraid of Mice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TEN DAYS IN THE COOLER
HELP! HELP!! LET ME OUT — I'LL PAY THE FINE!!
?!
L. F. VAN ZELM

REFORMED CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 9:30. (English).

German preaching services 10:30.

Young peoples meeting 7:15. (English.)

Primary and Junior classes in catechism Saturday 1:30 to 3:00. Senior class 3:00.

The church extends a cordial invitation to both young and old who have no church home to attend these meetings. We are glad to help you.

The Ladies Aid met last Thursday in the basement of the church. There were 18 members present and Mrs. Harm J. Pals served refreshments. All enjoyed a good time.

Owing to the funeral of the late Lambert Pals last Saturday the resumption of catechetical instruction could not take place last Saturday, but the work will be resumed next Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Reif visited friends at Belmond, Sunday and on Monday.

Miss Alma Ralston was home from Iowa Falls for the week end.

The stork was quite busy in this vicinity Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Kuhlers. Sunday another son came to the home of Mr. and Mrs Ed. Coyle, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Meintz became the parents of a daughter on Sunday also.

Mrs. C. E. Brogan of Garner visited with friends and relatives here Saturday.

While Wm. Butz and family were out picking corn Monday forenoon, the team the boys had took a notion to run away from them ,causing the team Mr. and Mrs Butz had to become frightened, also starting to run. In an endeavor to stop the first team Mr. Butz suffered an injury by the wagon running over his foot. Aside from this no harm was done only a considerable amount of damage to the harness, wagon, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Blewitt of Thornton came Saturday evening to visit until Sunday p. m. at the home of John Hartfelder.

ROWAN NEWS

Mrs. Albon Anderson has been on the sick list the past week with the grippe. Their baby has also been sick.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harson was ill this past week but is better now.

Miss Nora Shaler moved Friday to the Mrs. Peddle residence in the north part of town.

May Hyde has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Jim Rowen spent the latter part of the week in Clarion at the home of her parents. She attended the auriliary meeting Friday evening.

Rowan School Notes

Those absent the past week were Dale Hiams, Edward Campbell, Mar Steffens, Pearl Whitten, Walter Barker, and Elsie Halbrook.

A meeting was held in the school house Thursday evening to consider the short course. A rather extemporaneous program was given by the school. Several pantomimes were given. The songs being sung by Marie Hinkley, Amy Azeltine, Kathryn Harsen, Cleo Duffy, Nina Rietz, and Esther Emerson. Piano acompaniment was played by Ruth Emerson. The pantomimes were:

Nancy Lee—Garnet Stumph.
Jaunita—Bonnie Thomas.
Lonesome—June Burt.
Just A Song at Twilight—Anna Rietz and Linden Whitten.
Old Black Joe—Harold Moellering.
Ruebeb and Rachel—Laura Aldinger and Ray Azeltine.
Yankee Doodle—John Agnew.
Sweet and Low—Loraine Liming.
Bring Back My Bonnie to Me—Dollie Duffy and Laural Hill.
Bare Feet Trail—Max Thomas and Marian Martin.
Smilin' Thru—(solo) Miss Parks.
Blowing Bubbles (solo)—Nina Rietz.
Little Bit O' Honey (solo)—Miss Mohr and Dean Agnew.
Baby Dreams (solo)—Grace Holliday.

The program closed by all singing America, led by Miss Haven who was dressed as America. Following this the meeting to decide whether a short course should be held or not was held.

The Literary program in last week's paper will be given Friday, Nov. 10. All visitors are welcome.

An improvement has been made to the regular opening program of the school. Beginning with this week Monday school will open on Mondays by a passage of scripture read by one of the faculty, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

The return basket ball game will be played at Williams on Friday night, Nov. 17. It is uncertain whether or not there will be a game this week.

The gas stoves in the Domestic Science room, which have been so long out of use, are supposedly in good condition now. This makes it much more convenient for the D. S. girls.

Orchestra practice will be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Braden on Monday evening.

J. A. Whitten and Will Bingham were Galt callers Sunday, where Will consulted the doctor. He is recovering from the flu as fast as he would like to.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Bailey from Belmond were visiting in Rowan on Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Riley.

Wm. Moellering is on the sick list.

Harvey Lineweaver and Verne Dawson were Clear Lake callers on Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Goos and daughter Anna, of St. Paul, arrived Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rietz, and to attend their golden wedding.

Miss Ida Brinkman went to Iowa Falls, Monday, to visit a few days at the C. A. Jaques home, and with other relatives.

Mesdames O. F. Braden and L. W. McCallum and George and Wilbur Utz and Wesley Azeltine were Clarion shoppers Saturday.

R. H. Virden and daughters, Mrs. George Pritchett and Miss Frances, and Roy Fitz returned Friday from their motor trip to South Dakota. Miss Hazel McCallum, who has been working in an office in Aberdeen for the past year, returned with them. She, with her sister, Mrs. Harry Robinson, went to their home at Mason City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hadley and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley, were Clarion shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Halbrook and family left Wednesday for Salem, Mo., where they will visit his parents. This is the first he has been home for 11 years. They expect to be gone about two weeks .

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks and daughters Thelma and Mrs. Edgar Mantle, were Clarion shoppers on Thursday.

Will Whitten, Edgar Mantle, Chas. Moon and Lloyd Waite went to Mason City, Friday night, to see the wrestling match .

John Thomas left Saturday for Wall Lake where he will trap.

Monday evening the American Legion and Auxiliary met in regular session. The Auxiliary held their business meeting at the home of Mrs. L. A. McCallum, after which they joined the boys at the hall and served refreshments. The evening was very much enjoyed by all.

Fred Brooks is putting on a fine show Saturday night. It is the Wallace Reid picture "Love's Spesial." All ex-service men will be admitted free of charge.

The boys are home from the gravel hauling jobs until the weather clears so they can get in more time.

Mrs. Gay Fletcher was a visitor at the home of her parents in Clarion last week, returning Tuesday.

G. W. Ballou was a county seat visitor last Thursday.

L. A. McCallum was a Clarion visitor last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sheldon and family spent Sunday in Clarion at the home of her parents.

Mrs. J. E. Miller visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Guy Stumph, Friday. Mrs. Stumph went to Clarion with her Saturday and spent the week end.

Donald Farren was a Clarion caller Friday.

The M. E. Aid socity met at the home of Mrs. F. H. Fowler, Thursday afternoon. There was a good crowd present in spite of the rainy weather. The hostess served refreshments of cake and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Myers, Mrs F. Brooks and Lloyd Myers motored to Clarion, Friday, to shop. Mr. Myers had some teeth removed.

Harry Harsen is suffering from a boil on his wrist which stops him from picking corn.

Mr. and Mrs. Keinset have moved into the Keith tenant house in the east part of town. Mr. Keinset is working for Mr. Keith in the blacksmith shop.

Mrs. Morris Sullivan came Tuesday of last week from Ft. Dodge to visit her parents until the latter part of this week, when her husband will join her here.

Mrs. Will Bingham has been suffering from the flu the past week, but is much better at the present writing.

Wm. Tresidder went to Iowa City on Wednesday to bring his wife home from the hospital. She was not able to come until Saturday. She is improving slowly and her many friends hope she will soon be in good health again.

D. W. Whitten and Fred Hackley were Hampton business callers on Wednesday

The M. E. Missionary society met with Mrs. Carr last Wednesday. On Thursday evening several of the ladies met with Mrs. Carr and tied two comforters for the Shesler Deaconess home at Sioux City.

Mrs. Walt Whitten and daughter Elfrieda, and Mrs. J. W. Azeltine and daughter Celia, were Mason City shoppers Saturday.

The Misses Ruth and Esther Emerson and Frances Farren were Belmond callers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Brinkman and family spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hannah Whitten.

Last Tuesday night the Young People's Christian Endeavor society held a Hallowe'en social in the church parlors. The rain spoiled a part of the plans but the social was a success anyway . The ride to spookland had to be given up on account of the bad roads. Nearly all came dressed in costume and some of the disguises were very good. The church was decorated in Hallowe'en style. The chief attractions of the evening were the Land of Horrors, Madam Zetska in the fortune telling booth, and the witch telling fortunes by the use of a kettle. The evening was spent in one continuous round of fun after which refreshments of sandwiches, doughnuts and cocoa were served. About 40 young people attended this social, and the society realized something over six dollars after expenses were paid.

Last Thursday evening a large representation of the community and surrounding country met at the auditorium of the school house for a continuation of the meeting held at the sales pavilion last Monday night and completed plans for a short course to be held in Rowan some time in the near future. The temporary committees appointed Monday night were made permanent Thursday as follows: R. E. Lee Aldrich, chairman; D. W. Whitten to represent the business men; O. R. Meyers the Stock Breeders association; Earl Patton the Farmers' Union; Joe Simons the Farm Bureau; T. K. Holliday for the school, and Mrs. Fred Brooks in the ladies' department. Prizes will be offered for the best stock and the best fancy work, cooking, etc. Addresses were made by Lee Aldrich, F. B. Sheldon, Rev. Tomkinson, Mr. Edwards, and others. There will be experts from different places to judge the different articles and also demonstrators in various lines of work. There will be a boys and girls judging contest and a baby beef club. If the people of Rowan and community take hold of the short course in the right spirit of co-operation they can make it great success and something that will be a great benefit to all concerned.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

In spite of the inclement weather there was a good attendance at the Ladies missionary meeting at the Cong. church last Thursday afternoon at the parsonage. An interesting event of the meeting was the presentation to Mrs. R. H. Virden of an "appreciation" which had been contributed by many friends, and which was for her "Good for one round trip with stop over at Ames, Nov. 7, 8, 9." The presentation was given by Mrs. C. T. Halbert, who voiced the thanks of the society for Mrs. Virden's efforts which resulted in successful financial closing of their year's work. Mrs. Halbert was invited to accompany Mrs. Virden and share in her gift as it was large enough for two to make the trip. Consequently these two leave Tuesday for Ames to be present at the State meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior.

The supper which was announced for Thursday in the Cong. basement has been changed to Saturday night. The serving to begin at 5:30. All ex-service men will be admitted free in honor of Armistice Day.

The services next Sunday will be as usual. Morning service at 11:00. Sunday school at 12. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:30. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening. Junior Endeavor on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 at the close of school.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

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Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 31st day of October, 1922.

RESOURCES		
Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities …		$270,877.57
Overdrafts ………………	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank ………		None
Banking House ………………	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures ………………	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned ………………		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items ………………		26,164.71
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits) ………………		None
Total Resources ………………		306,072.28
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock ………………	20,000.00	
Surplus fund ………………	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)		1,106.47
Individual deposits subject to check ………	$ 96,111.89	
Demand deposits ………………	1,332.77	
Time certificates of deposits ………………	152,907.09	
Savings Deposits ………………	4,614.06	254,965.81
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank ………………		25,000.00
United States bonds borrowed ………………	None	
Total Liabilities ………………		306,072.28

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, president, Conrad Bier, vice president, and K. Clarence Ruigh, cashier of the bank above named do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said ank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has een loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN. President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.
K. CLARENCE RUIGH, Cashier

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, K. Clarence Ruigh, and Conrad Bier this 3rd day of November, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.

Attested by Frank Haferman, Wm. Messelheiser, and Jacob Nissen, Directors.

Kanawha Reporter: Last Saturday evening at about 7:30 Arthur and Floyd Robinson, their sister Fay and Curtis Duncan tipped over in the Robinson Ford about one and one half miles south of town. Arthur received a broken collar bone, Miss Fay a deep gash in one knee, and Curtis a few scratches on one hand.

The young folks were on their way to town and met some parties with the trucks which had been used to move the Kalvig house into town. The trucks took up the greater part of the road and the driver of the car got too close to the edge of the grade with the result that the car turned over into the ditch.

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3. To keep the list paid up as much as possible.

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Until December 1st all subscriptions will be settled at the $1.50 per year rate. If a subscription is a year past due, instead of settling for $2.00, we will accept $1.50 as FULL PAYMENT. The same ratio will apply on shorter time. Subscriptions not paid in advance will remain at the old rate ---$2.00 per year. After a reasonable length of time, if not paid, they will be dropped.

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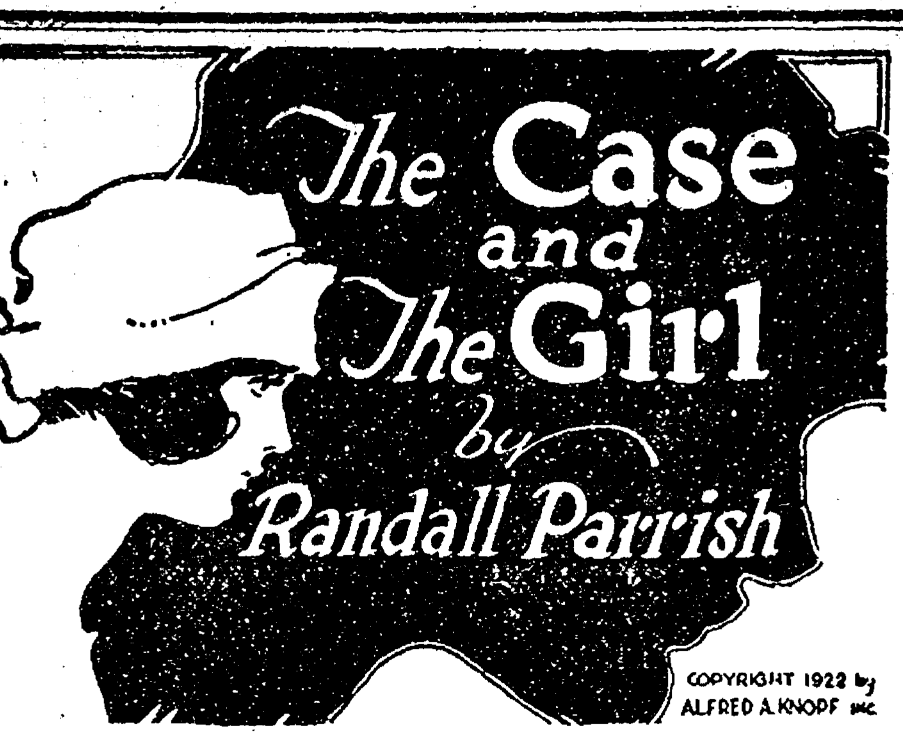

The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Answering an advertisement calling for a young man willing to engage in service of danger, Matthew West, ex-service man just returned from France, where he had been captain of engineers, meets Natalie Coolidge, writer of the advertisement, and without being instructed as to his probable duties, is engaged by her, and that same evening introduced to her friends as her fiance.

CHAPTER II.—That night, in the Coolidge home, West is startled by the appearance in his room of a young woman, whom he takes to be Natalie, but who escapes before he can be sure. Next morning Natalie tells West she has been troubled by some woman, apparently her double, who has been impersonating her.

CHAPTER III.—Percival Coolidge, Natalie's uncle and guardian, apparently is disgruntled by West's appearance as Natalie's fiance, and the feeling of antagonism is mutual. Natalie, Coolidge, and West plan a visit of charity to a poor and remote section of the city.

CHAPTER IV.—Leaving West in the car, Natalie and Coolidge enter a small cottage, remaining a length of time which causes him some uneasiness. Before they return, West secures information which leads him to believe Coolidge is deceiving Natalie, and has ulterior motives.

CHAPTER V.—On the party's return to the Coolidge home, Natalie informs West she has been mistaken in her suspicions concerning her "double," and that she has no further need for his services. West is astounded, but helpless. He leaves.

CHAPTER VI.—On his way out of the grounds, West hears a revolver shot, and investigates. He finds Percival Coolidge dead, apparently a suicide. The inquest so determines. In the city West is visited by Sexton, an old servant of the Coolidges. Sexton tells him he has been abruptly dismissed, for no apparent reason. He gives it as his belief that Coolidge was murdered, and about convinces West he is right.

CHAPTER VII.—Sexton has overheard a telephone conversation in the Coolidge home, in which a man demands Natalie's presence immediately. He gives an address, and with Sexton, West, his suspicions of things not being right strengthened by his learning that Coolidge had lied about the reason for the trip to the cottage, visits the place. It is a disreputable saloon.

CHAPTER VIII.—West is taken by surprise, knocked out, separated from Sexton, and comes to his senses to find himself bound and helpless, and confronted by a man named Hobart, whom West knows to be the man who had rented the house which Natalie visited. The man tells him he (West) is interfering with his plans and if he persists will be done away with. West refuses any compromise. Hobart sends for Natalie, hoping she can induce West to give up his quest.

West hesitated an instant, his mind struggling with the situation. Was she honest, truthful, in this statement? Could he say anything which would change her viewpoint? She must have been deceived by these men, yet how could he expose them so she would comprehend? He was so little certain of the facts himself, that he had nothing but suspicion to offer.

"Why do you not answer, Captain West?"

The girl's eyes were clear, insistent, a little amused; they somehow aroused his determination.

"I will endeavor to make you understand, Miss Natalie," he explained slowly. "I would not have you feel that I deliberately pushed myself into this affair. When I left Fairlawn after your dismissal, I had no thought of ever seeing you again. I have already told you the interest I had felt in you up to that time, but your abruptness during our last interview left me angry, and with no inclination to seek your presence again. You can scarcely blame me for such a feeling?"

"No," she confessed. "I—I was so excited and nervous I was not very nice."

"You certainly hurt me. I departed with a sense of wrong rankling, and no desire to come back. But fate intervened. You know, perhaps, that I overheard the shot which ended the life of Percival Coolidge, and I was the first to discover his dead body. I supposed it a case of suicide, and so bore witness at the inquest. The whole matter would have ended there; but the next day you discharged Sexton also, and the man sought me out at the club."

She leaned forward, her lips parted, a new light in her eyes.

"He told you something? He made you suspicious?" she asked breathlessly.

"He caused me to see the affair from a somewhat different point of view—a point of view which, I confess, revived my interest in you. I began to believe you had been deceived, and your treatment of me arose through a misunderstanding; I thought you a victim, and that I would be a cad if I failed to stand by you. We put this and that together, carried out some investigations quietly, and arrived at a definite conclusion."

"What investigations?"

"In the field where the body was found first," West went on steadily, but no longer looking at her, "tracing the different tracks through the clover. Then I looked up that cottage in Arch street, and thus learned about Hobart. Somehow he seemed to fit into the picture, and your mysterious visit there made me anxious to interview the man. He had left no address, however, just faded out of sight suddenly, which increased suspicion. Then, when we were completely baffled, Sexton learned about your conversation over the telephone."

"How? Was he at the house?"

"Yes; he went out at my suggestion."

"And heard me repeat this number?"

"It makes no difference how he got the information; we knew you were coming here this afternoon, and jumped at the conclusion that you were going to meet Hobart for some reason."

"Very bright, I am sure," and there was a tone of relief in her voice. "And that is your whole story, I suppose? What does it amount to?"

"Not very much, perhaps."

"And the two of you came out here seeking to learn my business, to pry into my personal affairs. That was not a very gentlemanly act, Captain West, and I hardly see how you can justify yourself."

"I had two purposes," he insisted, "either of which justify. I felt it a duty to locate this man Hobart; and also to warn you of the danger you were in."

"Warn me!" she laughed scornfully. "That is ridiculous enough surely. I have a perfectly good reason for being here, but I am not accountable to you in any way for my movements. A duty you say—a duty to locate this man? A duty to whom?"

"To the state, if no one else," he answered gravely. "Percival Coolidge did not commit suicide; he was murdered."

"Murdered!" she came to her feet with utterance of the word. "You cannot think that!"

"I know it, Miss Natalie; the evidence is beyond question; he was murdered in cold blood."

"But by whom? For what purpose?"

"These points are not yet determined; I am only sure of the crime."

"Yes, but—but you suspect Jim Hobart. Isn't that true? You came here seeking him—yes, and me. You even think I know how this death occurred. You—you connect it with my fortune."

"No, Miss Natalie," he protested stoutly, moved by her agitation. "The cause is a mystery, and who did it equally mysterious. The evidence thus far unearthed is all circumstantial."

"Then why did you come out here searching for Hobart?"

"Because of his strange meeting with Percival Coolidge the very day of his death; because his sudden disappearance furnished the only clue."

"And that is all the knowledge you possess, absolutely all?"

"Yes; I am no more than groping in the dark. My main object in coming was to put you on your guard."

"You have repeated these suspicions to no one else? The police?"

"To no one. Only Sexton and I have even talked the matter over. We are both too loyal to you to ever say a word which might be to your injury."

She suddenly held out her hand, and he took it, conscious of the firm clasp of her fingers.

"I thank you, Captain West," she said sincerely, "and believe your purpose was honorable. You have told me frankly all you suspect, and doubtless you have reasons. You have simply made a mistake, that is all. Percival Coolidge was not murdered; he killed himself because he had muddled my affairs, and knew he was about to be discovered. You have got upon a wrong trail. Will you accept my word for this, and drop the whole matter here?"

West was almost convinced, but not quite; the explanation had not been sufficiently explicit.

"This man Hobart—who is he? What connection does he have with your affairs?"

She hesitated slightly, yet her eyes did not fall, or her apparent cordiality change.

"Mr. Hobart," she explained, "I have known for years. I told you before he was once in my father's employ. Now he is a private detective, and was employed on my case, before I advertised for you. I thought then he was not accomplishing anything, but at our interview Sunday, all was cleared up."

"In the presence of Percival Coolidge?"

"Yes; he was given a week in which to straighten matters. That is why he killed himself."

"But why is it necessary for you to meet Hobart in a place like this—a veritable thieves' den?"

She shrugged her shoulders, releasing his hand.

"He has not completed his work, and does not think it best for us to be seen together. I know him so well I am not at all afraid, even here. Is that all, Captain West?"

"It seems to explain everything," he admitted, yet far from satisfied.

"And you will drop the whole affair?" she asked anxiously.

"If I say yes—what?"

"You will be released from here, of course, and the whole misunderstanding forgotten."

"And otherwise?"

"I have no means of knowing what the men intend to do. They will accept your pledge, I am sure."

"Possibly, but I am not so sure I will consent to give such a pledge."

"Then you do not accept my word; do not believe what I have told you?"

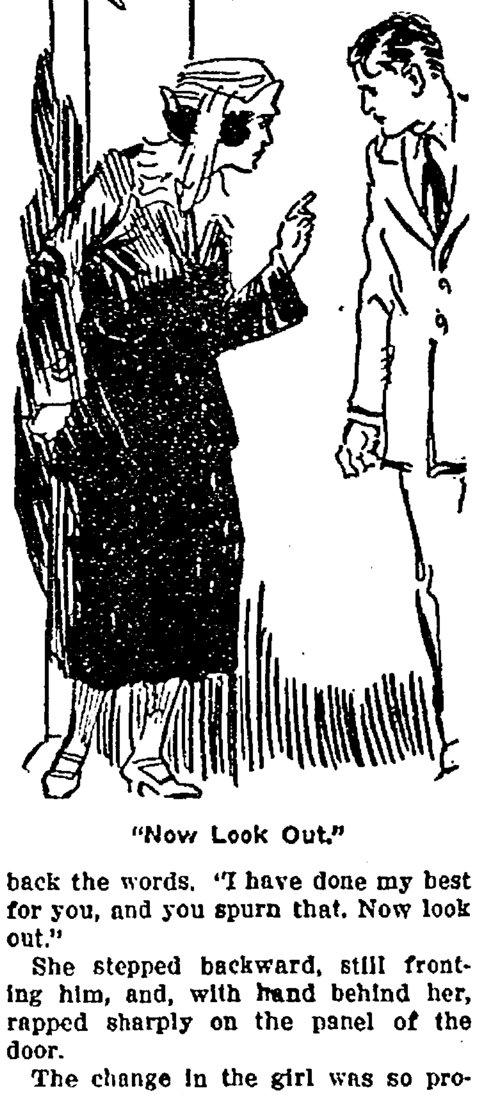
"Not that exactly, Miss Natalie; I could have faith in your word, except that I believe you to be mistaken, deceived. Hobart is not square; he is using you for his own ends. Under these conditions, I would be a coward to give such a promise, and leave you helpless in this man's power."

"You intend then to refuse?"

"I do; I'll fight it out."

She stared at him, scarcely believing her own ears, her lips parted, a look of angry fright in her eyes.

"You are a fool, Captain West," she burst forth at last, unable to hold back the words. "I have done my best for you, and you spurn that. Now look out."



"Now Look Out."

She stepped backward, still fronting him, and, with hand behind her, rapped sharply on the panel of the door.

The change in the girl was so pronounced, her action so impetuous, as to leave West startled and silent. The thought came to him instantly that she was not the innocent victim he had supposed. Her words and movements expressed disappointment, rather than regret. She was angry at his choice, ready to withdraw from him all sympathy, all assistance. Her plea had failed, and the woman had become a tigress. Then she must have been endeavoring to deceive him; as deeply interested as these others—in getting him safely off the trail of this crime. It was a hard lesson, one that instantly turned all his theories upside down, but the truth came to him with blinding, sickening force—she was as guilty as Hobart; they were both working to the same end, endeavoring to get him safely out of the way. They would accomplish this with lies if possible, if not then with force. It was for no other purpose he had been granted this interview alone—in the hope that he might thus be deceived by her. Now he saw through the trick.

These thoughts swept West's brain in a sudden flash of revelation, but he had no chance to act, to denounce her, to make a single movement, before the door opened swiftly, and Hobart slipped eagerly into the room. The first glance the fellow had of the prisoner, standing erect and unbound, must have deceived him into believing the girl had succeeded in her quest.

"So you've set him free," he exclaimed. "The fellow has come to his senses, has he?"

"No, he has not," she snapped with temper darkening her eyes. "I was not afraid of him, so I let him loose, but he's made me no promise. Now it is up to you; I'm done."

She slipped out through the opening, and Hobart leaned against the door, pushing it shut behind her, his scowling eyes watching West intently.

"So, that is how it stands, is it, my man?" he growled threateningly. "You even refuse to accept the word of the lady, do you?"

"Those are very nearly the facts," West replied steadily. "Then I told her I thought she must be mistaken; now I believe she was sent here for no other purpose but to deceive me. If I ever had any doubt of a crime, it has vanished since this interview."

"What crime?"

"Murder; the killing of Percival Coolidge. Is that plain enough, Hobart? I want you to understand. I am fighting this case from now on in the open; it is going to be man to man."

"What the h—l do you mean, you cur?"

"I'll tell you," went on West coldly, determined now to so anger the fellow as to bring the whole matter to a climax, reckless of the consequences. "I charge you with murder. I haven't the proof, but I'll get it; I do not know the object, but I'll find out."

"You fool! You'll never get away from here."

"I am a soldier, and am taking a soldier's chance. Now listen. I feel no particular interest in the death of Percival Coolidge. In my judgment the world is just as well off with him dead as alive. But what this means to Natalie Coolidge is another matter entirely."

"She told you—"

"Yes, she told me—a lie. That is what hurts; what makes me ready to take any chance to put you where you belong. You have lied to her, deceived her, made her your accomplice in crime. I'm fighting for a woman, because she has got no one else to fight for her."

"Oh, I see; in love, hey—with her, or her money?"

"With neither, so far as I know," frankly. "She is a woman helpless in your hands; that is sufficient."

"But, h—l, she hasn't any use for you—didn't she tell you so?"

"Quite plainly—yes. But that is no excuse for any man to play the coward. I am not afraid of you, Hobart, or your gang. You got me before by treachery; I was not looking for trouble. But now I am. I am going through that door, and if you try to stop me you are going to get hurt."

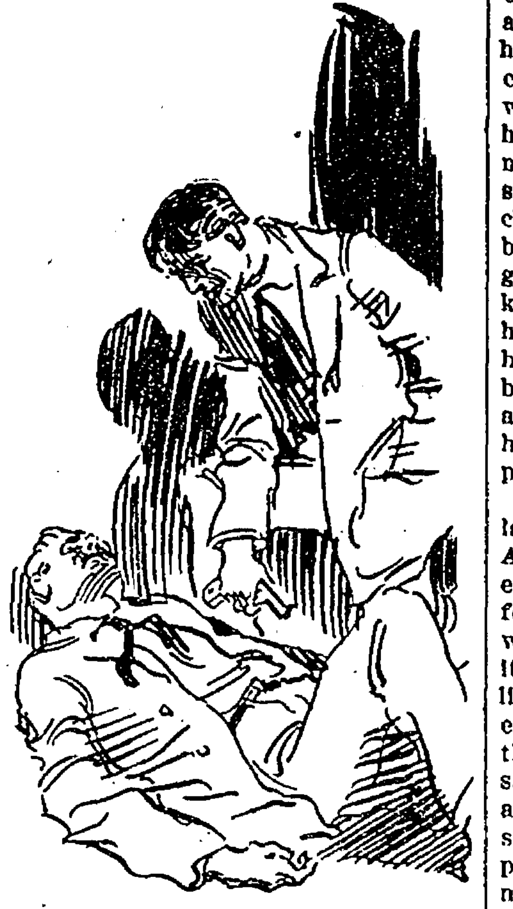
The fellow grinned, one hand thrust into the outer pocket of his coat, his eyes narrowed into ugly slits.

"You think so! You haven't a weapon on you, West, and if you take a step, I'll put you out of commission. I know how to handle your kind, you big bluffer. What I want to know is what you have got in your head, for, believe me, I don't take any stock in this woman stuff. Are you after a slice of old Coolidge's boodle? There's enough of it for all hands to have a dip. How does that hit you?"

"Sounds interesting, at least," admitted West, so earnestly as to attract the other's attention. "But let's talk it over among ourselves—who is listening there?"

Hobart glanced behind at the nearly closed door. It was for only a second he was off guard, yet that was enough. With one leap forward, West struck, his clenched fist smashing against the side of the fellow's jaw. It was a wicked, vicious blow, with all the propelling force of the body behind it, and Hobart went down stunned, crashing the door tightly shut as he fell. Once he strove blindly to reach his feet, tugging madly at the weapon in his pocket, but West, feeling no mercy, and wide awake to the fact that any shooting would mean a call for help, struck again, sending his groggy opponent flat, and unconscious. It was all the swift work of a minute, and there had been no noise to arouse alarm. Hobart had not even cried out; the only audible sounds being the sharp click of the door, and the dull thud of a falling body.

West emptied the man's pockets, slipping two revolvers into his own; then stood for an instant motionless, staring down into the white upturned face. He had followed the impulse of the moment; had struck savagely; knowing it was his only chance. Thus far he had done well; but what next? He was conscious of but one thought, one purpose—to escape from this house, unpledged and still free to act. Yet how could this be accomplished? He had no plan, no knowledge even of his surroundings, of what lay beyond the walls of this room. His eyes swept the bare interior, seeing nothing to inspire hope. Hobart had said this room was practically a prison, and it looked it—the walls bare, and unbroken, and a rough single cot. All possibility of egress lay in the closed door, and a narrow window high up in the opposite wall, also tightly shut, and shaded by a heavy curtain.



West Emptied the Man's Pockets.

His hand tried the door cautiously; the knob turned easily enough, but there was no yielding to his pressure. The lock was evidently on the outside, and he could discover no keyhole, no possibility of operating it from within. Then besides in all probability, a guard would be posted outside in the hall, waiting for some signal from Hobart. West glanced again at the recumbent figure, bending over to make sure of his condition, then, gripping a chair, silently crossed the room.

There was not a minute to lose. He knew that he must choose quickly whatever course he pursued. Any instand Hobart might recover consciousness and gain assistance by a rap on the door; indeed his confederates without might not wait for the signal. The silence within, the length of time, might arouse suspicion. The only chance lay in immediate action. Standing on the chair West found the window had been securely nailed into place, but this had been done so long ago, it was quite possible for him to work the nails loose, yet it required all his strength to press up the warped sash sufficiently far to enable him to gain a view outside. It was

[redacted] rushed [redacted] and rapped sharply on the door panel. It opened instantly, and big Mike, closely followed by another man, pushed forward into the room. West was trapped, helpless; one man pitted against three. He backed slowly away, brushed back the disheveled hair from his eyes, watching them warily, every animal instinct alert.

Mike took one comprehensive glance at the scene, at the overturned chair, the half-open window, the trapped man crouching motionless against the further wall. The meaning of it all was plain, and his bar-room training gave quick insight as to the part he was to play. He spoke gruffly out into the dark of the hall behind him, an order to some one concealed there; then shut the door tightly, and faced West, his head lowered like a bull about to charge. West understood; he was locked in to fight it out—three against one. Hobart was nearest to him, his face swollen and red, his eyes ugly slits, with teeth snarling between thin lips. The fellow laughed sneeringly, as their glances met.

"Now we'll take care of you, Captain," he taunted. "Never mind his guns, Mike; there's not a load in either of them. Give the guy what he is looking for. Come on, you terriers!"

But West did not wait. There was only one chance, and he took it—to carry the fighting to them. He had no doubt of the emptiness of his guns, and hurled one straight at Hobart's head, leaping forward with the other clutched in his hand straight at Mike, who had scarcely time to fling up one hand in defense. The thrown weapon missed its mark by a narrow inch, striking the wall behind, and falling clattering to the floor, but the other broke through the big saloonkeeper's guard, and sent him reeling to his knees, a gush of blood reddening his hair. Again and again West struck him, driving him prone to the floor before the other two dragged him away, wrestled the weapon from his hand, and closed with him in a desperate death grapple.

What followed he never could relate. He was mad with fury to fight. A mere animal defending life with every means at hand, caring nothing for either wound or hurt so that he won out in the end. Mike was out of it, but the two grappling him fought like wildcats, rough bar-room fighters, resorting to any tactics to disable their opponent. Yet it was this that saved him. Crazed as he was, madly as his brain whirled in the fierce struggle, his long training held supreme—he knew how to fight, remembered instinctively every trick and guard. Again and again his clenched fist reached its mark, and slowly he broke away from clutching hands, and regained his feet. It was a terrific struggle, but luck, as well as skill, was with him. The next he knew, out of the red ruck, was that he had Hobart by the throat, jammed against the wall, with fingers clenched in the throat. Then he saw the other coming, a dim, shapeless thing, that he kicked at viciously. The boot must have landed, for he was suddenly free to strike the purple face fronting him, and fling the helpless rocking body in a huddled mass on the floor.

It was over with; he had won breathing space, a chance to see what was about him. Yet that was all. The fellow he had kicked was already up, doubled from the pain of the blow, but with mad eyes glaring at him. Hobart had struggled to his knees, cursing fiercely as he swept the blood out of his eyes. They would both be on him again in a minute, more desperate than ever, and the door was locked—there was no chance there. The window! Ay! there was the window. Death either way, yet a chance; and he was man enough to take it. He leaped on the chair, and clambered up; he heard Hobart swear, and felt the grip of a hand on his dangling leg; kicking himself free, and was on the ledge. He never looked below, or took time to poise for the leap. Heedless, desperate, scarcely realizing what he was doing, he flung his body out over the edge, and fell.

CHAPTER X

Under Cover.

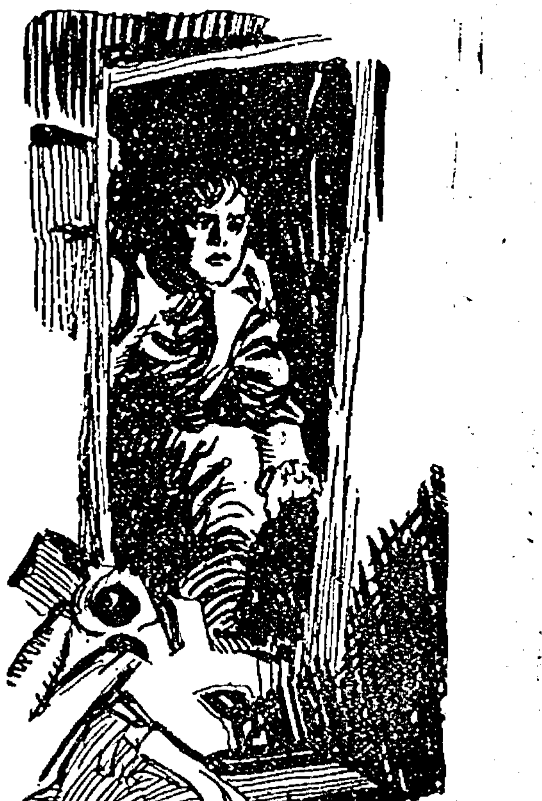
A shed roof was below, and he struck it, fortunately feet first, but the sharp slant of the boards sent him hurtling forward over the edge into a miscellaneous pile of boxes beneath, his body finally resting on the hard ground. He lay there dazed, the breath knocked entirely out of him, bruised, and scarcely certain whether he was dead or alive. For the moment, he seemed to have lost all consciousness, unable to realize even

[redacted] t had occurred in that upper room,
o comprehend the necessity of im-
iate flight. All about him was in-
se darkness, and, after the crash
is fall, no sound broke the silence,
could see nothing, hear nothing
rouse his faculties; his flesh quiv-
with pain, although he felt sure
bones were fractured, for he could
e both arms and legs freely,
le after the first shock, his mind
rned to activity, dominated by the
le conviction that he must get
y from there before those men
ld get down stairs.
e endeavored to rise, rolling par-
y over in the effort, which failed,
the movement, slight as it was,
one hand dangling over an excava-
at his right. His fingers explored
edge of this opening cautiously,
aling a cellar-way leading down
the basement. The opening was
k, silent, mysterious, yet it was
ding place. If he could manage to
down those steps into those
ths below, he might hide there un-
, until he regained strength, until
first effort at pursuit had been
ndoned. Then there might be a
nce for escape.

West grasped the idea clearly enough. Those fellows would be there swiftly. If they found him gone they would have no doubt but what he landed safely, and had made a getaway. They would search, of course, perhaps out into the alley, hoping he might have been injured, but it was hardly probable they would think to explore the cellar. Even if they did, he could surely creep into some dark corner where he might escape observation. Anyway, crippled as he was, this offered the one and only chance. He could not argue and debate; he must act.

He rolled over, and lowered himself down into the opening, locating the half-dozen broken and rotted steps with his feet. He made no attempt to stand, but simply slid down, finding a partially closed door at the bottom, the passage-way blocked by a litter, the exact nature of which could not be determined in the darkness. With some difficulty, and more than ever conscious of his weakness, and the pain of bruises, he managed to crawl over this pile of debris, and crouch down finally in the intense blackness within. He felt like a trapped rat, still gasping for breath, his body quivering from exertion.

Yet his retreat had been none too rapid. The silence above was broken by the creak of an opening door, the sound of excited voices, and a sudden gleam of light finding entrance through the open cellar-way. West, startled, crept back into a corner, every nerve alert at approaching peril.



He Recognized Hobart's Voice.

He recognized Hobart's voice, as the fellow plunged down the steps from the first floor out into the yard.

"To h—l, of course he's here!" he stormed. "My G—d, man, he dived out head first; I saw him. He'll be dead as a door nail now. Come on with that lantern, Turner. Where in thunder is the ladder—does any one know?"

"You think he lies on the roof?"

"Why not? That's where he must have struck, ain't it, Shorty? I don't know, though; it is so steep he'd most likely roll off. Here, you, let me take that glim. There's nothing here in these boxes. Ah, there's the ladder; climb up, Shorty, and see if the guy is stuck anywhere on the roof. Go on! What are you afraid of; if he's there, he's a stiff all right, believe me."

Turner's voice, hoarse and rumbling, came back from above.

"There ain't nothin' up here, Jim. D—n me, if I don't believe the cuss got clean away. Gee, but he was sure a nervy guy, all right."

"Nervy? Crazy, you mean. But he never took that fall without busting something. The bird is lying about here somewhere. You make sure he ain't up there, Shorty."

"Well, he ain't; I kin see every inch o' this roof. Perhaps he fell in between *them* barrels down there."

The two evidently searched thoroughly, the rays of the lantern dancing wildly about, while Hobart savagely cursed his companion, and reiterated his belief that no man could take that plunge, and escape unhurt.

"It couldn't be done, I tell you; maybe he could crawl, but that would be all. Why he went down head first; I saw him go out the window, and that drop would daze a cat. Say, Shorty, maybe the stiff dropped down into this cellar-way. Let's take a look."

(Continued next week)

Belmond Local News

Mrs. Cyril McGuire spent a part of last week visiting her home folks at Britt.

W. L. Wilson and family moved last week to their future home at Manchester.

Bernard Johnston of Clarion was greeting old freinds in town on last Saturday

Art Eby, who was injuired in an accident with a horse and buggy a week or so ago, is reported as being in a quite critical condition from his injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bailey are visiting friends and relatives in Minnesota this week.

Mrs. J. N. Johnson and Mrs. Thayne Bailey were shoppers at Mason City one day last week.

Mrs. J. M. Jensen and little daughter Marjory were visitors with relatives at State Center a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Luick were business callers at Fort Dodge one day last week.

Mrs. Carver, twin sister of Mrs. Joe Sampson, is visiting at the Joe Sampson home this week.

A number of the local teachers attended the state teachers convention at Des Moines last week Thursday and Friday.

The bank statements printed in this issue show a good state of affairs and indicate that conditions are getting back to normal again.

Notice—No hunting allowed on my fields.—Galen Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Snyder were guests last week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F E.. Snyder.

While shooting pigeons at the farm Sunday, the Tyrrell boys had the misfortune to kill a carrier pigeon. The bird bore a band with the following inscription: "A J 21 RV 1081."

Theo. Closz came down from St. Paul last Saturday to be present at the sale of his dairy cattle, but owing to the rain that daythe sale was postponed until yesterday.

Joe White was a Mason City caller on business one day last week. Joe now has his new truck for use in his produce business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Reif of Meservey spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Corri Smith in Belmond.

Plenty of rain has soaked the roads in this part of the country during the past week. The ground is thoroly soaked and the roads have not been so bad in months. The weather, how ever, has not turned very cold as yet, which helps out a great deal on the coal bills.

Mr. and Mrs. Blockett of Dinsdale came Wednesday to visit at the E. E. Boughton home. Mrs. Seth Huntington and children, who have been visiting here for several days, returned home with them.

Congregational Bazaar and Supper today.

Miss Beatrice Leinbach was a visitor with her sister at Cedar Rapids a few days last week.

Mrs. A. E. Martin and Mrs. Finch drove to Garner on Wednesday morning to attend a radio concert at a friend's home, and to visit at the Clarence Barnes home. Mrs. Mrs. Rosecrans returned home with them.

Mrs. F. O. Fitts and daughter, Miss Thera, left Friday of last week for Brookings, South Dakota, where they will visit at the home of Prof. and Mrs. P. J. Scarbro.

Wesley Walton and family started for their home at Harding, South Dakota, last Thursday. They went by way of Crawford, Nebraska, at which place they will visit his sister, Mrs. Dow.

Rev. Wilkinson of the Methodist church entertained the pastor of the Kanawha church on Tuesday.

Mrs. Carrie Sheffield came up from Fort Dodge last week to look after business interests and to visit with relatives and friends here a few days this week.

The Independent is now $1.50 per year if paid in advance. Send in your renewal and save 25 per cent of the price.

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Dressmaking. Miss Hegland. In the Sorenson house, 3 blocks no. of Belmond Lbr. Co. 494*

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Congregational Bazaar and Supper today.

Herman Pals of Alexander, janitor of the school there, was operated on at the local hospital the first of the week for appendicitis. It was a very severe case, the appendix having been ruptured. The patient, however, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Rosecrans went to Garner on Tuesday to attend a social affair given by Mrs. Pritchard.

W. W. Goetz came down from Rochester a few days last week to look after his store. He reports that Mrs. Goetz is steadily gaining in strength and will probably be able to return home in a few weeks. Mr. Goetz returned to Rochester, Sunday afternoon.

Henry Slining has been reported on the sick list the past week.

The Cemetery Aid society will meet with Mrs. W. E. Bullard on Friday, November 10.

Congregational Bazaar and Supper today.

If you have anything you want to sell, or if you want to buy something, need help or have something to trade, try an Independent want ad. They bring big results.

"The Golden Giant" is the title of the home talent play to be given under the auapices of the Community Club Nov. 17 and 18.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Martin entertained some twenty guests at a "500" party at their home last Friday evening.

Roy Falcone a fifteen year old boy working in the beet fields of Theo. Kessler was run over by a team and plow but fortunatly recieved no other injuries except a broken bone in one ankle. The boy is partially deaf and didn't hear the team coming. He was taken to the hospital and is being cared for there.

STORE SEED CORN CAREFULLY

Seed corn that has been picked and hung out of doors in temporary storage wants to be placed in a permanent storage condition before freezing starts. Corn that was hung on temporary racks should be transferred to strong wire or string racks or placed on one of the many good commercial storing racks. After the corn is racked so that it can properly dry place the racks in a dry room that has good air circulation, but that does not get cold enough to freezes. Seed corn is damaged more by early freezes because it contains considerabe moisture and this soon breaks the kernal.

The best places for storing corn are in special dry sheds, furnace rooms, attics, heated spare rooms or tool rooms or sheds, not used during the winter. Out of doors on trees, windmills, over grain bins or in damp cellars are not good places as the corn soon becomes ruined. It is a good plan to place the corn where it will not have to be moved before spring, as this often breaks up the ears. During the winter the corn can be looked over and damaged ears, moldy ears, light ears or ears off color or not desire type, can be sorted out before the testing begins.

Good Form.

Mrs. Catt—Why did you speak to that chorus girl?

Mr. Catt—Just a matter of form my dear.

Mrs. Catt—So I noticed.

CLIPPINGS

Jack McClellan has his troubles just the same as other folks. This week it has been trouble over a well. He bored one with one of these small hand well borers Tuesday, and went down about thirty-five feet, but the next morning it had caved in. Wednesday he drilled another partly down and finished it Thursday. He had been using a shallow well for a number of years, but the drainage ditch put on this year emptied his well, along with a number of others, the ditch being on a slightly lower level. It seems the drainage ditch is causing all the wells in the neighborhood to go dry.—News.

Sunday evening, between 6:30 and 7:00 o'clock, the barn on the Henry Hoeft farm located about four miles north and east of Garner, was discovered on fire, and within a remarkably short time the entire structure was a ruined mass. How the fire originated no one knows.—Garner Leader.

Gov. N. E. Kendall this week honored Rev. J. B. Walker, pastor of the Methodist church in Clarion, by naming him as an official delegate to the International convention of the World League Against Alcohol. which shortly convenes at Toronto, Canada. It is understood that Rev. Mr. Walker and Rev. J. J. Bushnell are the two duly authorized delegates representing Iowa. Rev. Walker regrets that he will be unable to attend the convention.—News.

One Hallowe'en joke that was pulled this year, we think is rather mean in that it casts an insinuation against one of our business men. The Billiard parlor owned by Smith & Owen has a sign on the window, "Billiard Parlor." Part of the sign was covered, making it read "Liar Parlor." —Garner Signal.

A. C. Rowley, rat exterminator, who has been in Des Moines working with the city board of health, for two weeks, says that he has killed over 100,000 rats in the city during that time. He will remain for two weeks more and can be found at the board of health office .—Exchange.

A spark from an Illinois Central engine Wednesday afternoon of last week set fire to a seventy acre field of corn east of Webster City. The corn was owned by T. C. O'Connor of Jewel. The loss is estimated at about $5,000, as Mr. O'Connor said the field would produce 80 bushels to the acre. What corn was not burned was damaged so that it has no value.—Humboldt Republican.

It is announced that Henry Ford wants to buy the Wabash railroad company so that he can use it in his business. If Henry wants the Rock Island we will be glad to have him buy it. What we need at the helm of the Rock Island is a man who will give service to the people who were unfortunate to purchase farms on the Rock sland lines. Service is what the farmer wants. In Titonka right now is stored in its elevators not less than 60,000 bushels of grain that cannot be moved on account of no motive power to pull trains. The people are entitled to service, and service is what they want.—Titonka Topic.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Saatoff went to Belmond the first of the week and will make their home there for the present. They moved a part of their household effects and stored the rest. —Kanawha Reporter.

MERCHANTS TRADE WINDOW DISPLAYS

Eagle Grove Times.—No little consternation was caused early morning shoppers when they arrived in the business district on Friday morning, and viewed an attractive display of meat in a window where before they had alway seen drygoods, or found the hardware store advertising groceries. On closer examination it was soon discovered on Thursday evening the merchants had traded windows displays, each merchant putting in his own display in the window of some other store.

The effect was novel and well served its purpose to attract the attention of the passerby to the window displays of various business men The windows were tastily decorated and while some of the displays lacked the room necessary to show the goods to best advantage others were lost in huge window intended for bulkier merchandise. The idea however caused considerable comment and no doubt the window will be observed with greater frequency in the future.

A woman's work is never done—or, at least, done to her satisfaction when her husband does it.

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WANTED

Wanted—Corn picker, going wages. Elevator to unload.—O D. Jenison, Belmond. Phone 3217. 47tfc

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For Sale—Second Hand cook stove. —S. Enger, Phone 309. 492*

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For Sale—A few O. I. C. boars. —R. E. Ryder, Rowan. Two miles south. Phone 412. 503*

For Sale—High grade Guernsey bull.—M. G. Luick, Belmond. Phone 3506. 493c

For Sale—Eight Duroc Jersey spring boars, pedigreed. Papers furnished.—Wm. Moellering & Sons, Rowan, Ia. 514*

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For Rent—Good office for doctor. Size 20x24. Ground floor, just refinished. Water and light.—John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—Public garage at Alexander, Iowa. 22x76, located on main street. Standard Oil station in connection. Good air pressure, and motor stand. Will rent reasonably. Write or phone John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—The Greenlander house in south part of town.—A. W. Martin. 50tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Black Martin fur collar. Finder please leave at this office. Reward. 50tfc

Lost—Past Noble Grand Rebekah pin. Leave at this office. 512c

Lost—Child's brown muff, somewhere between school house and the river bride. Finder please return to Mrs. Wm. Johnson. 511c

Lost—Black note book, about 4x6, between oil station and 5 miles west of town. Finder leave at this office. Reward. 502*

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

If you have headache, fever, constipation, kidney or liver trouble, bronchitis, neuralgia, you must adjust the cause before you can obtain relief. That is what the chiropractor does. With his bare hands alone he releases the prisoned impulses by adjusting the movable segments of the spinal column to normal position. The chiropractor can and will help you to get well. Office hours from 2 to 6. Phone 21.—Dr. E. A. Allen, Belmond, Iowa. 49tfc

Be a winner. If you can't, make the one ahead break the record.

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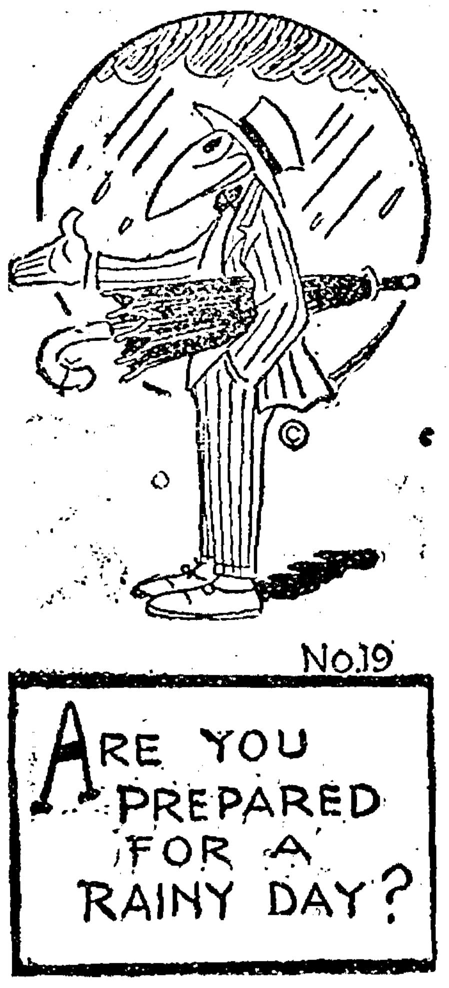
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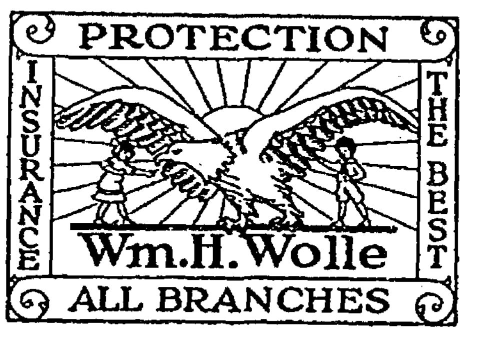

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COMMUNITY CLUB TO STAGE HOME TALENT

Jap Johnson Writes Of Jap Customs

Belmond Boy Says They Cut The Tails Off The Cats Instead Of The Dogs.

AND SIT ON THE FLOOR

A recent letter from Jasper Johnson, son of Mr and Mrs. Lud Johnson, who is teaching in an American college in Nagasaki, Japan, written to his brother, Galen, contains an interesting side light on the country. "Jap" writes in part.

"When I first got here I got so 'fedup' on seeing new things that I would have given anything to have been home for about ten minutes, where things were familiar. You can imagine how it is to land in a country where you are the Foreigner; where everybody speaks a language that you cannot make head or tail of; where they all wear wooden shoes, sit on the floor in their houses, sit on the floor at the shows; eat with chopsticks; cut the tails off of the cats instead of the dogs; where the women carry their kids on their backs; where the streets are so narrow that you can reach halfway across a lot of them; and if you meet a bicycle you have to get next to a building to get out of its way—even traffic must keep to the left instead of the right—where men do the work of horses, and all land is farmed by hand; where the sewer system goes past you on the back of an ox; where you get mail once a week if you are lucky, instead of any time you want to go to the post office and call for it—well, if you ever had a dream that you were n a place where everything was backwards to you, then you know just about how I felt for the first few weeks in Japan. But I have gotten used to it, and go along the streets any place I want to in the city, can read enough on the street cars to tell which car will take me to Nishihamonomachi, Sembatcho, Oura, Oumachi, Ourakme, etc., have developed a taste for saraoudon, supico, hapahan, and a few other dishes, and at least ask the price of things. Here is the Japanese up to ten: ichi, ni san, shi, go, ruku, hitchi, hotchi, ku, ju."

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

The bazaar given by the Ladies Aid society last Thursday was one of the most successful that they have given for a number of years. The officers and members of the Aid are very grateful for the hearty co-operation of the members and friends of the society and for the liberal patronage of the public. The rainy weather did not seem to keep any away from the good supper which was served.

We were again below our hundred mark at Sunday school last Sunday. It was one of the few times that we have been that low during the year and we hope that all will put forth a great effort that it may not happen again. So far this quarter our attendance has been lower than for any quarter during the year. One reason for this is the number of our faithful pupils who are away at college and teaching. Those of us who are here need to put forth a greater effort to enlist others to take their places.

Now for a full attendance next Sunday at 10:00 a. m. and we would like to see more of the Bible school in the morning services at 11:00 o'clock. The orchestra is furnishing some very good music for the evening services which begin at 7:30. Come and enjoy these services with us.

A week from next Sunday a special Thanksgiving offering will be taken for the general work of the church outside of our own parish. Please plan to pray and give. If it should be so that you cannot be at this service do not fail to mail your offering to the treasurer or clerk of the church.

WHAT IS DOING AT OLAF IN WAY OF NEWS

Mrs. G. Holverson, who has been on the sick list, is better and able to be around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott entertained the 500 club at their home last Saturday evening.

A class of boys and girls were confirmed at the St Olaf church last Sunday.

A little baby girl came to gladden the Oscar Hanson home last Friday morning. All are doing nicely.

School began Monday, with Miss Nellie Delaney of Belmond as teacher

Ole Thompson has been building a hog house for Anton Olson. Mrs. Thompson came out from Belmond and stayed with Mrs. Olson while Ole did the work.

Miss Iris Trumbell, Miss Sadie Frohling, Miss Nettie Benson and "Shorty" Eggers attend the card club at the Clarence Scott home Saturday evening.

OUR RANK IS SECOND

Two brothers, J. H. and G. S. Burleigh, farmers near Mechanicsville, Cedar county, introduced the first Hereford cattle into Iowa in 1870. Now this state ranks next to Texas in having the largest number of this breed of cattle in America. The past year there were 8,055 transfers placed upon the records from Iowa. Iowa cattleman who feed Herefords for the commercial market have made notable records during the last few weeks. The first cattle to sell for $12 a hundred weight in the Chicago market this year were six carloads of Herefords fed by Oscar Cain, Frank Smith and G. B. Hughes, of Bagley, Guthrie county and G. F. Gleason of Ida Grove. On October 4, Herman J. Buck of Westside, Crawford county, set a new record at Chicago, when he sold a load of Herefords at $12.65 a hundred-weight, the high est price in two years.

TO HOLD MEETING AT HENN HOME SOON

Clothing Specialist From Ames Will Demonstrate To Ladies Of Community.

An all-day meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. F. Henn on November 20th, Monday of next week at which time Miss Bertha Huber, a clothing specialist from the extension department at Ames, will give demonstrations on patterns, clothing remodling, etc. All ladies of the community are cordially invited to attend this meeting, enjoy the day and gain many practical points which will be of benefit to them. Those attending are requested to bring a note book, pencil, and sandwich. The Henn home is four miles east and ½ mile north of Belmond.

TRINITY CHURCH NEWS

Wednesday evening choir practice at the church at 7:30

Mid week prayer service will be held at the home of Axel Johnson on Thursday evening at 7:30.

Class meets Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Saturday afternoon the ladies of the church will hold their annual bazaar, beginning at 1 o'clock. Don't forget this. The ladies will also offer you good things to eat.

Sunday morning Sunday school and Bible class at 10 o'clock. English service will be conducted at 11. Norwegian service will be held in the evening at 7:30.

ST. OLAF CHURCH

Weather and roads permitting prayer meeting will be held at the home of Otto Tegland.

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the laymen of the church will conduct a service at the church. These services will be held every Sunday when the pastor does not hold a service. Please bear this in mind, make it known and be present. Remember the Lord's promise: "where two or three are gathered in my name there I am in the midst of them.

NEW CASES UP FOR TRIAL IN DISTRICT COURT TERM

A Number Are Filed For Trial —$10,000 Suit For Wife's Affections Is Asked.

Monitor—Twenty new cases have already been filed for the November term of the district court, which convenes at Clarion on the 27th.

Charles Culmer has brought suit against John Jones in the sum of $10,000 for the alleged alienation of his wife's affection. The two families are neighbors and reside on Troy township farms about one mile apart. Plaintiff was married to Mary Julia Beshey at Webster City in 1901; they have four children, the eldest daughter being married; that he and his wife lived happily together and that she was faithful and dutiful in every respect and diligent in attention to all of her children until the happening of the matters hereinafter complained of: That on or about November, 1921, the defendant began paying attention and showing courtesies to the plaintiff's wife, which he continued, inducing her to go riding with him and in other ways deliberately, premeditatedly and wickedly cultivated and caused to grow up between himself and the plaintiff's wife a relationship, by means of which he gained the confidence and affection of plaintiff's wife; that he very frequently took her riding in the day time and at night time, and by such means and influence caused her to withdraw her affection and companionship; that through the loss of the companionship of his said wife he has sustained damages to the amount above named.

Germer Stove Co. vs. W. W. Frakes of Eagle Grove is an action to collect a balance of $173.95 due on account.

Mishawaha Woolen Mfg. Co. vs. G. W. Hansen of Galt is a suit to collect the sum of $176.15 alleged to be due on account.

Marriage licenses were issued the past week to William A. Parker of Belmond and Viva K. Rourk of Kanawha; Ance Seal and Amy Campbell, both of Clarion.

Chas. Brisbin vs. Wm. Brisbin is a suit of father against son. The plaintiff, who is 94 years of age, alleges fraud was practiced in gaining possession of his property at a time when he was very ill and not expected to live. He asks judgment against his son for $2,000.

McCarty & Cole of Eagle Grove have transferred judgment from Justice Williamson's court against Dan Galvin in the sum of $151.30 and asks the court to establish defendant's nterest in ninety acres of corn located on the Gormley farm, which defendent is tenant.

A $450. note executed to Frank Drury by F. M. Coufal and later purchased by the State Savings bank of Rowan is being sued upon by said bank. This bank also asks judgment against S. D. Hinckley on his $300 note.

Ina Stumph of Rowan charges her husband Guy Stumph with drunkeness and for that reason petitions the court for a divorce. The parties were married January 1, 1908, and have one child, a daughter, also a son by adoption. Plaintiff asks the custody of the children and alimony for support of herself and family.

F. D. McLeod and Olive McLeod of Galt are named as defendents in a suit brought by the Farmers State bank of Dows to collect a $4000 note, due last March.

Elmer Gunderson of Eagle Grove asks judgment against T. O. and Raymond Larson, father and son, of Eagle Grove in the sum of $500. For cause of action plaintiff claims young Larson, while on the wrong side of the road, between Clarion and Goldfield, and driving a buick automobile in a reckless manner, sturck the Gunderson Ford car. The accident happened while attempting to pass another car. Gunderson alleges his car was thrown into the ditch and turned over several times, resulting in its complete destruction; that the fair value of said car was $515; that its value as

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IOWA MAKES RECORD IN RED CROSS WORK

Splendid Achievements In All Branches Of Service Is Record Of Chapters.

Iowa holds the record for the largest number of chapters of any state in the Central Division. It has more memberships proportionately than the more densely populated states. It has made an equally enviable record in the service rendered the state in meeting disaster, in helping the ex-service men, in life saving, in the prevention of disease and in the enrollment of the school children for helpful service.

93 Iowa chapters have handled some big undertakings during the past year. The speed with which these chapters in several parts of the state quickly mobilized in Iowa the past season to bring relief in times of flood, and the manner in which the National Pageant of Red Cross and the Red Cross exhibit at the State Fair were staged at Des Moines coupled with community service by chapters in every part of the state make Iowans appreciate and esteem Red Cross increasingly. The report just made by Walter Davidson, Manager, Central Division on the work of the chapters emphasizes in detail some of the outstanding achievements.

The soldier service work of the Iowa Red Cross chapters is a volume in itself. Almost everyone knows the great variety of work the Home Service and other secretaries or officers of these chapters are doing for the ex-service men and their families, and particularly for the disabled. It is estimated that 3,000 Iowa ex-service men have received individual care from the local Red Cross chapters the past year. If they have been in financial trouble, Red Cross has made them a temporary loan to tide them over the difficulty. If their families have been in want or distress, it has looked after them. If they have needed to have their claims adjusted it has guided them thru the necessary official channels. Vocational training has been secured for them to enable them to earn a better living. If medical or hospital treatment has been necessary, it has watched over them to give added comforts and recreation that hasten the days of convalesence. In these and numerous untold ways, the Iowa "boys" and their families have received the continuous ministrations of Red Cross for which they never cease to express gratitude.

Red Cross Nurses have discovered that over 40,000 children are physically defective, one-third of all the school children in the state; but they have also to report that notable progress is being made by physicians, Red Cross workers and others to improve these conditions.

These Red Cross nurses, and there are 81 today where there were three in Iowa three years ago, gave health talks in schools thruout the state the past year to more han 8,000 groups of school children and 900 groups of adults. They helped in 350 clinics at which treatment was given to more than 4,000 persons. In six months, 17,000 visits were made to homes to teach the mothers home hygiene and care of the sick and to give expert nursing care. Some 27 Iowa chapters also are conducting nutrition classes to give instruction in the proper selection of foods and in methods of preventing malnutrition.

Iowa has many rivers and appreciates the value of Red Cross life saving classes from which her chapters have graduated in the six months 207 as certified life-savers. The demonstrations at prominent points thruout the stae recently, particularly at LeMars, Mason City, Sidney, and Lake Okoboji, have greatly increased interest in Red Cross life saving methods. In recent months 184 persons have also received Red Cross first aid certificates.

Clarence Hildebrand left Thursday evening of last week on a few days' business trip to points in the southeastern part of the state

HEARING THE GRAND OPERA VIA THE RADIO

Many things have been heard over the wireless set of the Battery Station and the Independent, but by far the best that has been heard yet was the opening opera of the Chicago Civic Opera Association, which was listened to Monday evening of this week. On that evening for two solid hours it was the pleasure of those who listened in to hear the opera as it was given at the theatre in Chicago, relayed to the radiophone station of the Westinghouse company, and by them broadcasted. The singing, the music of the orchestra, the clapping of the audience were as audible as tho is was in the room. On Tuesday evening the same company broadcasted the opera "Carmen." On Monday evening a total of 14 stations were heard, all clearly and perfectly audible. Concerts from New York City, Newark, New Jersey, Atlanta Georgia, Anthony, Kansas, Detroit, Michigan, Kansas City, Missouri, Indianoplis, Cicinatti, and Denver were the far points reached. J. W. Scott has an interesting letter from the Atlanta Journal, Atlanta, Ga., in answer to a notice from him that their concerts were being heard. You are welcome any evening to drop in and listen. Either the editor or Mr. Scott will be here to catch you something in the air.

FOOTBALL GAME TODAY

The Belmond high school football team will meet the team from the Clarion high shool. This ought to be a real game. Clarion is noted for its good football teams, and while this will be the second team that is no indication that they cannot play the game. Belmond has won two of its first three games; the sport is a new thing to the local boys, but they have made wonderful progress, and a real battle is assured when they meet the team from the county seat this afternoon. Come out to the game and enjoy a hot contest. Game starts at 3:30.

HAVE REAL EXPERIENCE WITH GOOD IOWA MUD

Two Local Men Are Among Five Hundred Who Have Their Cars Stuck.

You can talk about your good old Iowa mud—the men from Belmond who drove to Iowa City last Saturday to take in the Iowa-Minnesota football game know all about it; they met it, face to face. Dr. Steele and Mikesell were the two, and they saw the game. But coming home was something else again. Between Cedar Rapids and Iowa City, near the little town of North Liberty, there is a fair-sized hill, composed chiefly of clay, gumbo and just plain mud. The traffic over this road was heavy, hundreds of cars going home from the game. The ruts wore deeper and deeper, and finally the cars just got in and stuck. There were, it is estimated by these men, from five hundred to a thousand cars within a space of four to five miles, stuck in the mud. Men, women and children by the hundreds were in them, and they couldn't get out until Sunday morning. They slept Saturday night in barns, corn cribs, houses, any old place there was shelter, 21 being on the dining room floor of one farm house. Farmers made a rich haul pulling cars out, at from $2 to $10 per pull, one financier making $90 Sunday. Dr. Steele and Mikesell finally managed to get thru to Cedar Rapids. But anyway they saw some game.

CAR THIEVES GET 5 YEARS

Sheriff Lang, while in town Monday, told the editor that the three men who stole the Dorr Ford this fall had been captured and are now serving their time in the Fort Madison prison. The men abandoned the Door car at Pocahontus and took a Buick there. Police officials caught them in the southern part of the state with the Buick and all three of them were given five years each in Fort Madison.

"The Golden Giant" Given Next Week

Fine Cast Of Players Secured For One Big Play To Be Given This Winter.

TO BE GIVEN TWO NIGHTS

The Community club home talent play, entitled "The Golden Giant," originally dated for this week Friday and Saturday, has been postponed to Friday and Saturday of next week, the 24th and 25th, in order to give the actors more time to perfect their parts. A strong cast has been secured, including many of the "oldtimers" who have been thru the mill before; a clever and interesting play is being rehearsed, and indications are that theatre goers in Belmond will be given a treat. The cast of characters is as follows:

Jack Mason ------------------------ Cato Griesy
Alexander Fairfax ------------------------ J. H. Ncurse
Duncan Le Moyne ------------------------ Teddy Johnson
Jim Bixby ------------------------ C. M. Morse
Max Wayne ------------------------ M. C. Barry
Tom Flynn ------------------------ Mac McNamara
Jack Mason Fairfax—child of Alec and Ethel, age 8 years— ------------------------ Junior Goelz
Ethel Wayne ------------------------ Mona Goelz
Bessie Fairfax ------------------------ Letty Morse
Mrs. Vanderpool ------------------------ Claire Jewell
Mrs. Boggs ------------------------ Luella Christie
Miners, Guests at Alec's New York home, etc.

TWO HUSBANDS TOO MANY

In Algona a woman recently got a divorce from her husband, and in a short time took another. However, when the chill winds of autumn began to blow, husband No. 1 hastened home to his domicle, and put out the skids under husband No. 2. That is, he chased him out of the house with a butcher kinfe and took over the duties of husband to his erring spouce, and she evidently made no violent objection.

In the mean time, husband No. 2 is wandering disconsolately about wondering where he is to spend these long winter evenings, and pondering on the uncertainty of life in general. —Humboldt Republican.

HONORED BY PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin entertained at dinner last Thursday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Grundy of Los Angeles. They were residents of this place many years ago, and are making a tour of the East, visiting New York, Boston, Wshington and other points of interest. They expect to return home via the southern route thru New Orleans.

BUYS OUT HIS PARTNERS

Steve Antonio has bought out the interests of his partners in the Candy Kitchen in Belmond, and henceforth will be the owner of the business instead of manager. When he began business here he was in partnership with his countrymen at Clarion, but recently completed the deal that gives him the business. Steve has been "delivering the goods," has made a host of good friends, and they are glad to see him owner now.

Mr. and Mrs. Roecoe Norem are the parents of a fine new baby boy who arrived at their home Sunday.

Mrs. Leslie, of Waverly, is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. C. C. McGuire, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson are the happy parents of a fine baby daughter, born last week.

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GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Last Tuesday, Nov. 7, Earl Clark moved his household goods to Garner where he will make his future home.

On election day Tony Boller came up from Garwin and took a part of his furniture back with him. I came by truck. He and Mrs. Boller will make their home there this winter as he is employed by the contractor that is graveling 12 miles of road from Tama north.

Mrs. Dan Miller who is in the Hospital at Hampton is so improved that she is able to sit up.

Mr. Worman of the Higley Creamery Co. of Mason City was in Goodell on election day on business.

Only about 200 of the voters of Avery Township voted at the election. That does not speak very well of the interest that voters take in the selection of our state and county officers.

Earny Wilkins is the new buying agent for the Higley Cream Company He will also buy eggs and poultry for the Forest City poultry company

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ruka left last Wednesday night for a visit with friends and relatives in Wisconsin.

Mrs. H. P. Myers' sister who has been visiting her for the past week left on Friday for her home in Armstrong, Ia

Miss Alma Ruka is having a weeks vacation in her school

Nel Chelvigs purchased a new Ford last Wednesday.

Wednesday last Mr and Mrs. Wesenberg were at Garner on business.

J. W. Griggs made a trip to Venture last week.

Mrs. Curtis Luick spent last Tuesday night at Belmond at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jensen, where she had gone to see her nephew, Donald Luick, who is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. D Christensen visited the last of the week at Grner.

Thursday and Friday the teachers of Goodell attended the county teachers meeting at Britt.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quigley, Jr., returned to Goodell the latter part of last week.

H. R. Allaben came down from Brainard, Minn., last Thursday night. He is spending a few days with his parents. He made the trip in his "Henry."

Miss Dorothy Lackore, accompanied Miss Hill to her home in Clarion Saturday, returning Sunday.

Last Friday Framer Cordes went to Clarion for medical treatment for a severe case of rheumatism. He expects to be gone about two weeks

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Graeber were shopping in Belmond last Thursday.

Mrs. T. O. Letch was in Belmond on Thursday last.

Dr. Snearly made a professional trip to Hampton on Thursday.

What's the matter with the world? Just the faults of you and me.

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BEGINNING OUR FOURTH YEAR

This issue of the Independent completes three years' of successful operation, and the publisher feels that a word of appreciation to the many friends who have stood so faithfully by is not amiss.

A newspaper cannot succeed under any circumstances without one outstanding thing: The support of the public. This support comes in two different forms, both of which are absolutely necessary. First there must be circulation; without circulation a newspaper is in the same fix as a Ford without gas, it can't go. Second, it must have advertising. It is essential that both be there. The advertiser looks first of all to circulation; the publisher of a newspaper uses every effort to build up the ciculation. That the Independent has been able to build up a circulation of over a thousand in three years is proof that its friends have stood by, and to them the Independent is indebted. It is indebted too to its advertisers, to those who have used its columns to bring before the people of this community the things they have to sell. They both have been friends in every sense of the word, and it is the aim, and in the years to come will be the aim, of the Independent to serve them both, to give them service in their respective lines.

To them both, may the Independent extend its sincere thanks and appreciation for their support in the three years gone by, and solicit for the year to come the same good loyal support. And in return we give you our promise to "do our durnedest" to serve you both better.

CLIPPINGS

Harry Webb, Belmond's "boy preacher", has just been assigned as student pastor of the M. E. church at Woden, Iowa. This is Mr. Webb's third year at Morningside college, Sioux City. He received a license to preach when he was only 18 years of age and has quite successfully filled a number of charges during his vacations. Mr. Webb preached at the M. E. church here several times last fall when that church was without a minister.—Klemme Times.

Eck Raw, the hustling deputy sheriff, pulled a good one Monday when he was called to Corwith to raid a moonshine distillery. He was directed to the farm where it was supposed to be and made haste to get there before any one had a chance to beat him to it. Arriving at the place he captured a large still and many gallons of mash and returned to Corwith with his find, whereupon he learned that he had overreached his territory and captured the still in Kossuth county. Eck wasn't going to let this mar the enforcement of the law so telephoned to the county attorney at Algona and the sheriff or his deputy was sent to Corwith to gather in the still and take over the prisoner.—Britt News-Tribune.

Leroy Depew, a former Goldfield resident and now of near LuVerne, met with quite a serious accident last Monday He was riding horseback in a pasture when a neighbor's horse kicked him, breaking the large bone in the left leg between the ankle and the knee. He laid helpless in the pasture for more than an hour when he was found by his four year old son. —Goldfield Chronicle.

The Occidental hotel was robbed Friday afternoon and all efforts to apprehend the thief have been unsuccessful. Jack Knight, who is the day clerk at the hotel, left the office for a short time to attend to business matters on the street and upon his return found that the cash register had been robbed of $85. The thief evidently knew the combination of the drawer as it was locked when Mr. Knight left the hotel Suspicion was fixed upon the janitor who knew the combination of the register and he was placed under arrest but was later released because of lack of evidence. Up to the present time no further arrests have been made. —Eagle Grove Times.

Ed Baker figured in a comedy sketch last Thursday which was a real scream. He bought a can of black paint at Kenefick's and left it at Ole Gunderson's implement house on east Broadway. He went home after some material he was going to paint, leaving the paint as stated above at Gunderson's. Well, Carl Groves, Ole Gunderson, Geo. Shaunce and some other parties not named in the indictment, removed the paint label from the can and glued it on a can of perfectly good tomatoes. Ed opened the can and found it filled with tomatoes. Ed thought this a fine joke on Mr. Kenefick and took the tomatoes back to the store and demanded an honest to goodness can of black paint. Mr. Kenefick was just as mystified and handed out another can of paint, which Ed insisted on opening on the spot. It contained what it should, black paint.—Eagle Grove Eagle.

Naomi Baldridge and Inza Africa went to Belmond, Friday, and visited until Saturday afternoon with Naomi's grandparents and other relatives On Tuesday they went to Nevada where they will spend a few days with the Misses Lyona Baldridge and Caroline Lewis, who are employed there.—Kanawha Reporter.

Several hundred gallons of pure Iowa water were taken with the football team from Iowa City to New Haven, Conn., when the men went to play with Yale. The men drank nothing but Iowa water from the time they boarded the train at Iowa City until they returned five days later. Fear that a change of water might disagree with the players as they went from one section of the country to another prompted the Iowa athletic board to arrange to carry a five-day supply for the 25 men who made the trip—Exchange.

Yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at the Catholic church in this city occurred the marriage of Miss Elvira Richter to Mr. Joseph William Hammes of Pocahontus, Iowa, Rev. Father Wagner of Pocahontus officiating. Miss Nell Sullivan of Belmond played the wedding march—Garner Signal.

The north part of town also is hit by the drought, and wells are going dry or pumps are failing to function. Some who have bored wells find they either have had to lengthen the pipes to their pumps or else bore deeper. They blame the sewer for lowering the water level.—News.

Mr. Wm. Voiles of Belmond was a business caller in Klemme last Friday.—Times.

Oscar Larson came up from Belmond, Monday, to give the Larsen company business here the once over. Scoop is a combination travelling auditor and block man for the company. —Garner Leader.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Delphian—

Mrs. Glenn Klemme entertained the Delphian club Monday evening. The lesson for the evening was on "Modern Italy." Mrs. Herman Schultz as leader conducted the lesson in a very interesting and instructive way. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Progress—

The Progress club met with Mrs. Wm. Schooler, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Wallace Ramsay was leader of the lesson, which was on the book of Ruth, from the Old Testament. The lesson was greatly enjoyed by all as the book of Ruth is one of the most interesting books of the Bible.

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Kensington—

The members of the Kensington Club intertained their husbands at a seven o'clock banquet Wednesday evening, at the beautiful home of Mrs. E. W. Luick. After the banquet the evening was spent in merry making.

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IDLE-A-WHILE—

The Idle-a-While club met Monday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. Pfaltzgraff. The usual good time was enjoyed by everybody present and after an evening of fun and merriment dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Pfaltzgraff.

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Bazaar—

The bazaar and chicken supper held by the Ladies Aid of the Congregational church proved a complete success. The ladies worked harder than ever this year, and cleared in the neighborhood of $370.

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Shower—

The Sodality girls held a shower in honor of Mrs. Wm. Parker at the home of C. C McGuire, Wednesday evening. Many beautiful and useful the evening was spent in a merry gifts were received by the happy bride.

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Bridge—

Miss Nellie Delancy entertained the Bridge club last Friday evening, the highest honors going to Miss Daisy Cameron

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Mrs. Vanderpool	Claire Jewell
Mrs. Boggs	Luella Christie

Miners, Guests at Alec's New York home, etc.

Act 1. Golden Run Hotel, Idaho.
Act 2. Alex Fairfax's Cabin.
Act 3. Fairfax Home in New York. The Reception.
Tableau 1. The Challenge. The Parting.
Tableau 2. The Duel. Curtain remains down three minutes between tableaus 1 and 2.
Tableau 2. An open space near Hudson river.
Act 4. Back to Idaho.

Miss Claire Jewell---Overtures and Incidental Music during the play.

Reserved Seat Tickets for both nights on sale at Schultz Drug Company on Saturday, November 18. Tickets: Adults 55c, Children 30c---including tax.

This play was advertised for November 17th and 18th, but has been postponed until November 24th and 25th. Don't forget the date.

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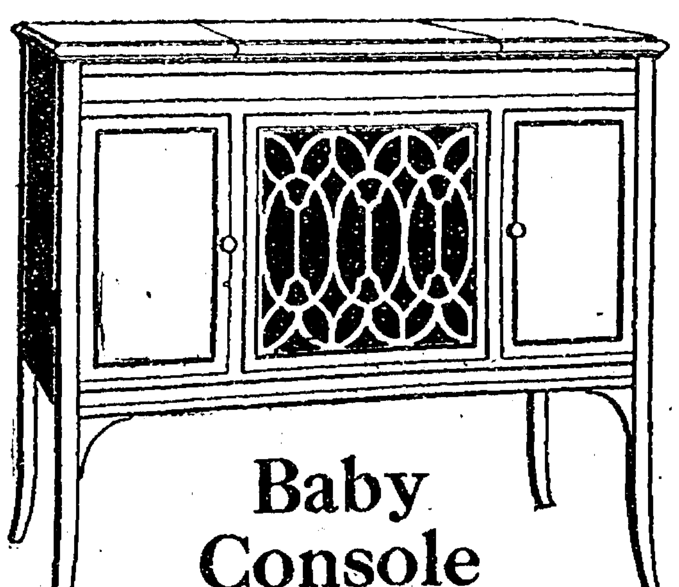

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Corn Yield Plots Harvested

Considerable interest centered about the farms of Harry Inners (Liberty township) and H. A. Flett (Vernon township) Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, when Prof. B. E. Heitzman of the Extension Department at Ames checked up on the various samples of corn which were produced on these farms.

In harvesting the samples of corn in these plots 4 rows 89 hills long were husked out and piled at the end of the field. It is estimated that this size of a plot makes about one-tenth of an acre. The nine samples of corn which were piled at the end of the field were weighed up and small samples of each have been sent to the Farm Crops section at Ames where moisture determinations will be made and the final results of yield contests will be figured.

Those who had samples of corn in the experimant plot will be anxious to know how their corn compares with others having corn in the test plot but it will not be possible to announce the ratings of the various samples until the moisture determination is returned from the Farm Crops department.

The corn yield plot which was conducted on the Al Watkins farm near Eagle Grove will be harvested later and announcement made of the results of this experiment. The corn plot which was conducted on the A. E. Martin farm near Belmond has not turned out very satisfactory on account of the hogs having gotten in the field and destroyed some of the plots, making it impossible to get a definite check on the results. An attempt will be made, however, to select 89 representative hills from each plot which has not been molested and figure the approximate yield of the plot.

Farm Meat Demonstrations.

Many county farmers learned methods of slaughtering, cutting and curing meat as a result of the four meat demonstrations held by the Wright county farm bureau in different sections of the county last week. The county agent, in arranging for these meetings, secured the services of Prof. C. W. MacDonald, Animal Husbandry specialist of the extension service of Iowa State college who demontrated and discussed methods of slaughtering, cutting and curing meat on the farm, and gave many present an opportunity to actually do some of the work themselves.

The secret of curing meat on the farm, according to Mr. MacDonald is: first getting a godd bleed on the hog; second, thoroughly cooling the carcass but not allowing it to freeze; thrid, curing the meat for a sufficient length of time with proper strength of curing agents. Either dry cure or brine cure can be used with equally good results. The cures recommended are:

1. Dry Sugar Cure.. For each one hundred pounds of meat, weigh out 8 pounds of salt, 2 1-2 pounds sugar and 2 ounces of saltpetre. Rub at least one half of the mixture thoroughly on pieces and pack. Rework the meat at the end of each week for three weeks and each time each pound in the mixture should be thrown on the exposed parts. Allow the meat to cure three days to ample: a 12 pound ham should be cured for 36 days by this method.

2. Brine Cure. For each one hundred pounds of meat, weigh out twelve pounds of salt, three pounds of sugar and two ounces of saltpetre and dissolve in six gallons of water previously boiled and cooled. Pack the meat and pour over the brine. At the end of each week for three weeks repack the meat using the same brine if it is not sour. Allow the meat to cure four days to each pound in the piece. For example: a 12 pound ham should be cured 48 days.

Clothing Demonstrations Successful

The clothing demonstrations on "Alteration of the Commercial Pattern," by Miss Bertha Huber from the Extension department at Ames are proving quite successful from the standpoint of attendance and the general interest which is being shown by the ladies throughout the county. Miss Huber seems to be a real specialist in her line and the ladies are getting some valuable hints in regard to the subject at hand. These demonstrations are very practical and the ladies of the county are getting the work from Miss Huber in such a way that they will be able to make daily application in their home problems.

The schedule which will be followed in conducting the clothing demonstrations throughout the county beginning November 20, will be as follows:

Monday, November 20, Pleasant township with Mrs. J. F. Henn.

Tuesday, November 21, Belmond township with Mrs. A. E. Martin.

Wednesday, November 22, Liberty township, with Mrs. Rasmus Hanson.

Friday, November 24, Eagle Grove (Call lady director.)

Saturday, November 25, Dayton township, with Mrs. Will Hagie.

Monday, November 27, Woolstock township, with Mrs. Matt Adams.

Tuesday, November 28, Troy township, yith Mrs. Newton Bawn.

Wednesady, November 29, Norway township, with Mrs. E. E. Evans.

Friday, December 1, Lake township, with Mrs. Allen Robinson.

Boys Start Feeding Calves

Boys and girls who have enrolled as members in the baby beef club will weigh their calves into the contest on December 1st, when the feeding oprations will begin. The members will be required to keep a daily record of the amount of feed given the calf and will report to the county agent once a month the weight of the calf and the amount and price of feed consumed in order that a definite record may be kept of the cost of gains made during the month.

Each day's mail brings in the names of a few more boys and girls enrolling in the calf club. Around forty calves have already been reported by the members and this number should be increased materially before November 20th, the date that the enrollments close. The premium money offered by the State Fair association last year alone exceeded $1500 and this amount will likely be doubled for 1923, as more counties have entered the contest and different Breeders' associations are offering prizes in addition to the Fair association przes.

Most of the calves reported for the club are between four and eight months old and show good uniformity in size and conformation. The three leading beef breeds will be about equally represented and a good class of ten calves may be selected from each breed of calves fed to be exhibited at the county show and State fair and sold at Des Moines the last day of the fair.

Boys and girls who have not signed up for this Baby Beef club and know where they can locate a good calf should send in an application for an enrollment card. The calf doesn't need to be a pure-bred and should be bought at about market price. The calf to be used in the contest may be taken from home herd in case you have the right beef type to begin with .

Champion Judging Team Training

Members of the state champion live stock judging team which judged at Des Moines and Sioux City will spend considerable time between now and December 1st in getting practical experience in judging the different classes of livestock. The boys, accompanied by the county agent, will make judging trips to the different livestock farms of Wright county and to different purebred farms in neighboring counties in order to have opportunity to see some of the best types of livestock and have actual practice in handling these animals.

An invitation has just been received from the animal husbandry department at Ames to come to the college and work out on some of the high class purebred animals at the college. It has been suggested that by making the trip to the college boys will come in contact with some of the best livestock and at the same time have an opportunity to work on some of the college animals.

The International Non-Collegiate Live Stock judging contest, in which the boys will take part, will be held at the stock pavilion in Chicago on Friday, December 1st. The county agent and the boys will leave Clarion about Wednesday evening, November 29th, in order to be ready to begin the judging work Friday morning. This judging contest is open to any boy or girl attending an Agricultural high school, a vocational high school, a rural consolidated school, or boys and girls clubs who have never been legally classified in a state agrcultural college and who has never taken part in a meat, stock or horse judging contest in an international character previous to the year in which this contest is held. Entries in this judging contest are limited to one team from each state, the members of which must all be from the same club. This team is determined each year by a state judging contest held at the state fair. Dean Curtis of the agricultural club at Ames has already certified to the eligibility of the Wright county team in the State judging contest and has entered our team in the International live stock judging contest at Chicago.

Prize Corn To International

It will be interesting to corn growers of Wright county to note that prize winning samples of corn are being sent to the International live stock and grain show at Chicago by M. L. Howison of Wall Lake township, O. J. Pardun and Emory J. Pardun of Clarion.

The management of the International at Chicago has made it possible for farmers thruout the middle west to exhibit their forage crop and grains. Thru this medium the best grains and forage crops are brought together and consequently the farmers have opportunity to study the exhibits and get the best possible information on varieties and methods of production. The International rules require that the exhibit when shipped must reach the grounds not later than Monday, November 27th, and must have been grown, selected and prepared by the exhibitor. Single ear and ten ear samples are being entered by these men.

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Griesy's Store News

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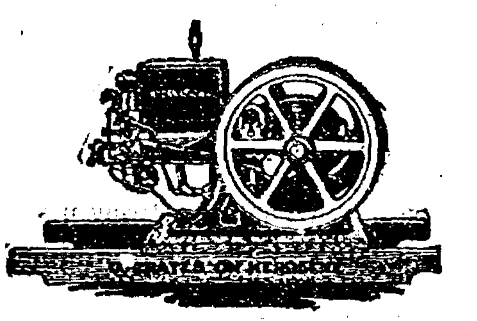
An All-Weather Engine

Engines are subject to a great deal of abuse. Sometimes from the operator—sometimes from themselves and sometimes from the weather and elements. When an engine is placed out in th sun, rain, hail and wind it won't last as long, of course, but the engine that is proteted in itself by its construction, will naturaly last longer. When engineers designed the International Engine they must have had this in mind and made an enclosed crank case. That's why the International Kerosene Engine is more protected from dust, dirt and the elements than other engines. It's just one more reason why the International horse-and-a-half and larger sizes will run for years at the very lowest cost per hour. They're more than economical. Come in and get one.



Grinding Out Dollars

Not everybody has the privilige of making money by coining the actual pieces in a machine, but everyone who uses his head and his hands has the privilege of earning money in an honest way. The farmer who wishes he could have a money-making machine can easily satisfy his wish by buying a McCormick-Deering Feed Grinder. This machine turns out dollars in the form of better and less wasteful feed. With a McCormick-Deering Feed Grinder you can make every pound of feed produce the utmost in feeding value by putting it in the most digestible form. Come in and look them over—Buy a McCormick-Deering Feed Grinder.

Long women who have longed for long skirts can now wear them right along.

We should have a warm winter after all the hot air distributed during the recent election campaign..

What Benjamin Said

Benjamin Franklin said, "The safest investment is a deposit of fertility in the soil bank; surest and pays the best." There's real sense in this statement and if Franklin were living today he would add a few more lines to his wise words, and say that the best way to put fertility into the soil bank is to use a good manure spreader. By using an International Manure Spreader you are assured of the highest possible dividends, for the International spreads finely, evenly and uniformly. The International is both large in capacity and light in draft. It is made almost entirely of steel with the exception of the bottom and side boards and will outlast and outdo any other spreader on the market Franklin would OK this spreader if he were here today.

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The country is full of them, smooth and oily, shrewd salesmen out for easy money by selling stock in some wonderful prospect that promises to make you rich in quick order. Just stop and think. If these things were as good as they are represented, there would be no need to peddle them around. Before investing it is always a good plan to consult your banker and then follow his advice.

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The Y. P. A .monthly business and social meeting was held in the Evang. church parlors last Tuesday evening. The Misses Viola and Evelyn Thomas and Mildred Gealow were hostesses. After the regular business session a short program was given. Games were played and a jolly good time is reported. A delicious oyster supper was served, which all enjoyed.

W F. Butz is able to be about again since his recent illness.

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MESERVEY, IOWA

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. A. J. Nissen last Wednesday afternoon for their regular monthly meeting. Plans for the essay contest to be held in the future were discussed. Mrs. C. J. Wendell has charge of this work, and we trust that all are interested enough to boost for the Union and all they undertake to do.

The council met last Monday evening for their regular meeting.

The annual Thank offering program of the W. M. S. will be given at the Evang. church on Sunday, Nov. 26. Program will appear later.

Our attention was called to the neat little addition built onto the post office. The work was done by Chas. Halfpopp, and will be quite a protection against the cold wintry blasts that will soon be due.

Albert Wendell was busy putting up new eaves spouting on the A. J. Nissen residence one day last week. He was assited by Alvin Halfpop.

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HONOR SOLDIER BOYS

The Armistice Day services held at the Evang. church last Saturday forenoon were fairly well attended. Mrs. Carrie Lucas of Mason City gave the address and several of the grade pupils of our public school rendered a few suitable songs. The first and second graders gave the Flag Salute. After the services the Legion boys with their families and friends were invited to partake of a bounteous luncheon in the church parlors, which had been provided for by the Helping Hand society. All present report a fine repast, which was ended by a treat from the business people and a few friends, consisting of ice cream and wafers and apples.

Mrs. C. Bier was a Mason City shopper last Thursday.

After the exercises held at the Evangelical church Sat, Nov. 11, in honor of Armistice Day, the Legion boys with their wives, mothers and sweethearts numbering 27 were entertained by the Helping Hand sociey to a sumptuous five-course dinner. The manner in which all such good things disappear speaks well for the efficient cooks the society is composed of. A toast given by the secretary of the society was responded to by the Adj. of the Legion. The guests of honor were Rev. Schlesselman and wife, Rev Pannkuk and daughter, and Mrs. Lucas, speaker of the day. All present report a most delightful time.

Mrs. Geo. J. Fischer of Mason City came down from that place Saturday to visit a short time at the home of her son Simon. She returned Sunday.

MESERVEY SCHOOL NEWS

Anita, Herman and Lucille Enabnit have been absent from the 1st grade the entire week.

Perfect spellers in the 2nd grade for this week are Bernice Blewitt, Barbara, Kenneth Kolb, Andrew Boelman, Julia Fry, Lois Thomas, Esther Smith, Viola Koehler and Neola Watermiller.

Our sand table for this month represents a Pilgrim scene.

Tillie Rieckens has been absent from school this week because of illness.

Marvin Lauen, John Van Osten and Benjamin Suntken have been absent from school this week in order to help in the corn fields.

Our room has recently been made more comfortable and attractive thru the painting, hanging of new curtains and autumn decorations.

The 3rd grade have already commenced making gifts for Christmas. Altho it is rather awkward for small boys to sew, their mothers will be surprised and will appreciate the hand made gifts.

Friday afternoon the handwork period was spent in making Puritan dolls from clothes pins, cotton and bits of cloth.

Those receiving prizes for having the most "hundreds" in spelling the first six weeks are Vona Weaver and Norman Muller in the 3rd grade, and Lydia Pals and LuVerne Butz in the 4th grade.

The 4th grade are keeping weather charts on which are written the daily weather reports from their own observations.

The 5th grade have finished some excellent reports on coal iron and petroleum.

The 5th grade had an interesting lesson on Great Salt Lake in geography Wednesday.

Many pupils have been absent from 6th grade duties the past week to help finish husking corn.

We were sorry to learn Monday morning that Marie Pals has had the the misfortune to be kept from school on account of a broken arm.

Those having perfect deportment stars the past week are Harriett Sprau, Christopher Groen, Mildred Janssen, Wayne Waddingham, Harland Blewitt, Neva Muller, Fredona Lemke, Marvin Nissen, Edward Kuhler and Alma Dorenkamp.

The teachers and pupils of the 5th and 6th grades are much pleased with the appearance of their room since it has been repainted.

Thirteen pupils are absent from the grammar room due to corn picking.

For Armistice Day program Orvis Schlesselman will give a recitation "In Flanders Fields."

The next Community Program will be given in the M. E. church on Friday, November 24. The program will appear in next week's paper.

Eva Sprau has been absent from school the entire week due to illness. At present she is somewhat better and it is thought tha she will soon be able to be about on crutches.

There has been a very small attendance in high school this week as many of the students are still husking corn. Several of them expect to be back next week.

While playing basket ball Tuesday afternoon, Anna Pals severely sprained her ankle. As yet she is unable to be in school.

The girls' basket ball team will have a game with the Thornton team on the home court Friday, Nov. 17.

A double header basket ball between Meservey and Latimer teams had been planned for Fri., Nov. 10, but due to the large number of absences this week the game has been postponed.

A numbr of the pupils from the public school took part in the Armistice Day program which was held in the Evangelical church Saturday forenoon.

The Sophomore English class is using the Literary Digest this year for a part of the class work. The Digest furnishes much material which is suit able for both oral and written work. Another advantge of using the Literary Digest is that it enables the students to keep abreast of the times. When students are taught to read about and think of political problems, they are much more likely to be interested in such matters when they become older.

There is a new school bus on route 5, the body of which was made by Mr. Halfpop.

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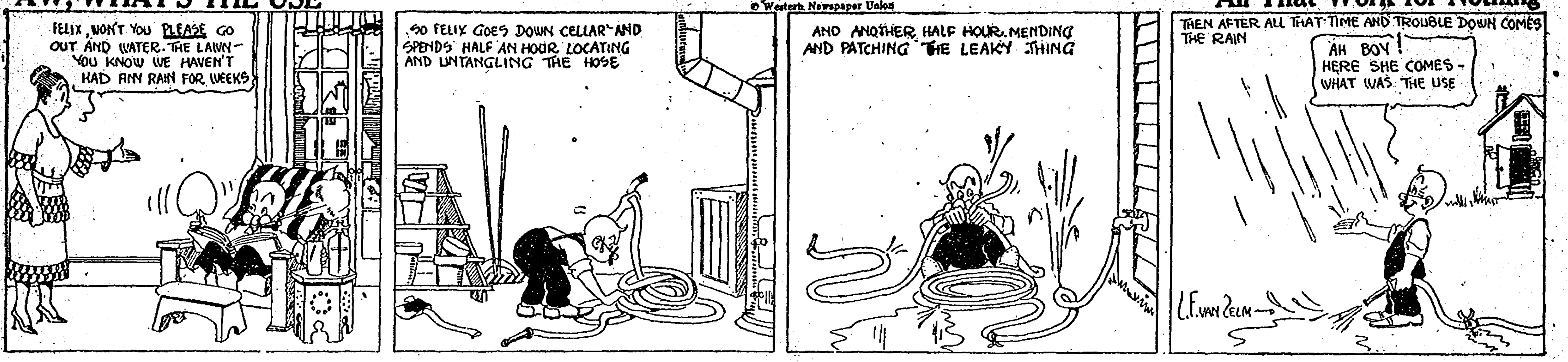

FELIX, WON'T YOU PLEASE GO OUT AND WATER THE LAWN - YOU KNOW WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY RAIN FOR WEEKS
SO FELIX GOES DOWN CELLAR AND SPENDS HALF AN HOUR LOCATING AND UNTANGLING THE HOSE
AND ANOTHER HALF HOUR MENDING AND PATCHING THE LEAKY THING
THEN AFTER ALL THAT TIME AND TROUBLE DOWN COMES THE RAIN
AH BOY! HERE SHE COMES - WHAT WAS THE USE
L.F. VAN ZELM

REFORMED CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 9:30 (English)
German preaching services 10:30
Young peoples meeting 7:15 (English).
Evening services (English) 8:00.

Primary and junior classes in catechism Saturday 1:30-3:00, Senior at 3;00.

The church extends a cordial invitation to all who have no church home to attend these meetings. We are glad to help you—Someone has said: "I doubt if there is a living man in the civilized world, no matter what his avowed opinion of Christianity or of the church may be, who does not in wardly confess, Christ stands for the noblest and best in history and human experience; and who has not qualms of discomfort whenever he stops, looks and listens long enough to realize that he ought to serve and follow him."

Catechetical instruction was resumed last Saturday and despite unfavorable weather conditions the goodly number of 78 were enrolled. We are looking forward to a large enrollment next Saturday.

The Ladies Aid will meet next Thursday at the regular hour in the basement of the church.

H. Pannkuk, Minister.

HOME COMING DINNER

The Hulsebus family enjoyed a reunion last Sunday, the event being planned in honor of the home coming of Mr. and Mrs Hulsebus, who returned from Europe last Tuesday, having spent 13 months abroad. All the children and families privileged to be present, and all were made happy by the reuniting with father and mother, after so long an absence

The time was spend in a quiet, social way in keeping with the day. All enjoyed the eats provided for by the children, and a prayer of Thanksgiving arose in the hearts of all for the safe return of the parents.

Those present were L. B. Hulsebus and wife, and Alma and Louise Witt, A. J. Nissen and family, A. F. Muller and family, and H. W. Hulsebus and freind Miss Daisy Clark of Mason City.

A number of friends and neighbors spent last Monday evening at the Muller home to get what benefit they could from the new radio, installed in their home, that day. We all agree that it was a program alright quite varied but we will learn to "tune in" after while.

Mr. and Mrs C. H. Muhlenbrock of Hampton were guests at the F A. Lemke home last Friday.

Miss Ethel Typer of Mason Cty was a week end guest at the F C. Barger home.

Mr. and Mrs Ben Gruis visited with friends at Alexander last Friday.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats spent Sunday with her parents.

Miss Mildred Gealow Sundayed with relatives at Belmond.

E G. Thomas and family enjoyed a week end visit with Mr. Thomas' mother and brothers of South Dakota. They made the trip in their car.

Herman Ostendorf and Herman Dirks, who are attending Central college at Pella, spent Sunday with their parents

The sad news was received here last week of the death of Wm. Buekelman, who in former years was an employee of the Klemme Lbr. Co. of this place. He passed away at Aplington but the body was taken to Buffalo for burial. Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and Lydia and Mr. and Mrs Harm Groen attended the funeral services. Rev. Pannkuk had charge of the English services

Mrs. U. J. Cooper was on the sick list the latter part of the week

George Langlitz was confined to his home on account of sickness last week.

ROWAN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rietz celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Thursday, Nov. 9. 50 years ago Caroline Bennewitz and Henry Rietz were married in Grosgostein, Germany. A few years later they came to this state and for the past 27 years have lived in Rowan. During these 50 years they have gone hand in hand thru all the experiences, happy and sad, that life has brought them. Ten children were born to them, five of whom are now living: A. C. Rietz, Wm. Rietz, and Mrs. A. O. Pelley of Rowan; Mrs. (Rev.) Geo Stevens, Dexter, Iowa, and Mrs. Julius Goos, of St. Paul. Their grandchildren number 13

On the anniversary day the family invited some 90 friends and relatives to a banquet in their parents' honor, in the M. E. church basement. The rooms were tastefully decorated, the color scheme being gold and white. The 50-year bride and groom sat under a golden bell while the tables were ornamented with lighted candles christanthemums and daffodils. After a bountiful repast the company retired to the auditorium of the church where the following program was given:

Duet: violin and piano; Anna and Nina Rietz.
Reading: Mrs. Julius Goos.
Vocal duet: Karl and Edward Rietz
Address: Rev. Harold Tomkinson.
Piano solo: Miss Esther Fowler.
Reading: Mrs. Tomkinson.
Solo Mrs Pelley
Reading: Nina Rietz.

The last mentioned was of more than usual interest being a recital of the history of the guests of honor from their wedding day until the present time, and composed for the occasion by a son-in-law, Mr. A. O. Pelley. Mr. Tomkinson, pastor of the church, in his congratulatory remarks referred to the happy couple as exemplary parents and faithful workers in the church. He also, on behalf of the company, presented them with an address and a substantial purse of gold.. Beside this they received other smaller tokens, among them a gold brooch and cuff links. The out of town guests included Mr. Bennewitz, Dows, brother of the bride, Mrs. George Stevens, and daughter Ruth, Dexter, Mrs. Julius Goos and daughter Anna, St Paul.

Rowan Methodist Church Notes
Pastor Rev. Harold Tomkinson
10 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a m. public worship.
6:30 p. m. Epworth League
7;30 p. m. Service in charge of the Standard Bearers. A special program of music will be rendered by the members, and a splendid sketch, entitled "Not Exempt," will be given. This promises to be an evening of real instruction and enjoyment. You are cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. Julius Goos left the latter part of the week for Washngton, D. C., where she will attend an Eastern Star meeting before returning to her home in St. Paul. Mr. Goos is in New York and expects to join her at Washington.

Henry Williams has returned from Missouri and is in Des Moines where he is working. His sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harris, have also returned to Des Moines where Cecil is working for the O'Dea Motor Co.

Word has been received that Chas. Emerson was in the Deaconess hospital at Marshalltown. His truck tipped over when he was hauling gravel near LeGrand. It was believed at first that his hip was broken but an xray picture showed no fracture. It is not thought there is any internal injuries.

The boys who have been hauling gravel near West Bend returned home last night as the roads are too bad to haul now.

Mrs. William Tresidder is recovering nicely from her operation and is becoming much stronger than when she first came home. She received so many cards and letters while in the hospital which she appreciated very much.

Mrs. J. E. Thomas went to Clarion Thursday to attend an executive meeting of the county W. C. T. U.

Ezra Ingraham of Swaledale spent several days last week visiting relatives here and around Dows

Mrs. F. H. Fowler left Friday for Marengo to visit her daughter, Mrs. Milton Brown.

Mrs. George Stevens and daughter Ruth left Saturday for her home in Deloit.

The Misses Anna, Ida and Helen Brinkman went to Mankato, Saturday, to visit at the home of their brothers, Jordon and John and their sister, Mrs. Earl Carpenter. They expect to return to Long Beach in time for Christmas.

Mrs. W. R. McCallum returned on Saturday from several weeks visit her sister Grace at Dowagiac, Mich.

Mrs. Peddle is quite ill at the home of her son Jack. Dr. George was called Monday afternoon.

Last Friday evening Mrs. R. H. Keith and son Kenneth and daughter Margaret and the Misses Anna and Nina Rietz went to Hampton to attend a musical recital given by Miss Viola Charter. Kenneth played a cornet solo. The Misses Anna and Nina Reitz remained with Miss Charter until Sunday.

Mesdames R. H. Virden and C. T. Halbert returned Thursday evening from Ames where they had been in at tendance at the state meeting of the Woman's Board of the Interior.

Several Rowanites attended the football game at Eagle Grove, Saturday. Among them were D. W. Whitten, Will Whitten, Guy Sheldon and J. F. Howell.

Last Tuesday at Mason City occured the marriage of Mrs. Mary Williams and Albert Erickson. They spent their honeymoon at St. Paul, returning to Rowan, Sunday. Their many friends extend congratulations to this happy couple and wish them much happiness thru life. The bride will continue her duties at the D. W. Whitten store for the present.

Mrs. H. H. Barker is enjoying a visit, from her daughter Alice, and baby, of Oelwein

Rowan School Notes

A number of pupils have been staying out of school picking corn. Last week Anna and Frank Peddle, Dale Hiams and James Kercheval were out for that purpose

Others absent were Fred and Harold Moellering, Clesson Azeltine and Ione Francomb.

Bernice Hansen was excused Friday p. m.

Plans are being made to repair the gym in several ways

The return game with Williams will be played at Williams on Friday, Nov. 17. It is not far to Williams and the more boosters the better.

A number of visitors were present at the literary program given Friday p. m. The program was well given and enjoyed by all. The other society will give a program in a short time.

The girls did not have their regular basket ball practice Monday evening. The weather made it impossible for all but a few to practice.

The orchestra practice was also postponed which was to have been at the home of James Kercheval on Mon day evening.

Mrs Heiden visited school Friday in the 2nd and 3rd grades

Rowan Congregational Church Notes
C. T. Halbert, Minister

The Young Ladies Mission Study club will meet at the home of Mrs. Ray Azeltine Thursday evening, with Miss Frances Virden as leader and the assistant hostesses Mrs Nellie Hyde and Miss Alta Allen. All members are urged to be present as we are studying a very interesting book, "Ann of Ava." We also invite any of the young ladies who are interested in this society to come. We always have a very pleasant time.

The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. N. B. Olson on Thursday afternoon. This is an important meeting as there is business to trans act

The supper given by the 4th Division of the Aid society Saturday night was largely attended, netting the society $28. Since the supper fell on Armistice Day all ex-service men were guests that evening. The boys very much appreciate this courtesy and wish to extend their thanks to the committee in charge.

Altho the attendance at the Sunday morning service was not as large as usual on account of the rain yet a goodly number listened with interest to "Our Country's Future" by the pastor and enjoyed the solo "The Story of Old Glory, the Flag we Love so Well" given beautifully by Miss Mohr.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennewitz who have been staying in Michigan for several months, were over Sunday guests at the home of Chas. Bowers.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver and son Kenneth visited relatives at Clarion a part of last week.

Jack Steffens, who has been staying at the William Steffens home, left Monday for his home at Spring Valley, Minn

Mrs Mary Braden was a Clarion caller Wednesday.

Donald Farren went to Iowa City Friday to attend the big football game. He also attended the home coming at the S. U. I. He returned home Monday morning

Mrs. Essie Ferguson has rented her residence to the Gene Dawson family who will move in right away. Mrs. Ferguson will spend the winter with her children going to the home of her daughter Mrs. Dan Harris, now.

Mrs Fred Smith and children Kenneth and Marion, spent Saturday in Rowan at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. M. Snyder.

Hubbard McCallum of Mason City visited relatives in town the first of the last week

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and Mrs. O F. Braden were Dows callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Buchanan, Mr Thomas and Miss Jean of Mason City, motored down Saturday evening and spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Buchanan's sister, Mrs. Fred Aldrich.

Mrs. Bine Wilder and daughter and niece of Hampton visited at the home of Mrs. L. A. McCallum on Saturday. Mrs. Wilder and Floren have been at Geneva the past month helping to care for a new granddaughter and niece.

Mrs. Clarence Lindsey and baby and Miss Dorothy Steffens motored to Belmond, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schreck and family of Hayfield came Saturday to visit at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Williams and with other relatives. The girls also visited several of their friends.

O. F. Braden returned from Des Moines on Saturday, where he is working. They closed their home for the winter and Mrs. Braden accompanied him back Monday evening.

Mrs. Pearlie Hearst of Parker, S. D., came Monday to visit at the home of her cousin, Mrs. E. Bingham and other relatives.

WANTED—Dressmaking at home Prices reasonable. Mrs. L. W. McCallum.

Arthur Hansen who was in an automobile accident last Christmas eve and spend a long time in the Hampton hospital at that time, returned there last week and his limb was operated on again. There was a splinter of bone which decayed and caused a very serious and painful operation.

Rowan Girl at Cornell

May Verden of Rowan is an associate member of the Cornell College Women's Athletic association, the Royal Purple co-eds athletic club.

The W. A. A. handles much of the women's athletics. Under Director Florence Errant, a Phi Beta Kappa of Illinois, the association each year organizes tennis, hockey, basketball, base ball, swimming, track and hiking tournaments in which about 250 of Cornell's 380 girls participate.

ALEXANDER NEWS

St. John's Evang. Church.

Sunday school at 2 o'clock. Subject The missionary journeys of the Apos tle Paul.

John Arends, Supt.

Preaching in the German language at 3 o'clock. Try and be with us.

C. J. Barth, pastor.

Methodist Church Notes

Beginning next Sunday Nov 19th the services will be held in the afternoon. Sunday school at two o'clock. Preaching service at three o'clock.

Rev W. A. Wilkinson, pastor.

C. R. Clark was a caller at Belmond last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Green from Hampton were visitors at the home of their son, Lloyd Green, the first of the week

Henry Schulte was a business caller at Hampton on Wednesday.

Theodore Beenen was a caller at Hanlontown one day last week.

Casper Piel was a Belmond caller last Wednesday.

J. C. Arends and R. G. Heikens were visitors at the V. G. Cooper home at Meservey last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Davis are the happy parents of a fine baby girl, born Thursday, November 9.

Mr and Mrs. J. C. Arends were callers at Hampton last Thursday.

Herman Pals, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the hospital at Belmond, is recovering nicely at this writing.

Mrs. Aldrich Beenen and two children and Miss Anna Beenen, were Hampton callers Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tuttle were callers at Belmond last Tuesday.

Mrs. Caroline Hempel of Ackley is a visitor at the Aldrich Beenen home this week.

Mrs. Herman Pals visited with her husband who is in the hospital at Belmond, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends were callers at Garner last Friday

F. L. Greenfield was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mrs. Kate Starkey has been spending the past two weeks visiting at the home of her brother near Hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and children Orville and Edna and Miss Imo Hall were Belmond callers Saturday.

Oscar Hensel as a Sheffield caller Friday

Miss Dorothea Eckelbarger of Waterloo visited with her friend, Miss Ethel Hall, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and son Ormal Lewis, were visitors at Belmond last Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen called in town Sunday enroute to Hanlontown where she will teach in the consolidated schools of that place.

Mr. R. G. Heikens of Spencer attended the funeral services of his sister, Mrs Henry Eggers, of Spencer who was buried at the Hazelgreen cemetery in Hardin county. On his way home he stopped over at the J. C. Arends home from Thursday until Saturday.

PAVING NOW OPEN ACROSS THE COUNTY

Garner Signal— The paving is now open all the way from Garner to Britt. The last of the barricades were taken down yesterday and the last strip of paving cleaned off. The paving was finished on October 1st, but the weather has been exceptionally fine since then for the paving to dry, and thus it was possible to open it for traffic earlier than generally the case.

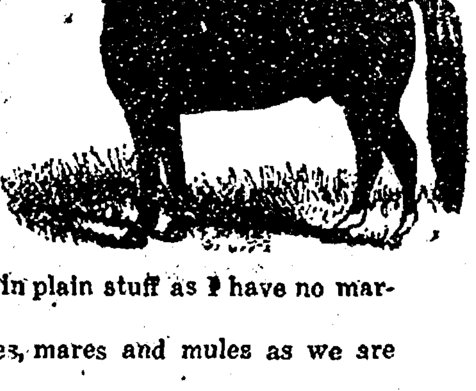
You can now drive across Hancock County, all the way on paving. This can be said of but few counties in the state, and is something that the people of Hancock County may look to with pride.

The Kossuth County paving has not been progessing very rapidly, we understand. A gentleman from Algona was in Garner Monday and he told us that the Empire construction Co. had about a mile of the work near Algona yet to complete, and there was no chance of their getting to the work from the county line west through Wesley this fall. This means a poor road from the county line through Wesley until the middle of next summer.

This gentleman also said that the Empire Construction Co. had been having difficulty in getting material of late and that for the last three or four weeks they had been able to run but very little concrete. It had been hoped that they would complete their job this year, that we would have a paved road all the way to Algona.

WANTED!

Horses, Mares and Mules



Horses and mares from 4 to 12 years old weighing from 900 to 1150 pounds, must be fat and broke, also some saddle horses—must be fat Will buy Shetland Ponies from 4 to 8 years old, must be blocky made and broke.

Mules from 4 to 9 years old 14½ to 16 hands high, must be broke and in good flesh.

Don't bring in any thin plain stuff as I have no market for that kind.

Bring in your fat horses, mares and mules as we are coming to buy.

Will be in the following towns rain or shine:
Kanawha, Iowa, Friday, November 17
Belmond, Iowa, Saturday, November 18

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Now $1.50 per Year!

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This reduction was made for these reasons:

1. To help meet the changes in prices and conditions.
2. To keep the subscription list up to date.
3. To keep the list paid up as much as possible.

Subscriptions Delinquent settled on the same basis up to December 1, 1922

Until December 1st all subscriptions will be settled at the $1.50 per year rate. If a subscription is a year past due, instead of settling for $2.00, we will accept $1.50 as FULL PAYMENT. The same ratio will apply on shorter time. Subscriptions not paid in advance will remain at the old rate ---$2.00 per year. After a reasonable length of time, if not paid, they will be dropped.

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Pay your subscription in advance and save 25 per cent. New or renewal, $1.50 per year is the price.

Send in your renewal now--$1.50 per year.

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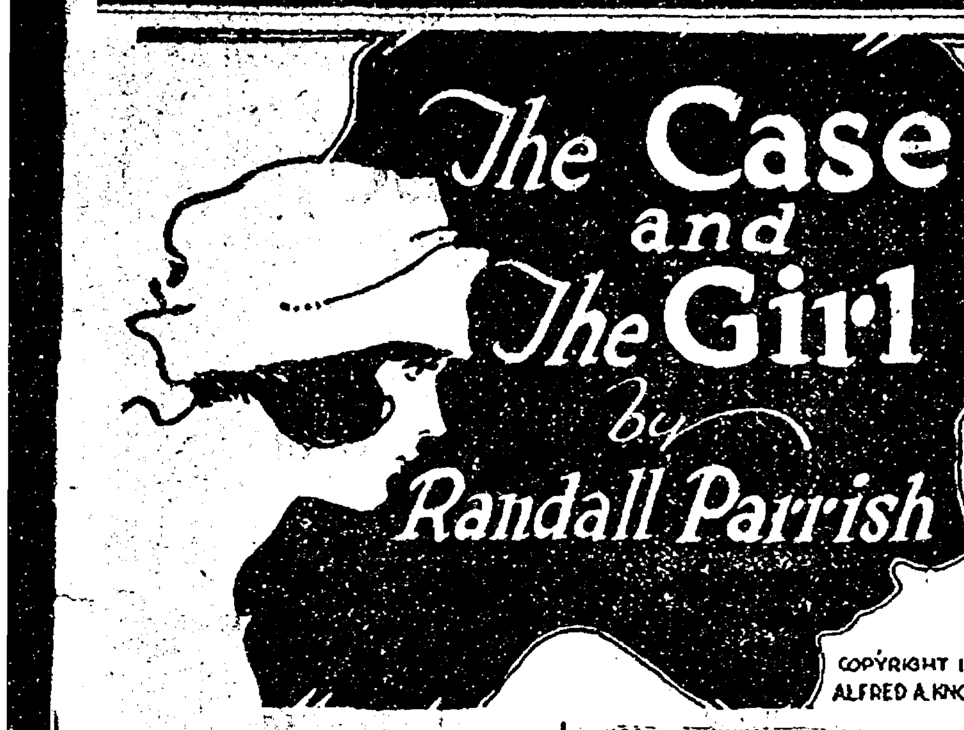
The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish



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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Answering an advertisement calling for a young man willing to engage in service of danger, Matthew West, ex-service man just returned from France, where he had been captain of engineers, meets Natalie Coolidge, writer of the advertisement, and without being instructed as to his probable duties, is engaged by her, and that same evening introduced to her friends as her fiance.

CHAPTER II.—That night, in the Coolidge home, West is startled by the appearance in his room of a young woman, whom he takes to be Natalie, but who escapes before he can be sure. Next morning Natalie tells West she has been troubled by some woman, apparently her double, who has been impersonating her.

CHAPTER III.—Percival Coolidge, Natalie's uncle and guardian, apparently is disgruntled by West's appearance as Natalie's fiance, and the feeling of antagonism is mutual. Natalie, Coolidge, and West plan a visit of charity to a poor and remote section of the city.

CHAPTER IV.—Leaving West in the car, Natalie and Coolidge enter a small cottage, remaining a length of time which causes him some uneasiness. Before they return, West secures information which leads him to believe Coolidge is deceiving Natalie, and has ulterior motives.

CHAPTER V.—On the party's return to the Coolidge home, Natalie informs West she has been mistaken in her suspicions concerning her "double," and that she has no further need for his services. West is astounded, but helpless. He leaves.

CHAPTER VI.—On his way out of the grounds, West hears a revolver shot, and investigates. He finds Percival Coolidge dead, apparently a suicide. The inquest so determines. In the city West is visited by Sexton, an old servant of the Coolidges. Sexton tells him he has been abruptly dismissed, for no apparent reason. He gives it as his belief that Coolidge was murdered, and about convinces West he is right.

CHAPTER VII.—Sexton has overheard a telephone conversation in the Coolidge home, in which a man demands Natalie's presence immediately. He gives an address, and with Sexton, West, his suspicions of things not being right strengthened by his learning that Coolidge had lied about the reason for the trip to the cottage, visits the place. It is a disreputable saloon.

CHAPTER VIII.—West is taken by surprise, knocked out, separated from Sexton, and comes to his senses to find himself bound and helpless, and confronted by a man named Hobart, whom West knows to be the man who had rented the house which Natalie visited. The man tells him he (West) is interfering with his plans and if he persists will be done away with. West refuses any compromise. Hobart sends for Natalie, hoping [illegible] can induce West to give up his quest.

HAPTER IX.—Natalie releases West [illegible] his bonds and assures him that she [illegible] no need for his assistance. Her ac- [illegible] almost convince West she has guilty [illegible]ledge of Percival Coolidge's murder. [illegible]fies Hobart, and the thug, with two [illegible]panions, attempts to kill him. After a [illegible]fic fight West leaps from the window.

APTER X.—West succeeds in eluding [illegible] pursuers, finds Sexton bound and [illegible], releases him, and the two escape. [illegible] alley Sexton picks up a lady's pen- [illegible], which he gives to West.

[illegible]e light streamed in through the [illegible]ow opening, and Hobart scram- [illegible] cautiously down the rotted steps. West, drawing himself securely back behind the protection of his barrel, saw the lantern thrust forward, and a face behind it peering in the shadows. The fellow did not advance into the room, but Hobart did, pressing his way roughly past, and standing there full in the glow of light, staring about into the dim shadows. He evidently saw nothing to arouse suspicion, for his voice was angry with disgust.

"Not a d—n sign here, Shorty. It looks like the fellow maybe did get away. But it beats me how. There ain't no place now for us to look but the alley."

"An' if he ain't there?"

"Then we'll hop this dump mighty sudden, I'm telling you. With that guy loose, it won't be healthy for me hanging around here."

[illegible] in't got the goods on you, has [illegible]

[illegible] he ain't got the goods, but he [illegible]ad wise to some things, and he [illegible]n't get out of that shindy upstairs without getting hurt. He'll be sore *all right, and will raise all the h—l* he can. It's safer to keep out of the way."

"An' what about that other buck, Hobart? It won't do to have him picked up, if this guy gets the harness bulls to take a look around here."

"That ain't his style, Shorty; he won't spiel anything to the cops about this row. He's an ex-soldier, a captain, and he's nuts on the girl. That's why he dipped into this mess—trying to save her—see? Maybe he won't be so keen now, after the song and dance she gave him upstairs. I'm half inclined to think the guy will drop out entirely, d—n glad to get off alive, now he believes she is as rotten as the rest of us. But I ain't sure—maybe he is the kind that sticks. That's why I don't take any chances just now. Things ain't quite ripe for a get away—see?"

"Sure; she gave him some straight stuff, hey?"

"She certainly did; she's as smart *as she is good looking. It somehow* don't strike me this guy is going to bother her any more. I'm figuring that he's out of it."

"But his partner?"

"Oh, we'll leave him somewhere propped up against a door. Likely he'll never know what happened to him, or where. He ain't nothing to be afraid of—just a butler with a cracked head. It's the other guy who has got the brains. Come on; let's take a look out in the alley."

Their shadows vanished up the stairs, the glow of light disappearing, and leaving the cellar in impenetrable darkness. West did not venture to move, however, content to wait until thoroughly assured the way for escape was clear. He had not learned much from this conversation, except to increase his convictions that a serious crime was being consummated. The full nature of this conspiracy was as obscure as ever; rendered even more doubtful indeed, by the active participation of Natalie Coolidge. This was what puzzled and confused him the most. He could no longer question her direct interest in the affair, or her willingness to assist in overcoming his efforts. Even without the free testimony of the men this fact was sufficiently clear. She had deliberately lied to him, attempted deceit, and then, when he refused to yield to her efforts, had so reported to Hobart, and left him to his fate. It was manifestly impossible for him to believe in her any longer. Yet what could it all mean? how could she hope to benefit by such an association? Why could she thus shield the murderers of Percival Coolidge? What possible object could there be in the commission of this crime, except to gain possession of her own fortune? It was all mystery to his mind; a new unanswerable question arising wherever he looked.

What strange influence could this man Hobart exercise over the girl? To West's judgment he was in no way the sort of man to appeal to Natalie Coolidge. He was of a low, cunning order, with some degree of outward polish, to be sure, yet inherently tough, and exhibiting marks of a birthright which indelibly stamped him of a social class far below her own. Surely, she could not love the fellow, yet unquestionably he possessed a mysterious power over her, difficult to explain through any other hypothesis. If West had not known the young woman under different conditions, he might have accepted this theory, and dismissed the whole matter from mind. But it was the haunting memory of that earlier Natalie Coolidge, the mistress of Fairlawn, which would not permit his complete surrender. She had seemed all that his dream of womanhood called for. Unconsciously, he had given her his heart, and he could not tear the remembrance from mind. There was something wrong, terribly wrong; what it was he had no means of knowing, *yet, there in the dark,* he determined he would know, would never be content until he learned the whole truth. *All his hope,* all his future, depended on the answer.

Hobart and Turner were absent for some little while; *the sound of their* voices ceased, but the distant flicker of the lantern enabled West to trace their progress up the alley, and then back again. They returned in no pleasant humor, convinced that their expected victim had escaped safely, but made no further effort to search the yard. West, confident at last that the way was clear, wriggled out from his place of concealment behind the barrel, and stood erect. He felt stronger now, and in less pain, convinced that his injuries were in no degree serious. The darkness was so intense he had to grope his way forward, anxious to make no noise which might betray his presence.

In the intensity of the gloom, his sense of direction failed, taking him *somewhat further back* before he finally located the exact position of those outer steps. Then as he turned abruptly, his foot came in contact with an obstacle on the floor. For an instant he could not determine what it was; then, with a thrill of horror, he realized the presence of a human body. There was no sound, no movement, and West drew back from contact with the object, shrinking in horror. Then he gripped himself sternly—whoever, whatever this was, he must know. Alive or dead he must determine the truth. He bent over, feeling with hands in the darkness. The flesh was warm; it was no cold corpse he touched, but a living human being; ay! tied like a mummy, unable to move hand or foot. Then, as suddenly, his groping fingers, eager enough now, discovered the cause of silence—the man was gagged, cruelly *gagged, helpless to* utter a sound.

The situation once realized, West worked rapidly. If this bound man was Sexton, the quicker he could be released the better. Hobart had already revealed his plans, and might appear at any moment for the purpose of executing them. If escape was to be achieved, it must be accomplished at once. In the darkness his fingers could do nothing with the knot, but the sharp blade of a knife quickly severed the twisted cloth, and the gag was instantly removed from between the clenched teeth. The man moaned, breathing heavily, but made no other sound while West slashed at the cords lashing his limbs, finally freeing them entirely. Not until this had been accomplished did he pause long enough to ask questions.

"There; that's the last. Now, who are you—Sexton?"

"Yes, sir," weakly, and in a mere whisper, "an' I know yer voice, sir. Thank God, yer found me, sir."

"It was a bit of luck; but we'll talk that over later. Now we've got to get out of here. Can you walk?"

"I don't know, sir; after a fashion, maybe. I'm mighty stiff and numb, sir."

"Take it easy; work your legs up and down like that; good, that will restore the circulation. How long have you been lying here?"

"I don't know, sir," his voice strengthening. "I must have been hit, the way my head aches. The first thing I knew after I went into that room with you, I was lyin' here in the dark. I couldn't move or speak, sir, an' it was so black, I kind of got it into my head maybe I was dead and buried. If it hadn't been for my hearing things—voices talking, and all that—I guess I would have gone clear batty. Maybe I didn't get everything straight, sir, but one o' them fellows was Hobart, wasn't he?"

"Yes; we walked right into his trap. The fellow who came over to the table and talked to us was Jim Hobart. He knew me at first sight, and easily guessed what we were there for."

"And was Miss Coolidge here, too, sir?"

"Yes, she was; I had a talk with her that has mixed me all up, Sexton. She seems to be hand in glove with these fellows. But how did you suspect she was here?"

"I heard her voice, sir; up there *somewhere, sir, soon* after I come to my senses. She and some man went along outside. Sounded like he was makin' her go with him. I couldn't get much of what was said, but he sure talked awful rough, an' she seemed to be pleadin' with him. They wasn't there but just a minute, an' then, a little later, I heard an automobile start up."

"You have no idea how long ago this was?"

"No, I ain't sir. I been lyin' here about half dead, I guess, an' I don't seem to have known anything after that until those fellows come down here with the lantern. Were they *hunting after you?"*

"Yes; I outwitted them upstairs, and jumped from a window. But that is enough talk now; we'll go over the whole affair when we are safely away from this place. How is it? Do you think you can navigate?

Sexton responded by getting slowly to his feet. He trembled and was so uncertain, as he attempted to grope forward, that West grasped him firmly, helping him slowly toward the foot of the steps. The two crept up the stairs cautiously, and surveyed the cluttered-up yard as best they might in the dim light of the distant street lamp. It appeared entirely deserted, nor was there any evidence that the building above was occupied. No doubt lights were burning within, but if so the shades must have been drawn closely, allowing no reflection to escape. No better opportunity for evading notice could be hoped for, and West, alert now to every chance, made instant decision.

"They are all inside. Creep along behind that pile of lumber to where you see the hole in the fence. I'll be just behind you. That's the way."

The narrow alley was much lighter, yet still dark enough to conceal their movements, as they clung close to the deeper shadows. Except for an old cart it was unoccupied, the surface covered with ashes, so packed as to leave no trace of wheels. Ahead of them at the end of the block glowed the only street lamp visible. Sexton, by now largely recovered from his late experiences, broke into a run, *with West following from the immedi*ate neighborhood unseen. Suddenly Sexton stumbled, but arose almost instantly to his feet again, grasping something which gleamed like silver *in his hand.*

"Not hurt, are you?" asked West anxiously.

"No; what's this I found?"

The other took it impatiently.

"What is it? Why a small pocket knife, of course. Come on, man, don't stand mooning there." He slipped the article carelessly into his pocket.

"Where are you going?" Sexton panted, endeavoring to keep beside him. "Have you anything planned out?"

"Not very much; Milwaukee avenue first. There is sure to be an all-night restaurant somewhere in sight. Telephone for a taxi, don't dare to risk a street car, we both look too tough."

"Suppose they will follow us?"

"Hardly; they will have no idea which way we went, or how long we'll have been gone. Once we turn off this street, we'll be safe enough."

It was considerably past midnight when the two men finally reached the *University club; they had lunched at* an all-night restaurant, washed and made themselves as presentable as possible, yet were hardly recognizable as they entered the club lobby. Neither possessed a hat; Sexton was in his shirt sleeves, while West's coat clung to him in rags. Without waiting to explain anything to the servant in charge, except to state briefly that Sexton would be his guest for the night, the captain hurried into the waiting elevator, and accompanied by his companion, ascended to his apartment above.

The reaction from the excitement of the evening left Sexton dull and drowsy once he felt secure from any possible danger. His only desire was to lie quiet, and forget. Stretched out on a comfortable lounge, he fell asleep almost instantly, making no effort even to remove his clothes. West was of a different temperament, his mind far too active to find sleep possible. His only desire was to think, plan, decide upon some future course of action. With mind busy, forgetful of the very presence of his companion, he indulged in a bath, again dressed himself, and, lighting a cigar, settled back into an easy chair to fight the whole out alone with himself.

The mystery confronting him appeared more difficult of solution than ever. He was more thoroughly convinced than ever that Percival Coolidge had been murdered; that the act had been committed either by Hobart himself, or under his direction. He possessed no proof, however, nor could he figure out a motive for the crime. Who was this Jim Hobart? Was he in any way personally interested in the fortune left by Stephen Coolidge? Or did he hold any special relationship with the murdered man?

More important still, what peculiar influence did the fellow exert over the girl? Here was by far the deeper mystery, the one that troubled him most. The others seemed possible of explanation, but the sudden change in Natalie Coolidge was beyond all understanding.

Except in face, form, dress, outward appearance, she no longer seemed to West as being the same woman he *had formerly known. His original* interest in her had vanished; he had learned to distrust and doubt her sincerity and truth. Beyond all question she was openly playing an important part in this tragedy under Hobart's direction, but for the life of him he could not figure out to what end. Still the very mystery of it had its fascination. While he felt no longer any special desire to serve her, to further risk his life in her cause, yet he experienced a fierce determination to learn what all this really meant; to uncover the object these conspirators had in view. If Natalie was involved it could not be helped, she would have to suffer with the rest; his own duty was clear.

Yet how could he begin action? What clew did he possess which could be followed? Practically none. Before morning, that saloon on Wray street would unquestionably be deserted, except perhaps by its proprietor, and Mike would simply deny everything. Two possibilities remained; the police might have some record of the fellow, might know his favorite haunts, even be able to locate his next probable hiding place. If not, the only hope remaining would seem to be Natalie Coolidge. She would undoubtedly return to Fairlawn; was probably there already, and, by shadowing her, the whereabouts of Hobart would surely be revealed either sooner or later.

But possibly there was a quicker way to learn their purpose than by thus seeking to find either. If it was the Coolidge fortune which was at stake, why not endeavor to learn in whose trust it was being held, and what steps were being taken to safeguard it? He could explain the nature *of his interest to an attorney,* and be advised how to proceed. Determined to take all three steps the first thing next day, West rested back comfortably in the chair, already half asleep. One hand rested in his pocket, and as his fingers fumbled some object there, he suddenly recalled the knife Sexton had found in the alley.

He drew the article forth curiously, and looked at it under the glow of the electric light—it was a small silver-handled penknife, such as a lady might carry, a rather strange thing to be discovered in a dirt alley back of Wray street. The incongruity struck him forcibly, and he sat up, wide awake once more, seeking for some mark of identification on the polished handle. There was none, not an inscription of any kind, but he noted that the single slender blade did not fit closely down into its place. He opened it idly to learn the cause—beneath appeared the white gleam of tightly folded paper.

CHAPTER XI

What the Telephone Told.

All West's indifference vanished instantly. He had to pry the paper out, so closely had it been wedged in beneath the closed blade, and it required a moment in which to straighten it out so that the writing was discernible. Even then the marks were so faint, and minute, he could not really decipher them until he made use of a magnifying glass lying on the desk. A woman's hand, using a pencil, had hastily inscribed the words on a scrap of common paper, apparently torn from some book—the inspiration of an instant, perhaps a sudden hope born of desperation. He fairly had to dig the words out, letter by letter, copying them on an old envelope until he had the message complete: "Please notify police to search Seminole quick."

West read this over, word by word, again and again. What did it mean? Did it mean anything? Had it any possible connection with the case in which he was interested? There was no signature, nothing to guide him; yet in some way the plea sounded real, was a cry of distress, an appeal for help. It could be given no other meaning, yet how long had it been lying there in the alley? Not any great length of time surely, for the polished silver was far too conspicuous to escape notice. It must have been dropped during the night, within a very short time of its discovery. But what did the words signify? "Notify police" was clear enough, but "search Seminole" meant absolutely nothing. What was "Seminole"—an apartment house? A hotel? A saloon? Perhaps the police would know; evidently the writer so believed, or she would never have used the name with such confidence. A familiar name to her, she assumed that the police would have no difficulty in instantly locating the place meant. The haste with which the message had apparently been written, its short, sharp words, bespoke urgent need, the consciousness of imminent peril. Plainly the writer had used the only means at hand in a hurried desperate effort to gain assistance.

"The police." The request had been for the police; then why not appeal to the police? Why not take the note now directly to headquarters, and let them help solve its mystery? At first West hesitated, yet a moment's thought convinced him this would be the logical course to pursue. His appealing to the police need not necessarily involve any disclosure relative to the Coolidge matter. He had found this note accidentally in an alley in the northwest section of the city; his being there need require no special explanation; he did not understand its meaning, and consequently he placed it in their hands. That all sounded natural enough.

He looked at Sexton, who was sleeping soundly, and decided not to awaken the man. He had no use for his services just now; the City hall was only a few blocks away, and he might not be out more than an hour himself. He would leave a note so that if by any chance he should be delayed, Sexton would understand what had occurred. He scratched this off hastily, placed it in a conspicuous place, and swiftly departed, after extinguishing the light. He was no longer conscious of fatigue, or the pain of bruises, his mind eager to learn the meaning of this new discovery.

It had been a quiet night at the City Hall station, and West encountered no difficulty in reaching the presence of the lieutenant in charge. The officer who had opened the door to the inner office said rather doubtfully:

"This guy wants to see you personally, sir; he wouldn't talk to no one else."

"All right, Slavin; shut the door, and I'll hear what he has to say. What is it, my man?"

West explained swiftly and clearly, his manner of speech, as well as his statement as to who he was, evidently making a favorable impression on his listener. He took the note, spread it out on the desk, and studied it carefully.

"Looks genuine enough," he commented at last, "but not very clear. I don't know any place in this town called Seminole. Wait a minute, though; perhaps one of the boys may have an idea."

He pressed a button on top of the desk, and in response to the summons, a side door opened, and a man in plain clothes entered.

"You rang, sir?"

"Yes, McAdams; this gentleman here—"

"Captain West, as I am a sinner!" he exclaimed. "Gee! but I am glad to see you again, old man! Say. By Gad! you don't remember me."

"Oh, but I certainly do, Mac," and West grasped the extended hand heartily. "It's a devil of a surprise, that's all. Saw you last at Brest, the day you sailed for home. So this was your job, sergeant?"

"Been with the department ever since I was a kid. Put me in plain clothes since I came back. Lieutenant, this is Captain West, officer across the pond with the engineers; we were buddies for about two months. What was wanted, sir?"

"Well, Captain West has just been *telling me a rather peculiar story, and* wanted some information I thought perhaps you could give; you know the old town right better than I do. First of all, do you recall any crook by the name of Hobart—*Jim Hobart?*"

"Hobart? Hobart? No, not off hand, I don't. How old a man is he, Captain?"

"Middle-aged, anyway; an active fellow enough, but his hair is quite gray."

"Do you know where he hangs out?"

"The last I saw of him was in a saloon known as Mike's place over on Wray street."

"Off Milwaukee; yes, I know. Mike is a big Pole, but has never had any serious trouble so far as I know. However, being there is no special recommendation to a guy, but I don't believe this man Hobart has been pulled since I've been on the force."

"Look him up in the index, Mac." McAdams drew out a thick volume from a nearby cabinet, and ran his fingers swiftly down a long column of names, indexed under the letter "H." Suddenly he stopped, with an exclamation.

"The lad is here all right—government offense, fifteen years ago, third arrest; mugged number 28113. Let's look him up, and see if he is the same man. Come over here, Captain."

"Is that the fellow?" he asked.

West studied the face seriously.

"Yes, I believe it is, Mac," he said at length. "He looks much older now, but those are his features all right. What was his game?"

"'Con' mostly, according to the record; only one conviction though, two years in Detroit for using the mails to defraud. Oh, yes, here is something different, 'assault with intent to kill'—indeterminate sentence to Joliet for that. Nothing heard of him since. So he is back, and at the old game again. Do you want him brought in, Captain?"

"No, not yet. I haven't anything against the man now but a suspicion, I wanted to learn his record, that's all. This inquiry was only incidental. What I'm really interested in just at present is something I picked up in the alley back of Mike's place three or four hours ago. It's a note in a woman's handwriting, and when I found it, it was hidden in a small silver penknife, such as a lady might carry."

"There is a woman in it, then?"

"Yes; but I haven't got things hitched up sufficiently to talk about it. The note itself is blind."

"In what respect?"

"Well, here it is. Can you make it out? I'll read it for you—'Please notify police to search Seminole quick.'"

"No signature?"

"None."

"But that is plain enough, isn't it?"

"Yes, if you know what she meant by Seminole; what is it? A street? An apartment house? A saloon? Do you know of anything under that name?"

McAdams stood motionless thinking.

"No, by thunder, I don't," he admitted reluctantly. "There is no street of that name in the city. There used to be a shady hotel over on Ontario street called 'The Seminole,' but that was torn down ten years ago. I never heard of any other, did you, Dave?"

"No," answered the lieutenant slowly, *sucking away at a cigar.* "Maybe it's the name of a boat—seems to me I've heard some such name before, but I don't just recollect where."

"A boat! Well, that's a straw, anyway, and worth looking up." Mac picked up the telephone. "Who is on at the harbor master's office this time of night?"

"Winchell, usually, and he'll have a record there."

The detective jiggled the receiver impatiently.

"Yes, this is police headquarters calling. Give me the harbor master's office, please. Oh, is this you, Dan? Bob McAdams speaking. Do you know of any boat on the lakes called the Seminole? What's that? A lumber schooner at Escanaba? Never makes this port, you say? And you don't know of any other by that name? Sure, I'll hold the wire; look it up."

"Not a very promising lead," he said over his shoulder, "but Dan will have the dope for us in a minute."

He suddenly straightened up, the receiver at his ear.

"I didn't quite get that, Dan. A medium-sized yacht, you say? Where is it? Oh, at the Jackson Park lagoon. I see, and who did you say owned it? Coolidge? What Coolidge? Exactly; the fellow who killed himself out south. Hold the wire."

He swung about to face West. "This mean anything to you?"

"It surely does," eagerly. "The girl I spoke of was Natalie Coolidge. By all the gods, we are on the right track."

"All right, Dan," resuming his conversation. "What's that? Coolidge had the boat up the river a few weeks ago trying to sell it. That's how you happened to remember the name—I see. Say, is there any one out at Jackson park I could talk to at this hour? Who? Oh, yes, the life saving station. Sure: somebody will be on duty there. Thanks, old man—good night."

He hung the receiver upon the hook, and reached for the telephone directory.

"Some luck, I say. Jackson park—oh, yes, here it is. All right, Central; sure, that is the proper number. This is the City Hall police headquarters again; hustle it up, please. Hullo, Jackson Park life-saving station? Good; this is McAdams speaking from the city detective bureau. Is there a yacht out there in the lagoon called the Seminole? belongs to a man named Coolidge; medium-sized boat, with gas engine. Yes; what's that? Not there now; went out into the lake about two hours ago. The h—ll it did! Who was aboard? do you know? Say that again; oh, you wasn't on watch when she sailed; your partner said what? *Three men and a women. All right,* yes, I got it. Say now, listen; this is a police matter, so keep your eyes open. It will be daylight pretty soon, and if you get sight of that boat, call up the City Hall station at once. Do you get me?"

He wheeled about, smiling whimsically.

"It's on again, off again, Flannigan. We had it, and we have it not. Dave, I am getting interested; I feel the lure of the chase. Can you spare me for a day or two? You can? Good enough; we'll comb the lakes until we find out who is sailing aboard the Seminole. You're with me, old man?"

West extended his hand silently, and the fingers of the two clasped in a mutual pledge.

(Continued next week)

WHITE
Buys
Cream and Eggs

Belmond Local News

Eat more lamb; it's cheap, at the Cash Market.

Miss Vida Jenison was a caller at Fort Dodge on Thursday of last week

Royal society package outfits at the Hat Shoppe.

Sheriff Lang was in town Monday on business matters.

The chain of Ten met at the home of Mrs Clyde Jennings on Monday of this week.

Get ready for freezing weather. Fill your radiator with 188 proof alcohol.—Belmond Auto Co.

The Priscilla club meets next week Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Cecil Jones.

Mrs. Ed. Thompson and family of near Kanawha, were visitors and shoppers here last week Friday.

Esther Thorman and Marie Ludtke were Mason City shoppers last Saturday.

Get ready for the freezing weather Fill your radiator with 188 proof alcohol.—Belmond Auto Co.

T. D. Rankins was a business caller at Eagle Grove last week Thursday.

Will store piano with responsible family. Address N. Corbett, care of General Delivery, Belmond, Iowa. 522c

If the gentleman who advertised in the Independent recently for a black note book will call at this office he may secure his property.

Rev. Wilkinson went to Britt on Tuesday morning to attend a district conference being held at that place this week.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans went to Alden last Thursday where she visited a few days at the home of friends and relatives, returning home on Friday.

The Congregational Ladies Aid society wishes to thank all who generously contributed and patronized, or helped in any way to make the bazaar and supper a complete success

Some very good window displays have been turned out by the Belmond merchants the past week or so. An attractive window display is a good advertising medium for any store, especially making a good impression on a stranger.

The local high school football team went to Kanawha last Friday to play the return game with that school. The boys brought home the bacon, winning by 6 to 0, which indicates that it was a good game.

Attorney Jensen and family were enjoying a visit from his father of Forest City over the week end. Mr. Jensen is a prominent attorney of Forest City and a member of the Iowa State Board of Parole.

Winter has not yet made its appearance, but a whole lot of folks would rather see it than the drizzling rainy days that have been our portion the past week. Every cloud has a silver lining, however—it's easy on the coal bills anyway.

Have you taken advantage of the reduction in subscription price of the Independent and renewed your subscription at $1.50? If not, better get in on that 25 per cent saving. The price is $1.50 in advance, $2.00 if not paid in advance.

The blowing of the fire siren on Armistice Day at 11:00 o'clock, the time of the armistice, fooled a number of people, who at first thought were alarmed by fire. The day was passed very quietly here. A dance in the evening drew quite a large attendance.

The Battery Station-Independent radio receiving station was a busy place Saturday afternoon when the results of the Iowa-Minnesota game were received. The game was won by Iowa 28 to 14. If you haven't listened in yet drop in any time and we will be glad to pick up the world for you.

Mrs Thomas Crofter came over from Hampton last Friday and spent the day with her friend, Mrs. Geo. Norris, Jr. A very enjoyable time was had by the two ladies. Mrs. Crofter, until three years ago when she arrived in the States, was a nurse for several years in St. John's hospital in London, England. She went from there to France with the Red Cross at the beginning of the war and served five years in the service

Slip-on sweaters and fancy novelties at the Hat Shoppe.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 8506. tf

If it's fancy cheese you want, the Cash Market has it.

H. D. Moore was a business caller at Thornton, where he has an elevator, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mann of Eagle Grove were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennings. on Sunday.

"Say it with Fur." The Hat Shoppe has some good looking fur hats, also the very stylish satin hats.

Miss Mildred Gealow came down from Meservey to spend the week end with relatives here.

Mabel Cramer and Celia Finn returned from a week's visit at Cedar Rapids

FREE—Ford delivery twice daily, at 8:30 a. m. and 4;15 p. m. Phone 60, The Cash Market.

Anna Finn and Leona Ludtke left Wednesday for Waterloo, where they will attend school at that place.

Do you know that you do not have to pay for Nucoa Nut margarine unless you are perfectly satisfied. The Cash Market sells it. 1tc

Members of Golden Rod Rebekah Lodge No. 162 will hold a special meeting on Friday evening, Nov. 17, at 7:30. The meeting is for initiation.

Mrs. Ed. Riley and daughter Dollie of Rowan were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs Fuller Bailey on Saturday.

Miss Mary Brown, one of the local teaching force, went to Iowa City to attend the football game between Iowa and Minnesota last Saturday.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church will be held today at the home of Mrs. Gowdy.

FREE—A ten cent loaf of Belmond bread with every purchase of two pounds of Ko-Ko Nut Margarine at the regular price.—The Cash Market.

Several from this vicinity went to Iowa City last Saturday to attend the home coming of the State University and to take in the football game between Iowa and Minnesota.

Confirmation services were held in the St. Olaf church last Sunday. The class consisted of eight boys and three girls. In spite of the quite impossible roads the church was filled to its capacity.

The home talent play which was to have been given by the Community club this week Friday and Saturday has been postponed until next week Friday and Saturday, in order to give the actors more time to perfect their parts.

Active Representative wanted by large wholesale house of high standing. Unlimited earning possibilities with opportunity to build permanent trade selling complete line of staples in constant use. A connection with a real future. State age and full details.—John Sexton & Co., Chicago, Ill. 521*

If you have headache, fever, constipation, kidney or liver trouble, bronchitis, neuralgia, you must adjust the cause before you can obtain relief. That is what the chiropractor does. With his bare hands alone he releases the prisoned impulses by adjusting the movable segments of the spinal column to normal position. The chiropractor can and will help you to get well. Office hours from 2 to 6. Phone 21.—Dr. E. A. Allen, Belmond, Iowa. 49tfc

PUBLIC AUCTION

Just west of the city park, on Saturday, November 18th, at 1:30 p. m consisting of 31 head of full blooded Poland China and Duroc Jersey hogs, eligible to registry. Six Duroc Jerseys, three sows, balance barrows, weight around 150 pounds. 25 head of Poland Chinas, 13 head weighing about 150 pounds, six sows, balance barrows. 1 sow weighing 350 pounds, with nine nice pigs. 1 Poland China boar, weight 175 pounds. 1 Poland China sow weighing 150 pounds. 8 head weighing around 60 pounds. Also one hog house 8 x 10. If you are in need of any breeding and feeding shoats don't fail to attend this sale as there is no reserve; we will absolutely sell.

TERMS OF SALE: Six months' time will be given on approved security at 8 per cent interest. All property to be settled for on date of sale.

M. A. MORSE, B. J. FINN, Prop.
State Bank of Belmond, Clerk.
T. D. Rankins, Auctioneer.

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

WANTED

Dressmaking. Miss Hegland. In the Sorenson house, 3 blocks no. of Belmond Lbr. Co. 494*

FOR SALE

For Sale—Large type Chester White spring boars, sired by five good boars. Farm located two miles west and one-half mile north of Kanawha.—Ed. Riekens, Kanawha. 47tfc

For Sale—Eight White Wyandotte and eight Buff Rock pullets some laying now.—Mrs. Louise Veeder, Phone 206. 521c

For Sale—Household Furniture; also large rubber plant, at my home. —Thos. McNulty, Sr. 522c

Spotted Poland China boars from Registered stock. The breed that have advanced to the third largest in America in the past five years. Only a few choice ones left.—J. M. Sampson, 2 1-2 miles southeast of Belmond. Phone 2707. 50tfc

For Sale—A few O. I. C. boars. —R. E. Ryder, Rowan. Two miles south. Phone 412. 503*

For Sale—Eight Duroc Jersey spring boars, pedigreed. Papers furnished.—Wm. Moellering & Sons, Rowan, Ia. 514*

For Sale—Three good used suits and two boy's overcoats.—New Belmond Tailor Shop Phone 28.

For Sale—Some full blood single comb White Leghorn roosters. Also some White Rock roosters.—Mrs. Wm. Guest, Jr. Phone 245. 521c

FOR RENT

For Rent—Good office for doctor. Size 20x24. Ground floor, just refinished. Water and light.—John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—Public garage at Alexander, Iowa. 22x76, located on main street. Standard Oil station in connection. Good air pressure, and motor stand. Will rent reasonably. Write or phone John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—The Greenlander house in south part of town.—A. W. Martin. 50tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Black Martin fur collar. Finder please leave at this office. Reward. 50tfc

Lost—Past Noble Grand Rebekah pin. Leave at this office. 512c

Lost—Pair dark horse blankets, Sunday, between Rowan and Belmond over Solsberg road. Finder please notify F. J. Bailey, Belmond, Iowa.

Lost—Iowa auto license number plate 99-1400. Please leave at this office. 521c

Lost—Man's B. H. S. 1921 class ring. Finder leave at this office. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

COURT HOUSE NOTES

(Continued from page one.)

salvage will not exceed $15, wherefore, plaintiff asks judgment for $500.

Additional New Court Cases For Coming Term.

Monitor: Tillinghast & Co. have begun suit against Forest Norem to collect $231.50 on his note.

The Jones Harness Co. of Belmond seeks to collect the sum of $163.50 for auto tires, etc.

A past due account for $237.73 is cause of action brought by Union Mercantile Co. vs. Fred Burbach.

G. W. Pyle vs. Emma Gral is a suit to collect a balance of $485.23 on anote.

Ruby Toon vs. Willys K. Toon is a divorce case from Troy township. The wife alleges cruelty and non-support of herself and child and for that reason asks that the bonds of matrimony be separated.

An unpaid note for $1000 is cause for suit filed by Farmers' Savings bank vs. Ralph W. Fisher et al.

A. R. Woodley brings suit against the heirs of Mrs. Amanda Abrahamson, late of Clarion for an order of court to sell certain city property to pay debts of the estate.

A judgment for $149.06 is asked by C. L. Speight of Clarion against Dan Galvin on his unpaid note.

Geo. Otto vs. Fred Madson et al is a suit growing out of a land deal made in 1921. Judgment is asked for $10,258.16. The land is subject to a first mortgage of $12,000.

Leonard Lumber Co. of Dubuque demands judgment against Amos Thompson et al of Eagle Grove on an unpaid note in the sum of $266.17.

Order By Mail

"Tom Boy" Shoes

IS your growing girl harder on shoes than her---brother, and does it take more than ordinary girl's shoes to wear her long.

Here's a pair that will hold her. Made as strong as boy's shoes, and look as neat as girl's shoes should.

WOODRUFF'S
"Good Shoes"
115 N. Fed. Mason City, Iowa

Miss Alma Wilkinson, who has been enjoying a few weeks' vacation will resume her school duties next Monday.

In the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Wright County,
IN PROBATE

In the Matter of the Estate of Mrs Nellie Lein, Deceased.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT Executor.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as Executor of the estate of Mrs. Nellie Lein, late of Wright County, Iowa, deceased. All persons in any manner indebted to said deceased or her estate will make payment to the undersigned; and those having claims against said deceased or her estate will present them in manner and form as by law required, for allowance and payment.

Dated this 6th day of November, A. D., 1922.

OLE T. RIKANSRUD,
Executor of said Estate.
By J. M. JENSEN,
His Attorney.

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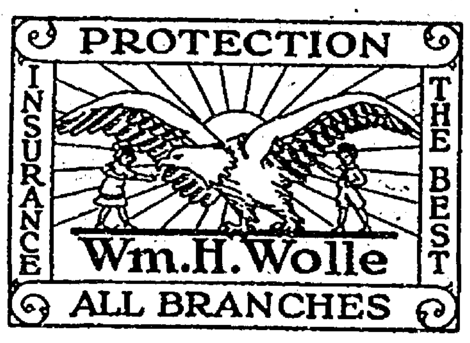

SPECIAL

Cocoanut Creams
Regular Price 60c lb.
Special Saturday Only
41c lb.

Boston Cream Candy
Regular Price 50c lb.
Special Saturday Only
36c lb.

Watch for Saturday Specials Next Week

Belmond Candy Kitchen
Steve Antonio, Mgr.
Phone 65

READ THE ADS

FOOT BALL!
BELMOND HIGH SCHOOL
VS.
CLARION HIGH SCHOOL
Thursday, November 16
3:30 p. m.
BELMOND BALL PARK

Kinseth's Store News

Some weather we've had lately. This rain is probably about the last of the season and then comes the cold and snow. We have some dandy overshoes for you, rubber and cloth, in four-buckle for men and boys. They are the best that money can buy and they are guaranteed to give you satisfaction.

Apples, you bet; baskets and barrels, in Baldwins, Black Twig, Johnathan, Delicious, Greenings, Golden Russet and Boiken. We're not running opposition to the doctors, but you remember that old saying, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away."

Have you tried any Lincoln berries yet? They are delicious for sauce and pies.

We are still selling milk for 5c and 10c per can.

So don't forget the Store on the Corner; get the habit and trade at the place where your dollar is worth one hundred cents.

NORTHERN DISTRIBUTORS
STEINWAY
Lyon & Healy
PIANOS AND PLAYERS
CHAMBERS MUSIC HOUSE, 29 E. State Street, Mason City, Iowa

REMEMBER---

You are only half clean when you send your laundry. What about your suit, dress or hat?

Letusfinishthejob.

Let us make you an all-wool suit or overcoat---$25.00

New Belmond Tailor Shop
Phone 28 F. J. Tuffree

The Quality Shop

Here is the place to buy a chop,
Your steaks, your roasts, your stews,
At the Quality Shop you'll make no mistake
Whichever you may choose.

City Meat Market
Nissen & Harbison, Proprietors

IN GREAT DEMAND

GLASS---all sizes.
WOOD STOVES---$3.00 to $12.00.
AXES---$2.25 to $2.75.
ROASTERS---$1.00 to $6.00.
WOOD SAWS---$1.60, $3.50, $5.50.
PANCAKE GRIDDLES---$1.75, $3.80.
HOT SHOT BATTERIES---$2.00, $2.25.
STOVE CASTINGS. Leave orders.
FLOOR PAINTS AND VARNISHES.
VACUUM BOTTLES, LUNCH KITS.
AMUNITION that gets the game.

Don't Forget Us.

TOWNSAN HARDWARE
The Store of Service
Phone 34
Belmond, Iowa

P. S.---See our genuine Wear-Ever Waffle Irons, Pancake Griddles and Roasters in display window this week.

Belmond

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"The Golden Giant" Given This Week

Community Club Benefit Home Talent Play Given On Friday And Saturday.

GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY

This week Friday and Saturday the big doin's is on, the home talent play "The Golden Giant."

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PTON FIGHTS RULING

e Hampton high school has been
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rd of control. The period of sus-
nsion is indefinite. It may be two
ks and it may be three months.
e bone of contention is Paul Davis, who was allowed to play on the football team. Davis is a son of Byon Davis, who resides about three miles east of Hampton. Young Davis, a year ago, quit the Hansell school, which is about two and a half miles from the Davis home. Davis had first intended to attend school in another county, but his parents urged him to remain closer to their home, so he finally decided to come to Hampton.

Davis never played football before, and he wants it to be understood that he was not urged to come to Hampton by any school officer, or by any other person, for the purpose of taking part in athletics of any kind.

Under the athletic rules a student is all[illegible] four years in athletics, but th[illegible] state that no person can en[illegible] athletics during the first semester, unless his parents or guardian move to the district where he is attending school. In this case the parents of young Davis gave him his own time, and he was his own boss. Superintendent Cecil took the position that as long as he had quit the Hansell school and did not intend to return there whether he came to Hampton or not, and the further fact that he had been given his own time, he was eligible to take part in athletics. Many other school men in the state take the same view of the matter.

When Jim Shearer, the famous Iowa high school football star went from Hampton to Mason City to attend school and play foot ball, the state board never batted an eye. When Rollin Stonebrook went from Hampton two years ago to Eldora and played football on the Eldora team the state board again failed to discover any infraction of this rule, and in this case the superintendent of schools at Eldora notified the state board of the matter, and Eldora was not kicked out of the association, and neither was Stonebrook barred from playing. Stonebrook went to Eldora of his own free will and accord, and he was not paid to go there by Eldora. His parents resided in Hampton then and they do yet, and this year Stonebrook is back in school at Hampton and playing on the team here.

The Hampton high school team played Osage last Saturday, without Davis on the team, and it was a great victory from one of the strongest teams of the state. That is evidence again that Hampton did not need Davis and had no reason to solicit him to attend school here just to play foot ball.—Chronicle.

A. G. Pribbenow of Hampton was a business caller here Tuesday. He says Hampton is wild over the barring of their football team, and are going to carry the matter to the last ditch.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Last Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Dan Miller, who was in the hospital at Hampton came home. It will be some time before she will be able to do any work.

Miss Maude Griggs spent the latter part of the week with her sister, Mrs. J. J. Cook.

Thursday, last Mrs. John Ahrenkeil who has been visiting in Cedar Rapids, Waterloo and Iowa Falls, came home.

Elmer Schnieder and Elmer Anderson came home Friday from Omaha where they purchased two cars of feeding cattle.

On Thursday night Mr Ray gave an interesting lecture and picture show on the work of the Modern Woodmen of America. The past week he has been active in endeavoring to secure new members for the organization.

Mrs. Mary McNutt spent the larger part of the week at Garner with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clark.

Since Mr. Engeseth closed out his dry goods store many people are compelled to go to Belmond or Garner to buy their groceries..

Mr. Church of Belmond was in town Monday.

U. B. Church

The U. B. Ladies Aid will hold their bazaar on Sat., Nov. 25, in the building on north main street. They will have for sale many useful and beautiful articles. Mrs. Savogue will have charge of the handkerchief booth. Anyone wishing to donate one of these handy artcles will please see her. The ladies are planning to purchase some furniture for the basement with part of the proceeds.

There will be a special praise and thanksgiving service on Thursday evening, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p. m.

ST. OLAF CHURCH NOTES

Next Sunday morning service will be conducted in the Norwegian language. Communion will also be observed at this service. Service at 10-30. In the evening the League will have its meeting. Due to the bad roads and weather last Sunday evening we could not have the meeting. We hope we may have good roads and weather next Sunday. Will you all be present? We must finish up our work before the close of the year. Come and bring someone with you.

RADIO BUG SEVERELY BITES SEVERAL HERE

State Bank And Savings Bank Install Receiving Sets—Others In Prospect.

The Radio Bug has severely
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bank and the State bank, where o
fits were installed the first of the week. Both sets are Westinghouse sets, the same as the Battery Station-Independent outfit with two-step amplifier. The banks will now be able to give their customers the market of the day, and the news of the world, while the employees will without question be "listening in" every evening. Westinghouse outfits are sold by J. W. Scott of the Battery Station, who also installs them. Some very fine results have been secured of late. As the weather gets colder and the atmosphere clearer of interference, the concerts come in splendidly. Monday evening the Battery Station-Independent set was hooked up to a horn, and New York, Atlanta, Denver, Canada and a dozen others were heard all over the room by those present. The owners of this set invite you to drop in any evening and listen to the many fine programs being broadcasted from all parts of the country.

L. R. VanTassell of Eagle Grove has moved to Belmond where he is engaging in the real estate business, selling Minnesota lands, insurance, and auctioneering business. He is at present staying at the F. A. Stine residence.

EXPECT TO PAY BONUS ABOUT JANUARY FIR

State Bonus Board Hopes A
ual Payment Can Start By
Or Before Then.

The hope that actual payment of the state bonus may be started about January 1 was expressed by members of the state bonus board, following a meeting where further plans for speeding up the work were formulated.

"It is contemplated that the bonds will be sold, the money available and the organization perfected on or about January 1," said Adjutant General L. O. Lasher, acting secretary of the board.

The adjutant general pointed out that the board had no authority to provide the necessary blanks, forms, etc., until after the vote is canvassed by the state board and that no payments can be made until the bonds are sold and the money becomes available.

After the blanks are printed, distributed, filled out and returned to the bonus board they will have to be verified and checked from the official record of the applicant.

Adjutant General Lasher said that correspondence relative to where how and when application blanks may be obtained will not be answered as the board has no office force as yet to handle such matters. It is considered likely that a permament secretary will be employed within a few days.

Every person, male and female, including army and navy marine corps nurses who served in the military or navay service of the United States at any time between April 6, 1917 and November 11, 1918, and who at the time of entering such service was a resident of the state of Iowa, and who was honorably separated from such service, or has been retired or has been furloughed to a reserve, shall be entitled to receive fifty cents for each day in active service. The limit is $350.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Judging Team Training

Professor Beanblossom of the animal husbandry department at Ames is in Wright county this week giving special attention to the training of our boys who will represent the good old state of Iowa in the International Junior Live Stock judging contest, which will be held in Chicago December 1. Prof. Beanblossom and the county agent are making the trips with the boys to the various purebred livestock farms of the county where they are working over the classes in the different breeds in order that the boys may have first hand training in sizing up the important points in these different animals. The boys have been handicapped to some extent because of the busy corn husking season. In order to get this special training it has been necessary for the boys to desert the corn picking work and give their attention to the judging work.

On Friday of this week the county agent and the boys will make a trip to the college at Ames where they will have opportunity to work over the high class stuff which is being fitted for the International Live Stock Show at Chicago. Here the oys are to receive special instruc- in the live stock judging work Professor H. H Kildee and men who are in charge of the l husbandry work at Ames. trip is being made in response invitation which was received from Professor Kildee, the the animal husbandry de- nt at the college. It is hoped he boys will get valueable point while at Ames and put on the shing touches for the judging con- at Chicago.

Dairy Industry Growing

There seems to be a growing interest in the dairy business in Wright county as well as other sections of Iowa. In the past year there have been several carloads of dairy cattle shipped into Belmond for distribution in the surrounding territory. The farmers near Belmond are becoming interested in the returns which are being realized from their dairy products.

There seems to be a growing interest in the dairy work all over Iowa and the farmers are beginning to realize that there is a steady income from the sale of dairy products. It is a very noticable fact that the farm communities which have been most prosperous in the past two years are the communities where dairying has been carried on to a greater or less extent.

While Iowa was taking a slump to the downward trend of prices on corn and other grains, as well as live stock, the dairy farmers of Wisconsin were sitting "pretty" because of the steady and certain income from the sale of dairy products.

Wright county is not essentially a dairy community but many farmers and business men have expressed the opinion that the farmers of our county could devote more attention to the dairy industry with profitagle results. While most of our farms are being operated for the production of corn, hogs and beef there seems to be a growing feeling that more time could be spent to an advantage in producing dairy cattle on our Wright county farms.

A number of banks in our county have indicated their willingness to co-operate to the utmost with the farmers in getting dairy cattle into the community and there is no doubt but what this will result in more farmers becoming interested in dairy work and will eventually mean larger returns from our Wright county farms in the form of dairy products.

Miss Huber In The County

Miss Bertha Huber, clothing specialist from the extension department at Ames is still holding meetings in the various townships of the county. The information which is being given out by Miss Huber seems to be as interesting and instructive as if we had a regular demonstration agent. Indeed, the ladies of the county realize the value of the work which is being demonstrated at these meetings.

In conducting these demonstrations or training schools thruout the county Miss Huber plans to have one lady from each school district within the township take the information on to the ladies of that particular school district. According to Miss Huber, the lades of each township will be able to conduct the home demonstration work in their own communities without having a home demonstration agent work full time within the county.

This system of conducting training schools within the county is being used thruout the state and quite satisfactory results are being obtained. This facilitates a system of cooperation among the farm women. By taking the course of instruction and conducting their own meetings in the future the farm women will be able to carry on the demonstrations in the home community without outside help

Healthy Hog To Bring Premium

A short time ago the National Live Stock Exchange at its annual convention held in Kansas City passed a resolution urging all packing companies to agree to pay ten cents per hundred weight more for hogs that come from counties where cattle have all been freed from tuberculosis. The packers have always been heartily in favor of eradicating this disease from cattle and indirectly thus free the hogs of the country from the malady, but so far the man who has delivered hogs free from tuberculosis has received no more for his stock than the man whose herd was affected with this disease.

There has been no practical way it seems to favor the man with the healthy animals because tuberculosis has been so widespread. The result has been as in all such cases, that the man with the clean stock suffered equally with the man who handles diseased stuff, unless the animals are so badly affected with the disease that they can be discovered before killing.

Now Chicago packers have come out with a definite guaranty, at least several of the packers have—Armour, Swift, Morris, Wilson, Cudahy, Independent Packing Company, Miller & Hart, Roberts & Cope and Agar—that at Chicago they will pay a premium of ten cents per hundredweight on any carload of hogs shipped by any farmer or producer who guarantees thru his commission company that said hogs are free from tuberculosis. The hogs will sell on the market in the usual way. If after they are slaughtered it is found that they are free from tuberculosis so the owners will be paid the ten cents premium in addition to the regular price. "

This is a distinct step in advance and should be appreciated especially by men who now have tuberculosis free herds of cattle even though their entire county is not cleaned up. Their hogs shipped in caroads will be entitled to the bonus, subject to inspection at the time of slaughter. For years it has been the contention of those interested in eradicating bovine tuberculosis that when this great task is finally accomplished it will mean an increase in the price of hogs and this agreement on the part of the packers is a practical demonstration that those contentions will materialize.

The tremendous loss of hogs due to tuberculosis has never been borne by the packer On the contrary, he has known from past experience what percentage of the hogs he buys is affected with the disease and what percentage has to be condemned to the rendering tanks and he has figured this as a part of the regular expense of running his business and has paid accordingly.

Feeding For Egg Production

The first essential in feeding for egg production is, of course, the use of a well balanced, palatiable ration. There are, however, many different mixtures, or mashes, which if fed intelligently will give equally good results. Therefore each flock owner will wsh to find out which is the most economical mash and grain mixture to use.

It is advisable to have the poultry ration as simples as possible, that is to limit the kinds of grain used to such as will be available the year around. If you do this there will be less danger of running out of some of them during the year.

A change in the ration and particularly a sudden one, usually results in a decided slump in egg production and will throw many of the birds into a molt at certain seasons of the year.

Most economical gains:—Corn and oats are on the average the most economical grains to use, both in the scratch mixture, to feed in the straw litter, and in making up dry mash

Wheat in the ration:—Wheat is an excellent poultry feed, but should not be made an important item if its market value is too much in excess of that of corn. In the scratch ration given below wheat can be made to take the place of one-half or less of the corn. However, some wheat **at least is advisable in feeding chicks**

Barley in the ration:—A little barley can be used in the scratch feed but not very much as the hulls are rather tough.

The following ration is recommended on Poster No. 19 and is giving excellent results:

Ration No. 2:—Mash, 200 pounds ground oats, 100 pounds ground corn, 100 barrels tankage (60 per cent.)

Scratch feed, 200 pounds shelled corn, 100 pounds oats.

This is probably one of the lowest priced balanced rations that can be recommended, and is one of the most practical rations we can recommend for farm conditions.

Shipping Association Conference

On Thursday and Friday, November 16th and 17th, a livestock shipping association conference was held at the chamber of commerce in Mason City, when the officers, managers and members of ten counties of northern Iowa met to discuss the problems connected with the shipping of livestock from that section of the state.

The first day of the conference was spent in the study of the uniform system of records which is used by the various associations thruout the state Interesting lectures on livestock market problems were also given by Professors Thompson, Hammans and Cady from the market department of the extension service at Ames.

The forenoon of the second day of the conference was spent at the Decker Packing company plant where actual demonstratons were given on the different market cuts. A clean cut comparison was made between the different grades of carcasses and it was demonstrated to these men the great difference in prices when this meat is sold by the retail merchant.

Our local county agent and E. W. Campbell, secretary of the Clarion Shipping association attended this conference on Friday. Other counties represented at this conference were Cerro Gordo, Hancock, Franklin, Floyd, Worth, Palo Alto, and Kossuth.

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It is indeed with great interest that we hear of our good farmers stocking their farms with high grade dairy cattle. We have just heard that Mr. Wm. Boelman of Pleasant township has added some new stock to his herd and also that Baker Brothers of Belmond township have headed their already fine herd with the champion bull of Hardin county. A fine animal weighing 1800 pounds, just purchased from the State Industrial School at Eldora.

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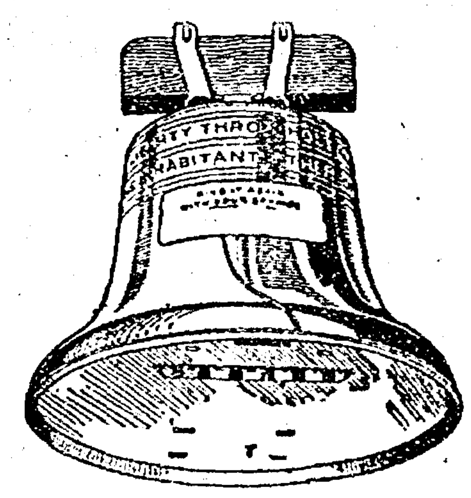
Laundry Dry Cleaning

A. J. Nissen is another to install a radio outfit within the past week. He is getting good results also. Others are contemplating getting outfits in the near future.

There is but little change in this week's styles in women's attire—only enough to require new gowns.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and sister Alma went to Iowa City last Monday where the latter is receiving treatments from a specialist.



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MESERVEY, IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Groen from Belmond visited at the T. S. Hulsebus home one day last week.

The woman who is always giving other people a "piece of of her mind" soon has none left for herself.

Don't fail to attend the Community Program at the M. E. church, Friday evening, Nov. 24. All cordially invited.

Tenus Johnson of Alexander was calling at the Hulsebus home one day last week

Cards have been received here announcing the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lewis.

Supt. Herbster and Henry Frey motored to Forest City, Friday, where the former refereed at a football game.

Dr. Agler and "Bing" Jones were Mason City callers last Saturday. We understand that the doctor is seeking a new cure for "Radioitus." We venture to say if he is successful in his quest his fortune is made.

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Short talk; Mrs. Hulsebus.
Convention report: Mrs. Muller.
Proper use of T. O. Boxes: Mrs. Reif.
Missionary Notes: Mrs. Brater.
Reading: Mrs. C. J. Janssen.
Song: Ladies quartette
Echoes from General Conference: Mrs. J. Wickershem.
Our New Missionary Fields: Mrs. Schlesselman,
Music: "Throw the Gospel Line": Instrumental Quartette.
Pastor's address.
Offering.
Doxology.

EVANGELICIAL CHURCH

Thursday W. M. S. meets in the basement of the church at 2 p. m. The monthly session.

Prayer services and choir rehearsal at 7:30.

No meeting of the Bible study class this week on account of the Community program Friday night. Saturday catechetical instruction at p. m.

Sunday school 9:45 a. m.

Annual W. M. S. Thanksgiving program 10:45. Bring your gift. Sunday at 7 p. m. devotional meeting of the Evang. League of Christian Endeavor. 7:30 p. m. sermon. "Prophecy and Revelation and its relation to History." Come.

For Sale—Thorobred Duroc Jersey boars, also herd boar. Price right. —L. Foss, Meservey, Iowa. 48tfc

FOR SALE—Some good Poland China male hogs weight 250 lbs. price $25. Roy Halfpap Goodell Ia. 1tfc

W. R. Prelipp was a Mason City caller last Wednesday.

Fred Menzel motored to Waverly last Saturday and spent a few days with home folks. Rev. H. Raecker accompanied him here Tuesday making a short visit at the home of his son G. E. He departed Thursday for Ft. Dodge to visit at the home of a daughter, before returning home

A. J. Nissen was a Mason City business caller last Tuesday.

A ten pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Waddingham last Tuesday, Nov. 14th. All concerned doing nicely. "Dad" is wearing the smile that won't come off. The little fellow will answer to "Floyd Ward."

The Thornton basket ball girls came down last Friday and played our girls on the home floor. The game resulted in a victory for our girls, the score being 18 to 9.

Mrs. H. Brater and Anita and Lepa visited at the C. E. Brogan home in Garner last Friday.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and daughter Lydia, were Mason City callers last Friday.

The W. M. S. will meet in the Evang. church basement on Thursday (today) for their regular monthly meeting

Mrs. Wm. Hartwig of Thornton is at the Ralph Waddingham home, caring for the new son and his mother.

Parties contemplating holding a public sale should see T. D. Rankins, Belmond, for dates and prices. Twenty-five years of successful auctioneering. Phone 196 or 115.

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MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

The following Community Program will be held Friday, Nov. 24, at 8 p. m., at the Methodist church:

Music: Orchestra.
Folk Dance: 2nd grade pupils.
Pumpkin Drill: 3rd and 4th grade pupils.
Talk: Rev. Pannkuk.
Mother Goose Songs: 1st and 2nd grade pupils.
Reading: Virgil Sprau.
Music: Orchestra.
The First Thanksgiving: 5th and 6th grade pupils
Dialogue: 7th grade pupils.
Thanksgiving Song: 6th grade pupils.
Scene from "The Courtship of Miles Standish:" H. S. students.
Music: Orchestra.

It is hoped that there will be a large attendance at the program

Several students who have been absent were back in school again this week namely Anna Pals Oliver Sprau, and Donald Butz.

Mr. Herbster went to Forest [illegible] Friday afternoon to referee [illegible] ball game.

Miss Humke, Miss Hu[illegible] Miss Thomas and Miss Hol[illegible] ed out to see Eva Sprau af[illegible] Thursday afternoon. Eva [illegible] along quite nicely bu[illegible] some time before she wil[illegible] be in school. However s[illegible] industrious and is doing m[illegible] school work at home.

Friday afternoon at 3:30 [illegible] servey girls played a baske[illegible] game with the Thornton girls [illegible] home court.. Although the [illegible] was very slippery the game w[illegible] lively one throughout. At the [illegible] of the first half the score stood 8 [illegible] 5 in favor of Meservey. The fina[illegible] score was 18 to 9 in favor of Meservey. The Thornton team proved to be good clean player and good losers. The Meservey team consist of the following people:

Grace Groen —Forward
Molly Zieman—Forward
Eveln Thomas—Jumping Center
Mildred Koehler—Running Center
Agnes Fischer—Guard.
Ollie Pals—Guard

George Fry, a first grade pupil, while playing on the swings Thursday noon, fell and cut his head quite badly. He is getting along nicely.

All of the seventh grade pupil are now back in school with the exception of Elizabeth and Vilhem Winther..

The Primary room has had the opportunity to celebrate two birthdays this week. Louise Witt, whose birthday was Nov. 11th, brought a birthday cake to school, and treated the pupils. Andrew Boelman's birthday which came the next day was celebrated in a similar way.

Perfect spellers in the second grade for this week are Lois Thomas Esther Smith, Viola Koehler, Neola Watermiller, and Julia Frye.

The new Victrola records of mother Goose songs and rhythm work, are being greatly enjoyed by the little folks.

The Robinson Meat Market book accounts have been left with us for collection by the Sheriff of Cerro Grodo County, please come in and settle, otherwise costs may be added by above officer. Farmers Savings Bank.

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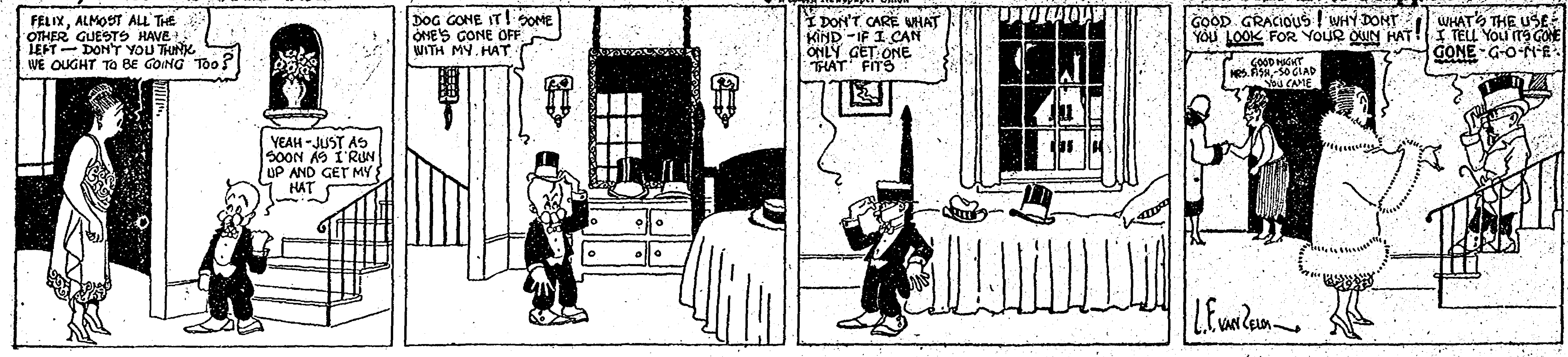
FELIX, ALMOST ALL THE OTHER GUESTS HAVE LEFT — DON'T YOU THINK WE OUGHT TO BE GOING TOO?
YEAH — JUST AS SOON AS I RUN UP AND GET MY HAT
DOG GONE IT! SOME ONE'S GONE OFF WITH MY HAT
I DON'T CARE WHAT KIND — IF I CAN ONLY GET ONE THAT FITS
GOOD GRACIOUS! WHY DON'T YOU LOOK FOR YOUR OWN HAT!
GOOD NIGHT MRS. FISH, — SO GLAD YOU CAME
WHAT'S THE USE — I TELL YOU ITS GONE GONE — G-O-N-E
L. F. VAN ZELM

COMING WEST

Leaving Meservey on Sept 24 between 5 and 6 o'clock in the morning for the east, by way of Sheffield, Hampton, Dumont, Parkersburg, Cedar Falls, Waterloo, Clinton, Cedar Rapids to Grand Mound, where I stayed all night. Roads fine, and lots of detouring. Leaving Grand Mound lots of dust, alternating a stretch of gravel; graded dirt roads for about [illegible] miles. Breakfast at Clinton, then [illegible] Chicago, Ill. At Sterling, Ill., [illegible] fan belt came off. A puntchure [illegible] the radiator laid me up two and [illegible] lf hours at Dixon. From Dixon to [illegible] on the Lincoln highway to [illegible] Chicago all night. Most- [illegible] brick and macadimized [illegible] few stretches of gravel. [illegible] go in the morning, thru [illegible] and Michigan Boulevard to [illegible] Heights, then to South Bend, [illegible] Ligoner to Shurobusco. [illegible] ed there all night leaving in [illegible] orning for Ft. Wayne, then to [illegible] by way of upper Sandusky, [illegible] yrus, to Mansfield. Stayed there [illegible] night leaving in the morning for [illegible] ooster, Ohio. Scenery fine; rolling country, most all lime stone rock; cars are white as paint from the dust they gather. You can tell from the dust they have been in Ohio. Went to Olvisburg, Ashland to Canton, O. From there to Freedom, Pa., where I stayed all night. Put the car in a garage, then couldn't find a place to sleep. Hunted high and low. The only thing I could do was to go back to Rochester by street car and slept in the next town. Left Rochester in the morning for Freedom, got my car, and beat it for Beaver. Brick and stone roads the entire distance down the river to Pittsburg. East to McGee port, then to Bedford, staying there all night. Brick and macadimized roads thru hills and farming country and mining country over a high range of the mountains. Many heavy climbs were interesting; many fine views cannot be seen. Left Bedford in the morning for McCollinsburg, to Chambersburg to Gettysburg, where I stayed that night with my brother Walter S. Smith. Sunday p. m. for Taneytown Mr., to my mother's, for that welcome handshake. I had not seen her for a long time. It was a great surprise to her and the boys, as they did not know I was coming.

Made many friends and met so many of my old school chums and girls, of my boyhood days. To visit them all would take three months.

Gettysburg is one of the finest historic spots I ever saw. I would advise every boy and girl to visit the old battle field if they get the opportunity.

Leaving Taneytown Oct. 22, Saturday p. m., I went to Gettysburg, saying hello to many old friends at a place where I worked a good many years ago. The battle grounds are southwest of the city, covering about 25 miles of monuments, marked with all the important points where Lincoln made his famous speech. Left on Sunday morning from my brothers' for the west. Got as far as Laughinton, Pa., when I had a break down, tearing the rear gears out of the car going up the 16 mile grade in the mountains. Fixed the car up. If I ever got stung I got it there. Two prices for one job. There ought to be a law to prevent overcharging just because you are from another state He will be remembered by all, not to stop there. I stayed at the Lincoln Tea Room while waiting for the car to be put in order. Those people surely did treat me fine, it was the same as home to me, such friendly folks. Their assistance will never be forgotten by me.

Left Laughinton Oct. 25 for the west again. Car was in good shape, and arrived at Pittsburg in the morning, staying all night in East Canton, O. Hit a bridge that night, but did not injure me at all. The other fellow's car was badly smashed up. Three-fourths of a mile from this bridge three girls and two boys were killed by a freight.

Left East Canton in the morning for Elkhart, Ind. Stayed there all night, and left the next morning for Chicago. It's a short cut to Joliet. It was here I ran short of funds, which were sent me on short notice. Caused by overcharging me when I broke down. Went farther staying at New Lenox, Ill., from Saturday noon until Tuesday morning with a farmer. Left Tuesday a. m. for Joliet and passed thru Aurora to Geneva, Ill., then to Clintin, Iowa. Got as far as Whetland, Iowa, where I stayed all night. Next morning rain, and it was rain all day. Went to Tipton by train and back to Whetland that p. m. Left the next morning for Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Cedar Falls, plowing mud all day. Only a few miles of good roads. Stayed at Cedar Falls for the night. Left there for Hampton and from Hampton to Meservey. Only a few miles of good roads.

Maryland has an abundant crop of fruit such as apples, and peas. Corn crop is also very good. Apples are selling for 35 cents to a dollar for choice lots per bushel.

Maryland has good roads; transportation of livestock is mostly done by trucks to market. Cars in the state must have two license cards. Only the state of Maryland requires them, no other state needs them.

If you want to know the rest, ask Harry T, he will tell you. The citizens of Meservey were predicting that Harry T. would never return with his old 1913 tin Lizzie, but I did, and Lizzie returned together with me, altho a little warm due to bad roads. But the eyes of a great many were almost in their vest pocket when I arrived with the old tin Lizzie. She is entitled to a new set of tires, but with only a little tightening up of different parts Lizzie will go to Maryland again.

Expenses For The Trip

3,000 miles, 140 gallons gas, 35 qts oil 2 lbs. grease. The price of gas ranged from 21c to 35c, oil from 15c to 25c a quart. Meals ranged from 35c to $1.25. Repairs on car $35.00. One puncture on the way, two on the way back. Rooms ranged from $1.25 to 50c a night.

The people of Meservey ought to be proud of the shop I have here. On my journey I viewed a great many blacksmith shops and saw none that will the one I have here. Eastern shops have only a sway-backed anvil and a claw hammer for forging, and a common punch for a drill, and are not caring. When showing the village blacksmith back home a photo of the interior of my shop, they tho't it took a millionaire to maintain such a shop. They thought the western states were only wilderness.

Meservey has nothing on Harry T., from the ladies' friendship to automobiles. But I have one on Meservey. The old saying is a blacksmith has a weak mind and a strong back, but I can run a 1913 Lizzie 4,000 miles and return wth the same 1913 Lizzie. I thank the people of Meservey and vicinity for their past patronage and for having good patience during my absence while I was away to see my mother. I thank you for your future patronage. Let us all be friends as I will be on the job from now on.

With best wishes to all,

HARRY T. SMITH

Nearly 75,000 children in the 885 schools of Iowa are enrolled in the Junior Red Cross, and are learning early to carry out successfully many different types of social service in a way that would do credit to their elders. The Des Moines school children can well be proud, as they are of the $4,000 they made or saved by some sacrifice that the destitute children in far away Albania might be mothered by Red Cross. Now those forlorn children the Red Cross Commission found in Tirana, Albania, are able to go to a vocational school that begins as a playground. This school has become such a model one that the Albanian government is using it as an example of what other Albanian schools should be.

In disaster preparedness organization, in Soldier Service, in first aid, and life saving instructon on a country-wide scheme, in the wide distribution of first aid kits, in its county nurse actvities and nutrition instruction, Iowa chapters write a large record of accomplishments with a varied program.

ROWAN NEWS

The Rowan Community Short Course will be held Tuesday and Wednesday Jan. 16-17, 1923. The following committee has been named to carry on the plans for this short course:

Mrs. Fred Brooks, Ladies Dept.
O. R. Myers, Horse dept.
J. W. Azeltine Cattle dept.
Chester Moellering, Hog dept.
John Akers, Sheep dept
J. R. McDonald, Poultry dept.
T. K. Holliday, School dept.
Herb Hadley, Farm crops dept.
R. E. Lee Aldrich, Chairman.
G. E. Toyne, Sec.-Treas.

The committee has secured the services of the following specialists:

Miss Florence Imley, Ladies dept, Jan. 16.
Prof. Lapp, Poultry, Jan. 16.
Prof. C. C. Swain, School work, Jan. 16.
Prof. F. G. Churchill Farm crops, Jan. 17.
Prof. E. L. Quaife, Animal husbandry, Jan. 17.

Last Friday night at Williams, Mr. Holliday had the misfortune to have his new Ford Sedan run into and damaged so they were unable to come home Friday evening. However he got it fixed so they returned home Saturday.

Will Peddle's are driving a new Ford Sedan.

Last Wednesday afternoon the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Mary Braden. Mrs. Farren gave a report of the meeting which she attended at Oskaloosa, which was very much enjoyed.

Last Thursday afternoon the Congregational Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. N. B. Olson. A good crowd was present and plans were made for the sale and supper which will be held Saturday evening, and also for the picture show which the society have bought from Mr. Brooks and will put on in the Brooks Hall Dec. 7.

Last Thursday afternoon the M. E. Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. W. H. Whitten. A large attendance was present. A ten cent lunch was served by the hostess.

Last Thursday evening the Young Peoples Mission Study club met with Mrs. Ray Azeltine. After a short business session the lesson was studied, which was very interesting. Miss Frances Virden was the leader. Six new members were added to the roll. After the lesson a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess and assistant hostess, Mrs. Roy Hyde and Miss Alta Allen. The Misses Ruth and Stella Emerson furnished some music thru the evening.

Friday evening Mrs. Clint Kercheval entertained at a six o'clock dinner in honor of Mr. Frank Kerchevals birthday.

Saturday evening Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks entertained at a six o'clock dinner in honor of Mrs. Perlie Hirst of Parker, S. D. The following were guests: Rev. and Mrs. Halbert, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham and Mrs. Hirst.

Last Thursday evening the members of the Farmers' Union held a meeting in Brooks' Hall. They enjoyed a dance following the meeting.

Miss Mildred Duffy is going to have a box social at her school in Grant No 6, Nov 29.

Wanted—Dressmaking at home, Prices reasonable. Mrs. L. W. McCallum.

R. H. Keith has been suffering the past week with an ulcer in his eye, caused by getting a piece of steel in it. It has required medical aid.

Friends have received word that little Margaret Nye, the second daughter of Rev and Mrs. Nye formerly of this place and now at Dickens, had the misfortune to break one of her arms in two places below the elbow. The accident happened at school while she was on a teetertotter.

Mr. Kenset was in the Steele hospitkl at Belmond this week where he had his tonsils removed. He has been quite sick with them.

Rev. Tomkinson attended district conference at Britt, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Viola Charter has discontinued her music class in Rowan until March 1.

Rev. Walker of Clarion transfered here Wednesday evening on his way home from Britt. He had charge of the prayer meeting at the M. E. church.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bingham and Mrs. Georgia Rowen were Belmond shoppers Saturday

A. H. Emerson has been on the sick list the past week.

Miss Edna McCutcheon of Dows, and Miss Lenora Osterhus, who is attending school at Ames, spent the week end at the R. H. Keith home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reitz and family were Dows callers Saturday.

Mrs. W. W. Bailey is on the sick list.

Mrs. Fred Smith and children visited relatives in town Saturday.

The Conference Convention of the Home Missionary society will meet in Webster City Nov. 23-24. Several delegates from the Rowan society are planning to attend.

Mrs. Tom Whitten received word that her daughter Mrs. Andy Sorenson and little son of Ft. Dodge, were suffering from diptheria.

Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver was in Clarion a couple of days the latter part of the week visiting her mother Mrs. Heathershaw.

Mrs. Edith Harson returned from Kanawha last Tuesday evening from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Knells.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harson was Galt callers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vanston, of Sheffield, spent Sunday at the home of her mother Mrs. Nels Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and family and Mrs. Perlie Hirst spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brooks near Belmond

Mr. an Mrs. Floyd Whitten came from Green Wednesday to visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten and have some repair work done on their truck.

Mrs. J. S. Farren was a Ft. Dodge shopper Tuesday.

J F. Howell was a Clarion caller Tuesday.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens was a visitor at Belmond, Thursday, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard.

Mrs. Theo. Hansen visited relatives in Coulter, Wednesday.

Mrs Sarah Moon moved her household goods from the farm last week and has stored them in town.

Mr. and Mrs Will Whitten were Dows shoppers Thursday.

Mrs. Ed. Riley visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fuller Bailey, in Belmond, Saturday.

Dan Hearn and son Paul, went to Bristow, Saturday, for a visit with the home folks.

Mrs. Jens Kjar has been suffering the past week from an attack of tonsilitis.

Mrs. Wm. Steffens has been confined to her bed again the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Pritchett went to Coulter Friday, to visit her cousin, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Greiser, George went Saturday evening and they remained until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Halbrook and family returned Saturday from Salem, Mo., where they have been visiting at the home of his parents the past two weeks.

Mrs. L. W. Stevenson was a Fort Dodge shopper, Tuesday.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou returned home Thursday from a visit of several weeks at the home of relatives in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett were Belmond callers Saturday.

Mr. Mailey of Oelwein came Wednesday to visit at the home of Mrs. H. H. Barker. His wife, nee Alice Barker, who has been visiting her mother returned with him Thursday.

Basket social, Grant No. 6, Nov. 29. Mildred Duffy Teacher.

Lew Vennum of Ft. Dodge was calling on relatives and friends in Rowan last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Stout and baby were Belmond shoppers Saturday.

Rowan School Notes

Those absent last week were Amy Azeltine, James Kercheval, Dale Hiam and Walter Barker

Elsie Halbrook is in school after her visit with her parents in Missouri

There was some outside work done on the school building last week.

The basket ball games at Williams Friday, were very pepy and a good game was played by each team. The Rowan girls came out victorious after a stiff fight, the score being 21-10. The girls' game was refereed by Mr. Wagner of Williams. The boys' score stood 11-15 in favor of Williams. The Rowan boys, however, played a fine game. The boys game was refereed by a man from Williams.

There will be a Literary program given in the school house Wednesday afternoon Nov 29. The program will be given as follows:

Roll call: Thanksgiving quotations.
Impromtu.
Quintet: Marie Hinckley, Cleo Duffy, Clara Azeltine, Bonnie Thomas, and Gladys Whitten.
Recitations: Dale Farren.
Essay: Clesson Azeltine.
Thanksgiving play.
Critic: Supt. Holliday.
Adjournment.

Ruth Emerson was absent Friday of last week having gone to Iowa Falls to a Cong. conference.

Orchestra practice was held at the home of Miss Mernice Hansen Monday evening.

Miss Osetrhus visited high sschool for a short time Monday morning.

The basket ball teams go to Goodell next Friday Nov. 24, where they will play their 3rd game for this season.

Rowan Methodist Church Notes

10 Sunday school. 11 Public worship, sermon topic "Sentiment." 6:30 p. m. Epworth League 7:30 p m Evening

If you have no church relations, and have no church home, you are cordially invited to these services. You are always welcome.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church will hold a special sale in the pavilion on Saturday, December 2. This will be in place of the regular Christmas sale. The ladies are making special plans for this time and hope to put on a real good time. There will be, besides produce, etc. many articles and foodstuffs., fancy candies. We hope that you will plan to with us.

There is a likelihood this year of holding a Thankagiving Service on the eve of Thanksgiving day, that is, Wednesday, Nov. 29th. This service which be a united one will be held in the Congragational Church. It is hoped that the people will turn out in large numbers and give gratitude to the giver of every good and perfect gift.

The Standard Bearers of the M. E. Church, under the supervision of Mrs. Guy Sheldon and Mrs. Harold Tomkinson had charge of the program in the church last Sunday evening. The chief attraction of the service was a sketch called "Not Exempt". In addition to the playlet there were other musical selections. Those taking part in the program were Bernice Hansen, Lillian, Clara, and Amy Azeltine, Anna and Nina Rietz, Catharine Harsen, Grace Holiday, Hazel Utz, Della Langdon, Lorene Liming, Sophe Eason, Garnet Stumph Gladys Whitten, Gladys Cupp, Irene Steffens, Luverne Simons, Lile and Bonnie Thomas, Irene Webber, Joan Mossman. Superintendent Holiday led in prayer and read the scriptures.

The pastor of the Methodist Church spoke very highly of a strong address to which he listened recently at Britt, by Prof. Vassie, Superintendent of Public Education in Mason City. Prof. Vassie spoke on, "What the Public School expects from the Church". He strongly emphasized the fact that the church and public school are co-partners in the great task of building citizenship.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

The Ladies Aid will hold their annual sale and chicken pie supper in the church basement on Sat., Nov. 25. Sale of articles to begin at 3 p. m. Supper at 6 p m. Supper 35c.

The Misses Francis Farren, Frances Virden, Ruth and Esther Emerson were in Iowa Falls from Friday until Monday attending a Regional conference of young people which was held in the Congregational Church at that place. Among the speakers of note were Miss Sarah Field of Kobe College Japan, and also Marion E. Hall of Japan; Miss Frances Patterson field worker of Chicago and Royal C. Montgomery of Grinnell, Director of Religions Education.

The pastors sermon to the children Sunday morning was "What Iowa thinks". If you were not among those who listened to this talk you too would have been delighted as were those present. "Our Accountability" was the sermon to adults. Miss LaVonne Ballou rendered beautifully, The Name of Jesus

STAR THEATRE

Wednesday Nov. 22, a seven-reel picture "His Own Law," with Hobart Bosworth. A story of a code of honor stronger than written law, of two men who loved the same girl, an amazing clash of love and loyalty, a two-fisted story of acton

Saturday, Nov. 25, a five-reel picture "Her Winning Way," by Mary Miles Minter.

Watch for the dates of the picture to be given for the benefit of both the Cong. and M. E. Aid societies, and boost for the ladies.

Dec. 7 is the night that "Snowbird" is given in the Brooks hall under the auspices of the Ladies Aid.

ALEXANDER NEWS

Miss Anna Beenen was a caller at Belmond last Friday.

L. S. Reed was a business caller at Dows Friday afternoon

Mrs. Clarence Smith and two children visited relatives at Hampton several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle of Hampton were callers in town last Friday.

Rev. Bushnell of Algona, district supt., was in town Monday, holding quarterly conference at the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter visited with relatives at Belmond, Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and children were visitors at the J. F. Douglas home at Hampton last Sunday.

Miss Wilma Foughty spent the last of the week with relatives at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Beenen were business callers at Des Moines several days last week.

The Helping Hand society will hold their bazaar and serve a chicken supper next Saturday night, November 25 in the new parsonage beginning at 5:30 o'clock. A chance to get a good meal. Children 25 cents, Adults 35 cents.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard of Swaledale was transacting business here on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Misses Kernen and Flynn spent Sunday at their homes in Belmond.

Frank Jakoubek is a good farmer. He even has his horses educated so that when they run away they do no damage whatever. Last Friday John, the oldest boy, had a team in the yard, and they took a little spin around over the place and over to the neighbors. They went thru gates, and turned corners as nice as you please, just as carefully as tho Frank had been driving them and finally stopped at a hitching post over at Ed Malek's and waited for Ed to come and tie them.—Garner Signal.

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Alexander Fairfax	J. H. Neurse
Ethel Wayne	Mona Goelz
Bessie Fairfax	Letty Morse
Max Wayne	M. C. Barry
Jack Mason Fairfax—child of Alec and Ethel, age 8 years—	Junior Goelz
Mrs. Vanderpool	Claire Jewell

Act 1. Golden Run Hotel, Idaho.
Act 2. Alexander Fairfax's Cabin.
Act 3. Fairfax Home in New York. The Reception.
Tableau 1. The Challenge. The Parting.
Tableau 2. The Duel. Curtain remains down three minutes between tableaus 1 and 2.
Tableau 2. An open space near Hudson river.
Act 4. Back to Idaho.

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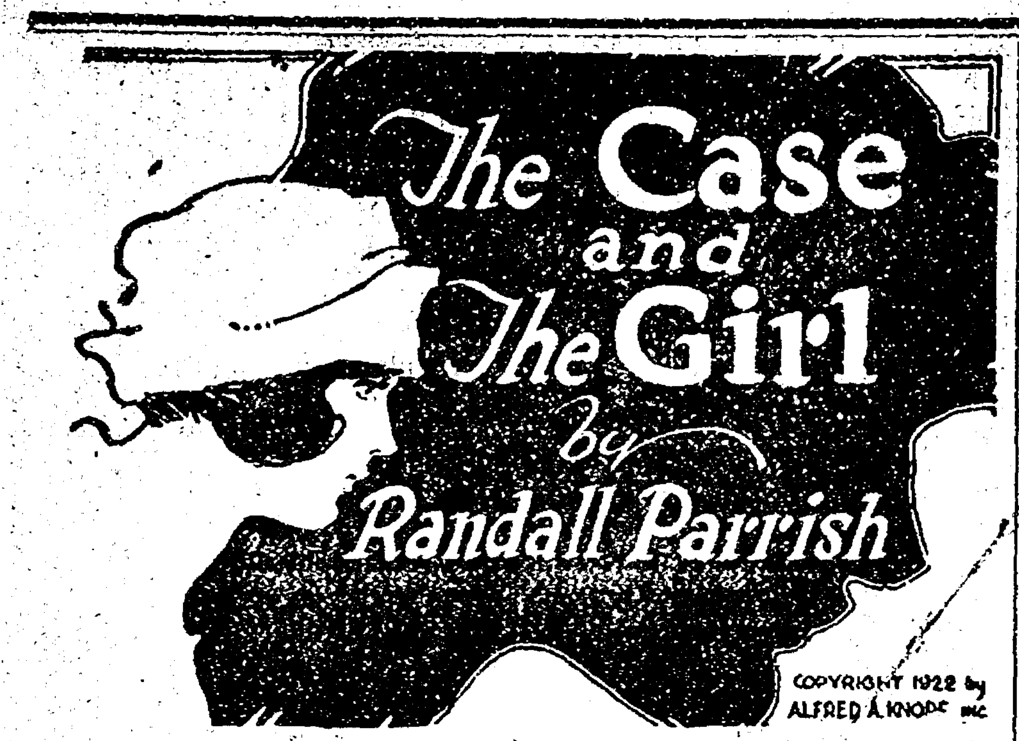

The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Answering an advertisement calling for a young man willing to engage in service of danger, Matthew West, ex-service man just returned from France, where he had been captain of engineers, meets Natalie Coolidge, writer of the advertisement, and without being instructed as to his probable duties, is engaged by her, and that same evening introduced to her friends as her fiance.

CHAPTER II.—That night, in the Coolidge home, West is startled by the appearance in his room of a young woman, whom he takes to be Natalie, but who escapes before he can be sure. Next morning Natalie tells West she has been troubled by some woman, apparently her double, who has been impersonating her.

CHAPTER III.—Percival Coolidge, Natalie's uncle [illegible]d guardian, apparently [illegible] disgruntled [illegible] West's appearance as [illegible]atalie's fiance [illegible]nd the feeling of antag[illegible]ism is mutu[illegible] Natalie, Coolidge, and [illegible]est plan a vis[illegible] of charity to a poor and [illegible]te secti[illegible] the city.

[illegible] West in the [illegible]nter a small [illegible]of time which [illegible] Before they [illegible]ormation which [illegible]dge is deceiving [illegible] motives.

[illegible]e party's return to [illegible]atalie informs West [illegible]n in her suspicions [illegible]uble," and that she [illegible]ed for his services. [illegible]ut helpless. He leaves.

[illegible]On his way out of the [illegible]ars a revolver shot, and [illegible]e finds Percival Coolidge [illegible]y a suicide. The inquest [illegible] In the city West is visited [illegible] old servant of the Coolidges, tells him he has been ab[illegible]sed, for no apparent reason. [illegible] as his belief that Coolidge [illegible]d, and about convinces West

[illegible]R VII.—Sexton has overheard [illegible]e conversation in the Coolidge [illegible] which a man demands Natalie's [illegible] immediately. He gives an ad[illegible]d with Sexton, West, his suspi[illegible] things not being right strength[illegible]y his learning that Coolidge had [illegible]out the reason for the trip to the [illegible]e, visits the place. It is a disrep[illegible] saloon.

[illegible]APTER VIII.—West is taken by sur[illegible], knocked out, separated from Sex[illegible] and comes to his senses to find him[illegible] bound and helpless, and confronted [illegible] a man named Hobart, whom West [illegible]ows to be the man who had rented the [illegible]ouse which Natalie visited. The man [illegible]e him he (West) is interfering with [illegible]lans and if he persists will be done [illegible]y with. West refuses any compro[illegible]. Hobart sends for Natalie, hoping [illegible] can induce West to give up his quest.

CHAPTER IX.—Natalie releases West from his bonds and assures him that she has no need for his assistance. Her actions almost convince West she has guilty knowledge of Percival Coolidge's murder. He defies Hobart, and the thug, with two companions, attempts to kill him. After a terrific fight West leaps from the window.

CHAPTER X.—West succeeds in eluding his pursuers, finds Sexton bound and gagged, releases him, and the two escape. In the alley Sexton picks up a lady's penknife, which he gives to West.

CHAPTER XI.—Concealed in the knife West finds a note in a woman's handwriting appealing to the police to "search the Seminole." West takes the note to police headquarters, where he finds an old friend he had known in France, McAdams. They find that the Seminole is a yacht owned by Percival Coolidge.

CHAPTER XII

The Yacht "Seminole."

There was little to do but wait impatiently for some further message of guidance. Mr. Adams dispatched a few telegrams to nearby lake ports, and briefly outlined certain plans of action for the morrow, provided nothing further was heard from the missing boat; these included a possible visit to Fairlawn, and a city-wide search for Hobart, who both men decided could not be included among the party of the yacht. West told his new assistant the entire story in detail, and Mac's interest in ferreting out the matter became intense. It was the kind of case which fascinated him with its mystery, but no theory he could spin born from long police experience, seemed to exactly fit all the revealed facts. The great puzzle revolved about the strange actions of the girl; her part in the affair presenting an unsolvable riddle. They must have talked for an hour, discussing the situation frankly from every angle, yet arriving at no definite conclusion. The sky in the east was red with dawn when both men fell fast asleep in their chairs, still waiting.

It was nine o'clock, and still no word. The two had eaten a hasty breakfast in a restaurant across the street, discussing the situation again thoroughly, but to no more satisfactory result. It seemed impossible to reconcile certain facts. If the silver knife, with its call for help, had indeed been dropped by Natalie Coolidge, and she was being held a prisoner in the hands of villains on board the Seminole, why had she acted toward West as she did in that house on Wray street? To all appearances there she had been hand in glove with the conspirators, willing even to connive at the Captain's murder if necessary to the success of their crime. Only one theory was possible; that the girl was under constraint, driven to her strange act by personal fear. She dare do nothing else, terrorized by the threats of Hobart, and her own sense of utter helplessness in his power. This, and this only, must be the answer to the riddle.

McAdams, unable to remain quiet, departed to get his police search started in an attempt to discover Hobart in his new hiding place. The fellow could not be on the yacht, as that had sailed from Jackson park at far too early an hour for him to have possibly made one of the party. He would still be in the city then, securely concealed in some dive of the underworld, perfecting his plans, whatever they might be, and, perhaps, arranging to join those on the boat later. The detective even thought this unlikely, his theory being that Hobart merely desired to get the girl safely out of the way for a length of time sufficient to enable him to complete his nefarious scheme. He argued that Natalie was in no real danger; she would be held, no doubt, kept out of sight as long as was necessary, but otherwise left uninjured. This was no strong-arm crime, but a high-class confidence game, and the important thing was to quickly lay hands on Hobart. With him once in the toils, the whole conspiracy would instantly collapse. With this end in view, McAdams took up the man's trail, leaving West to stand guard over the telephone.

The latter called up Sexton, and hurried him out to Fairlawn, with instructions to find out all he could from the servants there relative to any late developments. This accomplished, nothing remained for West to do but sit down and wait for something else to happen.

The delay was shorter than he anticipated. There was a sharp ringing of the bell, the police operator responding quickly.

"Police headquarters. What's wanted? McAdams; no he is not in just now. Who is calling him? Harbor master's office; all right; hold the wire a minute."

He turned his head around.

"Must be your case, Captain; better hear what they have to say."

West grasped the receiver eagerly.

"Is this the Seminole matter?" he asked swiftly. "Certainly, I understand about it. What's that. Oh, Winchell told you to call up if you learned anything. Of course; what is it? Yes, I hear; just found her tied up at north side of Municipal pier. What's the trouble? Engine working bad, and had to come in, hey? All right—thanks; I'll go straight over and see them."

This was great luck, yet there was very little he could hope to accomplish alone, without the help and authority of McAdams. Even if the vessel had been stolen—which was probably not true—he possessed no power of arrest. All he could hope to do would be to keep the fellows in sight until Mac showed up, and, if possible, prevent them from putting out into the lake again. Even in that he needs must be cautious not to be seen by any of the gang who might recognize him. An alarm, proving they were being followed, would doubtless send them scattering instantly.

West thought of all these things as a taxi bore him across the city to the pier, and acted accordingly. The open air restaurant accorded him every reasonable opportunity for concealment, while affording ample view of whatever was going on. A pleasure boat, a band aboard, and with a barker industriously busy, was close by, surrounded by a bevy of women and children. Beyond these, on the same side, snuggled close against the cement wall, lay the yacht.

The Seminole was a much larger boat than West had anticipated seeing, yet he could not doubt her being the vessel sought. The name was plainly stencilled on the bow, as well as upon the dingy towing astern. The cabin appeared tightly closed, even the windows being heavily draped. Some mechanics were evidently working below; there was a sound of hammering, and occasionally a fellow in overalls appeared at the hatch opening. No one wearing any semblance of a yacht uniform was visible, although four or five men lounged about the deck, or close at hand on the pier, apparently connected with the vessel. While an air of carelessness was assumed by all these, yet West, watching them closely, felt that they were very much on their guard, anxiously waiting an opportunity to depart. He left the table, and strolled out on to the promenade. So far as he could observe, this movement attracted no attention, although a moment later his eyes plainly caught a bit of drapery drawn slightly aside at one of the cabin windows of the Seminole, and, he felt convinced, the quick gesture of a woman's hand.

There was a woman on board, then! This certainty of knowledge by evidence of his own eyes, set his blood leaping. Whatever the purposes of these people he was again upon the right trail. A little later one of the fellows loafing on the pier, a rather heavily built man with closely clipped red mustache and a scar over one eye, slowly crossed the deck, and entered the cabin. He came forth again a moment later, asked some question of the workmen below and then clambered back carelessly over the rail, joining his companion on the pier.

"A half hour yet; it was quite a job the boys had, but they are making time. Come over here a minute."

They walked forward, out of earshot from where West sat on a bench in the sun. He watched the fellows closely, yet without neglecting the boat, but they neither glanced toward him, or seemed aware of his existence. His whole thought centered on the early arrival of McAdams. Until the detective came, there was nothing he could do but sit there quietly and wait. But what if the necessary repairs were completed, and the Seminole sailed before Mac got there? Was there any means in his power by which this could be prevented? The only suggestion which came to him was the picking of a quarrel in some way, with the two men ashore. The boat would never depart unless they were aboard, as they were evidently the leaders of the gang, yet this would be a most desperate expedient, to be resorted to only when all other effort had failed. Besides it would put them on their guard, and possibly avail nothing. Why not speak to the fellows pleasantly, and naturally? They had no reason to be suspicious of him; he was but one of many others lounging idly about the pier. His curiosity would seem reasonable enough, and he might thus gain some clue as to their destination. Then, even if they did sail before Mac appeared, they could be safely intercepted in time for a rescue.

Circumstances seemed to work to this end, the two men strolling carelessly back toward where he sat, pausing within a few feet of him, all their attention apparently riveted upon the yacht.

"Had some hard luck?" he ventured. "Engine give out?"

The red-mustached one glanced about, his eyes surveying the speaker indifferently.

"Broke a piston, and had to be towed in," he replied carelessly, "We'll be off again presently."

The very indifference of the fellow led West to take a chance.

"Some nice boat you've got there. The Coolidge yacht, isn't it? Haven't seen it out lately."

"Are you a yachtsman?"

"A bit of an amateur, yes; have a cat-boat I play with some. Belong to the Columbia club."

"Off Grant park; this boat quarters in the Jackson lagoon. We left there last night. You know Coolidge?"

"No, never met him; recognized the boat, though. Has it been sold?"

"Not yet. It wasn't his, anyway; belonged to the estate. I'm one of the trustees; that's how I've got the use of it—see? Ever looked it over?"

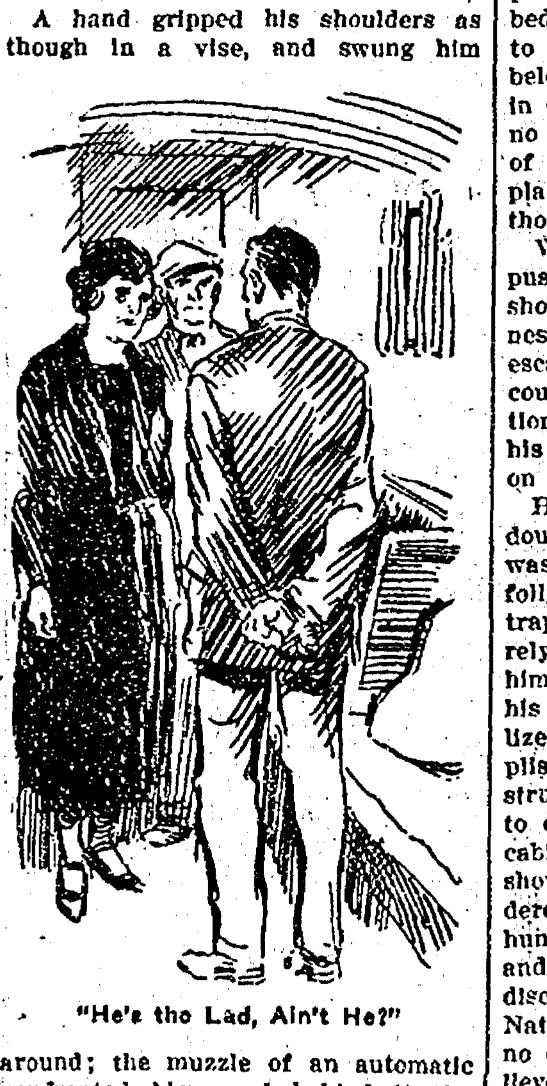
West shook his head.

"No, but I wouldn't mind; she's a dandy."

"She sure is; better inside than out to my notion. Come aboard; we've got time enough. Come along with us, Mark; we'll take a look at the cabin first, and then go forward."

The three men stepped over the low rail, and moved aft across the deck, the leader talking fluently, and pointing out various things of interest. The other man never spoke, and West gave no thought to his presence. He had been rarely fortunate so far, and was looking for an opportunity to question his guide on the purpose of their voyage. The man opened the cabin door, and West stepped inside, the interior darkened by drawn curtains. The dusk was confusing, and he stood still after the first step, hearing the latch click behind him.

A hand gripped his shoulders as though in a vise, and swung him around; the muzzle of an automatic confronted him, and behind it the threatening eyes of his guide glared directly into his own.



"He's the Lad, Ain't He?"

"Not a move, you d—d spy," a voice said coldly. "Now, Mark, frisk the cuss, and be lively about it. Had a gun, hey; I thought so. Give it to me. Now get the cord over there and give him a turn or two. A very good job, old boy; the fellow is safe enough, I should say."

He turned his eyes away, searching the cabin, confident that West was sufficiently secured.

"Come on out, Mary," he said sharply. "Who is this guy, anyhow?"

A woman came forward through the shadows. West had a glimpse of her face, but the features were unfamiliar. A woman of forty, perhaps, still attractive in appearance, with dark hair and bold black eyes that met his own defiantly. So this was the woman he had seen on board; not Natalie Coolidge at all. There had been a mistake of some kind; but if so, why had these people given him this sort of reception aboard? These thoughts swept his mind in a flash, as the woman peered forward to see his features more clearly. For a moment she said nothing, and the man broke out impatiently.

"He's the lad, ain't he?" he asked. "We ain't gone and picked up the wrong guy?"

"No; he's the bird, all right. I never lamped him but once before myself. I heard his name then, but forgot it. He's her friend, there ain't no doubt o' that, Joe, and it ain't likely he's hanging around here just for fun, is it? My idea was it would be safer to take him in."

"Sure; what's yer name, young fellow?"

Concealment was useless; they evidently had him correctly spotted; to lie would do no good.

"Matthew West."

"That's the name, Hogan," the woman exclaimed eagerly. "He is a soldier—a captain, or something like that. Jim told me about him; he's the same fellow who was snooping about Mike's place last night, before we pulled out."

"Is that so? How the h—l did you get out of there?"

"We had a little trouble," West admitted, "but they let me go."

"Yes, they did! I know better than that; Hobart don't do business that way. I reckon we've played his game all right taking you in. Well, you don't get out of here so easy, let me tell you. How'd you come to get onto us?"

"That's my business."

"Oh, is it? Well, we'll make it ours from now on. There is one thing pretty sure—you were here playing a lone hand. So it don't make much difference what yer idea was. We'll take the bird along with us, Mary; then he'll be out of temptation."

The woman nodded.

"Jim will know what to do with him," she said. "All we got to do is keep him safe."

"I'll attend to that; come on, Mark, let's throw the d—n sneak into that left-hand stateroom. He'll stay there all right. Aw, take hold; don't be afraid of hurting the fellow."

They roughed him forward, but West made no attempt to resist; his hands were bound, and he was helpless. The woman threw open the narrow door, and he was bundled unceremoniously across the threshold, and thrown heavily to the floor. He struggled partially upright, protesting against being left in that helpless condition, but the red-mustached man only laughed, shutting the door tightly, and locking it. The single porthole was covered by heavy drapery, the stateroom in total darkness.

West could distinguish the movement of feet in the outer cabin, and then the closing of a door. Undoubtedly the two men had gone on deck, leaving the woman there alone. His feet were not tied and he could sit up, although the hands were tightly bound behind him. With eyes accustoming themselves to the gloom, he could discern something of his surroundings. He was in the ordinary stateroom of a small yacht, with barely space in which to move about comfortably. Two bunks were at one side, with a metal stand at their foot for washing purposes. A rug covered the floor, the beds were made, and a stool, screwed to the deck, occupied a position just below the porthole. A few hooks were in evidence on the opposite wall; but no garments dangled from them to tell of previous occupancy. Indeed the place, was scrupulously clean, as though unused for some time.

West made his way to the port, pushed aside the curtain with his shoulders and looked out. The smallness of the opening made any hope of escape in that way impossible; nor, could he expect to attract the attention of any one ashore. Convinced of his complete helplessness, he sat down on the stool to consider the situation.

He had been a fool; there was no doubt as to that; the only thing now was how he could best retrieve his folly. He had walked blindly into a trap, suspecting nothing, confidently relying on his own smartness, believing himself unknown. Now he must find his way out. It angered him to realize how easily it had been accomplished; not so much as a blow struck; no opportunity even for him to cry out an alarm—only that dark cabin, and the threatening revolver shoved against his cheek. He wondered where McAdams was; perhaps hunting him even then on the pier; and Sexton, what had he succeeded in discovering out at Fairlawn? That Natalie Coolidge had returned home, no doubt. At least he no longer believed she was with this yachting party—evidently there was but one woman on board. Yet, whether she was there or not, it was clear enough from what he had heard that this sudden voyage of the Seminole had some direct connection with the mystery he was endeavoring to solve. That was why he had been decoyed aboard, and made prisoner—to keep him silent; to get him securely out of the way. Yet this knowledge revealed nothing as to what their real purpose was.

What did they intend doing with him now that he was in their hands? Joe had declared his fate would be left with Hobart. Then it must be that they had a rendezvous arranged somewhere with that arch-conspirator, some hidden spot along the lake shore where they were to meet shortly, and divide the spoils, or make further plans. Hobart unquestionably was the leader of the gang; but who was the woman? She had evidently been in Mike's place the night before, and had a glimpse of his face. She must have left with that party in the automobile, yet she surely was not the one who had dropped that note begging the police to search this vessel.

What then had become of the other? If she was being held prisoner, it was not at all probable she had been left somewhere ashore; apparently she had reason to know where she was being taken—to the Seminole; otherwise she would never have written as she did. She must have overheard their plans, before she hastily scratched off the note desperately; and yet those plans might have been changed. However, if so, why were these people—accomplices of Hobart no doubt—fleeing in the yacht, seeking to conceal their identity in an effort to disappear? What were they fleeing from? Why were they so fearful of discovery by the police? What would cause them to kidnap him, merely on suspicion that he was a friend of Natalie Coolidge? The very act was proof positive of the desperation of their crime. It could be accounted for on no other theory.

West paced the narrow space, his brain whirling, as he attempted to reason the affair out, his own helplessness becoming more and more apparent. What could he do? There was but one answer—absolutely nothing as he was then situated. He could only wait for some movement on the part of the others; his fate was out of his own hands; he had been a fool, and must pay the price. The cords about his wrists chafed and hurt with each movement. The metal wash-stand gave him an inspiration; its upper strip was thin, and somewhat jagged along the edge; possibly it might be utilized to sever the strands. It was better to try the experiment than remain thus helplessly bound. With hands free he could at least defend himself.

He made the effort, doubtfully at first, but hope came as the sharp edge began to tear at the rope. It was slow work, awkward, requiring all the strength of his arms, yet he felt sure of progress. He could feel the strands yield little by little, and redoubled his efforts. At last, exercising all his muscle, the last frayed strand snapped. His wrists were bleeding, and the hands numb, but the severed cord lay on the floor and he again had the free use of his arms. The sudden freedom brought new hope and courage. He listened at the door, testing the knob cautiously. There was no yielding, and for the moment no sound reached him from without. The woman was doubtless there on guard, and any effort he might make to break down the door would only bring the whole gang upon him. Unarmed, he could not hope to fight them all. As he stood there, hesitating, unable to determine what to attempt, he became aware of a throbbing under foot, increasing in intensity. West knew instantly what it meant—they were testing out the engine; if all worked well, the boat would cast off.

He sprang back to the port and stared out, eagerly hoping that, as they swept out into the lake, he might find some opportunity to communicate with some one on the pier. Perhaps by this time Mac would have arrived, and be watching their departure, unable to intervene, as he had no warrant for arrest, or any definite knowledge that the yacht was being used for a criminal purpose. He had not long to wait. Hurrying steps echoed along the deck; a voice shouted out some order, and the end of a loosened rope dropped splashing into the water astern; the boat trembled to the pulsations of the engine, and West realized that it was at first slowly, then more swiftly, slipping away into the broad water. He still stood there, gazing back at the fast receding pier; gradually becoming blurred in the distance, but hopelessly. He knew now he must face his fate alone.

CHAPTER XIII

The Fate of a Prisoner.

The Seminole headed straight out into the lake. No sound of movement or speech reached West's ears from the cabin, and he settled down into moody forgetfulness, still staring dully out through the open port. What was to be, would be, but there was nothing for him to do but wait for those who held him prisoner, to act. He was still seated there, listless, incapable even of further thought, when the door was suddenly unlocked. He had barely time to arise to his feet, when the man with the red mustache stepped within, facing him, as he pushed tightly shut the door behind. The fellow's eyes saw the severed rope on the floor, and he smiled, kicking the strands aside contemptuously.

"Smart enough for that, were you?" he asked. "Well, I would have taken them off myself, if I had thought about it. How did you manage? Oh, I see; rather a bright trick, old man."

The man's tone, and air of confidence was impressive; beyond doubt he felt that the cards were all in his hands. West drew in his breath sharply. "May I ask a question or two?"

"Fire away; I'll answer as I please."

"Who is the woman on board?"

"Mary, you mean? Hobart's wife."

"She came from the place on Wray street last night in an auto?"

"Yes; I brought her along myself."

"Alone?"

"There were two of us, Mark and I—why, what are you driving at?"

"Just putting some broken threads together. Then Natalie Coolidge is not on this yacht?"

"I should say not. What would we be doing with her out here?"

"Where is she, then?"

"Oh, I begin to see what brought you aboard so easily, West. You thought we had the lady kidnaped, and was sailing off with her. Some stunt, that. What put the idea in your head?"

West hesitated a moment, but decided a truthful answer would do no harm.

"I knew an automobile had driven out of the alley back of Mike's place; and that a woman was in it. When I got away a little later, I picked up a message—a note which had been dropped. It was written in a woman's hand but unsigned—"

"The little cat! She dropped it?"

"It seems so. You forgot yourself that time. So she was with you, was she?"

"I don't know what you mean. I told you who were with me. Go on; what did the note say?"

"It was only a request for the police to search the Seminole at once."

"Oh, that's the way the wind blows. But you preferred to tackle the job yourself. I am certainly obliged to you, West."

"You have no reason to be. I took that note to the police, and they are on the case. They are combing the city right now for Hobart, and if they get him, this bubble of yours is likely to be pricked."

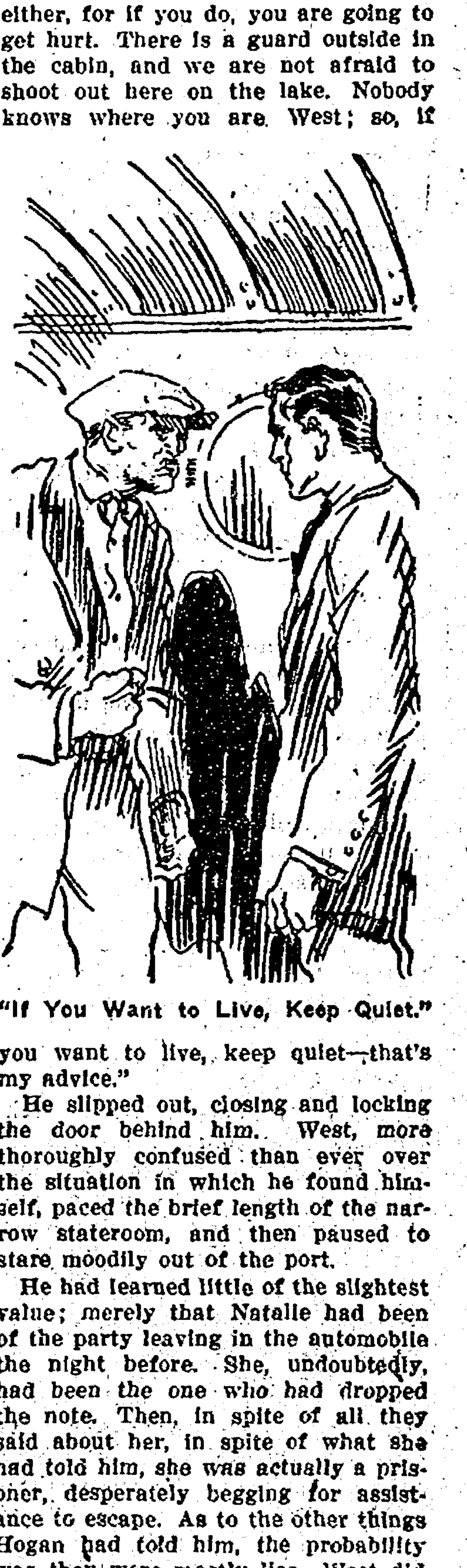
"H—l, they won't get him. There isn't a fly-cop in Chicago who could locate Jim in a week, and as for Natalie, believe me she is quite able to take care of herself."

"But where is she?"

"At home, of course, if you must know—'Fairlawn,' isn't that the name of the place? We left her there on our way to Jackson park."

"Then the girl was with you?"

"Spilled the beans, didn't I? That comes from talking too much. However, there is no harm done. Sure she left with us, but we dropped her out at Fairlawn. It was her machine we were riding in. Say, you've questioned me about enough, so let up. Listen now—you will stay in this stateroom until we get ready to let you out. Don't try any funny business, either, for if you do, you are going to get hurt. There is a guard outside in the cabin, and we are not afraid to shoot out here on the lake. Nobody knows where you are, West; so, if you want to live, keep quiet—that's my advice."



"If You Want to Live, Keep Quiet."

He slipped out, closing and locking the door behind him. West, more thoroughly confused than ever over the situation in which he found himself, paced the brief length of the narrow stateroom, and then paused to stare moodily out of the port.

He had learned little of the slightest value; merely that Natalie had been of the party leaving in the automobile the night before. She, undoubtedly, had been the one who had dropped the note. Then, in spite of all they said about her, in spite of what she had told him, she was actually a prisoner, desperately begging for assistance to escape. As to the other things Hogan had told him, the probability was they were mostly lies. West did not believe the girl had returned to "Fairlawn," the story did not sound natural. The longer he thought it all over, the more thoroughly was he convinced the girl and he were both prisoners on the same vessel. Yet what could he do? He sank down, with head in his hands, totally unnerved—it was his fate to attempt nothing; only to wait on fortune.

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Buys
Cream and Eggs

Belmond Local News

Mr. Sandberg of the Iowa Falls Electric company was in town on business last Saturday.

It is reported that the Ku Klux Klan has been more or less active in Iowa Falls lately.

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Christ Friesleben from Manson arrived Monday for a visit with friends and relatives here, his former home.

The Independent has some very fine samples of Christmas greeting cards at reasonable prces. Prices include your name printed on.

Wm. Voiles has completed the wrecking of the Adam Hollman building, which he purchased for the lumger. A nice lot of useable lumber was secured from the building

The citizens of Meservey have contracted the radio fever and two sets have already been installed, with a number more looming up in the near future

Minor Morse and Jack Finn had a very successful hog sale last Saturday when they sold 30 head of full blood swine. The hogs brought very good prices.

Get ready for freezing weather. Fill your radiator with 188 proof alcohol.—Belmond Auto Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Croft of Alexander were in town last Saturday on business, and while here added their name to the list of Independent suggscribers.

Get ready for the freezing weather Fill your radiator with 188 proof alcohol.—Belmond Auto Co.

Will store piano with responsible family. Address N. Corbett, care of General Delivery, Belmond, Iowa. 522c

Miss Bertha Huber conducted a very successful training school at the J. F. Henn home on Monday of this week. About 24 ladies of the community were present and thoroly enjoyed the afternoon.

Have you taken advantage of the reduction in subscription price of the Independent and renewed your subscription at $1.50? If not, better get in on that 25 per cent saving. The price is $1.50 in advance, $2.00 if not paid in advance.

Furniture Sale

I will sell at public auction at the First National bank corner Saturday November 25, all my household furniture. Sale will start at two o'clock p m.

THOS. McNULTY.
Belmond Savings Bank, Clerk.
T. D. Rankins, Auctioneer.

Joe White was a business visitor at Mason City one day last week on business connected with his produce. While there, Joe had stepped inside Higley's for a minute or two, leaving his new overcoat in the truck. When he came out the coat was gone. The police were notified after Joe and his friends had made a thoro search for the garment without success, and the police searched every place in a radius of three blocks where the thief could have hid it, but without success, and Joe is still minus his new $40 overcoat.

I am still at it at the same place an the pop corn, peanuts, cracker jack and pop corn, peanuts, cracker jack And don't forget only pure creamery butter is used on the corn; it makes it taste like more. One sack always invites another. But try having some popped to take home for pop corn balls. And it's good for parties too. Any amount, and the best of service always.—Wm. Dempsey.

Over at Humbolt recently a 680 acre farm, purchased during the boom times, was allowed to go back to the original owner by the purchaser, Harry Fraser. Fraser prefered to have the land go back rather try to carry it on. The Humboldt Republican lays it all to the drop in prices of farm land whereas, it would seem that the drop in the price of farm products would have more to do with it. There are farms in this vicinity purchased at top prices, but the purchasers have managed to hold onto them someway. The man who bought at peak prices is having a hard job to hang on, but not because of any drop in the price of farm land, rather because the stuff he raises on that land is not bringing him a fair return.

The B. K. Kinseth family will move into the Thos. McNulty residence the latter part of this week. Mr. McNulty will reserve a room and board with them

Mrs. Wm. Leonard was down from Swaledale a day or two last week on business matters.

Miss Bernetas Wolle and Miss Hazel Hembd spent the week end at Oelwein visiting a sister of Miss Hembd.

W. R. Smith left recently to make his home during the coming winter with his son Raymond, who is now living at Perry, Iowa

The underground telegraph, or the wireless, reports that there will be two weddings in this vicinity in the near future

Miss Orlie Brooks has been on the sick list the past few days, but is reported much improved at this writing.

If you are going to have a public sale the Independent would appreciate it if you will notitfy us of the date that we maay publish it for benefit of our farmer readers.

Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans went to Garner on Monday to spend the day at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Barnes, and to attend to some legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Goetz returned from Rochester on Monday of this week. The many friends of Mrs. Goetz will rejoice to see her so much improved and able to be around again.

C. J. Papousek returned last week from Minnesota, where he had been lookng after things on his farm and doing some work in the repair line on it. Pap swears he wasn't on a vacation, he was working.

Mr. and Mrs Henry Polmateer of near Alexander were in town the first of the week. They report that the 6th and 7th grades at Alexander have been closed during the illness of the teacher, Miss Brooks of Belmond.

Mrs. W. H. White and Mrs. Gus Johnson were visitors at the home of Clair White and wife at Fort Dodge over the week end. They went out to Duncan where they visited Miss Clara Johnson and Miss Purcell, who are teaching at that place.

The party who lost the Rebekah Pin may have same by calling at this office.

A demonstration on the alteration of the commercial pattern by Miss Bertha Huber was held at the home of Mrs. A. E. Martin on Tuesday afternoon. About 15 ladies were present and a very enjoyable as well as profitable afternoon was spent. These demonstrations by Miss Huber are proving very successful and the ladies of the Farm Bureau are making the most of them

Much ado is being made over the disbarment of the Hampton high school football team. The entire team is suspended indefinitely because it is claimed one of the players, Davis by name, is inelligible. This may be true, but to suspend the entire team because of one player does not seem like the fair thing. Efforts were made to bar Locke from the State University team on charges of professionalism, but no effort or no talk was heard of barring the whole Iowa team. Something is rotten somewhere besides in Denmark. Hampton's fast team evidently is a dangerous proposition for somebody. It is understood that the entire line up of Hampton business men are going to carry the matter to the limit.

We might, of course, describe a successful politician as "one who gets away with the goods."

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For Sale—Eight Duroc Jersey spring boars, pedigreed. Papers furnished.—Wm. Moellering & Sons, Rowan, Ia. 514*

For Sale—Three good used suits and two boy's overcoats.—New Belmond Tailor Shop Phone 28.

For Sale—Good grade Short Horn bull, 18 months old.—Guy Baker, Belmond. Phone 2207. 1tfc

For Sale—Choice Silver Laced Wyandotte roosters. One dollar each. J. M. Croft, Alexander, Iowa. 13*

For Sale—Six well bred Duroc Jersey boars, weight 200 lbs. each. Sired by pedigreed boar. Phone 2207. —Guy Baker, Belmond. 1tfc

White Pekin ducks for sale. Ducks $1.75, Drakes $2.00.—Mrs. C. C. Clark Belmond, Ia phone 2112. 11*

FOR RENT

For Rent—Good office for doctor. Size 20x24. Ground floor, just refinished. Water and light.—John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—Public garage at Alexander, Iowa. 22x76, located on main street. Standard Oil station in connection. Good air pressure, and motor stand. Will rent reasonably. Write or phone John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—The Greenlander house in south part of town.—A. W. Martin. 50tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Past Noble Grand Rebekah pin. Leave at this office. 512c

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

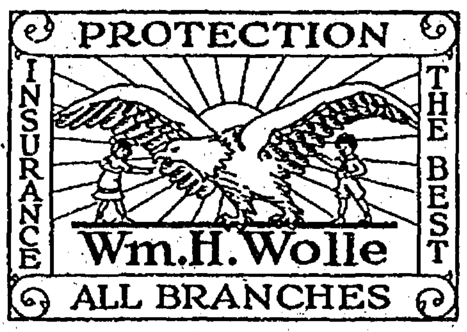
Rid yourself of that headache, constipation, billiousness, nervousness, burning, smarting, red and inflamed eyelids and eyeballs, blurring of vision, etc. All of these are symptoms of eyestrain. See me, I can help you. I will tell you the truth about your eyes.—A. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa.

Mrs. Hake was an over Sunday visitor at Belmond with her parents. —Klemme Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Baker are the parents of a fine new daughter, who came to their home Thursday of last week.

Armistice Day after the football game, two well known Clarion people were in an Eagle Grove store, visiting and the talk turned to the football game and other things. Words were bandied back and forth and finally the Clarion woman said "Anyway, Clarion deserves credit for closing the stores Armistice Day." "Well," the Eagle business man's wife said, "you deserve credit for something, but I guess the reason Clarion doesn't amount to anything anymore than it does is because they close up for every dog fight that comes along." About that time the men took charge of the situation to prevent a real old fashioned hair pulling contest.—News.

Clerk Goslin is devoting the greater part of this week to the preparation of the jury lists for the years 1923-24. These lists are made up by selecting the names from each of the twenty-five voting precincts in the county. The total number so selected is about 1600 Of this number 900 are for petit jurors, 600 for talesmen and 150 for grand jurors. These are kept in three separate boxes and a few weeks prior to each term of court the auditor, clerk and recorder draw from these boxes the names of 75 persons who serve for the ensuing term. Twelve grand jurors are drawn in the same manner and they serve for the entire year. Prior to opening of court the clerk draws out seven of the twelve names who conduct the grand jury investigations for the term. The judge appoints one of the number as foreman.—Monitor.



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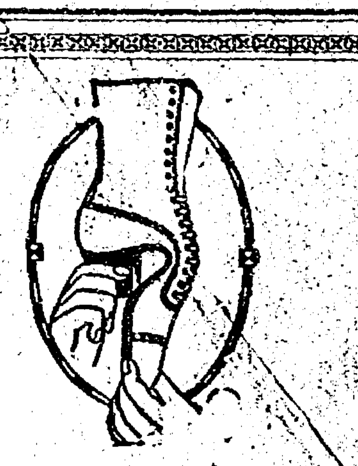
Miss Alma Ericson of near Kanawha spent a few days last week visiting her friend, Miss Francis Anderson.

Dr. Young from Thornton was in town the first of the week, called here by the illness of his mother, Mrs. O. Young.

Mrs. Osbon Young was operated on at the hospital here Monday, of this week. She is getting along nicely.

Will Butterfield and family, will move to Minnesota next week. They have rented a farm up there.



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Kinseth's Store News

Some weather we've had lately. This rain is probably about the last of the season and then comes the cold and snow. We have some dandy overshoes for you, rubber and cloth, in four-buckle for men and boys. They are the best that money can buy and they are guaranteed to give you satisfaction.

Apples, you bet; baskets and barrels, in Baldwins, Black Twig, Johnathan, Delicious, Greenings, Golden Russet and Boiken. We're not running opposition to the doctors, but you remember that old saying, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away."

Have you tried any Lincoln berries yet? They are delicious for sauce and pies.

We are still selling milk for 5c and 10c per can.

So don't forget the Store on the Corner; get the habit and trade at the place where your dollar is worth one hundred cents.

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Two Bad Fires Here Destroy Much

Destructive Fires Do Much Damage At Two Farm Homes In Past Week.

BOTH OCCUR AT NIGHT

The Frank Christie home a mile south and half mile west of Goodell was the scene of a destructive fire last Thursday night, when the house was burned to the ground. The fire occured about 9:15. Frank and family were away, being at the home of his brother Ira and family when the blaze happened. A neighbor of Frank's, Wm. Zeiger, first noticed the flames, and phoned the Ira Christie home for Frank, who with his brother jumped in the car and hiked for home. When they arrived the house was a blazing mass, burned to the sills and a total loss. All furniture was burned, nothing being. saved A high ind that evening fanned the flames that nothing could be done to save property, or even any of the niture. The loss is placed at 00, with $2000 insurance. The in of the fire is unknown unless was due to a defective chinney. There was only one fire in the house when the family left, a small one in the heater to keep the house warm. Frank just purchased the farm last spring, and this loss comes as a heavy blow to him. He intends to fix up one of the outbuildings to live in this winter, and in the spring will build a new home.

On Tuesday night of last week a serious fire occured at the Henry Goeman farm northeast of town. The blaze seems to have originated in or around the garage, close to the car, and destroyed the garage, some outbuildings and many hundreds of bushels of grain. The fire company from town was called and hurried to the farm, where they managed to save a number of the buildings which were threatened. ,

SIC 'EM FIDO!

The towns of Eagle Grove and Clarion have been as friendly lately as a couple of cats and dogs. Seems like it all started back in the summer when an Eagle Grove firm erected a big bill board in Clarion. Naturally the Clarion folks were peeved, and they made remarks right out loud about it. This didn't please Eagle Grove any too much. Several sassy things were passed back and forth over it. At the Armistic day football game, which Clarion won, some more remarks were remarked by several, chief of whom were a Clarion and an Eagle Grove lady. The innocent bystanders are awaiting the next move.

DELANEY-MILLIGAN

Miss Loretta M. Delaney and Mr. Guy E. Milligan were united in marriage Thursday noon November 23, at the Catholic parsonage, Rev. Father Eardley officiating, in the presence of the immediate family. Following the ceremony the bridal party returned to the Delaney home where a wedding dinner was served. Covers were laid for 20, the relatives and Father Earley.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Delaney, a graduate of the Belmond high school, and for a time a student in music at St. Clara College, Sinsinawa, Wis. The best wishes from a host of friends accompanies her to her new home.

Mr. Milligan is not a stranger to the people of Belmond and has made many friends here during his connection with the Dyer Construction Co. and later with the Iowa Valley Sugar Co.

The Independent joins in extending congratulations.

Word was received here Saturday of the death of Mrs. A. C. Wright of Canon City, Colo. Death caused from small pox. She was a sister of Mrs. Frank Snyder and formerly resided ere. Mr. Wright died about three nths ago.

DOWS IN THROES OF COMMUNITY FIGHT

Row Over Church Affairs Still Taking Public Attention And Getting Worse.

The town of Dows is a pretty live burg all the time in a business and social way. but lately it has been more than lively. The importunate row between Rev, Belsheim and his congregation, over the American Legion, originating in the refusal of Rev. Belsheim to preach the funeral sermon of one of his congregation, a member of the Legion, last summer, and aggravated later by Mr. Belsheim when the Ladies Aid of his church served supper on an American Legion Dance day, has kept the town in water more or less hot ever since. Letters by Rev. Belsheim giving his side of the case and by O. C. Sime a pillar of the church, giving the congregation's side have appeared in the Dows Advocate from time to time, together with articles from the editor of the Advocate and his employee. A recent letter by Rev. Belsheim in the Mason City Globe Gazatte stirred up the rumpus again and last week Sime takes another crack at Belsheim. The whole thing it appears would be amicably settled if Rev. Belsheim would resign. According to reports and the general tone of the argument, his resignation is almost universally desirted by his church members and by the people of Dows. But the reverend refuses to to go, and defies the whole bunch to put him out. It must be admitted that on this point the minister has them licked to a frazzle. The whole affair is unfortunate. The American Legion is in no way held to blame for the affair. In addition to this the last issue of the Advocate contains a short notice from two young ladies who, from appearances were farmers telephone operators and who have a bone to pick with the manager. Truly, Dows is a live place in more ways than one. But at that if Belmond was to have its affairs thoroly aired publicly, Dows would be so far back you couldn't see it for dust.

TO OPEN NEW GARAGE

The garage building formerly accupied by Charley Johnson, who recently moved to his new location several blocks north on the same street, will be taken over December 1st by the Belmond Motor Sales Co., of which Mr. N. E Brear of Garner will be manager. Mr. Brear has been in the garage business at Garner where he has been very successful, and he comes well recommended. The new firm will handle the chevrolet car. Harold Aigley remains with them.

HOLD FINE MEETING

The Iowa Township Farm Bureau meeting held at the home of Mrs. Lyle Hall on Nov. 16 was quite well attended despite the bad roads and the busy time of year. A picnic luncheon and social hour was enjoyed at noon.

The demonstration on the "Alteration of the Commercial Pattern" given by Miss Huber of Ames was very interesting and the ladies felt they received many practical points in home sewing.

A number of Franklin county ladies were present and brought with them the enthusiam of the extension work in their own county. It is planned to perfect a better working organization, by having district meetings, using the rural school district as a unit, thus hoping to reach every home in the township.

The Radio bug continues active and while no new receiving sets have been installed the past week a number of the citizens are developing an awful hankering. Los Angeles, California, Portland Oregan and Springfield Mass., are the latest long-distance stations heard by the Independent - Battery station set They all came in very clear and loud The new outfits just installed at the two banks are working nicely.

STATE OF IOWA

Executive Department

Thanksgiving Day

By the Governor

A PROCLAMATION

From time immemorial the State of Iowa has observed one day in each year as a special occasion for thanksgiving and prayer: thanksgiving for the abundant blessings bestowed by Providence, and prayer for their unfailing continuance. The year which is rapidly expiring has been crowned with God's marvelous goodness to all of us, and a grateful people cannot be forgetful of the Divine benevolence. Accordingly I recommend that on the day designated by the President,

Thursday, the 30th Day of November

the people of the commonwealth assemble in their accustomed places of worship and there with devout spirits render praise and thanksgiving to the Giver of every good and perfect gift for His manifold mercies.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great Seal of the State of Iowa.

SEAL.

Done at Des Moines, this 9th day of November, A. D., 1922.

By the Governor:

W. C. RAMSAY,
Secretary of State

N. E. KENDALL,
Governor

RE-REGISTRATION OF CARS IS REQUIRED

Registration Must Be Made In December Without Waiting For Treasurer's Notice.

Owing to delay in receipt of revised schedule of fees from the State Department, no cards will be sent out from the Treasurer's Office this fall. Everyone will please take notice and register during December without waiting for notice from the Treasurer. The fee will be the same as this year except possibly on new cars registered in 1922.

If application card is on file in the Treasurer's office, no other will be necessary. Merely send in name 1922 license number, and fee; or enclose 1922 registration certificate which will give the necessary information. Register early.

SPORAA IN AGAIN

Henry Sporaa is again in the toils of the law, or he will be as soon as John McNicol runs on to him. Sporaa as usual has been doing a lot of little mean things to bother his neighbor Tony Lucas, until Tony complained to the mayor and then swore out information against him The marshal went down to serve the warrant on Sporaa, but told Sporaa he would carry the warrant if Sporaa would behave himself. While the marshal was at Sporaa's he noticed a telephone pole in the yard, and surmised that Sporaa had not gotten the pole as he should. He reported to the electric light and telephone companies about the pole and found it belonged to the latter company.

McNicol and Manager Williams went to see Sporaa and found him in a cornfield at work. He promised to call at the mayor's office as soon as he came to town but instead he came to town just in time to catch the evening train north. If he would only keep going on straight north no one would care, but he will come back if he has not already done so, and make life miserable for some one, or at least try to.

Later—Sporaa was broght before the Mayor last evening and assessed a fine of $25 which he refused to pay. He slept in the "coop" last night but this morning he informed Marshal McNicol that he would pay the fine.—Garner Signal.

B. K. Kinseth has been on the sick list the past few days suffering from the grippe.

ASK HELP IN RELIEVING NEEDY OF FAR EAST

Week Set Aside In December To Bring Grains And Money For War Orphans.

While at this season of Thanksgiving noting the Progress and prosperity which is ours, think also of those more needy, of whom we read and for whom representative missionaries to the Central East are seeking aid. Tho some of us have domated in past year, we will again. We are advised there is yet need of aiding the thousands of orphans, made destitute by war and famine. To this section where plenty abounds they come for your good will offering. In Wright county during the week of December 17 to 24, the farmers will bring to the elevators corn and such other food grains as they choose to give, and the town people will take to the banks their contributions in money to buy food. The announcing in society meetings and especially the churches of this endeavor to gather for the needy will be appreciated by the committees, of which you can be one by taking part.—Contributed.

INSTALL POISON GAS

Poison gas as a protection against bank robbers and burglars has been installed by the banks at Webster City. This gas, a tear gas, is kept in glass containers in the vault. It is so arranged that when the burglar blows the door of the vault or safe the glass receptacles are broken, releasing the gas which instantly starts a prodigrous flow of tears, blinding the crook so that he cannot see. If the robber does not immediately get away from the neighborhood of the vault, he soon become unconscious. This method of protection has been used in a number of other banks and in four cases where banks thus protected were entered by thieves the burglars were compelled to flee for their lives without taking anything of value. Thus an other weapon of warfare is being made to serve the needs of peaceful industry.

SELLS OUT STORE

Prussia Co clothiers, of Kanawha have sold their entire stock to T. H Thompson, a farmer residing near Miller, Iowa. The new firm has assumed charge. The old firm was established about five years ago by parties from Mason City.

COMMUNITY CLUB PLAY PROVES ONE OF BEST

Crowded Houses Greet Players Both Nights And All Comments Favorable.

The Community club play given on Friday and Saturday nights of last week was a huge success, and was attended by crowded houses both evenings. The play was most excellently given by the home talent, and many complimentary remarks were heard of the way the various parts were carried thru. The almost universal comment was that it was one of the best home talents ever given in Belmond. The Community club realized a nice sum from the two nights of entertainment, and after expenses are all paid will have over a hundred dollars to use in their community work and betterment.

HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The Pleasant township Farm Bureau will hold their annual meeting Monday evening, Dec. 4, at the center school house. Election of officers will be held, followed by a good program, and coffee and sandwiches will be served.

WANT COMMUNITY BUILDING

Garner is agitating for a community building, and several meetins have been held by the various clubs and civic organizations, including the American Legion, to discuss the matter. Garner now has no place suitable for a large community gathering. The Leader last week carried a lengthly article about it, and strongly endorses the idea; It states it believes public sentiment in Garner is sufficiently strong right now to put such a building across, and advocates nothing short of a $35,000 structure. It admits a siutable building could be erected for less, but looks to the future of the town when a smaller building would not be sufficient. Five thousand people in 1932 is the Leader's aim. Garner it must he admitted, is one of the finest towns in Northern Iowa and its paving, fine lighting, live American Legion and Civic bodies, together with the progressive and aggressive spirit of its citizens will carry it far during the next ten years toward the goal the Leader has set Belmond can well afford to take a few observations from its neighbor to the north. We had our dreams here too, once; but like the bubbles in the recently popular song they "faded and died."

THEY HAD SOME TIME

The big scrap on at Hampton is arousing much interest. The fight is over the barring of the High School football team by the State Athletic Association on the charge that one player in inelligble. Hampton people put the blame for starting it at the door of Mason City. Mason City, out for the state championship was defeated by Hampton They had some time at this game, judging from what the Hampton people tell. It seems Mason City expected to walk away with the game and had made arrangements to properly celebrate the victory. At one stage of the game when Mason City apparantly had it on ice, an airplane circled over the field and dropped flowers for the Hamptonites. A coffin, duly arranged was in a car ready for the grand parade after the game. But Hampton fought like tigers and won the battle. The coffin was taken back to Mason City unparaded, and later the flowers were gathered up by Hamptonites who sent them to Mason City—C.O.D.—to place on the coffin and the fight was on.

HIT BUGGY AT KANAWHA

The two sons of Anton Benson of Kanawha, while driving in town with their Ford car, smashed into a buggy driven by two Abbas boys last week Saturday evening, breaking one wheel of the buggy and the fenders of the car. The lights on the car had burned out and the windshield was covered with rain. No one was injured.

Scientific Lectur Is The Pro

Excellent Entertainment Be Given At High School Auditorium Tonight.

FOOTBALL AT DOWS T

Mrs. Ernest Stapely, Mrs. Jacobcon ,Mrs. Earl Madsen Miss Earlene, Mrs, W. T. Gfell Master Billy visited the kind en last week.

Mrs. W. T. Gfeller and Jacobson visited the 2nd gard week.

Mrs. Ernest Stapely visited Hoganson's room last week.

Nichal Herwald and Henry entered the 4th grade last we

Mrs. O. T. Jacobson visited grade last Thursday.

Paul McNulty is out of sch week with an attack of appendic

Alexander Dietz entered he grade last week.

A school boys conception of six tenses of the verb "is".
Present—He is.
Past—He had isei.
Future—He shall is.
Present perfect—He ised.
Past Perfect—He had ised.
Future PerfectpHe shall have

The second number of the Le Coarse will be given Thursday e ing, November 30th. It is to be scientific lecture by Mr. Wood, rated by experiments. Mr. Woo has an elaborate amount of appar us and this number should be tremendous interest to those int ested along scientific lines.

The next football game will held at Dows Thanksgiving day 2:30 o'clock. Admission for st ents 25cents.

Our Literary program will be g en Wednesday afternoon at 2 November 29th. Every one is invi to attend.

Arthur Christie wears the m for proficiency in typing this w The contest is on however, for has a close 2nd in Coetta Foster 3rd Ruth Knudson. The comr ial department now has a Vict of their own which will be used clusively in their department.

Superintendent Guthrie states some limitation must be put on use of the school telephone. S times a day he is asked to pupils or teachers to the teleph. These requests mean that he m drop his work and spend some ti in trying to find some body whom most cases he doesn't know at a Hereafter, nobody will be called the telephone during the school d except in case of immergency. P sons making such requests m give their names and the reason calling the pupil or teacher.

Next week try-outs for debate declamatory will be held, Mon December 4th, afternoon and e ingwill be held the debate try- On Wednesday December 6th, af noon and evening will be declamat try-outs. Two weeks later public contests will be held. Gr interest in both these lines of w is being shown this year.

SANDS MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURC

We were glad to see so many i attendance at the services of th church last Sunday. Just one mo month left of 1922 and hope to mak it the banner month of the year Let this be our motto "Every one in his place at every service with some one who does not go to church with him."

Everett Parsons, John Spitlor and Samuel Leinbach will represent our church at the Older Boys Conference at Mason City the last of this week.

Thanksgiving services will be held in the M. E. Church at 10:00 A. M Thanksgiving day. Let make this a great service

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ANOTHER IMPROVEMENT

The Independent takes pleasure in announcing to its advertisers and to the business men of the community, a new up-to-date service to them in the purchase of the famous Meyer-Both Advertising Features. The Meyer-Both service consists of advertising copy on every conceivable article sold, written by the highest paid advertising experts in America men and women who have "been in the game" for years, and who have spent years in learning the various arts and fine points of advertising copy. This service has real pulling power, and is offered to the advertiser free. In addition to this advertising service,the Meyer-Both Features contain cuts to illustrate the ads, high class drawings such as are found in only the better class of magazines They are artistic, attracting, and "Pulling." These illuslrations come in mat form, and a casting box to make them into plates has also been acquired. This casting box enables the Independent to handle mats of any kind. In case the advertiser wishes cuts to illustrate his ad on some particular line he handles, this casting box will save him money, as the mats are usually supplied h m free by the manufacturer, or at an insignificant price. The Independent will then make them into plates free.

This paper has, for sometime, had the idea of such a service, and after investigation of several different services, chose the Meyer-Both as being the best. This service is used by the Mason City Globe Gazette, and by many other large newspapers. It is expensive, but the Independent feels that its advertisers are entitled to the best of service, and in adding the Meyer-Both Feature they are getting it.

Advertising today, especially in newspapers. is the greatest business getter there is. This is acknowledged by men who know. People read advertisements in newspapers. They have been educated to do it. Every merchant in our town ought to advertise. You remember the story about John Wanamaker? The first day he was in business his receipts were $24.64. He kept the 64cents and spent the $24 the next day in advertising. We all can't duplicate this feat, but according to the best statistics available three per cent of the gross sales should be put aside for advertising.

Possibly you will say, "I don't need to advertise. I've been in this town thirty years and everybody knows me."

Probably they do, but did you ever stop to think of the sales you lose because your fellow competitor advertises? He may advertise the same goods you have in your stock, but the people don't know you have them. The other fellow gets the sale because he advertises. And then, how much more business you would do if you did advertise?

We know of one merchant who advertised a lot of goods at 19 cents a yard. They cost him 27 cents. He took a clean loss, but while the sale was going on he could buy new goods at 12 cents. He put them in with the other goods and the result was he cleaned his shelves of the old goods and he broke even on the deal. Advertising and good buying liquidated his stock without a loss.

We can't all be John Wanamaker's but we all can advertise in proportion to our business. Results will be sure if you advertise honestly and give service. A newspaper can bring people to your store, but it can't make people buy your goods. Your clerks must do that and it depends on the service you give as to how successful your business will be.

What is done in the big cities can be done right here in this town if you will show the pep, give the service and advertise. Make business good. You can do it through this newspaper.

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Community—

The Community Welfare club held their regular monthly meeting last Friday afternoon. Mrs. E. F. Armstrong of Ft. Dodge, president of the State Federation of Womens Clubs gave a splendid talk on "Things to be accomplished." She told of many things women could and should do individually or as an organization.

Everyone regretted it very much that Mrs. Armstrong had to cut her talk short in order to make her train.

After a short business meeting the club adjourned and the usual social hour was enjoyed with doughnuts and coffee served by the refreshment committee.

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Bridge—

Miss Henrietta Pals entertained the bridge club at her home last Thursday evening. Miss Mary Wallace won the highest score. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Auxillary—

The Womens Auxillary of the American Legion held a meeting in the legion hall last week Tuesday. The members of the Clarion Auxillary were guests of local organization. Mrs. Elliot of Iowa Falls, district committee woman of the third district gave an address which was greatly enjoyed by both guests and hostesses. After the lecture delicious refreshments were served and everyone so thoroly enjoyed themselves that they forgot the passing of time, and almost forgot to go home

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Cong. Missionary Society—

The Cong. Missionary Society met at the church parlors last Thursday afternoon. They are studing India. Mrs. Geo. Goelz was leader of the afternoon lesson. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

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Progress—

Mrs. J J. Sharon was hostess of the Progress club Tuesday afternoon. Mrs Marvin Christie being the leader of the afternoon lesson.

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Delphian—

The Delphian Club met at the home of Mrs. C. C. Christie Monday evening, Miss Hazel Thomas led the lesson which was on modern Spain. Dainty refreshments were served.

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Priscilla—

Mrs. M. F. Christie will entertain the Priscilla club at her home next Wednesday evening at a picnic supper.

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Chain of Ten—

The Chain of Ten met with Mrs. Ray Morris on Monday afternoon

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Party—

Mrs Wallace Ramsay entertained some fifteen ladies at dinner Monday in honor of her mother, Mrs. Robbins, it being the seventy-eigth birthday of the guest of honor.

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Bazaar—

The ladies of the M. E. Aid wish to thank all who so generously helped to make their bazaar such a tremendous success. The Aid took in about $370.

AMES TO SHOW 150 ANIMALS

More than 150 head of animals will be entered by Iowa State College at the International Livestock Exposition at Chicago, Dec. 2 to 9. Several members of the faculty are connected with the show or will act as judges.

C. F. Curtiss, dean of the division of agriculture, is one of the directors of the exposition and has served as president. H. H. Kildee, head of the animal husbandry department, will be one of the three Hereford Judges, and J. C. Hammer, farm superintendent, is the reserve judge of the Shropshire breed of sheep.

The college will enter sheep, both breding and fat classes, fat classes of hogs, two car loads of fat cattle and 11 head of horses. Some 60 head of sheep will be entered in the competition, including all the breeds which are represented on the college farm. At least 40 head of hogs, including Duroc Jersey, Poland China, Chester White, Hampshire, Tamworth and Berkshire breeds, will be at the show.

Iowa State College has probably won more prize money at the International than any other state agricultuhal college in the country. The college's winnings have in the past more than paid the expense of showing the animals at the exposition.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

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We welcome your account, no matter how small or how large, pay you 5 per cent interest on your time deposits, and give you SERVICE at all times.

Belmond Savings Bank

FARM BUREAU NOTES

Community "Corn Husking Bee".

A real old time community "corn husking bee" was held at the John Licklider farm in Grant township Tuesday, November 28th. Neighbors and friends of the Licklider family brought their teams, wagons, and husking hooks to assist in the harvesting of the corn crop of Mr. Licklider who is unable to husk his own corn. This husking bee was planned and organized by J. E. Lamb, director of the Grant township Farm Bureau with the assistance of some of his neighbors. This is surely a splendid example of community co-operation and shows what can be done when the people of any community join hands in an effort to put across a certain piece of work.

The feature of this "husking bee" was the good old corn huskers' dinner which was served by the ladies of this community to the huskers as they came in for their mid-day meal, from 10 o'clock in the forenoon up until about 3 in the afternoon.

Some great discoveries were made in the line of corn huskers. Some of them fall in the 100 bushel class and others as low as 40 bushel but never-the-less the corn was picked and a jolly good time was had by all who took part in this humanitarian project and the Licklider folks feel very grateful to all of those who had the bigness of heart to turn out and take part in this "husking bee."

Judging Team at International

The county agent and the Wright county boys who constitute the Iowa champion junior live stock judging work in the International junior live stock judging contest on Friday December 1st. The boys are spending Thanksgiving day in Chicago in order that they may have plenty of rest and be prepared for an early start the folowing morning. This judging contest will be more or less an endurance contest because of the nervous strain which they will necessarily experience.

Owing to the fact that Clarence Clark, the high man on the judging team, is barred from entering this contest the boys are handicapped to some extent, although they have been doing some very consistent judging during the past week in their trips to some of the pure-bred farms of our county and at Ames Friday, when they had opportunity to work over some of the high class stuff at the college. According to the professors in the department of animal husbandry at Ames the boys showed very good judgment in the selection of the different animals in the different classes, and predicted that if the boys are as strong in reasons as they are on judging they will "bring home the bacon" from the international judging contest.

The entry of the Wright county boys in this International live stock judging contest is another example of what can be accomplished thru club work in any community. Our boys will have the honor of representing the good old Hawkeye state in this contest and as Wright county is the best county in Iowa every one at home is back of the boys in their effort to see that Iowa is put at the head of the list. After the judging contest is completed our boys will probably stay in the city two or three days in order to see the splendid live stock exhibits at the International and see some of the points of interest in Chicago.

Baby Beef Club

On Friday, Dec. 1st, of this week the baby beeves which have been selected by the boys and girls for the feeding contest will be weighed into the Baby Beef club. The individuals which have been selected for this feeding work have been taken from the Aberdeen Angus, Shorthorn, and Hereford breeds within Wright county and any winners which may be made by the boys and girls will reflect upon the breeders of our own county.

On December 1st each boy and girl judging a calf will have some disinterested party weigh the calf and certify to its exact weight and then the calf will be weighed again next August at the end of the feeding period. The club will keep an accurate account of the feed fed during this time and the rate of gain and cost of gain will be computed and awards will be given on the following basis:

1. Individuality of the calf at county show—70 per cent.
2. Rate of gain—15 per cent.
3. Records and reports—15 per cent.

The boys' and girls' baby beef club has become a big factor in the improvement of the beef industry in Iowa, by interesting the "Farmer of Tomorrow" in beef production and its possibilities. The primary object of the baby beef club is to put in the hands of boys and girls who are sufficiently interested, desirable calves of beef type and give them the feed and care necessary for developing them into high class market beef animals.

The Baby Beef club assures a satisfactory way to make the educational value to be acquired from the experience of feeding and caring for the calf of first importance. The speculative side of a club is not to be encouraged, although it is necessary to consider the purchase of calves on sufficient basis that the member may not lose money. Particular stress is laid, first in securing the proper quality calves and second, in arranging the place of follow up work that will maintain the interest of the members and their parents throughout the period of the feeding contest. The real value should be made in the instruction given on feeding, fitting, and judging of the calves as well as some information on practical lines and things of breed interest.

Hog Cholera Vaccination School

Dr. Craft, the federal veterinarian, has been secured to conduct a two day hog cholera vaccination school at the court house at Clarion on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 18 and 19.

Dr. Craft not only takes up hog vaccination demonstrations, by actually vaccinating a few pigs, but also goes thoroughly into the other hog diseases, giving symptoms, causes and remedies. Examination is given the last afternoon of the course upon the passing of which a permit is issued for vaccinating one's own hogs. A fee of $5.00 secures the issuing of a permit. In the past those not wishing permits have found attending the school to be a most profitable way to spend the two days. **Hereafter no fee will be charged those who wish to attend the school, but do not wish to take the examination. Any one wishing** to take the course should send in an application to the county agent at once.

More T. B. Doctors

Because of a lack of funds Iowa has only been supporting five men for T. B. eradication, while the government has kept nine in our state. The agreement is that the state and government shall furnish the same number of men and as consequence of Iowa's shortage four federal men were going to be removed, thus slowing down the already slow proceeds of eradicating tuberculosis from our herds. But the county farm bureaus took the matter up with Governor Kendall impressing upon him the necessity of the work and as a result he has authorized that four more men be added and the work continued as rapidly as possible. Eighteen men are now at work in this state but at that it is a slow process. Many packing plants are now offering a premium of 10 cents a hundred weight for all hogs from tuberculosis free counties. Figure up and see what it would mean to you in a year if Wright county was on the T. B. free list.

Wool Sells For Good Price

A letter just received from V. G. Warner, secretary of the Wool Growers' association, states that all of the wool has been disposed of except the fine staple and clothing and a few odd lots and that the warehouse is rendering some account sale on the medium wool at the present time. The tags have not been sold and are therefore holding up a number of account sales. Since his last report in October the one-half blood semi bright sold for 50 cents and the one half blood clothing 46 cents.

This year it is costing bet and 5 cents a pound to marl wool which leavos a very price for the above grades.

Some of the men who were ing up wool last spring from 30 cents stand in hand to m good profit that is rightly d producer.

Mrs. Tom Hake was a b caller at Belmond between Saturday.—Times.

The Independent has some nice samples of Christmas car will be pleased to have you loo over. Order early so that the be no delay when you need

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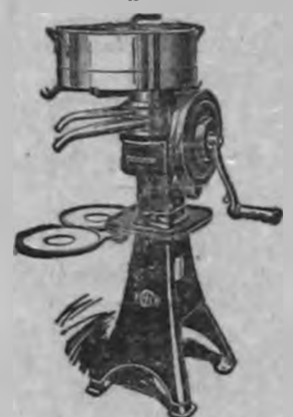
Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, NOVEMBER 30, 1922. No.

Mr. W. D. Schlieffarth, the man with the motor equipped farm has just added another high grade machine to his excellent equipment—A PRIMROSE BALL BEARING MOTOR-DRIVEN CREAM SEPARATOR. Ask Walter about his cream test.



It is indeed with great interest that we hear of our good farmers stocking their farms with high grade dairy cattle. We have just heard that Mr. Wm. Boelman of Pleasant township has added some new stock to his herd and also that Baker Brothers of Belmond township have headed their already fine herd with the champion bull of Hardin county. A fine animal weighing 1800 pounds, just purchased from the State Industrial School at Eldora.

Get into the game—milk cows—and then be sure and get all the cream by using a Primrose Separator.

Put "snap" into your work—don't work the "snap."

Enclosed Crank Cases

An enclosed crank case on an engine is like insurance—it protects. Of course, you can't buy insurance for an engine from us, but when you buy an International Kerosene Engine you buy the two together, because the enclosed crank case on the International protects it against dust, dirt and weather, and prolongs its life. That kind of insurance and protection is money in your pocket. It means that you will have a constant and unfailing source of power to handle all the odd jobs about the farm at a very low cost. The hired man can get other work this winter, and at more money than you can afford to pay him when an International horse-and-a-half does it for 3 cents an h Also built in 3, 6, and 10 horse wer. Let us show them to you. Lots of folks never get anywh because they use all their elb grease on their wishbones instead their elbows.

Fall And Wnter Spreading

The weather man is giving far the best opportunity in the wor increase the productiveness of soil. Our pleasant fall weather made it possible for hundreds of mers to spread manure during last few weeks. Indications are we will have more nice weather is a foresighted policy to build crop yields with an Internati Manure Spreader, by putting the nure on your fields finely, evenly, iformly. Manure spread on fields today will immediately working for you next spring and will not have that additional w on your hands when the seed-bed-king and planting season is so sh Get your International Roller-Bea Manure Spreader from us now ar ready to put your seed into rich fertile soil.

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MESERVEY SECTION

Meservey

Barber Shop

H. F. REIF, Prop

Laundry Dry Cleaning

A. J. Nissen was a Mason City business caller last Wednesday.

Louie Peters of Alexander was a caller in town Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hemming of Thornton visited the Ed. Foss home last Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Buche of Mason City visited several days last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lemke.

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MESERVEY, IOWA

Miss Jennie Meinderts was at Thornton last Monday afternoon calling on the telephone operator of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Blewitt of Thornton were in town Friday evening. They attended the community program.

The "Friend's Class" or the Evangelical S. S. met with Ferdinand Lemke last Tuesday evening for their regular meeting. The evening was pleasantly spent by those present.

The business and social hour was followed by dainty refreashments, which the boys thoroughly enjoyed.

Mesdames J. P. Muller and H. Hulsebus of Harlan were guests at the Hulsebus and Muller homes last week.

Mrs. Wm. Koekler departed last Saturday for Waterloo via Mason City where she was joined by her sister Mrs. Kuppinger together going to visit a sister who is in a hospital at that place.

BEING that pork is high, come in and buy beef by the quarter, as it is cheaper.

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The second community program given at the M. E. Church last Friday evening was well attended. The full house was strong evidence that these program are being much appreciated. The numbers were well rendered, and heartily applauded by all. We are wondering if for the next program we might not be fortunate enough to have the piano, several have hinted the community may fall heir to. Here's hoping that this dream may materialize.

FOR SALE—Black walnuts and Butter nuts. See W. F. Butz. 31c

Hajo Pals of Belmond was calling on Superintendent Herbster between trains last Saturday.

Grandma Strassburg departed last Wednesday for Alexander where she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. John Peters.

Hartley Blewitt, wife and son were Sunday visitors at the Hartfelder and A J. Nissen homes

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte of Alexander were callers at the E. S. Hulsebus home Tuesday

John Ruiter has installed a radio outfit in his home since our last issue. We presume he became lonely while his wife and baby were away visiting at the home of her parents at Latimer. She returned Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F Loats and Mr B. Ahrenholz were callers at the Muller home last Monday

Mrs. Geo. Watermiller of near Goodell spent several days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gerdes, caring for her mother who has been ill.

On Wednesday of last week occured the marriage of Miss Lena Kuhlers second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Heiko Kuhlers, and Mr. LuVerne Enabnit, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Enabnit of near Clear Lake. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Pannkuk at the Reformed parsonage. The only attendants were Miss Reaka Kuhlers, sister of the bride, and Henry Wendell. We join in wishing this splendid young couple a happy and prosperous wedded life, crowned with rich blessngs from on High. We have not learned what their plans are for the future but presumably they will engage in farming.

The "S.O.S." Boy's Sunday School Class was entertained at the home of Walter Lauster last Monday evening. Owing to the teacher, Frank Guth, not being able to be present the S. S. Supt. C. J Wendell, had charge of the meeting. After the business session a social time was had followed by a delicious lunch served by Mrs. Lauster. All report a pleasnt evening. , ,

The monthly meeting of the W. C T .U .will be held in the Evang. church basement next Wednesday Dec. 6 from 2 to 4 p. m. Mrs. J. Wickersheim hostess

C. J. Janssen and wife, Simon Fischer and family, W. R Prelipp and family, Heiko Janssen and wife, Louie Janssen and wife, J C. Janssen and Miss Mabel Prelipp attended the funeral of Mrs. Bruns at Sheffield last Sunday p. m.

The W. M. S. Thank Offering program held at the Evang. church last Sunday morning was well attended, and was reported good. The offering received amounted to $51.26 which will be contributed to missions.

A WORD FROM THE BUGS

The Meservey radio sets are all working fine. Those who have them are called "nuts" or "bugs"; just why we have been unable to disover. But for those that are worried about us we advise that we are a home loving set, content, to remain at home with our wives and family rather than go to some other town for entertainment As soon as the Bugs increase in sufficient number we expect to have the Bugs and Nuts form an organization with a board of directors, pres., sec. and treas., as soon as this done we will have our secretary look after our affairs in connection with the radio. If you have never heard over a radio come and visit us any evening and we will try and give you the kind of entertainment that you like best.—Written by some of the Bugs.

Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus and sister, Alma Witt, returned Thursday from Iowa City where they had been consulting a specialist in regard to the latter's injured ankle.

Miss Bertha Thorman made her regular weekly trip here Monday, giving music instruction

The Y. W. M. C. held a rally meeting Tuesday evening of last week. The evening was spent in a pleasant way. A program was given and deicious refreshments were served. 4 new members were added to the circle.

REFORMED CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 9:30 (English.) German services at 10:30. Young Peoples meeting 7:15 (English.) Evening services (English) at 8. The classes in catechism meet Saturday at 1:30 p. m. Next Sunday morning preparatory services will be held and after the services members will be received into the church upon confession of faith or by letter. The sacrament of baptism will also be observed next Sunday morning. Parents desiring baptism for their children should confer with the pastor.

The Ladies Aid met last Thursday at the regular hour in the hurch basement. Mrs. H. Pannkuk served refreshments.

The Sunday school teachers met at the church Monday p. m. to mal arrangements for a Christmas program.

The church extends a cordial invitation to attend these services. Come and let us help you.

H. Pannkuk, Minister.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH NOTES

Prayer meeting (German) Wednesday evening at 7:30. Thanksgiving services (German) Thursday 10:30 a m. Thanksgiving services .English) at 8 p m. Bible training and choir rehearsal Friday at 7:30 p. m. Catechetical instruction Saturday 2 p. m. Sabbath school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 10:45. E. L. C. E. Sunday at p m. Evening services 7:30.

Rev. H Raecker, Jr, of Gilbert motored to this place Monday and visited a few days at the home of his brother G E.

FOR SALE—Some good Poland China male hogs weight 250 lbs. price $25. Roy Halfpap Goodell Ia. 1tfc

Parties contemplating holding a public sale should see T. D. Rankins, Belmond, for cates and prices. Twenty-five years of successful auctioneering. Phone 196 or 115.

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

Hogs For Sale.

Large type Poland China boars for sale. March and Apr. farrow. Sired by Long Joe by The Joker. Others by The Yank. The kind that will improve your herd .New blood for old customers.(Cholera Immune) Price $25.& $30.

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Today Is Thanksgiving

We are surely thankful for many things this year, and even though some of us have not fared so well we can still be thankful.

Don't forget that we will have a full line of toys for everyone, from baby on up to grandpa.

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RADIO

Why not have a set in your home for these long winter nights?

We sell all kinds of makes and sizes and put them up for you.

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Groceries always fresh. Dry goods of all kinds.

Men's and boys' overalls.

Sweaters, shoes and overshoes.

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Meservey, Iowa

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MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

On Wednesday a double header basket ball game was played with Goodell at Goodell. This was the first game of the season to be played on an indoor court but our player gave a very good account of themselves.

The girls won their game by the score of 15 to 6. Grace Groen and Anna Pals at the forward positions starring for Meservey. A lead was gained in the first few minutes of play and at no time was this lead endangered.

The boys playing their first game of the season lost by the score of 10 to 3 The first half boys were unable to hold their opponents but the second half they held them ' to one basket.

Arthur and Gerald Broga two of our best player were unable to be with us or possibly the score might have been a different story. Those composing the boys team were. Clyde Smith center; Harm Groen, George Brater, Mervin Wickersheim, Clarence Pals guards; Harry Smith and Donald Muller forwards.

Tuesday evening the teachers were guests at a 6 o'clock dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Muller. After a delightful repast all were entertained by a radio concert from Kansas City and Detroit, Michigan.

Harm Groen, Theodore Dirks and Clarence Paul, who were absent from school for several weeks are again in school.

Clyde Smith was absent from school the fore part of the week.

Alma Witt has been absent the entire week as she has been in Iowa City.

The following classics have arrived to be studied in literature Irving's "Sketch Book," "Poe's Prose Tales" and Carlyle's "Essay on Burns."

Arthur and Gerald Braga were absent a few days this week, which were spent in trapping at Morse Lake.

The second year German class have nearly finished "Immensee and Other Studies," after which they will read "Brigitta.

Those having perfect deportment stars every day the past week are Wayne Waddingham, Harland Blewitt, Neva Muller, Esther Van Osten Fredona Lemke, Edward Kuhlers, Alma Dorenkamp, Lydia Pannkuk and Bert Frey.

Marie Pals has sufficiently recovered from the effects of a broken arm to be able to come to school again.

Anna Pals was substitute teacher of the fifth and sixth grades Thursday and Friday during practice hour.

Harry Lauen has been absent from school the past five weeks.

Arne Winthers and Laura Bier have been absent the past three weeks.

The average grade of the fifth class note book work in Arithmetic for the past week was 93per cent. Those having the highest grades are Mildred Janssen Neva Muller Fredona Lemke and Harriet Sprau.

Benjamin Suntken has been absent the past week, because of corn husking.

A new device has been put to execution in the 3rd. and 4th grades for good behavior. All those who have had good deportment during the day are permitted to have their name in the Honor Box.

New books on plans for different season have been received from which the poster and art patterns are taught to the third and fourth grades

The children are making ryhme, booklets containing nursery pictures and ryhmes with them.

The boys and girls of our room have organized basket ball teams. The boys feel real confident that if they were a little taller they could easily defeat the High School teams.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats spent Sunday with home folks.

A party of young people motored to Mason City one evening last week to see "Bringing Up Father," but they missed seeing it owing to only one show being given that evening.

The best news that we have reported for many a day is now our priviledge to report in this week's issue of the Times. , The diptheria epidemic here is now a thing of the past and there is cause for much rejoicing with the passing of the dreaded disease.

It is now four weeks ago last Monday since the last case of diptheria was quarantined, almost five weeks ago since we have had a case here in Klemme. The last quarantine tag was removed Monday morning. —Klemme Times.

Read the ads.

GOODELL NEWS

T. O. Letch who was in Hampton to have his tonsils removed came home last Thursday.

Last Wednesday Frank Clark took Framer Cordes to Clarion for medical treatment.

Saturday Mrs. John Ellseworth was in Garner having dental work done.

The basket ball teams of Meservey came over last Wednesday and played the boys and girls of Goodell. The score was Meservey girls 15 Goodell girls 8 Meservey boys 3 Goodell boys 10.

Friday after noon the Rowan High School basket ball teams played the Goodell teams on the home floor. Score Rowan boys 20 Goodell boys 5, Rowan girls 12 Goodell girls 7.

The Goodell teams are to play at Rowan on Thanksgiving night.

Earl Ruka is the new president and Elmer Schneider the secretary of the Twin Lake Farm Bureau for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs Harvey Boller left Monday for Garwin, where Harvey will work on a road that is now being graveled.

L. G. Avery was in Garner on Saturday last on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Buchaman spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allaben. ,

The U. B. Ladies Aid Bazaar was well attended on Saturday. The proceeds was some thing over $200.

Mr. an Mrs. John Hughes of Garner visited at the home of Mrs. John Ahrekiel on Sunday.

Mrs. Henrietta Wilkins of Meservey visited at the home of Fred Wilkins last week.

Mr. and Frank Quigley Jr. and children spent Sunday with relatives in Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dominy are the proud parents of a baby boy born November 23.

On Thurday evening while Frank Christe and family were spending the evening with friend in Belmond their home was destroyed by fire. They lost all of their furniture and clothing. No one reached the house until the fire had become so great nothing could be done.

A. Wellemyer of Klemme was in Goodell on business Saturday.

ALEXANDER NEWS

Jerry De Friss was a Belmond caller last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luloff Kaduce are the happy parents of a baby girl, which came to their home Thursday November 23.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Symens were business callers at Belmond last Wednesday.

Mrs. George Yaw and Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls visited with relatives at this place last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Peters, Arthur Peters and Miss Ethel Roulet were callers at Thornton Sunday afternoon .

Mr. and Mrs. John Arends and little son Robert were callers at Belmond Monday.

Mr. an Mrs Fred Davis and children of Aredale were Sunday visitors at the John Murphy home.

Clarence Bohlen was a caller at Dows one day last week.

Mrs. Oscar Hensel and son were Belmond callers last Monday.

Fred Greenfield was transacting business at Belmond last Friday.

Miss Jennie Pals of near Belmond visited at the John Bell home Friday

Mrs Geo. Meyers and daughter Georgia of Latimer were calling on friends at this place the last of the week.

Mrs. Aigley of near Belmond spent Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs Bernard McCallum.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Croft were business callers at Belmond on Monday.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church will meet with Mrs. Anna Pekerak next Tuesday afternoon December 5th.

The Cemetery Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Henry Schutle next Thursday afternoon December 7th. Hostesses for the meeting are Mesdames Henry Schulte Aldrich Beemen and Ellen Peck.

Mr and Mrs. Chris Stadtlander and family visited with relatives near Hampton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs Bertell During and two children of Hannover, Germany moved here last week to make this their future home. At present they are visiting at the J. M. Johnson home.

E. L. Klinefelter and family have moved their household goods into their home they recently purchased on Main street.

Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

ROWAN NEWS

J. F. Howell was a Dows business caller Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rowen spent Sunday in Clarion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Farren and son Bobbie went to Lanesboro Sunday to spend the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lynch.

Lloyd Myers, of Nebraska, who has been visiting at the home of his brother, F. M. Myers, for several weeks went to Des Moines last week

Mrs. Henry Wehrsze went to Dunent Friday evening to be with her mother who was very ill.

The following ladies went to Webster City last Thursday as delegates to a Missionary Conference convention: Mesdames Harold Tomkinson, George Liming, Will Whitten, and Miss Angie Baines. William Baines of Montomery who is visiting relatives here took them over in his car.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Baines and son Darrell, of Dows were Rowan visiters Sunday.

Mrs. F. H. Fowler returned last Friday from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Milton Brown at Marenge.

The home missionary society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. Georgia Rowan. Mrs Keith is the leader.

The Jens Kjar family have all been suffering from the LaGrippe.

Mrs. William Tresidder has been suffering from neuritis the past week. Dr. Maker, of Goldfield was called.

Several of the boys left Monday for Stanhope with their gravel truck to haul gravel at that place. Those going were Gay Fletcher. Edgar Mantle and Guy Stumph.

Mrs. Earl Jacobs, of Goodell, is staying with Mrs. Edgar Mantle while Edgar is gone hauling gravel.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lukins and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keith and family went to Renwick Sunday to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Clowes and family.

Last Friday afternoon a few of the neighbors surprised Mrs. C. W. Fowler the occasion being in honor of her birthday. They presented her with a beautiful cyclaman plant which was much appreciated. Those present were, Mrs. Georgia Rowan, Mrs. M M. Snyder, Mrs. Lizzie Brooks, Mrs. Paine, Mrs. Ben Hadley, Mrs. A. H. Emerson, Mrs. E. M. Myers, Mrs. Fred Brooks and Thelma and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair, of Clarion. A very good time is reported.

Mr. Will Purdy and daughter, Rena of Belmond, were visiting in town Saturday evening and attended the sale and supper at the Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks and daughter Thelma, Mrs F. M. Myers and Mrs. C. W. Fowler were Clarion callers Thursday.

Miss Blanche Miller, of Clarion visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ina Stumph last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Duffy were Clarion visiters between trains Tuesday.

Mrs. Jennie Rowan is visiting in Goldfield at the home of her sister, and brother.

Last Thursday evening about twenty three young friends of Carl Emerson surprised him in honor of his thirteenth birthday. The evening was spent in games and an all round good time after which refreshments were served by his mother. Carl received many rememrances.

Joe Patton is improving his residence by a coat of paint. Frank and Fred Kercheval are doing the work.

Mrs. C. E. Mullum of Ambey, Minn is visiting at the home of her friend, Mrs. L. W. McCallum.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens visited in Hampton Wednesday at the home of her friend, Mrs. Otto.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennewitz, who have been visiting at the Charlie Bowers home left for Omaha Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Halbrook and family moved the middle of last week to the Ed. Ballou farm west of town. Mr and Mrs. Ballou moved into the residence vacated by the Halbrook family.

Mrs. Carl Steffens visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jenning in Clarion Friday.

Arthur Hansen who has been in the hospital at Hampton for several weeks on account of having a piece of dead bone removed from his leg. is able to be up in a wheel chair again.

Mrs. William Steffens, who has been con fined to her bed by a severe attack of rheumatism, is able to be about the house again.

G. W. Ballou was a Clarion business caller between trains Saturday

Edwin Nelson was in town sawing wood the first of the week.

Mrs. Perlie Hirst, of Parker South Dakota who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. E. Bingham and other relatives in Rowan returned to her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Woodin, of Clarion, spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval.

Miss Nellie Hackley is filling the vacancy in the Dows telephone office.

Mrs. L. A. McCallum spent Saturday at the home of her daughter Mrs. Glenn Jennings in Clarion.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

There was a large attendence at the annual sale and chicken pie supper given Saturday afternoon and evening by the Ladies Aid Society. The women were fortunate in disposing of all the articles that were on sale. The society realized from the sale and supper $105.00

Union Thanksgiving services will be held in the Congregational church Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock. Rev. Tomkinson, of the M. E. Church will deliver the address.

The pastor was pleased to greet a large congregation Sunday and to welcome into the church fellowship Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jergenson, coming from the Presbyterian church of Clarion. At the morning service the choir delighted the audience with their rendition of "I Will Lift up mine eyes unto the hills. "During the Christian Endeavor hour the Virden and Ruth and Esther Emerson gave reports of the Regional conference of young people which they attended in Iowa Falls recently.

Remember that December 7th is the date when " Snowblind" will be given under the auspices of the Aid Society., See the magnificient northern scenery. Prices 15 and 30 cents.

Last Friday night after the basket ball game at Goodell Will Duffy entertained the girls team to an oyster stew.

M. E CHURCH

Pastor, Rev. H. Tomkinson.

11 a. m. "Things that are static"

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The evening sermon will be a special study in the psychology of behavior, and will be a very interesting subject to young and old alike.

METHODIST AUCTION SALE

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church will hold an auction sale of miscellaneous articles at the Pavilion, next Saturday, December, 2nd, the sale to commence at seven thirty o,clock. The articles will be on display during Saturday after noon. There will be all kinds of farm produce, house articles, fancy goods, and presents suitable for Christmas gifts. There will also be preserves, candies and doughnuts, and pies. You are cordially invited to be present and to assist the ladies with your patronage. A good time is looked for by all. The friends are asked to leave their articles etc at the parsonage by Friday afternoon or at the pavilion on Saturday morning.

Thro the generosity of Mr Fred Brooks a picture will be presented early in December, the proceeds of which will be given to the church. At considerable expense Mr. Brooks has secured for the Methodist church the picture, "The Little Minister" James Barrie's great presentation. The people of Rowan are in for a treat, this being one of the best picture productions in the country.

A Thanksgiving service will be held in the Congregational Church on the morning of Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 30th. This will be a union service for the congregational and Methodist people, with the Rev. H. Tomkinson as the preacher. The service, which will commence at 10 o'clock sharp should appeal to all. Our president has issued a proclamation to all the people, and we should gather for a short time to give thanks to God.

The boys and girls of the High School continued their basketball victories last Friday when they defeated Goodell.

SCHOOL NOTES

Rowan was victorious in both basket ball games at Goodell Friday evening. The girls score was 12-7 The boys 20-5. According to reports the games, especially the girls was played regardless of rules. It was a fight from start to finish and might be said to resemble a basket ball game but it could hardly be called one. The boys game was better, tho not as pepy as the Rowan boys could make it under better ruling.

Goodell comes to Rowan on Thanksgiving and a stuff fight will undoubtedly be fought. The Rowan teams intend to show them a real game.

Walter Barker is in school again after being ill several days.

Dale Hiams, Joe McKinley and James Kercheval missed several days of school last week to pick corn

Orchestra practice met at the home of Kenneth Keith Monday evening.

Violet Halbrook, Nels Kijar and Howard Hansen were absent from Miss Haven's room Monday.

School will be dismissed Wednesday evening for Thanksgiving vacation of two days.

New fiction books are being purchased for the use of the English classes.

Mrs. J. F. Howell and Mrs. Perlie Hirst visited second and third grades Friday.

STAR THEATRE

An extra big show for Saturday, Dec 2, "One A Minute", wherein the slogan "It pays to advertise" was never more humorously demonstrated. Also a BIG SPECIAL, a two-reel comedy "Rubes and Robbers." An amusing comedy from beginning to end.

PLOWING UP THE GOLD

Ed. Hayes, of Council Bluffs, went forth to plow a corn field the other day. The nose of the plow hit something hard. Ed. dug it out and discovered a box containing many pounds of gold. This gives a modern turn to the old Greek fable of the farmer who whispered with his last breath, "There is a treasure in our vineyards." The sons of the old Greek began to dig about the vineyard and found the treasure in increased crops of grapes. There are more boxes of gold in Iowa cornfields than ever have been discovered. Fertilizing the land coaxes these boxes to the surface. Plowing, harrowing, discing, rotation of crops, selecting good seed, harvesting properly, all raise the pots of gold out of Iowa soil. The chief obstacles that separate the Iowa farmer from this pot of gold lie not in the field but in economics and politics. When the farmer's economic and political problems are managed as well as the average farmer manages his land, every thrifty Iowa farmer will have his pot of gold in his own hands. The chief objective of city men and politicians in Iowa should be the solution of the problems that hinder the maximum prosperity of the Iowa farmer. The interests of the people of the whole state are one and the foundation of all other prosperity in this great agricultural state. Iowa alone could support 46,000,000 people and could have a population of 12,000,000 and be less crowded than Massachusetts. The Iowa farmers can not solve their problems alone. The manufacturers and merchants can do nothing better for the extension of their business than to keep in close touch with the farmer and fight for economic, social and political conditions that will bring all Iowa to the highest point of efficiency.—Cedar Rapids gazette.

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The Case and The Girl

by Randall Parrish

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in food, merely opening slightly, and sliding the floor. No words were was the tray removed vilight, when the fellow n on a similar mission. x, but no light was fur- le the clouds had thick- heavy swell was tossing ut rather roughly. Seem- ine was merely endeavor- tain head-way, with no ediate prospect; they were nlessly into the promise night. No sound reached e cabin, and finally, worn ily and physically, West lf on the lower bunk, and motionless, staring up into darkness.

ere motionless, yet wide senses alert, he could feel d efforts of the vessel, the aves against the side, the ater astern. The Seminole vily, yet there was nothing rming in her actions, and no premonition of illness, to the sea-worthiness of the ft. He endeavored to arouse to keep awake, but finally conquered, and he sank into a ep. He had no knowledge of g this slumber lasted, or ddenly awakened him, so star- the moment that he sat up in th, staring into the blackness. a dream, or a reality? Had ne spoken? He could neither or hear anything; the boat d to be motionless, not even ing now to the beat of the en- -the silence was uncanny. Some- was wrong, must be wrong. re were they—at anchor in some or or helplessly adrift on the ? The yacht rocked gently, as h the swell of the sea no longer ed her; there was no sound of on the deck above. Then he voice again, outside, reaching this time plainly through the open rt.

"All set, Mapes," it said sharply. ome on down. You finished the ?"

"Ay, ay, sir," the answer gruff, but th a tinge of excitement in the tone. She's fixed all right. Hold hard, now, ate."

West leaped to the port-hole, and, endeavored to gain a glimpse without. If land was near it remained invisible, nor could he even be sure of the close proximity of a boat. There seemed to be a smudge there at the left, a black, lumping shadow, shapeless against the background of sea; yet he could not be sure. Even as he gazed at it doubtfully, the dim object dis[illegible], fading away like a mirage. Something told him that mysterious shadow was a boat, a boat filled with men, creeping away silently into the night, fleeing from the yacht, and vanishing into the darkness.

What could such action mean? Had every one gone, leaving the vessel totally abandoned, a wreck buffeted by the surges, doomed to go down, unseen, its final fate unknown? Unknown! The word rising to his brain was the answer. There was the crest of the plot. What could be easier, or safer, than this ending? Who would ever know the truth? Who could ever prove anything, even if they suspected? And who was there to suspect? It was a plot infernal.

But if Natalie Coolidge was also prisoner on board, what of her? sn't that the very thing most probable? Of course it was; how foolish he had been. These men, recklessly criminal, as they were, would never sacrifice the yacht, and risk their own lives, merely to put him out of the way. He was not important enough for that; he was but an incident. While this was—must be—a carefully arranged plan. The girl then must be the real victim—his own plight arose merely because he chanced to be there, and the villains dare not leave him alive to tell the story.

The certainty of this acted like an electric shock. He must find the girl, and serve her. Surely she must welcome his coming to her assistance now. She would be alone, free to reveal the truth of all this strange mixup of affairs; perhaps the old trust, the old confidence between them would be renewed. The hope instantly inspired action. His eager eyes searched the narrow confines of the stateroom for some possible weapon with which to assail the door. The stout stool alone seemed available. Swinging this over his shoulder, hampered by the narrowness of space, he struck again and again, with all his strength, until suddenly the lock gave, and the door burst open.

He stepped cautiously forward, with hands outstretched, and his groping fingers came in sudden contact with the cabin wall, which he followed, circling to the left. In this manner he succeeded in finally locating the door opening out on to the deck, and weaved his way across to the right-hand stateroom door. It was locked, the key gone. He must break a way in; but first he must explain to her, so as to spare her the sudden fright of such an assault. He rapped sharply on the panel.

"Miss Coolidge: you are there, are you not?"

"Yes; who is that?" almost a cry of delight in the voice. "You—you have a voice I know."

"I am Matthew West; but do not ask questions now. The yacht is going down, and I must break this door in to release you. Stand back while I smash the boards. You hear and understand?"

"Yes—yes; I am safely away; have no fear."

A lantern's flickering light revealed the weapon he required—a heavy hatchet, and he snatched it up, and began to splinter the wood with well-directed blows. He worked madly, feverishly, swinging the sharp blade with all his strength and skill, gouging out great splinters of wood, and finally forcing the lock to yield. He sprang eagerly through the opening, the hatchet still in his grasp, and faced her.

An instant both paused, and then she cried out in sudden relief. "Oh, it is really you, Captain West. I know now. What has happened? How did you come to be here?"

"Not now," he insisted. "Don't ask me now. Just come as quick as you can. There is no time for anything but action. Quick; let me take your hand."

She permitted him to draw her through the door on to the black, deserted deck. West, bracing himself to the sudden plunging, managed to reach the rail. He drew back, sick at heart at the sight of the waves lapping the side almost on a level with the sloping deck on which he stood. The sight brought him home as never before, the drear deadly peril in which they were. He would find some means of rescue; he must! He was back instantly, grasping her arm.

"Quick," he cried. "You knew this yacht; what small boats did she carry?"

"Only the one; the other was so warped it had been taken ashore."

"Was there no life-raft? There must surely be something of that kind."

"Yes, there is; I remember now. It is forward there, near the engine-room hatch."

The deck was already sloping to port in a dangerous degree, and West was compelled to cling to the rail, as they slowly made passage forward through the darkness. He located the life-raft at last, securely fastened to the side of the deck house, and, leaving the girl to hold herself upright as best she could, began to hack it loose. Working with feverish impatience, he realized suddenly that his companion had deserted the place where he had left her and was also tugging and slashing at the lashings of the raft. These finally yielded to their blind attack. Without the exchange of a word the two grasped the sides and shoved the thing hard down against the port rail.

"Wait now," he cried exultantly. "Stay behind, and brace yourself against the hatch-cover. I'll get underneath and lift. Once on the rail the two of us must shove it free overboard."

She understood instantly, and, with a single swift glance at her dimly revealed figure, West straightened up, bearing the full weight on his shoulders, every muscle strained to the utmost, as he thus pressed it over inch by inch across the wooden barrier. Suddenly the great unwieldy mass slid forward, poised itself an instant on the rounded rail. The yacht rolled sharply to port, flinging both on to the deck together, but sending the raft crunching overboard, clear of the side. West grasped Natalie, and dragged her to her feet, but, even as he held her in his arms, ready to leap out into the black water, the shuddering vessel, with a last despairing effort, partially righted herself, and staggered on.

"Can you jump to the raft from the rail?" he asked. "It is either that, or the water. Are you afraid to try?"

"Afraid—no. Hold me; yes; that way, but—but what are you going to do?"

"Follow, of course; but I shall take to the water. There are no oars here. Nothing to use as a substitute for them. I'll have to swim, and push that old ark as far away as possible. Are you ready?"

She poised herself, held steady by the grip of his hands, her eyes on the dark outline of the floating raft. There was no hesitancy, no questioning.

"Say when," he said sharply.

"Now."

(Continued next week)

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Monitor—Rachel Knox, guardian of the J. I. Knox minors, brings a friendly suit against Raymond Knox et al for authority to sell a seven acre tract of land, formerly the Knox home near Dows, in order that the same may be divided among the thirty-two heirs.

Our Store vs. J. F. McClelland of Clarion is a suit whereby plaintiff demands judgment agains. the defendent in the sum of $127.91 at six per cent. ,The same firm is also plaintiff in a suit against A. L. Lamb for the sum of $59.74.

The Wisconsin Lumber Co., of Renwick is asking judgment against Roy W. Frank for the sum of $212.-95, the same being for building materials, wire and posts, and prays that a mechanic's lien be established against the buildings and property involved.

H. G. Tillinghast vs. W. H. Sizemore and G. H. Quass is a suit for $566.86 and $5.60 costs. Plaintiff states that on November 24, 1920, an execution was issued on a judgment and returned wholly unsatisfied as no property of the defendent subject to execution could be found in the county. That the defendant prior to October 3, 1921, entered into contract of purchase for s½ of lot D in Walnut Grove add., Clarion and caused the deed to said property to be taken in the name of G. H. Quass with intent to hinder, delay and defraud the plaintiff in collection of said judgment. Wherefore plaintiff asks that said conveyance be decreed fraudulent and that the said property be ordered surrendered

Lillian Moore of Eagle Grove asks that the bonds of matrimony be severed between herself and Geo. Moore. Plaintiff charges non-support and cruel treatment. She asks for the custody of the two children and that she be given the household goods. The couple were married on August 31, 1918 at Clarion.

The Detroit Vapor Stove Company is asking judgment against W. W. Frakes of Eagle Grove in the sum of $21 .85, the same being the amount due plaintiff for oil stoves purchased by the defendant.

The William Galloway Company of Waterloo asks for $85.50 and costs against Charles Schnebly of Kanawha in payment for an overdue note for one Galloway engine.

W. W. Frakes of Eagle Grove is defendant in a suit brought by the Standard Oil Company for $382.64 due on account.

OLAF

The stork visited Ed. Eliason and wife last Friday and left a baby boy.

Mrs. Orpha Anderson and Mrs. Clarence Scott attended the supper and fancy work sale at the M. E. church in Belmond, last Saturday.

The Ladies Aid Society which met at the Andrew Scott home last Wednesday was well attended. The next meeting will be with Mrs. S. O. Windecker Dec .13.

Mrs. Henry Luick visited Mrs. S. O. Windecker last Saturday afternoon.

Miss Alma Ericson visited at the Henry Anderson home in Belmond part of last week.

Miss Nellie Delaney after a weeks vacation resumed her school duties Monday.

Geo. Baxter was a business caller in Clarion Friday.

News are very scarce as every one is too busy to go visiting or to entertain company.

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Belmond, Iowa

HIS MASTER'S VOICE

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

The Immanuel Church Sunday School is now busy preparing a Christmas program.

A program will be given at the center school of this township Monday evening December, 4. All the schools of the township will be represented in the program. Refreshments will be served after the entertainment, the proceeds of which are to be used for the Farm Bureau.

Miss Brooks, of Clear Lake is the new teacher for District No.6.

The beet hauling for the dump at Palsville was finished last week, and the haulers are now busy picking corn.

About three o'clock last Wednesday morning a large fire was witnessed at the Henry Goeman farm northeast of town. Although a hard fight was put up, four of the buildings were totally destroyed. Nearly all the machinery was destroyed also the car, besides over 3,000 bushel of grain. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Clarence Hoppel reentered school last Monday after being released from a second quarantine for Scarlot Fever.

Mildred Loats suffered from an attack of tonsilitis the beginning of the week.

Miss Nora Finn, who has been taking medical treatment in Rockester, returned last week, much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barkema and family were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Hilko Barkema home.

Mr. Fol. Mennenga, and children visited at the H H. Mennenga, home Sunday afternoon.

Larsen Says-

You can't get
the best of
some men —
They haven't
any

We Are Thankful

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THREE DELIVERIES DAILY

New Xmas Slippers

BEFORE you buy your slippers for Christmas---be sure you see these new ones of ours. They're suedes, lined with felt in novel patterns. They wear longer and look better.

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KEEP YOUR MONEY IN WRIGHT COUNTY

There can be no great prosperity without a liberal amount of freely circulating money. We can make Wright county more prosperous by keeping money moving right here at home.

Buy at home!—The money you spend here helps your neighbor, and makes him better able to buy the goods or service you have to sell.

Bank at home!—Money deposited in the State Bank of Belmond is put to work in this neighborhood creating more wealth which will go toward better business, better schools, better living conditions.

Let's all pull together!

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BELMOND
IOWA

GILDNER'S

A Store For Boys

Anything you want for boys, you can find in our Boy's Department. Get him something to wear for Xmas---he will like it just as much.

SUITS See our two-pant special, at $9.75	**O'COATS** The best styles and materials at $4.85 to $14.85
KNIT MUFFLER CAPS In eight different models and all colors and color combinations. $65c to $1.65	**CORDUROY TROUSERS** Just the thing for real hard wear. An ideal school trouser. $1.50 and $1.85
SWEATERS In all styles and colors. He wants one. $3.15 and $3.95	**SPORT HOSE** The practical fad for cold weather. Different weights and colors. $1.15

Get To Know
GILDNER BROS.
Mason City, Iowa

Belmond Local News

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Get ready for freezing weather. Fill your radiator with 188 proof alcohol.—Belmond Auto Co.

Mrs. Luverne Smith of Klemme and mother Mrs. Louis Luick of Belmond were over Sunday visitors at the L. R. Farmer home at Clarion.

NOTICE!

Positively no hunting or trapping on my farm.—Adolph J. Dorr. 22c

The Ladies Aid of the St. John's Lutheran church will give a chicken supper in the basement of the library Wednesday evening December 6 to begin at 5 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graepler from Dows spent Sunday at the Matt Sullivan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schultz and son Herman went to Mason City Wednesday where they will spend Thanksgiving at the Bernard Mennenga home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin and Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans drove to Mason City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Dibble and family drove to Mason City on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Moore came Sunday afternoon. They will spend most of the winter here with their son H. D. Moore.

Philmore Amblie had the misfortune of getting one finger smashed and his arm badly scalded at the factory last week. He was standing on a ladder doing repair work when the ladder slipped and he fell on a steam pipe which bursted under his weight and the escaping steam scalding his arm.

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The delinquent tax list as published in the Eagle Grove Times shows Belmond as better paid up than last year. The list is quite long and runs heavier in the other end of the county than in this.

Miss Nellie Bell and a party of friends from Alexander were visitors here last Thursday.

Mrs. E. E. Boughton, Mrs. T. N Davenport and Mrs. Wm. Dempsey drove to Ft. Dodge last Wednesday.

Mrs. Pierce went to Clarion last week to take care of Mrs. George Cutler who has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell from Weiser, Idaho, are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Elder

Miss Grace Reed came home from Beaman to spend Thanksgiving at the home of her parents.

Mrs. W. P. Buchanan has been very ill the past week with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin and son Albert, Mrs. Finch, Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans and Miss Irene Hunter went to Garner to eat Thnksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barnes.

For Sale—One fresh milk cow.—Sheriff Bros. Phone 3707. 2tfc

Don't forget that I am now located and doing business in the Peter Stacy shop. All kinds of blacksmith work. —Jess Underkofler.

TO HOLD BAZAAR

The ladies of the Catholic church will hold a bazaar on December 9 at the library. The sale will begin at 2:30 in the afternoon. During the afternoon and evening lunch will be served.

Attorney J. M. Jensen was a caller at the county seat the first of the week where he had legal business.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening choir practice at the church at 7:30. Thanksgiving day service will be conducted in the church Thursday evening at 7:30. Let us meet in the house of the Lord and give God thanks for His kindness toward us. Saturday morning class meets at 10 o'clock. Sunday morning Sunday school at 10. Morning service in Norwegian. Young Peoples Luther League meets in the evening.

Guaranteed work means satisfaction and a return visit We guarantee our work.—Jess Underkofler, in the Peter Stacy shop.

ST. OLAF

Wednesday evening prayer meeting at the home of Otto Tegland. Thursday at 11 the lay people will conduct Thanksgiving day service. As many as possible should be present.

Sunday morning the lay people will conduct the service in the Norwegian anguage at 11 o'lock. Come and tell others to come.

Miss Marjorie Purcell and Clara Johnson are spending Thanksgiving with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rathburn have moved back to town with his mother.

Mrs. Nelson of Fort Dodge came Sunday to visit friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Church and Mr. and Mrs. Avery left this week for California to spend the winter. They expect to make their headquarters at San Diego.

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Mr. and Mrs. Milligan left Thursday evening for Alma Mich., where they will be at home to their friends at 517 Ealy St., after Dec. 1.

V. E. Munson of Rowan was a business caller here on last Thursday

Rid yourself of that headache, constipation, billiousness, nervousness, burning, smarting, red and inflamed eyelids and eyeballs, blurring of vision, etc. All of these are symptoms of eyestrain. See me, I can help you. I will tell you the truth about your eyes.—A. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa.

Seal of Minnesota flour at $2.35.
White Swan at $2.35.
White Rock for $2.25.
Dynamite at $1.95.
B. K. KINSETH

Don't let your radiator freeze up and burst, fill it with alcohol. We have it, the genuine, at reasonable prices.—Jones Harness Co.

Mrs. George Kessler and son went to Belmond Saturday noon for an over Sunday stay with relatives, returning Monday.—Klemme Times.

Mrs. Wm. Smith and Miss Mable Smith, were visiting with friends at Belmond last Friday.—Times.

Treasurer Allen is getting everything in readiness for the issuing of the 1923 automobile licenses which will begin on Friday of next week, December 1st. The 1923 plates will contain six figures, beginning with "000001," The figures will be a bright orange in color on a background of black. They are quite striking in appearance and easily distinguished from the 1922 plates. The counties will be numbered the same as this year.—Monitor.

A runaway team owned by F. L. Hunt of Eagle Grove, crashed into a Franklin sedan owned by Ed. Evans of Osage, visiting in Eagle Grove Monday. One of the horses struck the car, and the tongue of the wagon rammed into the body. The horse that struck the car was torn loose from wagon and harness and skidded about fifty feet but beyond a temporary stunning, was unhurt. The sedan will need a new body.—News.

A pup likes to follow the wrong man; a man the wrong woman.

The Independent has some very nice samples of Christmas cards and will be pleased to have you look them over. Order early so that there will be no delay when you need them.

Say Merry Xmas
With A Photograph

A dozen photographs
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Make Your Appointment Early

The Thoe Studio

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Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Large type Chester White spring boars, sired by five good boars. Farm located two miles west and one-half mile north of Kanawha.—Ed. Riekens, Kanawha. 47tfc

Spotted Poland China boars from Registered stock. The breed that have advanced to the third largest in America in the past five years. Only a few choice ones left.—J. M. Sampson, 2 1-2 miles southeast of Belmond. Phone 2707. 50tfc

As I have a few more good milk cows than I need, I will sell some of them at reasonable prices. You can have fresh ones if desired.—James Kurtz. 2 tfc

For Sale—Eight Duroc Jersey spring boars, pedigreed. Papers furnished.—Wm. Moellering & Sons, Rowan, Ia. 514*

For Sale—Toulouse geese and ganders, $3.00 and $3.50; White Wyandotte cockerels $1.25 and Guineas 75cent each. A. C. Lieuwen, Alexander, Iowa. 21c

For Sale—Good grade Short Horn bull, 18 months old.—Guy Baker, Belmond. Phone 2207. 1tfc

For Sale—Choice Silver Laced Wyandotte roosters. One dollar each. J. M. Croft, Alexander, Iowa. 13*

For Sale—Six well bred Duroc Jersey boars, weight 200 lbs. each. Sired by pedigreed boar. Phone 2207. —Guy Baker, Belmond. 1tfc

FOR RENT

For Rent—Good office for doctor. Size 20x24. Ground floor, just refinished. Water and light.—John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—Public garage at Alexander, Iowa. 22x76, located on main street. Standard Oil station in connection. Good air pressure, and motor stand. Will rent reasonably. Write or phone John Blau, Alexander, Iowa. 513*

For Rent—The Greenlander house in south part of town.—A. W. Martin. 50tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Past Noble Grand Rebekah pin. Leave at this office. 512c

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

If you have anything you want to sell, or if you want to buy something, need help or have something to trade, try an Independent want ad. They bring big results.

DR[illegible] NEEDS GOOD CARE

Extra good care thru the winter months must be given the "dry" cow if she is to be in condition to produce a good calf, say the dairyman at Iowa State College.

Many farmers turn these dry cows out and make them get what they can from corn stalks, when they should be getting a ration that is building up their bodies.

Often cows have had a long lactation period and their bodies are lean and they should be fed plenty of alfalfa hay and silage. A fine ration is made up of three parts of ground oats, two parts of bran, one part of oilmeal and as much ground corn as the condition of the cow demands. As soon as the cow begins to be too fat the corn can be eliminated from the ration.

Shortly after the cow calves the silage can be eliminated, especially if the udder shows signs of inflammation.

Provide a shed where the cows can get out of the winter storms and allow them warm water if it is available. This is especially valuable when the cow has just calved as it helps her keep in condition.

In feeding a cow, remember that she requires a large amount of roughage to provide bulk, but concentrates must be provided to keep up the milk flow.

HENS MAKE A GOOD PROFIT

Clearing over $100 in one month from a flock of hens that had been supplying barely enough eggs for the family table, was the experience of Mrs. Herman Miller of Crawford Co. after she had installed a modern poultry house and started to feed her hens a good winter ration.

About a year ago according to S. W. Henn, extension service poultryman at Iowa State College, Mrs. Miller was trying to find out what was the matter with her hens. She had a big flock of several hundred which were eating their heads off, but laying very few eggs.

After studying culling methods and then culling out about half of the birds as non-producers, Mrs. Miller built a semi-monitor poultry house after the plans furnished by the Iowa State College poultryman. She fed them during January 2½ bushels of ground corn, 5 bushels of whole corn, 5 bushels of ground oats, 7 bushels of whole oats and 10 pounds of tankage making a feed cost for the month of $20.15.

For this month she received a total of 405 dozen eggs and she sold all but four dozen of these for a total of $121, which when the cost of feed was deducted, left her $100.85.

Mrs. Miller says that the warm, comfortable hen house has more than paid for itself during the past year. Not only are there better quarters for the poultry and increased egg production, but there is an added pleasure that makes raising the poultry worth while.

Check up your faults, before your faults check your career.

PLATING

SILVER OR NICKLE
Mirror Refinishing A Specialty
15 per cent Discount to
December 10 on
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Prices reasonable - work guaranteed

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2nd House north of Foundry

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CHAMBERS MUSIC HOUSE, 29 E. State Street, Mason City, Iowa

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City Meat Market
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WE WILL GIVE AWAY A PIG
On Saturday Night, December the 2nd
PRIZES AS FOLLOWS:
1st Prize---One half of Pig.
2nd Prize---Hind Quarter.
3rd Prize---Front Quarter.
We also have Lute Fisk

Kinseth's Store News

We hope you have the very best of Thanksgiving days, and that the eats are as good as you anticipate. We have some mighty good eats for the day, and for every day, and list for you a few of the bargains we have to offer:

Oatmeal, large pkg, at 25c
Yeast foam a pkg at 8c.
Milk, large cans at 10c.
Milk, small cans, at 5c.
Kippered herring a can 15c.
Corn per can 10c.
Peas a can 10c
Logan berries in 25 per cent syrup at only 28c. A real bargain.
Black berries for the same price.
P & G soap at a nickel a bar.
Matches 5c a box.

So don't forget the store on the corner—trade there and be thankful every day.

Children's
MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy
is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

SPECIAL

For
Thanksgiving Day
Chocolate and Vanilla
Brick Ice Cream

Cocoanut eams
Regular Price lb.
Special Sa y
Onl
40c lb

Peanut Br
Regular Price
Special Sat y
Only
25c lb.

HOT LUNCHE
DAY AND NIGH

Belmond Can
Kitchen
Steve Antonio, Mg
Phone 65

ANNOUNCEMENT

WE wish to inform the buying public that we have purchased the store building formerly occupied by Geo. Lutz, and we have just received a brand new stock of

Groceries, Candies, Etc.

and we also have the Wear-U-Well Shoes and Overshoes at factory prices. We will show you quality merchandise in every line at prices which will please your purse.

Steenblock & Loats
Phone 38
Belmond, Iowa

REMEMBER---

You are only half clean when you send your laundry. What about your suit, dress or hat?
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We do all kinds of Auto Top Repairing

New Belmond Tailor Shop
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GLASS---all sizes.
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HOT SHOT BATTERIES---$2.00, $2.25.
STOVE CASTINGS. Leave orders.
FLOOR PAINTS AND VARNISHES.
VACUUM BOTTLES, LUNCH KITS.
AMUNITION that gets the game.

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Belmond, Iowa

P. S.---See our genuine Wear-Ever Waffle Irons, Pancake Griddles and Roasters in display window this week.

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GOOD FELLOWSHIP MEETING TONIGHT AT 8:00

Sugar Factory Completes Run

Over 30,000 Tons Are Cut—To Start Getting Acreage For 1923 Campaign.

CAMPAIGN IS PROFITABLE

The sugar factory finished cutting beets at 9:00 o'clock Tuesday morning in the 1922 campaign, and the end of the sugar making for this year is expected tonight.

Over 30,000 tons of beets were cut. Some 20,000 bags of sugar are now stored in the warehouse besides the sugar that was sold during the campaign. By Saturday the force at the factory will be thru, and the campaign over.

The factory is going to run next year, and the agricultural department has already started work toward securing the acreage next year's campaign will require. The larger the acreage the greater the success and profit of the campaign will be.

Owing to the beets this year not being up to standard with less sugar content than was expected the run of sugar was not as great as had been anticipated. However the plant will return a comfortable margin of profit both to the growers and stockholders.

Fred Gartz of Palsville was the high man for the number of tons to the acre, his tonnage being 16.04. If Mr. Gartz will call at the Independent office we shall be glad to present him with the prize offered by this paper for the farmer raising the most tons per acre.

EDITOR WINS DAMAGE SUIT

Howard C. King, editor of the News at Clarion, and defendant in a $5,000 damage case at his former home, Lyon county was recently given the decision by the supreme court. The suit was filed by one Wm. B. Frey, who claimed the damages as a result of an attack on him thru the Lyon county News by King, its editor, the alleged attack being in connection with some trouble over the county fair. The case was tried in district court, where King won, and Frey appealed to the supreme court. A recent decision by that body affirms the decision of the lower court and clears Editor King absolutely. King is a fearless type of editor, ready to battle at the drop of the hat for public welfare as Wright county people well know—and the Independent congratulates him on the victory. The newspaper profession needs more men of his type.

FOUR HOURS IN WATER

Two young lads from near Wall Lake had an agonizing experience recently when they were several hours in the freezing waters of the lake. They had gone out in a boat after ducks. The boat leaked, and while trying to pole out of some ice one of the boys lost his balance and fell in. Endeavoring to get back in the boat he capsized it, and both were thrown in the lake. They hung to the boat part of the time, and walked on the ice part of the time. No help was near enough to hear their calls. The ice was thin and only part of the time held them up. They at last succeeded in attracting the attention of a man from Waterloo, who was in a boat, and he took them to some solid ice and told them they could walk the rest of the way. After breaking thru several times they finally managed to get to shore after about four hours in the water and ice. They seem none the worse for their ordeal.

PUBLIC SALE DATES

The following public sale dates in this vicinity have been listed:

L. Foss, Meservey, Dec. 13.
Herman Ahlstrom, Belmond, Dec. 14
Otto Madison, Belmond, Dec. 15
Mrs. H. Brater, Meservey, Dec. 15
Fred Allison, Belmond, Dec. 12

The Independent will appreciate a notice of any other dates. Please call 115.

SLICK SALESMEN SELLING SHADDY SILK AT SALES

At the William Proctor sale near Clear Lake recently a couple of slick salesmen pulled a rather new stunt. They purchased a cow for $35, and after the sale announced that they had a fine line of dress goods which they were going to auction off, and the first buyer got the cow free. Naturally there was a jam to acquire bossy for nothing, and as a result the cow brought them in many shekels of easy coin, and the deluded purchaser of the dress goods found they had paid three prices for very inferior stuff, to say nothing of what they received when they got home with the shaddy goods.

HOW ABOUT IT, WALT?

Humboldt Reppublican: W. C. Ramsay, secretary of state, is pushing a bill for a reduction in auto licenses. This is a cheap way of trying to make the voters think he is for lower taxes. The tax on autoes today is not excessive. If Mr. Ramsay really wants to do us a favor he should decuse a way of spending the auto money so that the auto-owners will get their money's worth in improved roads.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Only four more Sundays in this year and we hope to make them the very best possible. Let us have every one in his place next Sunday at 10 a. m. as well as at 11 o'cock services and at the evening worship.

Many things are before us this month. Christmas is coming and our annual meeting and the closing of the year's work. Let us again close the year out of debt and with a good balance in the treasury as we have been able to do the past two years. See the treasurer as soon as possible so that he will be able to have his report made in time to have it approved at the annual meeting.

Be on hand Sunday morning to hear the report of the boys who attended the conference at Mason City.

NEW SLED LAW GOES INTO EFFECT JAN. 1ST.

Penalty Attaches Then For Using Sled Of Less Than Standard Width.

The Iowa Sled Law goes into affect the first of January, and an explanation of this law will be of interest to every farmer who uses a sled during the winter. This new sled law regulates the width between runner's and stipuates that every sled shall be of standard wagon wheel width—four feet and eight inches between runners. A good stiff fine is the penalty to any dealer selling a sled of less than standard width a jail sentence thrown in and the same penalty applies to anyone driving a sled of less than standard width. All this however is subject to the following interpretation as given the Independent by Cato C. Griesy, a local implement dealer informs this paper that any dealer can sell sleds of less than standard width providing said dealer had the sleds on hand prior to December 1st. Mr. Griesy also states that any farmers who had on hand prior to December 1st a sled of less than the standard width can use it all he pleases. It is his idea that this interpretation of the law as it applies to dealers and those now owning less than standard width sleds, will also apply to sleds sold at public sales, the owner of such sled sold having had it on hand before December 1st Mr. Griesy's explanation should set at rest any doubts as to the right of present owners to drive or sell sleds of less than the newly-required width. For some time it has been recognized that the narrow runners on bob sleds and cutters have seriously damaged the roads, and the intent of the new law is to gradually eliminate and correct this evil. However as sleds do not wear out overly fast it will doubtless be a good many years before the last of the narrow runners are done away with.

LOCAL CASE TAKES ATTENTION OF COURT

Suit Of E. F. Bailey Against C. G. W. Road Occupies Attention At Clarion.

Monitor: Marriage licenses were issued during the past week to Guy Edwin Milligan and Loretta Mary Delaney of Belmond, Wilfred A. Kist of Eagle Grove and Geneva V. Lamb ofWedster City, Cliff Johnson and Edith Williams of Dows, Andrew F. Bohning and Henrietta F. Frohling of Belmond.

The grand jury for the November term of court organized Monday by electing the first named as foreman: D. M. McBride, John Beyer, A. W. Mosely, Cryder Wicks, J. M. Flurer, John Meyer, Albert Schroeder. A report of their findings will be published later.

Lee Woodard of Eagle Grove was recently bound over to the grand jury under $500 bonds. He is charged with the larceny of a wind shield and other parts from an auto mobile owned by Harry McCallum, plead guilty and is now serving a six months' sentence in the county jail.

Treasurer Allen spent the past week on his Troy township farm, where the corn crop was being gathered with a husking machine.

Many important cases are scheduled for the present term of court. Among them is noted the case of Severe. The prominence of the par ing involving $100,000 is asked. Then there is the counter suit of Sams vs. Severe. The prominence of the parties attracts considerable attention to the separate maintenance cases, of Hazel Frank vs. R. W. Frank. Two damage cases will interest Clarion people: Mary Leeper vs. G. H. Lee and James Mehl vs. Byron Oberton.

The court's attention for most of the week will be occupied in a retrial of the case of E. F. Bailey vs. the Great Western. At a former trial Bailey was awarded a verdict of over $2000 for the alleged failure of the company to deliver cars per contract at their gravel pit. The jury erred in its verdict for the reason that the number of hours Bailey's men were found to be idle would have given him a verdict of $1000. The judge proposed to reduce the verdict to this amount, but plaintiff declined, hence a new trial was ordered.

Luther D. McNaughton of Eagle Grove asks for $309 from Edward Tighe of Eagle Grove for professional services rendered.

Louis Alcola of Eagle Grove asks judgment for $3000 against the Chicago Great Western Railroad Company. Plaintiff states that his right foot was injured while removing a steel rail from a push car and placing it in the track and that the accident happened as the result of carelessness on the part of the defendant's employees. In consequence of which he has been unable to do any work since August 8, 1922, and that his future earning capacity has been greatly impaired.

Anna Sanders of Galt brings suit against Clarence Johnson to recover $117.80 on a note.

The Farmers Savings Bank of Goldfield asks the court to set aside the sale of the J. R. Hawthorne farm made last August alleging that there was fraud in the pretended conveyance to Sarilda Hawthorne. Said bank secured a judgment for $510 at the October term of court and when Sheriff Lang attempted to satisfy a special execution he was unable to find any property subject to the same.

Nellie Luick of Belmond demands judgment against Christien Sorenson and Sena Sorenson for $1365.00 the amount of a promissory note. Plaintiff also seeks lien on mortgaged premises delivered to her by the defendants.

Lulu Kraft, guardian of the W. H. Kraft minors, petitions the court for authority to execute a mortgage for $10,000 in order to renew the expiring mortgage and to pay accumulated indebtedness.

Butler Brothers of Chicago are claiming a balance of $193.85 due from E. R. Lockwood.

J. W. Henneberry of Eagle Grove

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JUNIORS AND SENIORS TO DEBATE DEC. 18TH

Final Team To Be Chosen From Winners—Basket Ball Practice Is Started.

Miss Thomas went to Garner as a judge for a declamatory contest last Wednesday.

The try-out contest for declamatory will be held Wednesday, the Oratorical at 2:30, humorous at 4:00 and the dramatic at 7:15.

Arthur Christie is still wearing the medal for proficiency in typing.

Miss Eva Brown spend Thanksgiving vacation at her home.

Miss Rohrback and Miss Murphy spent their vacation at Iowa City.

Miss Steadman spent Thanksgiving with Miss Hazel Thomas.

Miss Claire Jewell spent Thanksgiving at her home in Waterloo.

Miss Sharon spent Thanksgiving with her brother in Ft. Dodge.

Miss Barrow and Miss Klotzback spent their vacation in Mason City.

Miss Mary Brown and Miss Hill spent their Thanksgiving vacation in Belmond.

The Lecture Course, given Thanksgiving evening, proved very entertaining and instructive.

Mrs. H. F. Luick visited the Kindergarden third and fifth grades Wednesday morning of last week.

Glenn Harrison reentered the fourth grade Tuesday morning.

In Mrs. Hogensons room (thirl and fifth) Ruth Roe and Dwan Packard had perfect spelling lessons for the last period.

Christmas art work has been started in the sixth, seventh, and eight

Leonard Johnson has returned to the seventh grade.

Paul McNulty has been out of school on account of sickness.

The High school boys started Basket ball practice last week.

The Junior and Senior teams of debators held their first debates last Monday. The Juniors met at 4:15 and the Seniors at 7:15. The following teams were chosen and will debate December 18 at which time the final team will be chosen:

Seniors
Miss Valda Robinson.
Miss Minnie Madison.
Mr. Winston Thiltgen.
Juniors
Katherine Thiltgen.
Everill Thompson.
Alfred Wilkinson.

Many visitors attended the program given by Division 2 of the Liberary Society last Wednesday afternoon.

TO HAVE CORN AND POULTRY SHOW

Kanawha has completed plans for a big corn and poultry show to be held at that place on Friday and Saturday of this week, December, 8 and 9. A long list of good prizes has been arranged and the best talent along poultry, grain and dairy lines has been secured from Ames The prizes are donoted from the various business places and from private individuals of the town.

The show is an annual affair, and is held to promote and encourage better poultry, grain and dairy products. A big time is being anticipated by the Kanawha people, and as they always do things up brown in that town they will doubtless realizes their ambitions.

TRINITY CHURCH NOTES

Do not fail to attend our mission and evangelistic meetings Thursday. Rev. Holm, Rev. K. O. Lundeberg of Minneapolis and other pastors have promised to be present. Evening sessions will be conducted in the English language. Sunday is our big mission day. We plan to begin the service at 10. Rev. H. C. Holm will preach the sermon in the Norwegian language. Then we must remember that our end of the church budget must be made up on that day. All please make this a big day in this respect and let us do it cheerfully. Let young and old plan to make this a big thank offering to God. Children are requested to be present. The evening service will be conducted in the English language at 7:30.

THE INDEPENDENT MAKES FINE CHRISTMAS PRESENT

There is no better Christmas present you can send a friend at a distance than a year's subscription to the Belmond Independent. The paper will remind your friends every week of the gift and your thoughtfulness. The subscription price is less than five cents a week. If you have a friend or a relative who used to live anywhere in this vicinity, and you believe they would like the news of their old home send them a copy of the Independent. Don't mail your old copy after you have read it, for in that manner you will deprive them of the paper while it is fresh, and you will also spend fifty-two cents for stamps, and more than the subscription price in time and labor on wrappers, besides forgetting to send it half the time.

Make your order direct from the Independent office.

GARNER STAGES DAIRY DAY.

Garner today is having a big day known as Dairy Day, with a program starting at 9:30 and lasting all day. The program includes numerous addresses by well known dairy men, exhibits of butter and dairy products, and scoring of butter exhibits. The entire idea is to boost the dairy industry and the Garner creamery.

NEW STATE BANK AT SHEFFIELD

The "First State Bank of Sheffeld is the title of a new bank being organized at that place, and the greater part of the necessary stock has been subscribed by the business men and farmers of the community there being over 60 reported subscribers. A meeting of the stockholders is to be held at an early date to complete the arrangements for opening. Application for a charter for the new bank has been approved. This bank is to take the place of the private one, owned by the Carhart family, which was closed a couple of months ago.

LOTTERIES GO UNDER THE OFFICIAL BAN

Attorney General Issues Orders To Prosecute Merchants At Town Of Renwick

The attorney general of Iowa has recently started cleaning up on lotteries being conducted in the state and has ordered the Humboldt county attorney to prosecute merchants at Renwick for offering a Ford car as a prize. No more are the merchants of a town to be premitted to give away a handsome piano, automobile, pig or the like as prizes for the purpose of getting trade. Newspapers are warned that any advertising, directly or indirectly, of a lottery is illegal and papers carrying such advertisements can be barred from the mails. It is not even permissable to announce who wins such prizes. It therefore, the readers of the Independent fail to see mention of any prize winners locally in any such contest they will understand that it is because the beds are softer in Belmond than they are in Ft. Madison.

BOHNING-FROHLING

The marriage of Miss Henrietta Frohling to Mr Andrew Bohning occured on Thursday, November 30 at 1:30, at the parsonage of the Immanuel church, Rev. Waakles reading the service. They were attended by the bride's brother, Herman Frohing, and the groom's sister, Miss Gae Bohning. The bride was attired in a brown traveling suit. The couple left the same day for a short wedding trip. They will be at home to their many friends after Dec. 10.

The bride is a daughter of Mr and Mrs. Herman Frohling. The groom is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bohning, and has been farming with his father on their farm east of town. The young couple have lived in this community almost all their lives and are highly respected. The Independent joins in wishing them the best of success.

Judge Wright To Deliver Address

First Meeting Of Season Held At Library With Noted Jurist As Speaker.

USUAL GOOD PROGRAM TOO

The first meetng of the Good Fellowship club will be held tonight at the library basement, at which time Judge Wright of Fort Dodge will be the speaker. The meeting will start promptly at 8:00 o'clock, and there will be the usual good program and eats. As this is the first of the season and as the speaker is one of the best to be had, a large crowd is anticipated. Be there and enjoy one of the best times you have had this year. Remember it is tonight, Thursday, at the library at 8:00 o'clock.

DOWS VS BELMOND, THANKSGIVING DAY

The Sporting Editor has gone to considerable trouble to give the Advocate readers an anticipated account of the biggest Thanksgiving football game in this neck of the woods, namely Dows Hi versus Belmond Hi.

As the sun tries to get a peep at the Severe gridiron, both teams romp out for a short signal practice and then line up for the kick-off. Dows either kicks off or receives and Belmond either also; then the fray starts. What Dows doesn't do to Belmond would fill the space of a postage stamp on a letter.

This is just what happened:—Dows battles Belmond; busts Belmond; bangs Belmond; bewilders Belmond; bamboozles Belmond; bites Belmond; bends Belmond; blocks Belmond; blows Belmond bluffs Belmond; brands Belmond; bulldozes Belmond; finally beats (not sugar) Belmond.

Then the Belmond band leads off her aggregation, playing the Belmond Blues, after which they hit it for the cold north only to get their sweet (revenge) at the Sugar Beetery.

All of which from last week's Advocate, is only too sadly true, and thoroly describes the game as it was played. The score was only 32 to 6. The boys were simply outclassed, but they put up a game fight, and in the last half held Dows even.

ST. OLAF

Beginning Friday morning evangelistic and mission meetings will be conducted at the church beginning no later than 10:30. Rev. K. O. Lundeberg of Minneapolis and Rev. Holm and other pastors will be with us to make these meetings inspiring and helpful. Please come and tell others. Norwegian will be used at our forenoon and afternoon session. The Ladies Aid have kindly offered to serve luncheon at noon to those who attend the meetings. This will be very helpful. We are thankful for this Sunday is our big mission day. We are depending upon you to make up what may be necessary to meet our end of the Synodical church budget. Please remember this and make this day a day of thanks to God. Say it with your money as well as your words. Rev. Lundeberg will preach at the morning service in the Norwegian language. Then the offering will be received. Come to the meeting prayerfully, give to the Lord cheerfully and God's blessing will come upon us.

HOLD BAZAAR SATURDAY

The ladies of the Catholic church will hold their annual bazaar on Saturday of this week at the library basement. The sale starts at 2:30 in the afternoon and many beautiful and useful gifts suitable for the Christmas season will be on sale. In the afternoon and evening the ladies will serve lunches.

For Rent—Room and board for one young man in private family. Post office box415. 1*

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CLIPPINGS

Some great poet said, "Every tub should sit on its own bottom."

We were glad to hear that the creamery association plans to run the scoring contest another year. However, would it not be well for the patrons the mselves to contribute next year's prizes? It would improve the flavor and give an added interest to the affair, we believe.

We further suggest that these business men who so kindly donated for the other contests, be urged with their wives to join us in the blowout next year.—Clear Lake Reporter.

The sophomore class and Professor Risser autoed to Belmond Tues day where they inspected the Iowa Valley Sugar Beet plant.—Kanawha Reporter.

Miss Mable Starnes was visiting at the Mille Smith home Monday and then she went to Belmond Tues day for a visit with relatives and friends.—Klemme Times.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Drake went to Belmond Sunday and spent the day at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Allen—Klemme Times.

August Dahr, a resident of Iowa Falls and employed with a ditching crew near Ackley, was fatally injured Friday at noon when the fly wheel of the ditching machine became loosened and was hurled with great force, striking Dahr in the head. He was taken to the office of a physician in Ackley at once, but died soon after reaching there.—Hampton recorder.

Miss Newgard of Belmond, a sister of Mrs. Paul Barth, and Mr. Ralph Edwards of Clarion were over Sunday guests at the Barth home.—Garner Signal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Pritchard are going to California next month for a visit with Mr. Pritchard's father and other relatives. Walt says that they will spend about two weeks in California as that is as long as he can be away.—Garner Signal.

Last Saturday at midnight while Harry Berry, night man at the Wood Carriage and Auto Company garage was absent from the building and at a cafe partaking of a lunch a thief looted the cash register and secured about $30 in bills and silver. The doors to the building were locked and the miscreant gained entrance by raising a window sas h with a bar which he used as a lever. The thief evidently was acquainted with the premises. The supposition is that the robbery was committed by local citizen.—Hampton Recorder.

The Rock Island passenger ran into a drove of cattle belonging to John Ullstad on the Steffenson farm northwest of town last Thursday evening and killed tweny-one head. Five more were injured. Those killed were cows and heifers and were all good cattle. The damage was fixed by a board of appraisers and further consideration if those injured did not recover. The cattle were trailing along a grade on the track when the train an hour late, hit them.—Forest City Summit.

The Recorder has been asked to call the attention of its readers to the fact that it is against the law to set a trap nearer than four feet to the runway of a fur-bearing animal. Another point that many seem to be ignorant of is that the trapping laws provide a severe penalty for disturbing or breaking into muskrat houses.—Hampton Recorder.

To Be Expected.

Nep—How did the swimming team come out?

Tune—Wet.

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

The hangings in Iowa during the past few months have stirred up a lot of sentimental people to agitate against the hanging of crimuials and some who are advocating the abolishment of capital punishment. These latter people are letting their sympapthies run away with their judgement. As a more humane manner of carrying out the death sentence, the electric shair may be a good thing but to abolish capital punishment altogether is unsound. The fear of the law is all that keeps some crimuial from doing more than they do; the knowledge that if they take a life their own shall be taken as a forfeit holds many a desperado from killing his victim. Stolen property can be replaced; a life taken is gone forever, a soul sent unannounced to the Great Judge. Prison sentences are for the lesser crimes; the death sentence should be the penalty for deliberate murder, and those sentamentalists who decry its fulfillment and vilify the officer who follows his duty and carries out the sentence are making trival talk for the glory of their own ears. Change the method, perhaps but the penalty never.

Forest City is organizing a Comercial club or Chamber of Comemerce. Wonder what the chances would be of getting one going in Belmond?

A town doesn.t necessarily have to be a big one to get on the front page of the dailies. Look at Hansell.

If Eagle Grove and Clarion don't watch out they will get real peeved at each other some of these days.

California isn't the onl state that has unusual weather.

Have you heard the latest? If a man marries a widow named Elizabeth who has two sons, what does he get?

SOCIETY

Phone 316

Bridge—

Miss Mary Barry entertained the Bridge club Monday evening. Mrs. M. C. Barry received the highest score. Light refreshment were served by the hostess.

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Eastern Stars—

The Eastern Stars met for their regular monthly meeting Wednesday evening. New officers were elected for the coming year.

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Progress—

The Progress club met at the home of Mrs. E. W. Luick Tuesday afternoon. The afternoon lesson was "The Kingdom in all its Glory." Mrs. G. F. Elder was the leader.

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Idle-a-While—

Mrs. Guy Baker entertained the Idle-a-While club Wednesday afternoon. A social afternoon was enjoyed after which light refreshments were served by the hostess.

The general opinion is that the state board should have barred Davis from athletics for a period, if it thought best. Because they may have trouble with some schools that are wilfuly violating this residence rule is no reason why they should slap a whole school and a whole community in the face for unknowingly violating a rule, at best only in a technical way, without at least first allowing a just and fair hearing of the case from both sides. The board in so doing harms the real interest of education and the promotion of clean athletics.—Chronicle.

Very Likely.

Gentleman Crook—Pardon me, sir but haven't I held you up before?

Weary Victim—Well, the gun looks familiar, but I've forgotten the face.

OUTSIDE ADVERTISING IT SHOULD BE ACCEPTED

Editor's Note: This paper was read before the last Annual Convention of the Minnesota Editorial Association. Mr. Folsom has given his ideas on this subject based on years of experience in this particular field and has handled it in an exececellent manner.....

In this meeting of the newspaper pulblishers, I take it that our topics refer to newspapers—not "organs." Certainly no one at this meeting would care to be rated as an organ grinder who represents some class or clique and does just what he is told to do without considering his obligation to those, who purchase his paper and rely upon his honesty and fairness.

It seems to me that the proposal advanced in the paper just read—that advertising should be acepted from competing towns is the only absolutely fair principle to lay down, presuming of course, that the advertising be "fair," by which I mean truthful and not aimed to injure. Just as a shopman's first obligation should be to give value received to those who place their confidence in him, a newspaper's first obligation should be to its subscribers. To make good with one's subscribers does not mean merely to give a fair statement of truth as news and make honest expression of editorial opinion but must also include the publication of all fair advertising that seeks and pays for space in its columns without breaking the rules of the office as to time and makeup.

To refuse to live up to this obligation puts the newspaper itself in the position of refusing to allow the publication of truth in its columns, puts its home-town merchants in the position of being afraid to compare their goods and prices with those of merchants in competing towns and makes the purchasing public feel that is being imposed on whether it is or not. Poisons its mind against the combination of "big business and kept press" that is arrayed against it and starts it out on a class war that is always injurious to the individual and demoralizing to the community and the state.

I one time had a personal exerience of that sort. I refused a piece of advertising from a competing town and the merchant who was really an amible and able man, flooded our community with circular advertising in which he held my paper up to a well deserved ridicule and fairly "bruned up" the merchants of my home town. The result cost us hundreds of dollars worth of business and untold injury in the loss of public confidence which is the windward anchor of every enterpise of real worth.

In addition to the obligation of a newspaper to its subscribers, which I referred to, there are other professional landmarks in the publication of a newspaper, without which no paper can retain the greatest degree of public confidence and no publisher best succeed. Probably the second obligation is to the publisher himself, to maintain his self respect and establish a public confidence in his course so that his birthright and be respected whether he be popular or not, and such a course can not be run nor such a confidence be built upon a platform so narrow as not to reach without the confines of his own door yard. It seems to me that a third is to the public which has given to the press untrammeled liberties of expression, special mailing privileges and other advantages and asks in return only absolute and unbending honesty, free from curtailment of censoring because of this that or the other, including locality. And I cannot, Mr. President and members of the Association, see by what means of reason I can so warp any of these obligations that rest on every newspaper as to any more justify the publication of a deliberate falsehood than I can to deny to any man the right to publish therein his fair story of the truth. And that refers to advertising as well as anything else.

It is true, that between localities, a newspaper owes its first obligation to its own home community. Every man owes that and a good country paper represents the personality of its publisher. But it seems to me that refusal to accept fair advertising which may contain valuable or necessary information for some or most of the paper's subscribers in its own home town, would constitute a deliberate abridgment of that obligation which should, under ordinary circumstances, class it outside the real newspaper pale. It isn't the American idea that a section or a state can best develop behind closed doors.

Along this same line, I might add that if the paper just read had upheld the propriety of soliciting advertising in competing towns I could not have agreed with it nor do I believe the sentiment of this organization would favor such a stand, presuming that the paper were already receiving fair treatment in its own home community. A newspaper is really a public utility and the obligation that it owes the public is based on this concepton, but there is a vast difference between its duty and its right to stir up competitive towns to destory its own. I do not believe that a self-respecting publisher in any town where the merchants are demonstrating their desire and ability to car for the business of the community and are providing the paper with a reasonable amount of local support will go into a competing community in a mistaken attempt to further feather his nest.

Of course, there are exceptions to every rule, and so they will be found to the one for which I contend—that advertising should be accepted from competing towns. But their existence is without effect on the rule itself. In some centers where nationality, creed or other condition plays a controlling part, some publishers tell us that they succeed best by refusing business from competitive towns, but that proves nothing in the broad field of newspaperdom, or in the general discussion in which we are engaged.

The real question is the development of the community and the newspaper which is a community leader must be broad in its conception. There are a thousand weapons at its command to ward off any danger in competitive town advertising if it wishes to arise and use them. Advertising from competitive towns is not a menace—it should be, could be, must be a spur to better things if the old home town is worthy of a place in the sun.

A. I. Redding, who has been employed in this neighborhood for the past few years as a farm hand is serving a 90 day sentence in the county jail for driving an automobile while intoxicated. Last Saturday night Redding was discovered in his car in a ditch north of Hampton on the Jefferson highway by Sheriff Atkinson and other officers who were out on another case.—Hampton Chronicle.

Every knock is a boost, but that doesn't apply to the knock in your car.

Gold comes from mines; dollars from minds. Think it over.

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Eggs

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We can use any kind of Live Poultry, any amount. Call us for prices.

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Start your savings account now with a whole new year ahead. Your account at this bank will be warmly welcomed. It may be started with just $1.00.

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Reduce Your

Meat Bill

Pork

Shoulders -	16c
Fresh Hams -	18c
Rough Sides -	16c
Half Hogs -	13c

Beef

Front Quarter -	9c
Hind Quarters -	12c
Beef Rounds -	13c
Full Loins -	13c

Remember this beef is corn fed young heifer stock.

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Three Markets Phone 60

FARM BUREAU NOTES

Corn Yield Contest

The purpose of the corn yield contest is to bring corn from various parts of the county together and plant it on one man's farm where the soil conditions are uniform. The corn has the same cultural methods and is given as near uniform conditions as possible. This gives the various farmers an opportunity to compare their corn in yielding qualities to other corn. The ultimate purpose of the work is to obtain a strain of corn that will outyield the various types of corn grown in any particular county. The best variety of corn for any particular set of conditions is one that, one season with another, will produce the largest amount of shelled corn of good quality. There are many varieties and strains of corn of more or less difference. In determining what variety is best suited for any particular locality two outstanding points should be taken into consideration, namely—first; a variety or strain that is adapted to that local condition and will mature properly in an ordinary season. Much loss is occasioned by attempting to raise a strain that is too large and too late for the locality. Second—the yielding points of a variety should be taken into conderation. In testing the relative productiveness of a variety of corn under the same conditions large differences have been found, even among varieties developed in the same community. Such differences are inherent in the variety. They are valuable characteristics just as much as color, type of ear, or shape of kernel. It has been found in some counties over the state that a difference of as much as twenty bushels per acre has been noticed among strains entered in competitive tests such as that conducted in this county.

The average yield of corn for Iowa last year was forty-three bushels per acre. Comparing this yield with the yield obtained in the test plots it is easy to see that the yield per acre can easily be increased. The low yield is due in many cases to poor seed. In Iowa the average sand is not more than sixty-two per cent. Records that have been taken have shown that twenty-five per cent of the hills were missing, thirty per cent had one stalk, twenty-five per cent had two stalks and twenty per cent had three stalks per hill. This condition exists in hundreds of fields but the actual seriousness of the situation is not generally realized in most instances. If we go into many corn fields to husk them and make a story of the stand of corn we will see why the average of the state is as low as forty-three bushels per acre.

Corn is more sensitive to changed conditions than any other grain, especially as regarding climatic conditions. We should therefore be careful not to import corn from a great distance. The man who once secures a good variety and then gives it careful attention year after year, planting only the best ears out of the best of all his crop, has a much better chance of success than the man who depends upon purchased seed from a distance.

The results of the corn samples on the Harry Inners farm near Goldfield are as follow:

Miller S. Nelson rank 1, plot No. 27, field wgt. in lbs. 567, per cent water 15.8 yield in bushels 77.71.

M. L. Clark, rank 2 plot No. 28, field wgt. in lbs. 563, per cent water 16.9, yield in bushels 76.17.

T. A. Knight, rank 3, plot No. 4, field wgt. in lbs. 546, per cent water 16.3, yield in bushels 74.40.

Numbers 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 yielded 73.70, 72.03, 68.87, 68.82, 68.29 and 67.77 respectively.

The results of the corn samples on the H. A. Flett farm near Dows are as follows:

Harry Woodley rank 1, plot No. 24, yield in lbs. 469, per cent water 16.2, yield in bushels 63.97.

Edd. Harring, rank 2, plot No. 22 yield in lbs. 464, per cent water 17.3 yield in bushels 62.47.

F L. Bubeck, rank 3, plot No, 19, yield in lbs. 457, per cent water 21.0 yield in bushels 58.77.

Numbers 4 5, 6, 8, and 9 yielded 58.51, 58.27, 57.76, 50.72, 50.09 and 48.90 respectively.

1923 Program Outlined

On last Saturday Nov. 25th a committee consisting of Geo. C. Kirstein, (Woolstock township)—Mrs. Harry Woodley (Grant township) and Geo. M. Nelson (Eagle Grove township) met at the county agent's office and outlined the program of work which is to be followed next year in carrying out the activities of the Wright county farm bureau. The president of the farm bureau appointed this committee from various parts of the county to work out the schedule of work for the coming year.

There was a time when the extension department arranged a list of projects and "wished" them upon the farm bureau organization to work out as best they could, but times have changed and the farmers within the organization have decided that as long as they are the ones who pay the bill, they should be entitled to have voice in deciding upon what lines of work should be taken up by the farm bureau organization. Each township organization has had opportunity to suggest projects which should be included in the year's work and the committee in outlining the work has kept these suggestions in mind.

Now that the program of work for 1923 is decided upon the way seems clear for carrying on a successful year's work in Wright county. An effort has been made to carry out the program of work in such a way as to fit it to the budget which is made up for carrying on the work each year. An interesting list of projects has been arranged and will be carried out as nearly we have at hand and with the assistance of the extension department.

Interesting Clothing Schedule completed.

Miss Bertha Huber, clothing specialist from the extension department a Ames, has just completed a series of demonstrations or training schools in which each township in the county has had opportunity to take advantage of her specialized work on "The Use and Alteration of Commercial Patterns."

In conducting these training schools on the sewing work the object has been to present the work in such a way that about five or six ladies in each township could actually do the work under Miss Huber's direction and in this way be able to go back to their respective communities and actually demonstrate to the other ladies the work as given. It is hoped that the ladies who have taken this course of instruction will feel the responsibility of passing the good work along, because it is only by such cooperation that the specialized work in the ladies department can be put across in this county where we are not fortunate enough to have a home demonstration agent. This is a splendid opportunity for the ladies of the various township communities to get together and cooperate with one another in problems which are vital to their individual homes.

Although the weather has been very disagreeable at times and the roads almost impassable, and although most farmers have been busy with corn picking work, the meetings have been very well attended and great interest has been taken in the work as presented by Miss Huber. These demonstrations have been very practicle and those who have attended seem to feel that if this work is carried on as we believe it will be the sewing work of the farm home will be made more attractive and less burdensome. This course of instruction has surely offered an opportunity to the ladies of Wright county for getting specialized help in the line of the sewing work and the hope has been expressed that this work will be continued next year.

Tuberculosis Increasing In Iowa

Mr. Smith of the live stock exchange, speaking before the extension workers' conference at Ames recently, said that twenty per cent of the hogs of Iowa have tuberculosis. This means that 100 train loads of forty cars each have the disease. He stated further that these hogs contract tuberculosis from the cattle and that the loss amounts to $1,000,000 annually. The packers at the present time find that it costs twenty-five cents per cwt. to maintain the inspection and pay the losses. They are offering a premium of ten cents per cwt. for hogs from tuberculin free districts. He also stated that twenty-five per cent of the tuberculosis of children under five years of age is caused by using milk from infected cows. These facts ought to make us realize the importance of testing the cattle especially milk cows, and getting them out of the herd. If you want your cows tested let the farm bureau office list them for testing and as soon as fifty head are listed in the community a test will be arranged.

Date Set For Annual Federation Convention

The next annual convention of the Iowa Farm Bureau federation will be held in Des Moines, January 11 and 12, 1923. The opening session on Thursday will be devoted to reports of federation officers of the activities of the organization in 1922. Speakers of national prominence will address the convention. It is hoped that arrangements will be again made to send a number of delegates from Wright county. Those who attended last year were especially well pleased with the program which they heard.

Beware of Bean Weevils

Several people have reported damage to stored beans by the common bean weevil. Thinking that information in regard to this pest would be of value to others we are quoting from Dr. C. J. Drake, state entomologist, as follows:

"These weevils get into the beans, lay eggs and the larvae soon hatch out in the eans and ruin them.

When the presence of the bean weevils is noticed, action against the pest should begin at once or they will soon have the beans thoroughly infected and ruined.

The best method to use is to fumigate the beans with carbon bisulphite gas, as this penetrates the bean and kills all the larvae. However, the carbon bisulphite is extremely explosive and should be used with caution. It is a good plan to consult the county agent about handling the remedy. When only a few beans are in storage, as a few bushels for seed it is a good plan to take the beans out of doors for fumigation.

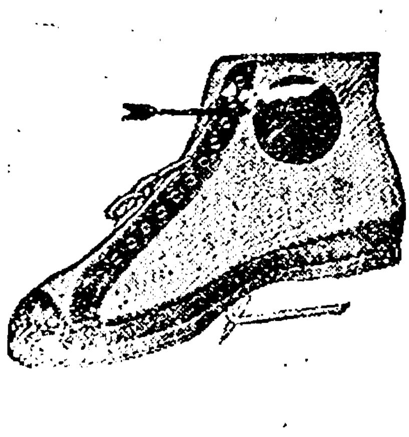
To fumigate, take the sacked beans out of doors and place in a barrel. Take a small dish or pan and set on top of the sack and put one pound of carbon bisulphite in the pan for every 100 pounds of beans. Cover the barrel with an oilcloth and leave for several hours. The fumes from the carbon bisulphite gas is heavier than air and will go down and penetrate the bags and kill the weevils. Keep the temperature at about fifty degrees for best results."

THE CORRECT WEIGHTS

The following list of weights is the correct weight used in Iowa on the various items listed. Clip it out and paste it up, so the next time you want to know what the legal weights of any given articles are you will have them.

Apples, 48.
Apples, dried, 24.
Alfalfa seed, 20.
Barley, 48.
Beans, green, unshelled, 56.
Beans, dried, 60
Beans, lima 56.
Blue grass seed, 14.
Bran, 20.
Bronus inermis, 14.
Broom corn seed, 50.
Buckwheat, 48.
Castor beans, shelled, 50.
Charcoal, 20.
Cherries, 40.
Clover seed, 60.
Coal, 80.
Coke, 40.
Corn on the cob (field) 70.
Corn in the ear unhusked, field 75
Corn, shelled, field, 56.
Corn meal, 48.
Cucumbers, 48.
Carrots, 50.
Beets, 56.
Emmer, 40.
Flax seed, 56.
Grapes, with stems, 40.
Hemp seed, 44.
Hickory nuts, hulled, 50.
Kaffir corn, 56.
Lime, 80.
Millet seed, 50.
Oats, 32.
Onions, 52.
Onion top sets, 28.
Onion bottom sets, 32.
Orchard seed grass, 14.
Osage orange seed, 32.
Parsnips, 45.
Peaches, 48.
Peaches, dried, 33.
Peanuts, 22.
Pears, 54.
Peas, green unshelled, 50.
Peas, dried, 60.
Plums, 48.
Pop corn, on the car, 70.
Popcorn, shelled, 56.
Potatoes, 60.
Quinces, 48.
Rape seed, 50.
Red top seed, 14.
Rutabbagas, 60.
Rye, 56.
Salt, 80.
Sand, 130.
Shorts, 20.
Sorghum Saccharatum seed, 50.
Spelt, 40.
Sweet corn, 50.
Sweet potatoes, 50.
Timothy seed, 45.
Tomatoes, 50.
Turnips, 55.
Walnuts, hulled, 50.
Wheat, 60.
All root crops not specified above 50 pounds to the bushel.

Write for Prices



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THIS shoe is worn by the leading College and High School teams for its speed and durability.

The light weight makes it speedy, the sole is a perfect suction and the entire shoe is built to wear.

Let us equip your team with them.

SPECIAL PRICES
ON TEAM LOTS

WOODRUFF'S
"Good Shoes"
115 N. Fed. Mason City, Iowa

Griesy's Store News

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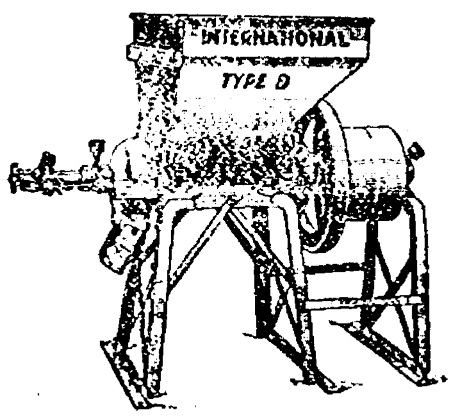
Feed Grinder Lubrication

The McCormick-Deering Feed Grinder has five hard oilers two of which are located on the main bearings and keep the shaft constantly oiled. Each end-thrust bearing is lubricated by oil supplied from cups that can be easily filled. The shaft on which the gear operating the agitator rod turns is kept well supplied with grease from an oil cup located within easy reach of the operator. These features may be incidental to actual grinding operations, but they certainly do much to keep the McCormick Deering Feed Grinder going at top speed and full capacity without mishap. McCormick-Deering Feed Grinder bearings do not burn out if oil is kept in the cups. That's part of the real quality you want in feed grinders.



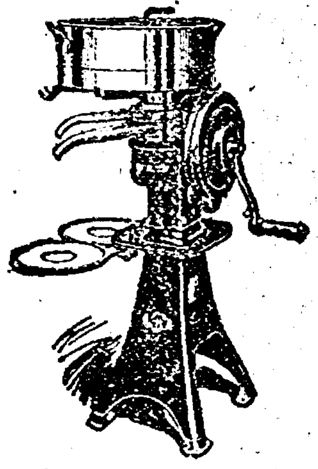
Are You A Head Worker?

It has been said that "the man who spreads manure by hand is making better use of his hands than his head". Spreading manure by hand is a slow, tedious job at best. Manure can't be spread as finely evenly and uniformly by hand as by a good manure spreader, nor can it be done as quickly. The International Manure Spreader will save time, save muscles in your back, save manure and MAKE MONEY for you by increasing the fertility of your soil. The International Roller-Bearing, Tight-Bottom Manure Spreader will do all these things for you at a comparatively low price—the first price only. Why not come in and look one over? Be a head worker.

Imitation repairs give imitation results. If you don't believe this, ask the man with a wooden leg! Buy genuine I. H. C. repairs from us.

Ask For A Demonstration

The combination of the highest quality ball bearings at points of greatest friction and a slow crank speed make a large capacity Primrose so light running it will surprise and please you. The Ball Bearing Primrose is the lightest running cream separator of its capacity to be found anywhere—hard turning has been eliminated. Ask us to bring a Ball Bearing Primrose out to your farm. Test this machine to your own satisfaction. The improved tinware, postive and automatic oiling system, ball bearing slow crank speed, big capacity—all these so greatly increase the life of the machine that the Ball Bearing Primrose is the most desirable cream separator on the market. Ask us for a demonstration on your farm!



This is the time of the year when everybody you meet tells you a different way to cure your cold—none of which will work.

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THE WHITE MULE BRAYS

The following sprasm must have been the result of too freely imbibing of the hooch when it is green from the still, and is credited to exchange:

It was midnight on the ocean
Not a street car was in sight;
The sun was shining brightly,
And it rained all day and night.
It was evening and the rising sun
Was setting in the west;
The fishes in the pine trees
Were cuddled in their nest.
'Twas a summer day in winter,
The snow was raining fast,
A barefooted girl with shoes on
Was sitting on the grass.
The rain was pouring downward
The moon was shining bright,
And everything that you could see
Was hidden out of sight.
While the organ peeled potatoes
Lard was rendered by the choir;
While the sexton rang the dish rag,
Some one set the church on fire.
"Holly smoke!" the parson shouted.
And the poor guy lost his hair;
Now his head is just like Heaven
For there is no parting there.

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Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

Kinseth's Store News

How did you stand the battle last Thursday? Hope you came thru victorious, full of satisfaction and with a contented feeling. Thanksgiving comes but once a year so one sorta feels like celebratin' a little bit.

If you trade at the store on the corner you will be thankful every day of the year, because you will be saving money, and money doesn't grow like sugar beets or corn, altho there is money in both. We have some real bargains to offer in blankets, and it's getting so a pair feels mighty good these nights. Look our line over and pick out a pair.

One big trouble with these holidays is that you no sooner get over one than the next one's here. Christmas is only a few days away and we have a full line of eats for the occasion.

We sell raisins but not hooch.

Men's leather vests and overshoes at warming prices for these warm goods. You need them out of doors this kind of weather.

And we also have wool shirts for the men too. Keep your shirt on if you want to keep warm.

And underwear that feels warm and is warm, and you won't get hot when you discover the price.

Coffee when it's cold is just the same as lemonade when its hot, only different. We have "different" coffee—different because it's better and only 38c.

The road runs right by our door, so don't forget the store on the corner.

The Store of Xmas Gifts for Men and Boys

Right now when Christmas problems are most perplexing.

You may enjoy the advantages which come to those who do their Holiday shopping here.

Every day sees more women choosing gifts for men, taking advantage of our complete Christmas stocks.

Their selections are unhurried and they may choose from many assortments of finer things which will be impossible for us to replace.

Gift Suggestions

For Men	For Boys
BATH ROBES	SWEATERS
SLIPPERS	SHIRTS
HOUSE COATS	BLOUSES
SHIRTS	HANDKERCHIEFS
TIES	CAPS
PAJAMAS	SPORT HOSE
HATS	BELTS
CAPS	OVERCOATS
MUFFLERS	SUITS

Make this store your headquarters during the holiday shopping.

PATTON BROTHERS COMPANY
Where A Dollar Does Its Duty
MASON CITY AND MANLY, IOWA

MESERVEY SECTION

Meservey

Barber Shop

H. F. REIF, Prop.

Laundry Dry Cleaning

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Foss, G. E. Roecker and wife and daughter, and Louie Foss and wife all spent Thanksgiving day at the James Hemming home at Thornton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sloss of Fort Robinson Neb. visited several days last week at the home of his sister Mrs. Frank Nissen. From here they went to Brookings S. D. to spend a few days at the home of T. H. Wright. Mrs Wright is also a sister of Mr. Sloss.

YOU NEED ME!

I am the maker of OPPORTUNITIES---the foundation of FORTUNES!

I am the builder of CHARACTER---SELF RESPECT---CITIZENSHIP!

Homes are erected and these homes made happy because of me.

In sickness and adversity I keep the wheels turning---pay the doctor---the landlord---the grocer---make sorrow lighter.

To Youth I offer SUCCESS in life---to Old Age, PEACE and COMFORT.

Turn me aside and it means life-long regret. Accept me and I will work day and night, Sundays and holidays, earning money for you.

I am HERE---at this Bank--- ready to begin doing all if these things for YOU---if you but ACT!

I am---A BANK ACCOUNT!

A BANK OF SERVICE AND SAFETY

FARMERS SAVINGS BANK

MESERVEY IOWA

Miss Marvel Brogan of Garner spent Friday and Saturday with her friend Miss Thelma Thomas.

Mrs. Henry Frey and son Willert went to Kiester Minn. last Wednesday to spend a few days at the home of her parents.

Miss Alma Ralston came home from Iowa Falls Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with her parents. She returned to her college, Saturday.

L. R. Van Tassell auctioneer of Belmond, was a business caller in town last Wednesday.

Walter and Herman Witt came here Thanksgiving day to spend the week end at the L. B. Huslsbus home

Harold Blewitt and family spent Thanksgiving day with the former's parents at Thornton, where a family dinner was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Karjens of Bradford spent Thanksgiving with the latter's mother Mrs. Echoff. They returned home Thursday evening, accompanied by Miss Rena Boelman who will visit them for a few days.

BEING that pork is high, come in and buy beef by the quarter, as it is cheaper.

NUT-MARGARINE always on hand.

FRESH AND SMOKED MEATS of all kinds on hand at prices that are right.

WE BUY CREAM.

City Meat Market

Waage & Ruiter, Props.

Phone 27 Meservey, Iowa

Walter Brogan and Dan Wenzel with their families ate Thanksgiving dinner at the Dan Wenzel Sr. home at Belmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Guth are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby daughter, which came to their home on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boelman motored to Mason City last Friday, on a business errand.

Surprise Party

The Young Peoples Bible class of the Reformed church were successful in carrying out a complete surprise on their pastor Rev. Pannkuk and family, last Thursday on the eve of Thanksgiving. Thirty-four were present and a most enjoyable evening is reported. Games were played and a general good social time was had by all. Refreshments of sandwiches and pickles, cake and cocoa were served. A purse of $10. was made up by the young people and presented to their Pastor and Sunday School teacher.

H. Fischer left town Thursday p. m. to deliver a box of "Delicious" apples. He went by ford, but we are not certain as to his destination. Anyway he returned the next morning.

Mr. Le Brun of Minneapolis, Burglar Alarm Expert, was in town last Friday inspecting the alarm at the Farmer's Saving Bank, getting it in first class condition.

Supt. Herbster and O. D. Brogan went to Mason City to witness the football game between Cedar Rapids and Mason City, Thanksgiving day. The score was 33 to 0 in favor of Cedar Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Sprau were Mason City visitors last Friday.

H. C. Adams of Algona, Farm Loan Inspector, was a business caller in this vicinity Friday.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk and daughter Lydia spent last Friday in Mason City.

Miss Wilhelmine Loats entertained a crowd of young people at the home of her parents lasat Thursday evening. An enjoyable time is reported. A delicious oyster supper was served followed by salad and cake.

The W. M. S. will meet today in the Evang. church basement for their annual business meeting and election of officers. All come please.

Fred Ralston and "Bing" Jones were Mason City visitors Thanksgiving day to witness the football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jenison and son of Bemond visited at the Brater home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Foss and G. E. Raecke, wife and daughter called at the home of the former's brother near Belmond last Sunday evening.

Fred Sluter and daughter Miss Eva were Mason Cty callers last Saturday Fredinand Lemke accompanied them to attend the Iowa Boy's Conference.

C. J. Wendell's are enjoying a visit from Mrs. Wendell's mother, Mrs. Prall of Tama City.

Mr. and Mis. K. Miller and son and daughter of Burdette visited at the H. Hulsebus home last Sunday.

C. F. W. Paul accompanied by J. Wickersheim motored to Mason City last Sunday to bring the boys home who had been attending the north Iowa Older Boy's Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulsebus left Tuesday for a visit with friends at Belmond and Buffalo Center.

"Meeting of North Iowa" Y. M. C. A. boys in Mason City closes Sunday.

A delegation of boys from this place had the privilege of attending the North Iowa Older Boy's Conference at Mason City from Friday to Sunday. Ralph Paul was the delegate from the "Friends" class and Mervin Wickersheim was sent from the "S. O. S." class. Other attending were Oliver Sprau, Orvis Schlesselman and Donald Muler with Supt. Herbster and Fredinand Lemke as leaders. 250 were present at this Conference. Some of the principal speakers were W. P. McCormick of Des Moines, Otis C. McCreery Minneapolis Fred Hanson, State Secretary-elect, of Ames A. L. Miller Indianna. The Chamber of Commerce Glee Club and Cornell and Parsons furnished entertainment on Saturday evening before the Conference Banquet.

The conference came to a successful close in the Sunday program of "step ahead" services for delegates in which 15 made decisions for Christ for the first time, 30 renewed their Christian pledges and 150 decided to live a cleaner life.

The boys from here are very enthusiastic over the out come of this Conference, and say they would not have missed it for a great deal. They all plan to attend the next annual meeting. They also voted Mason City hosts, royal entertainers.

The City Council met for their regular meeting last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Staltlander spent Sunday at the Bert Staltlander home near Latimer.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH NOTES

Thursday p. m. 2:00 W. M. S. meeting.

Thursday evening 7:30 prayer meeting and choir rehearsal.

Friday evening 7:30 beginning of Quarterly Conference, to continue over Sunday. Rev. Orth of Mason City will have charge.

Dan Wenzel and Walt Broga with their families were present at a birthday surprise given at the Dan Wenzel home in Belmond last Saturday evening. The occasion was the 79th birthday of Mr. Wenzel and it goes without saying that the evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner. All the children with th.eir families were present

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sloss of Ames were over Sunday guests at the home of their daughter Mrs. Frank Nissen.

M. and Mrs John Ruiter and baby spent Sunday at the Henry Heitland home

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Enabnit from Clear Lake spent Sunday at the Heiko Kuhlers home

Ben Bruns and family of near Palsville moved into their property in the south part of town Monday and will make their home here.

Rev. Waalkes of Palsville was calling in town Monday.

Bert Standtlander of near Latimer was in town Monday.

W. F. Butz and son Lloyd and G. Lauster attended a stock sale at Mason City last Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Pannkuk were Mason City shoppers last Monday.

Thomas Whelan and family from Belmond and Tim and Wm. Waddingham with their families of near Klemme were Sunday visitors at the Ralph Waddingham home east of the town.

FOR SALE—Black walnuts and Butter nuts. See W. F. Butz. 31c

FOR SALE—Some good Poland China male hogs weight 250 lbs. price $25. Roy Halfpap Goodell Ia. 1tfc

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

Hogs For Sale.

Large type Poland China boars for sale. March and Apr. farrow. Sired by Long Joe by The Joker. Others by The Yank. The kind that will improve your herd .New blood for old customers.(Cholera Immune) Price $25.& $30.

C H. Quandt, 2 1-2 miles south of Meservey. Phone 619.

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How about Storm Windows and Storm Doors? Better let us have your order NOW!

H. J. Klemme Lumber Co.

Harm J. Groen, Mgr.

Meservey, Iowa

Office Phone 20 Residence Phone 17

Today Is Thanksgiving

We are surely thankful for many things this year, and even though some of us have not fared so well we can still be thankful.

Don't forget that we will have a full line of toys for everyone, from baby on up to grandpa.

C. J. WENDEL

RADIO

Why not have a set in your home for these long winter nights?

We sell all kinds of makes and sizes and put them up for you.

Meservey Garage

G. E. RAECKER, Prop.

Phone 44 Meservey, Iowa

WE have the radio fever, and we sit up evenings to hear the world talk, but we are always here during the day to wait on our customers.

Groceries always fresh. Dry goods of all kinds.

Men's and boys' overalls.

Sweaters, shoes and overshoes.

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Meservey, Iowa

MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

Eva Sprau returned to school Monday after an absence of several weeks.

Elma Witt returned to school Monday.

The Senior class are settling affairs in general. The following decisions have been made:

Class motto—"Don't be a crank, be a self starter."

Class colors—Purple and gold.

Class flower—Purple lilac.

The rings have also been chosen and will be sent for soon.

The school board gave the Friday following Thanksgiving as vacation, much to apreciation of faculty and students. The teachers spent their vacation in the following places:

Miss Anderson at Story City, Miss Hawthorne at Renwick, Miss Thomas at Meservey, Miss Holroyd accompanied Miss Huenemana to her home near Garner, Miss Humke at Ackley and Mr. Herbster at Meservey.

The agriculture class have taken up a new text "Soils and Soil Fertility." Tuesday afternoon they went on a field trip in connection with their studies.

The boys and girls basket ball teams of Meservey High School played both teams of Latimer High School,Tuesday evening at Latimer. The boys were defeated by a score of twelve to two. The score of the girls game at the end of first was four and. Another hotly contested half followed, at the end of which the score remained the same neither side making a gain. It was decided to break the tie by playing another 3 minutes, but the score remained the same . After another three minutes of hard fighting Latimer gained two scores making the standing score eight to four in their favor.

Among those taking the players and rooters to Latimer Tuesday evening were,Rev. Schlesselman, A. J. Nissen, A. E. Mueller, A. D. Grogan, Bert Groen, Clyde Smith, Fred Menzel, Harold Zieman, Theodore Dirks, and Albert Pals.

The high school had an old time spellingmatch Wednesday afternoon. The contest was rather brief and ended with an equal number on both sides.

5th and 6th Grades

Original Thanksgiving poems were written in both classes this week. The poems voted the best are belonging to Alma Dorenkamp, Harriet Sprau and Lydia Pannkuk.

The sixth grade people were much pleased to have their last year's teacher Miss Ralston, with them a short time Wednesday afternoon.

Laura Bier and Arne Winthers are back in school after a three weeks' absence

Those having perfect deportment stars the past week are Harriett Sprau, Marvin Nissen, Jennie Riekens, Mildred Janssen, Arlene Nissen, Wayne Waddingham, Harland Blewitt, Neva Muller, Ether VanOsten, Emma Boelman, Fredona Lemke, Nellie Frey, Herman Meints, Marie Pals, Lydia Pannkuk, Edna Kuhler, Virgie Schluter and Alma Dorenkamp. After a student has a perfect deportment star for 20 days he is entitled to a gold star.

Mr. Nissen and Marvin took the teachers to the basket ball game at Latimer Thursday evening.

Wednesday afternoon the members of the 5th and 6th grades handed in papers on which were written their reasons for being thankful. Chief among them we found health home and friends.

3rd and 4th Grades

Wilbert Frey spent Thanksgiving in Minnesota ,

The children who were absent from school this week were Lydia Pals, Wilbert Frey and Raymond Pals.

A third class has been organaized in our room. Anyone wishing information concernng the class may question some of the children or come and visit school.

The 3rd grade had perfect attendance on Monday and Tuesday.

The 4th grade had a speed and accuracy test Monday and on Tuesday morning. The leaders were Lu-Verne Butz and Lincoln Paul. The team under the leadership of Lu, Verne won, having made 350 points on Monday and 237 on Tuesday. The members of the winning team were Lu Vern, Thara, Raymond, Mervin, Benjamin S., Phyllis, Gwethalyun, aand Leona.

Tuesday afternoon, the Fourth grade spent their geography period in making an Indian village.

Miss Ralston visited our room Wednesday afternoon.

The third grade speed and accuracy test on Tuesday morning was won by Norman Muller's side. The members of the team were Vona, Frederick, Leona, Vergie, Virgil Tillie, and Raymond.

The Second grade has had only one case of absence during the past two weeks

Those who have had perfect spelling the past week are Bernice, Blewitt, Barbara Braga Kenneth Kolb Esther Smith Neola Watermiller, Julia Frye Viola Koehler and Lois Thomas. The last three had perfect spelling all last week also.

In the Second grade number work contest, Lorenga Quandt holds the best record, as he went around the "race track" in 14 seconds. Going around the track consists in giving the answers to the twelve combination written on the "track."

Harold Riekens has been absent from the first grade this entire week.

Alfred Olson has reentered the eighth grade after an absent of four weeks.

Arloene Janssen has had 100 in spelling for five weeks.

The seventh grade have finished studying about the Central States and have begin work on the Southern States.

Miss Ralston visited the 7 and 8th grades Friday afternoon.

You won't see 8 per cent bonds right away again, and there is considerable doubt about 6 per cent beer.

The Bright Side.

Mr. Nuwed—Peg, if you keep on spending money, we'll land in the poorhouse.

Mrs. Nuwed—But Jack, we'll have some pretty things to take with us.

REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30 (English.)

German services at 10:30.

Young Peoples' meeting at 7:15 (German.)

Evening services at 8:00 (English.)

Singing practice for Christmas on Sunday at 2:00 p m.

Rehearsal of dialogues, recitations, hymns, etc., for Christmas program Saturday at 1:30 p m.

A Thanksgiving service was held last Thursday and the goodly sum of $68.41 was raised for German relief.

Last Sunday after the preparatory services two persons made confession of faith, and were received into the church.

Next Sunday the Ladies' Aid Supper will be celebrated. The usual offering taken up at this occasion will go to the Board of Domestic Missions. May we add, that contributions in behalf of Domestic Missions ae far short of the board's budgets, and less than they were at this time last year. We, therefore kindly request the membership to give liberally towards this cause.

Last Thursday evening thirty of the young people gathered at the parsonage and had a complete surprise upon the pastor and family. They came with well filled baskets, and after a social time had been spent in games, etc. to the enjoyment of all refseshments were served. Just before leaving a purse of money was presented to us as a token of appreciation. We thank you again for this encouragement.

H. PANNKUK, Pastor.

SALE OF RED CROSS SEALS IS ENDORSED

Hearty endorsment of the annual sale of Christmas Seals in Iowa to finance the state wide fight on tuberculosis, and to assist in local public health work is given by a number of leading Iowa citizens in statements which they have made in regard to the sale of the seals.

The seals are sold in every county in the state by the Iowa Tuberculosis Association, cooperating with women clubs, local public health organizations and similar units everywhere. Most of the proceeds are used locally by the organizations conducting the sale.

"Nothing is more important in Iowa than the improvement of public health," declares Governor N. E. Kendall, who is an honorary vice president of the state association. "I hope that there will be a liberal purchase of the seals by al lwho are interested in better living conditions. The fight on tuberculosis is one of the most important activities of the present time, and much progress is being made in Iowa through the sale of the seals."

"Every member of organized labor is interested in improving public health conditions and in fighting tuberculosis," says J. C. Lewis,president of the Iowa Federation of Labor. "The sale of Christmas seals has the emphatic endorsment of the National Federation of Labor and Mr. Samuel Gompers, and I hope that the workers of Iowa will buy as liberally as they can afford. I am personally familiar with some of the good work which is being done, and I urge organized labor in Iowa to assist in the sale of seals in every possible way."

"Women of Iowa know that nothing is more necessary than continued activities to promote better health and protect the wellfare of the children", says Mrs. Dante M. Pierce, former president of the Iowa League of Women Votes, and well known in women's activities. "I hope that the fight against tuberculosis can be greatly strenghtened in this state by the sale of large numbers of christmas seals, and I am glad that women clubs and women's organizations generally are taking an interest in this work."

"I believe in all activities which will make the people of Iowa healthier and happier," is the statement of Senator-Elect Smith W. Brookhart. "The sale of Christmas seals helps to promote an interest in public health work by all who participate, and whenever the public itself becomes sufficiently active in any subject of vital interest to them, results are going to be obtained. I believe that public health work should begin at home, and this is one way to get a good start."

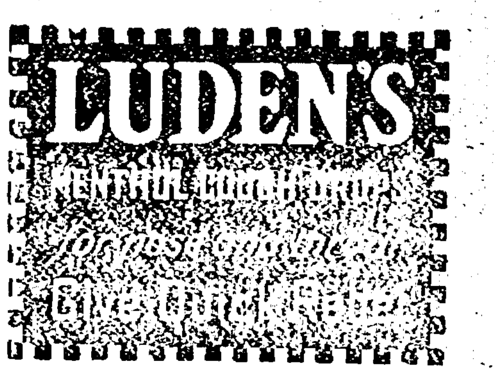
"The Iowa Farm Bureau Federation has cooperated with the Iowa Tuberculosis Association in the fight on tuberculosis, and I am glad to give my personal endorsment to the sale of Christmas seals," says E. H. Cunningham, secretary of the Iowa Tuberculosis Association. "The Farm Bureau has been one of the leading factors in the war on bovine tuberculosis. I hope that Farm Bureau members will assist in the seal sale to the best of their ability."

The seals will be placed on sale in county in Iowa about Dec. 1. It is hoped to sell at least $150,000 worth this year.

No Harm Done.

Preacher—Don't wou know my boy, that you shouldn't play ball on Sunday?"

Small Boy—That's all right, Mister. We ain't playing, we're only practicing for tomorrow's game!



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STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

FARMERS SAVINGS BANK

Organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Meservey, in the county of Cerro Gordo, at the close of business on the 31st day of October, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, Bonds and Securities ...		$270,877.57
Overdrafts	None	
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank		None
Banking House	$ 5,000.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	4,030.00	9,030.00
Other Real Estate owned		None
Due from banks and bankers, cash and cash items		26,164.71
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)		None
Total Resources		306,072.28

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	20,000.00	
Surplus fund	5,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)		1,106.47
Individual deposits subject to check	$ 96,111.89	
Demand deposits	1,332.77	
Time certificates of deposits	152,907.09	
Savings Deposits	4,614.06	254,965.81
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank		25,000.00
United States bonds borrowed	None	
Total Liabilities		306,072.28

STATE OF IOWA,
Cerro Gordo County, ss.

We, A. J. Nissen, president, Conrad Bier, vice president, and K. Clarence Ruigh, cashier of the bank above named do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said ank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has een loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.

A. J. NISSEN, President.
CONRAD BIER, Vice President.
K. CLARENCE RUIGH, Cashier

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by A. J. Nissen, K. Clarence Ruigh, and Conrad Bier this 3rd day of November, 1922.

M. E. GEALOW
Notary Public in and for Cerro Gordo County.

Attested by Frank Haferman and Jacob Nissen, Directors.

PUBLIC SALE

Having decided to quit farming, I will sell at public auction at my place 1 1-2 miles north and 1 mile west of Meservey; 6 miles east and 1 mile north of Goodell; and 12 miles northeast of Belmond, on

Wednesday, December 13th

Commencing at 11:00 o'clock a. m. sharp

7 - Head of Horses - 7

1 COLT COMING 3 YEARS OLD.
1 BAY MARE 9 YRS. OLD, WT. 1350
1 BAY TEAM 6 YRS. OLD, WT. 2600.
1 GREY MARE 8 YRS. OLD, WT. 1300.
1 BLACK GELDING 9 YRS. OLD, WT. 1400
1 SORREL GELDING 8 YRS. OLD, WT. 1400.

26 - Head of Cattle - 26

7 SUMMER CALVES
2 YEARLING STEERS.
1 REGISTERED HOLSTEIN BULL 1 YEAR OLD.
2 YEARLING HEIFERS.
1 2-YEAR-OLD HEIFER.
1 REGISTERED POLLED ANGUS BULL 3 YEARS OLD.
12 MILCH COWS, 6 FRESH NOW, 6 OTHERS FRESH SOON.

100 - Head of Duroc Jersey Hogs - 100

7 BOARS
18 FALL PIGS
20 SOWS, BRED.
55 FEEDING SHOATS

20 ton of Tame Hay and 250 shocks of Fodder
35 Geese and 75 Chickens

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 buggy
1 tile rack
1 road cart
2 hay racks
1 self-feeder
1 20-ft. drag
1 hog waterer
1 truck wagon
Some hog troughs
1 Deere sulky plow
1 Deere hay loader
2 Deere corn plows
1 McCormick mower
1 Deere seeder, new
1 narrow tired wagon
1 Deere corn planter with 100 rods of wire
1 single harness
3 sets of fly nets
1½ inch back pad
1 seed corn tester
1 seed corn grader
1 Moline beet lifter
1 Deere cutaway disc
1 Deering corn binder
1 McCormick hay rake
1 Dain side delivery rake
1 Deere gang plow, 13 inch
1 wagon with triple box complete
1 Hudson feed grinder, 8 in. bur.
1 Ottawa corn sheller with drags
Fordson tractor with Oliver tractor plow, new
2 16-ft. chicken coops
1 Owens fanning mill
1 set 1 3-4 in. breeching harness
1 Keystone hand sheller
1 chicken house, 10x14
100 feet chicken netting
1 Maytag power washer
1½ inch breeching harness
1½ Fairbanks-Morse engine
1 DeLaval separator No. 17
1 3-4 inch breeching harness
1 Ford car power attachment
1 Successful 240-egg incubator
1 6-ft. McCormick binder with tongue truck.
80 roads of 26-inch woven wire corn cribbing

Free Lunch At Noon

TERMS OF SALE: All sums of $10 and under, cash. Over that amount 12 months' time given on approved security at 8 per cent interest. No property removed until settled for.

Clerk---A. J. Nissen
Auctioneer---Bayless Bros.
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ROWAN NEWS

Thursday was a day of family reunions in and around Rowan. Some of the dinners are reported as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keith entertained a company of 25 relatives from Goldfield Miss Jenette Kerving from Atlantic was also present.

Mr and Mrs. Fred Brooks entertained relatives and friends numbering about 20.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rietz entertained the F. H Fowler family.

Mr and Mrs. Will Azeltine entertained the Ed Azeltine family and Mr. and Mrs. Mertel Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou entertained Rev and Mrs. Halbert.

Mr and Mrs. Howard Box entertained the parental Box and Heath families. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Azeltine, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Aldrich and the Arthur Box family from Clarion.

The Dan Fletcher and L. R. Fitz families and Chet Conn family were entertained at the Gay Fletcher home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Kercheval entertained the following families: E. Bingham, J. A. Whitten, Will Bingham, George Pritchett, Frank Kercheval, Dick Virden, Mrs. O. F .Braden and Fred Kercheval.

Mrs. Mary Braden entertained the George Unger family of Dows.

Mrs. Lizzie Otto of Hampton ate Thanksgiving dinner at the Jesse Steffens home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowers and family went to Iowa Falls to eat dinner with relatives

Miss Alice Kent spent a few days the first of the week with relatives in and around Rowan. She expects to leave for Calif. the latter part of the week.

The Peter Schreck family from Hayfield spent the week end with relativs here.

Mesdames A. H. Emerson, B. P. Hadley and J. S. Farren and the Misses Franes Farren and Stella Emerson were Ft. Dodge callers Friday.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou and LaVonne and Mrs. E Bingham were Clarion callers Tuesday.

Mesdames Herb Hadley and L. W. McCallum were Ft. Dodge shoppers Wednesday.

Mesdames Ed. Richards and Joe Ingraham of Alexander spent Wednesday at the Wm Tresidder home.

Miss Mabel Azeltine came from Des Moines to spend Thanksgiving at the home of her parents, returning Friday.

Mrs O. F. Braden came from Des Moines Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with her parents. Mr. Braden came Saturday evening and they returned Monday.

Robert Holliday came from Postville to spend Thanksgiving with his parents.

Miss Wilda Whitten came from her school duties at Marne for the holiday.

George Pritchett was on the sick list the latter part of the week.

Chas Emerson returned from the hospital at Marshalltown last week. He is still very lame from his accident with his truck and has also been suffering from the grippe since he returned home.

Dan Hearn and son Paul went to Bristow Thursday to attend the wedding of Glenn Hearn that evening.

Mrs. Walter Knowles and children of Kanawha spent several days the latter part of the week with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Yocum and their daughter of Milledgeville, Ill., visited at the home of their uncle Wm. Steffens and family, a few days last week

Fred Kercheval left for Tonkawa, Okla., Friday where he will join his family and spend the winter with them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten and Wilda and Billie were Belmond shoppers Friday.

Mrs S. F. Stout, Della Langdon and Mrs Bert Pierce were Dows shoppers Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pierce and Ben Stout of Thompson came Friday to visit at the home of their uncle S. F. Stout.

D. W. Whitten, Will Whitten and Fred Hackley attended the football game at Mason City Thursday.

Mrs. Jennie Rowen returned last week from her visit with her sister and brother at Goldfield.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ballou and Mr. and Mrs. E. Bingham went to Clarion Sunday to see Jim Lindsey who was hurt quite seriously Wednesday when his car went in the ditch east of Clarion. They found him quite weak.

Mrs Ira Stumph and children went to Clarion, Wednesday, to visit at the home of her parents. They attended a family dinner Thursday.

Little John Howell has been suffering from tonsilitis the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fletcher of Dows spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stout.

Mr and Mrs. Clifford Snow of Goldfield visited Sunday at the Will Whitten home.

D. W. Whitten and family were Clarion visitors Sunday.

Mrs. M. M. Snyder and son Frank were Clarion callers Monday.

Mrs. A. O. Pelley, Albert Emerson and Guy Sheldon went to Clarion Monday to report as jurors

Mr. and Mrs H. J. Whitten went to Green last Wednesday to visit their son Floyd and wife

The American Legion and Auxiliary met in regular session Monday evening. The ladies met at the Will Rietz home for their business meeting while the boys held their business meeting in the hall. The ladies elected their officers for the coming year as follows: Pres. Mrs. F. M. Myers, vice pres. Mrs. James Rowen, Sec. Mrs Howard Box, treas. Mrs. Harvey Lineweaver, chaplain Mrs Wm. Moellering, Historian Mrs. J. F. Howell. After the business meetings the ladies joined the men and refreshments were served.

Mr and Mrs. J. F. Howell and children went to Humboldt Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving at the home of his parents.

Mrs. R. H. Keith has been suffering very much from a felon on her finger. It has been bothering her for several weeks

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E church netted $113 at their Christmas auction sale. The pastor wishes to thank all who in any way contributed to the success.

Fletcher Howell and Harvey Lineweaver went to Des Moines this week

Rowan Methodist Church Notes

10 Sunday school. 11 Public worship. 6:30 Epworth League. 7:30 Evensong.

You are invited to attend these services.

ROWAN SCHOOL NOTES

The entire faculty not living in Rowan spent Thanksgiving at home, with the exception of Miss Mohr who went to Harris

Several of the high school students have been picking corn the past week

Students absent thus far this week are Kathryn Harson, Fred and Harold Moellering and Walter Barker.

The program given at the school house Tuesday evening of last week was very well attended.

The basket ball game played here Thursday with Goodell was a fine game in spite of the fact that it was played after Thanksgiving dinner. Both Rowan teams were victorious. The girls won 29-9. A large bunch of Rowan boosters were present and also quite a number from Goodell, including part of the faculty. It was necessary to turn part of the crowd away for want of room.

George Brooks is now playing the drums in the orchestra.

Palmer buttons were presented to the following for improvement in the writing of 25 Palmer drills accepted by Palmer: Dolly Duffy, Anna Rietz, Eleanor Martin, Grace Holliday, Ione Francomb and Bonnie Thomas. For further improvement silver and gold pins will be given.

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

Morning service 11. Sunday school 12. Christian endeavor 6:30 p. m. Evening services 7:30.

At 11 a m. there will be a special service which should be of interest to many. The legacy which was left the church by the late D. W. Whitten, Sr., has been used in securing for the church a pulpit and a communion table. These two pieces each have an oxidized copper plate upon which is engraved "In memory of Daniel Whitten, Sr., 1846-1920."

There will be a special service with appropriate music by the choir. Let us add our presence to this service in honor of this departed friend who by his remembrance of the church who lives in our thoughts today.

The W. M. S. met Thursday with Mrs. N. B. Olson at which time Mrs R.. Virden and Mrs. C. P. Holden gave reports of the state meeting.

STAR THEATRE

THURSDAY, DEC. 7, "Snow Blind" a 6 reel feature. The proceeds given to the Aid society of the Congregational church. Come and boost for the ladies.

Prices 15 and 30

"CAPPY RICKS"

Thomas Meighan, athletic Paramount star, is a brawny sailor's mate in his latest starring vehicle "Cappy Ricks", which will be the feature at the Star theatre Dec. 9. As Matt Peasley in this refreshing picture of the sea, Mr. Meighan is said to have one of the best roles of his stellar career.

BASKET BALL NOTES

Goodell came to town on Thanksgiving evening only to return home vanquished. But they were good losers, mighty fine losers, which means a lot.

The Rowan girls won the first game of the evening with the rather onesided score of 29-9. Azeltine and Emerson starred for Rowan altho to them cannot be given the entire credit. Duffy at center pulled down every long pass that was attempted by the Goodell guards and returned the ball to the Rowan forwards. Both teams wasted considerable time on "held balls" but in the game as played by girls this seems, unfortunately, necessary. Goodell's chief trouble was in judging the height of our baskets many of their well executed shots striking the under edge of the basket.

Miss Frances Farran officiated

The Rowan boys out weighed and out played Goodell. There was little chance for any display of speed brilliant dribbling, careful or clever footwork, or any of the many essentials of good basketball. The smallness of the floor plus the use of the new rules held the game to common place basketball. There were occasional flashes of clever play, but in general straight aggressive basketball piled up the score of 35 to8.

Azeltine, Kerchwal and Moellering were pointmakers for Rowan. The latter spoiled a number of possible points by shooting from too great a distance.

Robert Holiday officiated.

The next game will be played with Chapin at Rowan, December 15. Thaat crowd Thanksgiving night was excellent and we admit it ourselves we'd like to see 'em like that all season.

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"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him
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OLAF

A number from here attended the funeral of the late Tom Hillestad, whose remains were brought here from Dolliver, and held at St Olaf church Monday afternoon. Mr. Hillestad was an old resident of this community but of late years had made his home with his son at Dolliver.

Mr. Wirkdecked hauled hard coal from Clarion, Saturday. Hard coal seems to be scarce this year.

G. Halverson's brother and family from Armstrong spent part of last week with him.

Mrs. Oscar Hanson, who has been quite sick is now much better which we are glad to note.

Otto and Otis Cook were confirmed, Sunday in the Norwegean Lutheran Church at Kanawha.

Mr. and Mrs. Orpha Anderson entertained the "500" club Saturday night.

Corn picking will soon be a thing of the past, as nearly everyone is thru, and this week with good weather will complete the harvest.

Mrs. Geo, Baxter entertainer a number of friends at her home, Monday afternoon to a miscellaneous shower in honor of Clara Eliason, whose marriage takes place, Thursday to Henry Ganappe of Sheffield.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kessler of Iowa Falls were Thanksgiving guests at the S. O. Windecker home.

Mrs. Clarance Scott wwas pleasantly surprised last Saturday by a number of her friends and relatives Mrs. Snyder planned the occasion having invited Mrs. Scott down to Belmond to take dinner with her, it being Mrs. Scott's birthday after Mrs. Scott arrived the friends and relatives appeared. And a big enjoyable time was had.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Ericson entertained their children and grandchildren last Sunday at a family dinner.

Pete and Jake Rigert of Mason City visited at the Henry Lien home Friday night and Saturday.

Belmond Local News

Mrs. John Wenzel left the first of the week for LaSalle and DeKalb, Illinois, where she will visit at the home of her parents and with other relatives.

Prof. F. W. Bohning who spent the Thanksgiving vacation at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. George Bohning, returned Sunday to his school duties at Rock Rapids.

Wanted to trade—Five year old mare for a gentle single driver.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217 3tfc

The annual meeting of the Pleasant township Farm Bureau was held last week at the center school house. A splendid meeting was enjoyed and a large crowd was present. The old officials of the organization were reelected for another term. A program by the schools of the township of which Miss Grace Gartz is chairman, was given and was very good. The proposition of a short course this winter was discussed and a meeting of the committee on this matter will be held in the near future. O. D. Jenison gave a talk on the Near East relief, of which he is chairman in the township. Refreshments of coffee, cake, cookies, doughnuts and sandwiches were served. Over ten dollars was taken in from this.

Wanted—An experienced girl for housework. Inquire at this office.

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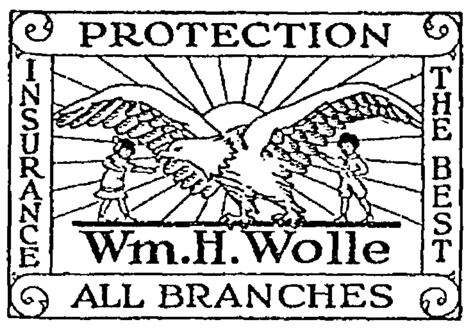
Henry Johnson recently returned from his fam in North Dakota where he had been looking after his interests. He reports that they had a pretty good crop up there this year and that wheat went from ten to 20 bushels to the acre. Just before he returned he sold a load at 77 cents a bushel. The farmers however are stung when it comes to threshing, having their choice of paying 12 cents a bushel or $13 a day.

Miss Minnie Smith spent the week end with friends at Clarion.



Miss Veronica Finn, who is teaching school near Goodell, was a caller in town last Saturday. She is holding a program at her school on Friday of this week.

Attorney J. M. Jensen has been at the county seat pretty much lately with business at the district court and arranging to stat in as the county attorney.

Indications point to the Chistmas trade being much better than last year. The merchants have laid in a new and varied line of goods for the holiday season and by trading with them you will find better bargains than ever before.

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PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned will sell at public auction, at the Brater place on north Main street, of Meservey, Iowa, the following described property, on

Friday, December 15th

Commencing at 10:30 o'clock a. m. Sharp

3 - Head of Horses - 3

2 BAY MARES WEIGHT ABOUT 1200 1 BROWN MARE WEIGHT ABOUT 1700 POUNDS

26 - Head of Cattle - 26

9 COWS 9 SPRING CALVES 7 YEARLINGS 1 FALL CALF

30 - Head of Shoats - 30

Farm Machinery, Hay, Etc.

1 tank heater
Chicken coops
1 4-horse evener
1 Oliver sulky plow
1 large iron kettle
1 6-ft Acme mower
2 walking cultivators
A few tons of wild hay
60 tons of hay timothy and clover
1 oil barrel
Beet shovels
1 fanning mill
1 manure spreader
1 Hayes corn planter
1 8-ft Rock Island disc
1 Waterloo Boy gasolene engine 2 hp
1 International corn planter with fertilizer attachment and 160 rods of wire.
1 sled
Small tools
1 corn binder
1 log chain
1 hogwaterer
Horse collars
1 set work harness
1 7-ft John Deere disc
1 hay rack with hog rack attachment

POTATOES, POP CORN, ½ TON FERTILIZER, AND OTHER ARTICLES SEVERAL DOZEN PULLETS

Household Furniture

3 tubs
1 rug 9x12
1 book case
4 other chairs
6 dining chairs
1 library table
1 ironing board
Kitchen utensils
1 clothes boiler
1 clothes basket
3 rocking chairs
1 bed and springs
1 12-ft dining table
1 folding spring cot
1 8-ft extension table
1 wringer on support
1 washing machine hand or power

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

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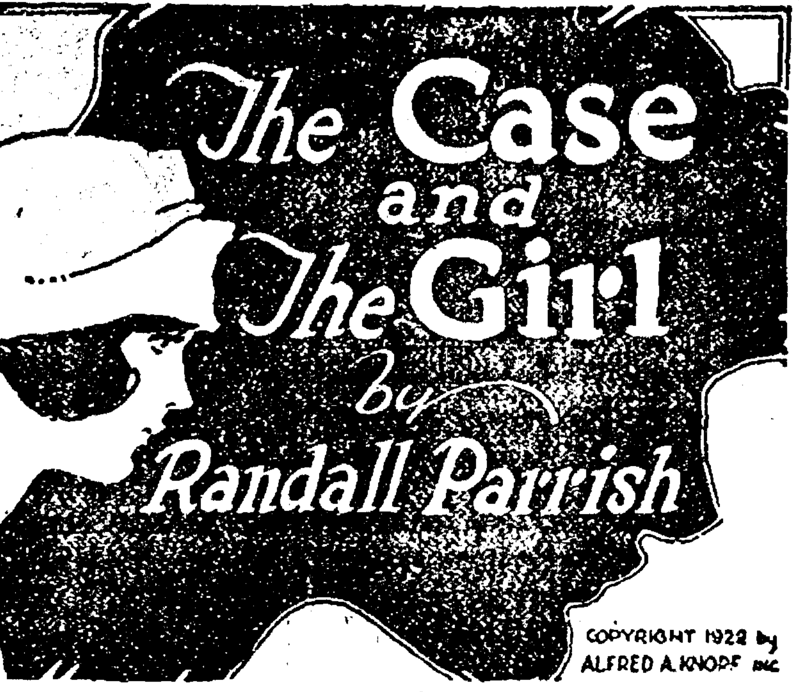

The Case and The Girl

by

Randall Parrish

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She sprang forward, and came down, sinking to her knees, and clinging fast, as the raft bobbed up and down under her sudden weight, dipping until the water rolled completely over it.

CHAPTER XIV

The Coming of Dawn.

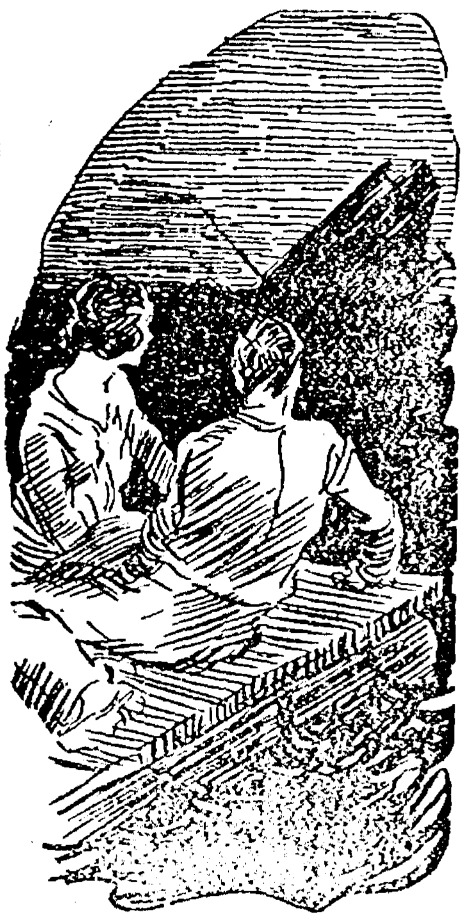
West leaned far out, and could perceive little except a bare, shapeless outline.

"Did you make it? Are you all right?"

"Yes, I'm safe enough. But—but Captain West, I want you to come."

"I'm coming. Watch out now—good! Here goes."

He made the plunge, coming up to the surface close beside the raft, the edge of which he quickly grasped with his hands. He swam steadily, urging the unwieldy raft away from the menacing side of the vessel, driven by the necessity of escaping the inevitable suction when she went down. Gradually the distance widened, until there extended a considerable waste of water between the two. Satisfied that they were far enough away for safety, he clambered cautiously upon the platform, the girl as carefully making room for him on the few dry planks.



She Went Down Bow First.

There was nothing to say, nothing to do; for the moment at least they were safe, and perhaps morning would bring rescue. Suddenly West straightened up, aroused by a new interest—surely that last wave went entirely over the yacht's rail; he could see the white gleam of spray as it broke; and yes, there was another! Then, almost without warning, the end came. She went down bow first, the stern lifting until West could discern the dark outlines of the screw, and then dropped like a stone, vanishing almost instantly.

"That is the last of the Seminole," West said, feeling the necessity of strengthening her. "But it is nothing to frighten you. We are safe enough here. But you must keep your nerve; we may be afloat for hours yet before we are picked up."

"You are sure we will be?"

"The probability is altogether in our favor," he insisted, as much to encourage himself as her. "This is Lake Michigan in summer time, and boats are plying everywhere. We shall surely be sighted by something when daylight returns."

She was silent a moment, with head again bent forward.

"What do you suppose became of the men who deserted the yacht?" she asked, her voice natural and quiet.

"Ashore, perhaps, by this time. They were certain they had done a good job, and eager to get away safely. Hogan never deemed it possible for us to get away alive. As it was, the escape was almost a miracle."

"A miracle!" softly. "Perhaps so, yet I know who accomplished it. I owe my life to you, Captain West," she paused doubtfully, and then went on impulsively. "Won't you explain to me now what it all means? How you came to be here? and—and why those men sought in this way to kill me?"

"You do not know?"

"Only in the vaguest way; is it my fortune? I have been held prisoner; lied to, and yet nothing has been made clear."

"It is a devilish conspiracy that has been plotted for a long while. There must be a dozen involved in it, one way or another, but, as near as I can learn, the chief devil, the brains of the gang, is the fellow named Hobart. [illegible]ve you known him—long?"

"No," she said doubtfully, "not unless his other name was Jim. There was a fellow they called Jim. He was my jailor after that woman locked me into a room."

"Where was this?"

"Why surely you must know. In that cottage where we stopped with Percival Coolidge."

He drew a deep breath, more thoroughly puzzled than ever. What could be her purpose to make so bold an effort to deceive? His heart sank, but he determined to go on, and learn how far she would carry this strange tale. Perhaps out of the welter he could discern some truth.

"The fellow's name is Jim, all right, Jim Hobart. The woman passes as his wife. You knew nothing of all this?"

"No; I only saw the man twice; he was very rough then, and swore when I questioned him."

"And the woman?"

"She would not talk, either; only once she told me that Percival Coolidge had committed suicide. That made me wonder, for I believed he had something to do with my being held there. What did he say when he returned to the auto without me? What explanation did he make for my absence?"

"Explanation! He needed none; you came out of the cottage with him."

"I? What do you mean?"

"But I saw you with my own eyes, talked with you, and all three of us drove back to 'Fairlawn' together. My G—d, Miss Natalie, have you lost your mind? Do you even deny dismissing me from your service?"

She gazed at him through the gloom, utterly unable to comprehend.

"I must have, if what you say is true," she admitted, "For I certainly have no such recollection."

He stared off into the black night, his lips pressed closely together. Could this be false? Could she sit there calmly, in the midst of such peril as surrounded them, and still deliberately endeavor to deceive?

"And you knew nothing of the death of Percival Coolidge, except what was told you by that woman?"

"She brought me a newspaper which I read; that was all I knew."

"And in that house on Wray street where I met you again last night. And you talked with me; tried to get me to quit following you. You surely haven't forgotten that already?"

She dropped her face wearily into her hands, and her voice sounded listless.

"I—I almost believe you are the crazy one, Captain West. I swear I have never knowingly met, or spoken to you since we drove to that cottage on Sunday. I cannot believe what you say."

"Yet it is true, every word true"; he asserted stoutly. "Why else should I be here? You returned with us to 'Fairlawn,' and we chatted together pleasantly all the way. Later you seemed to change, and discharged me rather rudely. Then Percival Coolidge was killed—shot down by an assassin. You were at the inquest, and testified. The next day you discharged Sexton, and later he learned, and reported to me, that some one called you on the phone from Wray street, and wanted you to come over there at once. I found you there, and this fellow Hobart with you."

"But, Captain West, I never saw you; I never left the room in the third story where I was locked in, except when they took me away in a machine to the yacht.

"You dropped a note in the alley, enclosed in a silver knife?"

"Yes, I did. Did you find it?"

"Sexton did, and that was what brought me here."

"But it is all so strange," she exclaimed despairingly. "How could I have done all these things, been in all these places, and yet know nothing about it? Could I have been drugged or influenced in some way by those people?"

"I do not believe you were either hypnotized or drugged. Good G—d; why did I not think of this solution before? I must have been blind; that was not you; I can recall a hundred little things now to convince me."

"What is it you mean?"

"Another woman played your part; a woman most wonderfully like you, even to the voice. There is no other solution of the problem. And that reveals the plan of robbery—to get you out of the way, and then have her take the fortune."

She sat silent, motionless, apparently unable at once to grasp all the meaning in his words. Then she pointed away into the distance.

"See, there is light over there," she exclaimed eagerly. "That must be the east, and it is morning."

He lifted his head, and looked where she pointed. A dull, gray light topped the waters, and the sky above held a faint tinge of crimson. The wan glow accented the loneliness, and for the moment left him depressed. Nothing appeared within range of vision to break the drear monotony of gray sea and sky. Neither felt any desire to speak; they could only stare out silently across the desolation of waters, feeling their helplessness and peril.

Her head sank forward into her hands, as though she would thus shut out the whole weird picture, and West, aroused by the slight movement, glanced quickly aside. His hand sought her own, where it gripped for support, and closed over it warmly.

"It cannot be as bad as it seems," he insisted, trying to say the words cheerfully. "I know these waters, and they are never long deserted. Luck will change, surely; perhaps within the hour we shall be picked up, and can laugh at all this experience.

She lifted her head, and their eyes met frankly.

"I am not afraid," she protested. "Not physically, at least. Truly I have not felt fear since you joined me, Captain West."

"But you are very tired?"

"Perhaps so, yet I have not thought about that. There are other things; you do not believe in me."

"Why say that?" he asked in astonishment. "There is no question of the kind between us now."

"Truly, is there not? What was it you believed of me—that—that I was part of this conspiracy?"

(Continued next week)

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CLOSING OUT
PUBLIC SALE

On account of ill health, I will sell at Public Auction, on what is known as the old Hake farm, one mile east and three miles south of Belmond; one mile west and three miles north of Rowan, on

Friday, December 15th

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. sharp, the following described property:

7 - Head of Horses and Mules - 7
1 BLACK GELDING 4 YEARS OLD, WT. 1400
1 BLACK MARE 10 YEARS OLD, WT. 1250
1 BAY MARE 12 YEARS OLD, WT. 1250
1 SPOTTED GELDING 12 YEARS OLD, WT. 1200
1 BROWN MARE 9 YEARS OLD, WT. 1000
1 BAY JACK MULE WT 1000
1 SADDLE PONY, 8 YEARS OLD, KIND AND GENTLE

6 - Head of Cattle - 6
CONSISTING OF FOUR CHOICE MILK COWS AND TWO CALVES. ONE COW HAS CALF BY SIDE.

22 - Head of Good Hogs - 22
CONSISTING OF GOOD FEEDING SHOATS

Farm Machinery, Etc.
1 disc
2 wagons
1 harrow
1 hay rack
2 corn plows
1 corn binder
1 corn planter
1 potatoe plow
1 single harness
1 steel water tank
1 McCormick mower
3 sets work harness
1 Successful incubator
1 DeLaval cream separator

About 200 chickens
5 tons of hay in stack
1 stack of straw
About 200 bu. yellow corn in crib

Household Goods-- Consisting of steel range, good as new; kitchen cabinet good as new; two good heating stoves; dining room table; sewing machine; chairs; kerosene stove; dressers; bedsteads; about 150 quarts of canned fruit and vegetables, and many other articles.

ONE MAXWELL AUTOMOBILE

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

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C. O. Fitts, Clerk
Cowley & Munnis, Aucts.
Otto Madison, Owner

Belmond Local News

CLOSING OUT SALE

As I am going on an indefinite stay to my old home in Sweden, I will hold a closing out sale on the Chester Luick farm one mile east of Bemond on Thursday, December 14, commencing at 10 o'clock, and will sell 51 head of cattle, seven head of horses, 25 head of hogs, 150 head of chickens, farm machinery and some household goods, etc. Free lunch at noon. 12 months' time on approved notes.—Herman Ahlstrom, Owner. State Bank Clerk. Louis Hauge Auct.

M. C. Madsen has been quite ill the past few days.

Any velvet hat in our stock for $3.00, Friday and Saturday only.—Ida Tyrrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jennngs drove to Eagle Grove on Sunday to visit friends.

Rev. Wilkinson gave a very fine illustrated lecture on Korea at the M. E. church on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Frank Dodd of Popejoy visited at the home of her cousin, Mrs. F. E. Snyder, last Friday and Saturday.

Mr and Mrs. G. H. Lee and son of Clarion were guests of friends here Sunday.

Miss Doris Bailey visited her friend Rhea Campbell, at Coe Colege over Thanksgiving.

E. F. Bailey and Louis Moe drove to Dubuque the first of the week.

NOTICE!

Positively no hunting or trapping on my farm.—Adolph J. Dorr. 22c

Friends here have been given to understand that Miss Genevieve Role, formerly of Belmond and now iving in California, is to be married sometime in February.

Some 15 relatives gave Mrs. Hazel Scott a surprise on her birthday last Saturday, at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Snyder.

Mrs. Angie Walton and son Raymond of Iowa Falls came up to spend Thanksgiving at the E. F. Bailey home

For good milk and cream. call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 3506. tf

Miss Wilma Thompson spent the Thanksgiving vacaton with her parent. Her sister Everill, returned to Ft. Dodge with her Friday for the week end.

Mrs. Lottie Bayers of Des Moines was a visitor last week at the T. H. Gallagher home.

Don't let your radiator freeze up and burst, fill it with alcohol. We have it, the genuine, at reasonable prices.—Jones Harness Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dempsey were Sunday visitors at the home of their uncle near Ventura.

The Independent has some very nice samples of Christmas cards and will be pleased to have you look them over. Order early so that there will be no delay when you need them.

Mrs. J. M. Jensen went to Mason City the first of the week where she underwent an operation. She came thru the ordeal nicely and is recovering in nice shape.

Thanksgiving Day passed quietly here with most of the folks staying quietly at home. A few motored to Dows take in the high school football game.

The second number of the lecture course given last Thursday was pronounced very good by those who attended. It was a scientific lecture and highly interesting.

Mrs. Wm. Leonard and Ralph came down from Swaledale to spend Thanksgivingwith her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Rankins and Mr. Leonard, who is employed at the sugar factory. They returned Saturday afternoon.

Miss Milded Gealow came down from Meservey to spend Thanksgiving at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Gealow.

G. Johnson of Kanawha was a business caller here last week Friday. He lost a note book several weeks ago and found it by advertising in the Independent Want-ad department.

Mr. and Ms. A. C. Lieuwen from Alexander spent Sunday at the A. W. Martin home.

Art Nelson came up from Des Moines to spend the week end with friends here.

Dr. Ketchum and children of Cambridge spent Thanksgiving with his mother near Galt and drove up here for a short visit with friends and relatives.

S. D. Martin went to Carrol on Monday to see his son, Dr. Sid Martin.

Rid yourself of that headache, constipation, billiousness, nervouseness, burning, smarting, red and inflamed eyelids and eyeballs, blurring of vision, etc. All of these are symptoms of eyestrain. See me, I can help you. I will tell you the truth about your eyes.—A. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa.

Prof. E. S Fyler of Sheffield was in town last Friday looking after business matters and greeting some of his old friends. He reports things as going nicely at his new location and says he likes the town fine. It's a good town.

L. Foss and H. F. Reif of Meservey were in town on business last week. The latter, "Heinie" by name was severely bitten by the radio bug and purchased an outfit here to be installed in his house.

When one of the tires on the big sugar Co. truck blows out it lets the fact be known. One blews out last week, and it sounded like someone had fired a shotgun on Main steet.

S. D. Martin returned from Illinois Saturday after spending a few weeks visiting friends and relatives in that state.

A large assortment of winter hats for $3.00, Friday and Saturday only. —Ida Tyrrell

Better have your cattle tested for tuberculosis. Dr. R. G. Brown, Veterinarian, accredited by Iowa Board and U. S. Board Animal Industry. 35*

The body of Mrs Ed Finch of Minneauolis was brought here for burial Saturday. Mr. Finch died last March and was buried here. Some years ago Mr. and Mrs. Finch lived at Pals ville.

Mrs. J. J. Flynn is chairman of the Christmas Charity Committee of the Community club. If anyone has anythng they wish to donate please notify Mrs. Flynn.

The Cemetery Aid Society will meet with Miss Henietta Pals on Friday December 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Tyrrell and daughter from Oxford Junction spent Thanksgiving at the Thos. Tyrrell home.

Miss Clara Johnson and Miss Marjorie Purcell who are teaching at Duncombe spent Thanksgiving with the home folks.

Mrs. E. E. Boughton and Miss Grace Boughton were Mason City callers on Wednesday, where the latter went to see a specialist.

Carl Wenzell, who is attending a business college at Cedar Rapids was home for Thanksgiving.

Lucretia Morse, who is teaching at Fairbault, Minnesota, came home for Thanksgiving. She was accompanied by two of her friends the Misses Helen and Myrtle Orcutt.

Mr. Dan Wenzell entertained about 23 friends and relatives at dinner on Saturday in honor of Mr. Wenzell's 79th birthday.

Marjore Williams and Mildred Veeder came home from Grinnell college to spend Thanksgiving

Mrs. Nels Jackson and the Misses Evelyn Madison, Margaret Manson, Josie Jackson, Agnes Thompson, Wilma Gunsell and Bertha Thompson from Kanawha were Belmond callers Tuesday.

Some criticisin has been made of the fire company boys for going to the country to fight fires. They claim it leaves the town unprotected during their absence. While some of the boys were out in the country trying to save something for a man who, like his fellow farmers, had little or no fire protection, enough of the company were in town to men the hose left, and that was all of it. Only the chemical truck was taken out. In case fire had broken out in town during the absence of the boys in the country there were plenty of them left, and plenty of equipment to use to have protected the town until a phone call could have brought the truck and the rest of the crew back in ten minutes. It looks like pretty small criticism of the fire company for volunteering to help. The boys ask nothing for going—they are glad it they can be of assistance. The man who criticises would be mighty glad to have them present if he had a fire.

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

As I have a few more good milk cows than I need, I will sell some of them at reasonable prices. You can have fresh ones if desired.—James Kurtz. 2 tfc

For Sale—Eight Duroc Jersey spring boars, pedigreed. Papers furnished.—Wm. Moellering & Sons, Rowan, Ia. 514*

For Sale—Good grade Short Horn bull, 18 months old.—Guy Baker, Belmond. Phone 2207. 1tfc

For Sale—Buff Rock roostes, full bloods.—Mrs. O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 3tfc

For Sale—Full blood Poland China stock hog. Weight about 240 lbs.—Chas. Chapman. 33*

For Sale—Willow wood, sawed for stove lengths $4.00 per load at the farm, $6.00 delivered in town.—phone 2010. Leo D. Veeder.

For Sale—Spotted Poland China boar pigs, eligble to registry.—M. R. Pierce, Belmond, phone 3615. 34*

For Sale—Choice Silver Laced Wyandotte roosters. One dollar each. J. M. Croft, Alexander, Iowa. 13*

For Sale—One fresh milk cow.—Sheriff Bros. Phone 3707. 2tfc

For Sale—Six well bred Duroc Jersey boars, weight 200 lbs. each. Sired by pedigreed boar. Phone 2207. —Guy Baker, Belmond. 1tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Found—Lap robe owners can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.—Ray Best.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

COURT HOUSE NOTES

(Continued from page one.)

brings suit against Lars Skouge to recover balance due on a $150 noe.

A. O. Knudson of Eagle Grove asks judgment against Spencer and Myrtie Smith in the sum of $4931 on their promissory note which was executed on March 1 1920 at Kenyon, Minn.

The Farmers Co-operative Company of Eagle Grove is bringing suit on an account for $390 for coal sold to Berkland and Littell in the year 1920.

Ross and Maurer of Renwick are claiming a balance of $147.16 due from Tolef Asbe and Louis Tesdahl for merchandise sold to the defendants on account.

ALEXANDER NEWS

Mrs. Fred Frohling of Belmond spent the last of the week visiting with Alexander relatives.

Mr and Mrs. Carl Greenfield and daughter June were visitors at Belmond Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peters and daughter Dorothy and Arlene spent Thanksgiving day at the Braden home at Dows.

Misses Edna Arends and Imo Hall were callers at Belmond Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter Ieona of Hampton were Sunday visitor with relatives at this place.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. P. Aldinger next Wednesday afternoon December 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Humpkey of Ackley and Miss Lousia Humpkey who is teaching school at Meservey were visitors at the J. C. Arends home last Sunday.

The Misses Ethel Roulet, and Eva Whetstone, Mrs. Butler and Arthur Butler were among the callers at Hampton last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and son Ormal Lewis were Belmond callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and daughter of Hampton were callers in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dunn and family, were Hampton shoppers Saturday.

Mrs. Ruth Schnebly of Beaman Iowa came Monday to care for her mother, Mrs. Butler who was taken sick on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stadtlander and family visited with relatives near Hampton Sunday.

The Jake Dorenkamp family are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl, who came to make its home with them on M nday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Greenfield and son Fredreick and Miss Florence Zara were Belmond callers Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Meno Greenfield of Conroy visited with relatives at this place week.

Leo and Clarence Christenson of Ackley were in this vicinity the first of the week calling on friends.

John Arends was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mrs. Rurdolph Beenen and Miss Anna Beenen visited at the Will Beenen home at Renwick last Friday.

Claas Symens was at Meservey on business last Tuesday.

Albin Johnson of Hampton was transacting business at Alexander the first of the week.

. and Mrs Karl Kerch were visitors at Dows on Thursday.

Miss Gertrude Berninghausen of Hanlantown spent Thanksgiving vacation with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Beenen were callers at Belmond last Tuesday.

Clarence Riesch of Dumont has been a visitor at the Carl Bohlen home the past week.

Mrs. Osar Hensel was a Belmond caller last Saturday.

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I wish to announce to the public that I am again with the Standard Oil Company and will appreciate your patronage when in need of gasoline, kerosene, oils, grease, etc. Phone 180 or 43.

CHRIS KRAGH

ANNOUNCEMENT!

WE wish to inform the buying public that we have purchased the store building formerly occupied by Geo. Lutz, and we have just received a brand new stock of

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GOOD FELLOWSHIP MEETING TONIGHT AT 8:00

Chose Contestants For Declamatory

Thirty Contestants Give Selections And Winners Picked For Three Classes.

PICK DEBATERS MONDAY

The Declamatory try-outs were held last Wednesday. Thirty contestants gave their selections. The following people placed, and will appear on the public program, December 20

Oratorical—Vivian Courtney, Katherine Thiltgen, Winston Thiltgen, Alfred Wilkinson.

Dramatic—Kathleen Barry, Alpha Johnson, May Starnes, Everill Thompsn.

Humorous—Doris Bailey, Bill Butts, Beatrice Davenport, Bernitas Wolle,

Be sure to hear the Junior-Senior debate Monday afternoon, December 18 at 2:30. At this time the high school debating team will be selected.

The Seniors elected their Annual Staff Monday. Work on the Annual will start second semester. The following people are on the staff:

Editor-in-Chief, Grace Quigley
Business Manager, Winston Thiltgen
Advertising Manager, Harvey Chapman
Circulation Manager, Doris Bailey
Class Editor, Cloe Thomas
Literary Editor, Vere Jenison
Music Editor, Valda Robinson
Calendar Editor, Bernitas Wolle
Joke Editor, Bill Butts
Boys Athletic Editor, Irving Madsen
Girls Athletic Editor, Minnie Madison
Cartoonist, Ruth Tiara
Stenoghapher, May Starnes

Our basket ball teams played their first games with Meservey, Monday evening. A good sized crowd was present. The Belmond teams did not receive much opposition. The score for the girls game was 27 to 1 and the boys 30 to 5 in favor of Belmond. Meservey did not make a single field basket, their points being made on free throws.

We have some good basket ball teams again this year and those who enjoy the sport should plan to see our games.

The most exciting games of the season will be the alumni games. These will be played December 22 when the greatest number of Alumni will be here. Everyone will want to see these games.

The orchestra will play at the public declamatory, December, 20. Plan to hear it.

Supt. Rankin from Garner and Mr. Friis of Clarion High School were here to judge the declamatory try-outs December 6.

This week everyone has been interested in the intelligence tests that have been given in all the grades by Dr. Lee Byrne of the State University of Iowa.

The Junior High has a literary society and are now giving regular programs. The following program was given by the "Alpha" division last Friday:

Original Story, Jessie Wallace
Piano Solo, Richard Gowdy
Song by the Girls—"Lo-Now the Dawn is Breaking", Murrial Amblie, Wilma Lang, Ruth Jones, Marguerite Guthrie, Anna Skar, Marcella Leavy, Jessie Wallace, Emma Nelson, Unice Colby, Iris O'Brecht, Lucile Docterman, Mildred Stapley.
Piano Solo, Wilma Lang
Reading—"A Football Team," Donald McNulty
Song—"Old John Brown," Henry Vestweber, Eugene Barry, Arland Rierson, Clifford Johnson, Billie Finn, Donald McNulty, Richard Gowdy
Song1—"The U. S. A. Forever" and Song 2—"Flow Gently Sweet Afton," Wilma Lang, Clifford Johnson, Ruth Jones, Jessie Wallace, Muriel Amblie, Henry Vestweber.
Song—"America," Both Divisions.

Margaret and Elizabeth Yujust have been absent from school because of sickness.

Cristovus Perez entered the second grade last week.

Francisco Armedus entered the first grade last week.

The time for Christmas greeting cards is about over but the Independent can place a few rush orders. Better get yours at once.

ATTORNEY GENERAL SAYS LOTTERIES DONE

Insists That They Are Illegal And Prosecution Will Start If They Are Held.

The following is taken from the Clarion News and will be of interest to Belmond people as it pertains to the lottery question now being widely discussed. The News said last week.

Attorney General Gibson in a phone conversation with the News editor Wednesday afternoon stated that he had given all county attorneys in the state notice that business lotteries were illegal and the giving of coupons chances on lotteries where prizes of any nature are to be awarded by lottery was ground for prosecution and it is very likely that unless business men halt the lotteries they have advertised they will be prosecuted as individuals.

Mr. Gibson was emphatic in his opinion that it was not necessary for an individual to file information charging the merchants will an illegal act. All that a county attorney needed he said was knowledge that such illegal action was being taken.

County Attorney Rogers stated Wednesday that he had not fully studied the law regarding the matter but he was of the opinion that an information charging the violation must be filed before he could legally act. He stated that he had had notice from the attorney general's office regarding the lotteries as recently conducted in the county being clearly illegal and did not doubt but that prosecution of all merchants participating in them could be successfully instituted.

The opinion generally held here is that lotteries with the idea of inducing extra business are a failure. They demoralize the legitimate business of a community and if continued will educate the people to a point where they will only buy or pay accounts when capital inducements are held out for them.

If the lotteries are to leave a series of court actions in their wake, it is improbable that any real benefit can be derived from them Numerous towns in this section are promoting trade lotteries at this time and it may be put down for a fact that if Mr. Gibson's orders stand as the attorney general declares they shall prosecution will be at least attemped.

ELIASON—GINAPP

Miss Clara Eliason of near Olaf, and Mr. Henry Ginapp of Sheffield, were united in marriage on Thursday, December 7, at the home of the bride's brother, Olaf Eliason, the Rev. Tresdahl of Kanawha officiating. The ceremony took place at noon and was witnessed by about 50 relatives and friends. Afterwards the couple left on a short wedding trip to Chicago. Upon their return they will be home on the groom's farm near Sheffield.

The bride has made her home with her brother Olaf, her parents being dead. She is a very charming young lady with many friends. Mr. Ginapp is a succeceful young farmer of Sheffield.

The many friends, with whom the Independent joins, extend them their best wishes for a happy and prosperous life.

FOREST CITY TO HAVE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Forest City is starting the organization of a Community Club, and is making big plans to have a real live-wire organization. This week has been set aside by Mayor Moen as a "Think It over" week for Forest Citizens. The week is to be fittingly closed by a big banquet at the college on Friday evening to which the commuity is united. A member ship of four or five hundred is anticipated by the Summit. This club is to be really a Commercial club with as many of the community as possible members. The fee is $5.00 An active campaign is laid out for soliciting members.

Watching for Santa Claus

EASTMAN KODAK CO. PHOTO

TOWN OF LATIMER IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Business Section Practically Is Wiped Out By Blaze On Tuesday Evening.

A disasterous fire, starting either in the roof or wall between the two restaurants in Latimer, practically wiped out the business section of that place Tuesday evening. The two restaurants, pool hall, post office, and harness shop were destroyed.

The damages will run into several thousands, with the insurance unknown at this writing.

The blaze was first noticed at about 6:30 Tuesday evening, between the two restaurants. The fire company of Latimer fought the blaze as best they could, and by the time the Hampton fire campany which was sent for, arrived, had the fire pretty well under control. Latimer has no chemical protection, and the fire protection of course is limited. Telephone linesmen from Belmond went over to repair any damage that might be caused to the lines, and to look after the telephone office if need arose.

BAND GIVES FREE CONCERTS

The Hampton band is starting a series of free concerts the first of which was given Sunday afternoon in the Winsdor theatre for the purpose of raising funds to supply the band boys with uniforms. No admission is charged to the concerts, but a collection or free will offering is taken, the public giving whatever they wish. The money thus received will go for uniforms. A splendid program was given and as Hampton now has a crack home band the uniforms will no doubt be soon forthcoming, while the public receives a winter entertainment.

FIRE AT LEINBACH HOME

About six o'clock Saturday evening, the chimney on the Leinbach home in east Belmond was discovered on fire, and smoke pouring out of a chimney hole in an upstairs bedroom. The hole had been covered with asbestas covering, but the soot in the chimney burned with such intense fury that this was destroyed The alarm was turned in and the fire company was promtly on the scene Chemicals were poured into the burning chimney and the blaze soon checked, altho it burned more or less in the chimney for an hour, flames shooting 15 feet high. The damage was slight.

FORMER MINISTER SPEAKS BY RADIO

Local People Have Pleasure Of Hearing Rev. Chapler On Thanksiving Day.

Radio fans in Belmond who were listening in Thanksgiving Day had the pleasure of hearing a Thanksgiving sermon and prayer by a former Methodist minister of Belmond, Rev. C. E. Chapler who is now in charge of the church at Fort Worth Texas. Rev. Chapler's address was heard very plainly over the Battery station-Independent set, together with the pipe organ and choir as it was broadcasted by the Star-Telegram of Fort Worth on Thanksgiving Day.

Some very fine concerts are being heard among them being two Spanish soprano solos from Havana Cuba heard last Saturday evening. Los Angeles the same evening said California had been having very heavy rains which was "unusual weather" for that time of year. For two hours Atlanta Georgia put on a burlesque broadcasting program which was the equal of any dollar vaudeville you ever heard. Ask Matt Barry what he knows about Adam as heard over Independent-Battery Station Radio recently. It was one of the richest ever heard. The Independent and the Belmond Storage Battery Co. urge you to listen in on their set any evening;you are more than welcome to hear the world talk sing and play.

SHEFFIELD'S NEW BANK READY

Plans have been completed for the new bank at Sheffield to take the place of the one recently closed, and it is expected to open the bank about the first of January. according to R. G. Wolf and Lavino Jones, two men who have been instrumental in the organizing. The new bank is to have a capital of $40,000, and a surplus of $10,000 and will be located in the building formerly occupied by the old Sheffield bank. There will be over 75 stockholders, most of whom are business men and farmers of that vicinity. Wolf is to be president and Jones cashier. The former is a Hampton man for five years assistant cashier of the Citizens National there. Jones is a former Hamptonite and was assistant cashier of the Franklin Co. State Bank for 14 years.

Mrs. M. C. Barry left Tuesday of this week for Iowa City where she will spend Christmas with her home folks. Matt will leave Christmas Eve to spend the holidays with her.

HOOCH MAKERS WILL TAKE THEIR MEDICINE

Local Bootleggers Enter Plea Of Guilty And Will Receive Sentence Today.

The Belmond bootleggers and hooch makers, Mrs. Neuhring and son Otto, and Prince, all faced Judge Wright yesterday in district court and entered pleas of guitly. They will receive their sentence today, it is reported The two Neuhrings were arrested recently when a raid was made on their home in Belmond by sheriff Lang. They were bound over to the grand jury, indicted by that body, and represented by W. E. Bullard appeared before the court, it is understood, and asked for postponement of trial until the next term to prepare their defense. Later they evidently considered their case more fully, and the plea of guilty was the result Prince was bound to the grand jury as the result of a raid by Constable McAlpine, who found his still on the stove going full blast. Possibly these convictions will put a crimp in the hooch business locally for a time. John Groh, residing west of town, up on the same charge, also plead guilty, as did the Eagle Grove man accused of arson during the recent railroad strike. Wednesday in district court seems to have been all around a rather "guilty" affair.

CLARION TO PAVE

The city Council of Clarion has taken active steps toward arranging to pave the main part of the town. In all about 50 blocks are scheduled to be paved. An engineer has been employed and is now on the job laying out plans. It is understood that the present session of court will chop off a mile on the east and one on the west of the city limits, turning it back to the county, and the county will then proceed to gravel the extra two miles of road. This will make a vast improvement to the county seat, as the roads over there have been a nightmare for years, and the standing joke of every motorist in the county.

CARS SKID ON ICY PAVEMENT

The firm coating of ice on the pavement last week was the cause of making all auto drivers go slowly and with caution. Cars skidded very easily particularly at corners until gravel was sprinkled to give the tires a chance to grip in turning corners. One or two narrow shaves occured and one accident in which the Hawley milk wagon was hit by a skidding car and quite badly wrecked. Boys skated on Main street and every pedestrian was taking care to "watch your step."

IOWA TOWNSHIP FARM BUREAU TO MEET

A business meeting of the Iowa Township Farm Bureau will be held at the Pink Treese school house tonight, Thursday, December 14. Rev. Wilkinson of the Belmond Methodist Church will address the meeting, and it is hoped that a good attendance will be present.

THANKS

The Independent is indebted to the Herald-Press for some type this week, when our linotype broke down during the last minute rush.

Mrs. J. M. Jensen returned Monday from Mason City, where she recently underwent an operation at the hospital. Her many friends will be pleased to hear that she is coming along very nicely and rapidly recovering from the operation.

Miss Josie Gealow arrived home Monday morning from Washington, D. C. to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gealow. She is employed as assistant auditor in the income tax department of the government offices and says they are just finishing the work on the 1917 returns.

Dr. Lee Byrne To Deliver Address

Second Meeting Of Club To Be Good One With Address By Fine Speaker.

JUDGE WRIGHT SPEAKS

The first meeting of the season of the Good Fellowship club was held last Thursday evening in the basement of the lidrary, and despite the icy walks and the lack of lights a large crowd was out. The hall was lighted by gas lamps, and some 60 men braved the slippery sidewalks to be present. The program opened with two vocal selections with piano accompaniment by Miss Hill and Miss Rhorback, which were very much enjoyed and appreciated. Judge R. M. Wright was then introduced, and he read to the audience an exceedingly interesting paper on the law, going back to the Magna Charta and pointing out the improvements and changes which had been made. His address was timelly, and gave his listeners a better understanding of the principles of justice as administered by the courts. After the address by Judge Wright, the usual good eats and social hour was enjoyed. The Judge was accompanied by Rube Goslin and attorney Hill of Clarion.

The next meeting will be tonight at the library, and the speaker will be Dr. Lee Byrne. The doctor is from the university of Iowa. His subject will be scientific Tendencies in Education. Come out and enjoy the meeting, the program and the good eats.

HOLD UP AT HAMPTON

Last Sunday morning at about 2 o'clock the Night Agent at the Rock Island depot in Hampton had the pleasure of being greeted by "hold up your hands!" accompanied by a fine view down the barrel of a revolver. The agent was alone in the depot when a stranger entered and made the above remark. The agent was releived of his gold watch. He was then ordered to lie face down on the floor while the banbit tapped the ticket till, which contained about $20 Warning the agent to look closely at the splinters in the floor for 15 minutes, the robber departed. He was partly drunk and rather ugly, and the agent promptly obeyed all orders from him. The same fellow visited the Great Western depot earlier in the evening and announced that he had come to rob the joint but after looking it over said he "hadn't the heart." The G. W. agent thought it was a joke, especialy as the fellow said he guessed he would rob the Rock Island instead which he proceeded to do. He has not been caught.

TO GIVE UNIQUE CANTATA

Something decidedly different is being planned by the schools of Garner and Clear Lake in the way of a Christmas Cantata "Ruth." The idea is being worked out by the music teachers of the two schools and one rehearsal has already been held by the joint schools. This musical treat will be staged by the schools in each of the two towns during the week proceeding Christmas. A chorus of close to 100 voices will support the four leading soloists. It is a very unusual idea and is attracting much attention in the two towns.

SANDS MEMORIAL CHURCH

Just three more Sundays in this year and we want to make these the best of all the year.

The young men who attended the older boys conference at Mason City gave us some excellent reports last Sunday night. We regret that not more were out to hear them.

The Ladies Aid will meet Thursday afternoon and all the ladies are urged to be present as it is the time for the annual election of officers.

The Sunday school is getting ready for their Christmas program which will be given Christmas Eve.

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CLIPPINGS

Will there be another wolf hunt in the vicinity of Pilot Knob this winter?—is a question that has been asked many times in the past months. At this time it is impossible to say one way or the other, but the chances are that there will be. One condition that was not attending last winter when the hunt was put on was the ownership of the land in that vicinity. Then it was privately owned; now it belongs to the state, and without special permission a hunt could not be staged, because all state owned land is the game preserve. A hunt this winter will doubless bring better results than last year, especially if certain rules could be enforced. One thing is sure if a wolf hunt is put on this winter the section will be patrolled with officers who will have authority to keep trespassers off the territory before the drive

Sunday evening we were over near Hutchins and at the side of the paving we saw five dead hogs, weighing probably 100 pounds each. They had evidently been killled by an auto, as shortly before we had passed along there and had not seen them.—Garner Signal.

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Eastern Star—

Last week Wednesday evening the Eastern Stars held election of officers. The new ones elected were: Mrs. Schooler, Worthy Matron: Cato Griesy, Worthy Patron; Nina Fetrow associate Matron; Mrs. Earl Madison, conductor; Mildred Parson, associate conductor; Daisy Cameron, Secretary; Mrs. F. O. Fitts, treasurer.

A Xmas box was send to the Eastern Star Home at Boone.

Wednesday evening to this week a special meeting was held for the purpose of initiating three new members, Mrs. Albert Chamberlin, Mrs. D C. Ables and Leona Brass. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

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Progress—

The Progress club met at the home of Mrs. J. Sharon. The lesson was on "The Madonna in Art," led by Mrs R. H. Klemme. The roll call was an exchange of gifts. Every thing was in keeping with the Yuletide, even old Santa and the Xmas tree were there.

Christmas carols and songs on the Victorola were much enjoyed.

Very nice refreshments were served by the social committee, and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

This was the last meeting of the club for this year. The next meeting being January 2 at the home of Mrs. G. F. Elder.

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Delphian—

Mrs O. Varland was hostess to the Delphian club Monday evening Miss Thera Fitts was leader of the lesson which was on "Early American Colonization." Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

ALEXANDER NEWS ITEMS

Miss Anna Beeman was a visitor at Hampton last Sunday.

Merle Hansen, John Bohlen, and Jerry Beeman were callers at Mason City a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs Karl Johanneson left Monday for Rockester Minn. where Mr. Johanneson will undergo an operation.

Arche McCallum of Minneapolis, Minn, was in this vicinity last week calling on relatives and friends.

Miss Oralec Brooks teacher of the sixth grade who has been at her home at Belmond under quarantine for Diptheria for the past month has returned to her school duties.

Art Butler and Miss Eve Whetstone were callers at Dows Saturday, Miss Lillie Cornwell accompanied them back to Alexander where she visited with friends.

Misses Florence Zara and Ethel Roulet were callers at Mason City the last of the week.

Mrs George Blau who has been seriously ill for the past month is reported to be somewhat improved at this writing.

Mr. Maud Collins of Topeka, Kansas came Saturday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Butler.

Herman and Carl Graves of Grundy Center visited with relatives at Alexander the past week.

Mrs. I. R. Schenbley of Beaman is visiting her mother Mrs. William Butler this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Ostendorf are the parents of a fine baby girl born Monday December 4.

Mrs. Grant Smith visited with friends at Hampton last week.

Carl Bohlen was a business caller at Chicago the first of the week.

Mr and Mrs. Adolph Eden left the first of the week for Rochester, Minn. where they went to consult the physician as to Mr. Eden's health.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the home of their son John Murphy.

Mrs. Lillian Seegar left last week for an indefinite visit with her sisters at Popejoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals and Mrs. and Mr. Claas Symens were business callers at Hampton Monday.

Miss Nellie Bell and Arthur Winwood attended church at Dows Sunday evening.

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Sunday School will have the rehearsal of their Chirstmas program at 10 o'clock.

There will be preaching in the German language at 2:45 o'clock. Come and worship with us.

Our Ladies Aid meets with Mrs. Henry Friesleben, December 20 at 2 o'clock. All ladies interested are requested to be present.

C. J. Barth, pastor.

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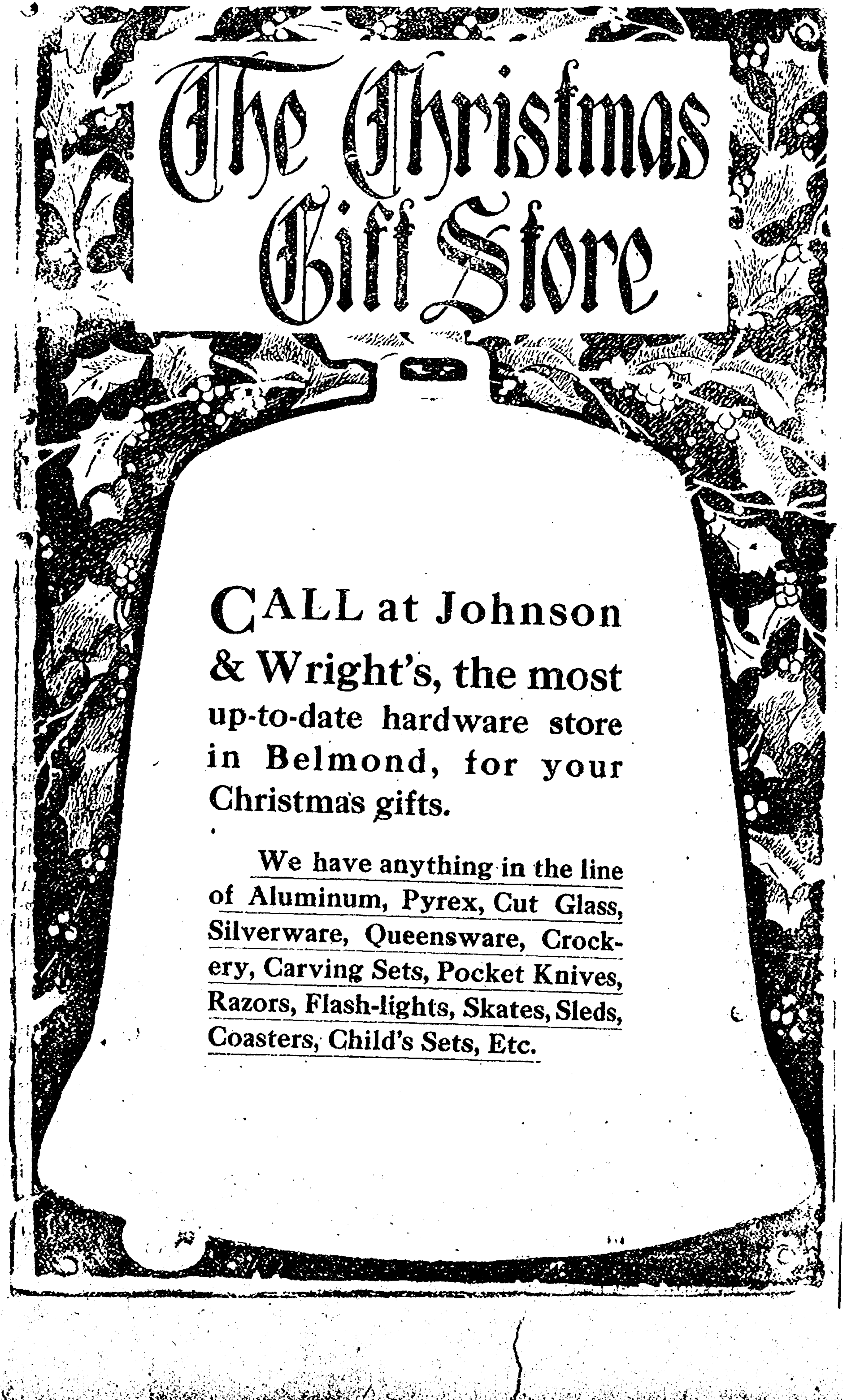

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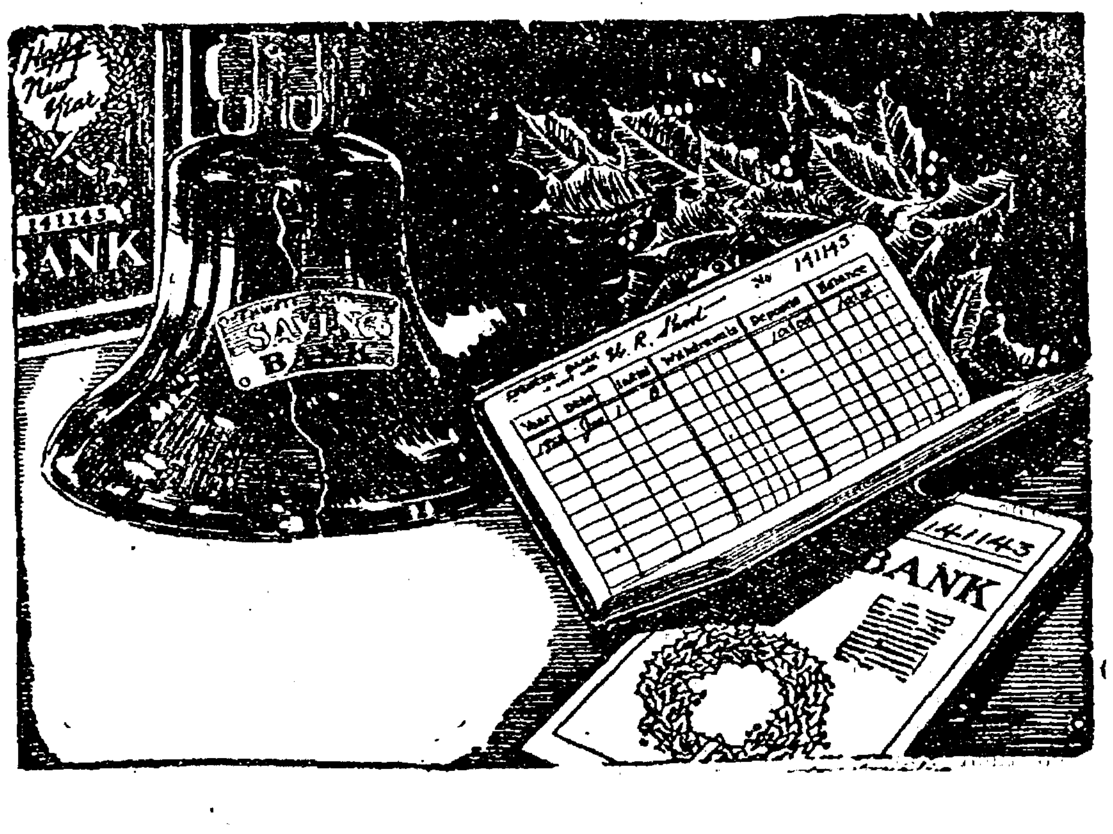
CALL at Johnson & Wright's, the most up-to-date hardware store in Belmond, for your Christmas gifts.

We have anything in the line of Aluminum, Pyrex, Cut Glass, Silverware, Queensware, Crockery, Carving Sets, Pocket Knives, Razors, Flash-lights, Skates, Sleds, Coasters, Child's Sets, Etc.



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This bank means absolute safety and helpful service.

Again we say, some present.

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EVERY woman treasures beautiful Jewelry, and a Christmas gift of it is sure to win her grateful admiration. Particularly if it's chosen from our exquisitely designed selection.

Our Jewelry stock is complete for Christmas giving---from inexpensive novelties to costly gems.

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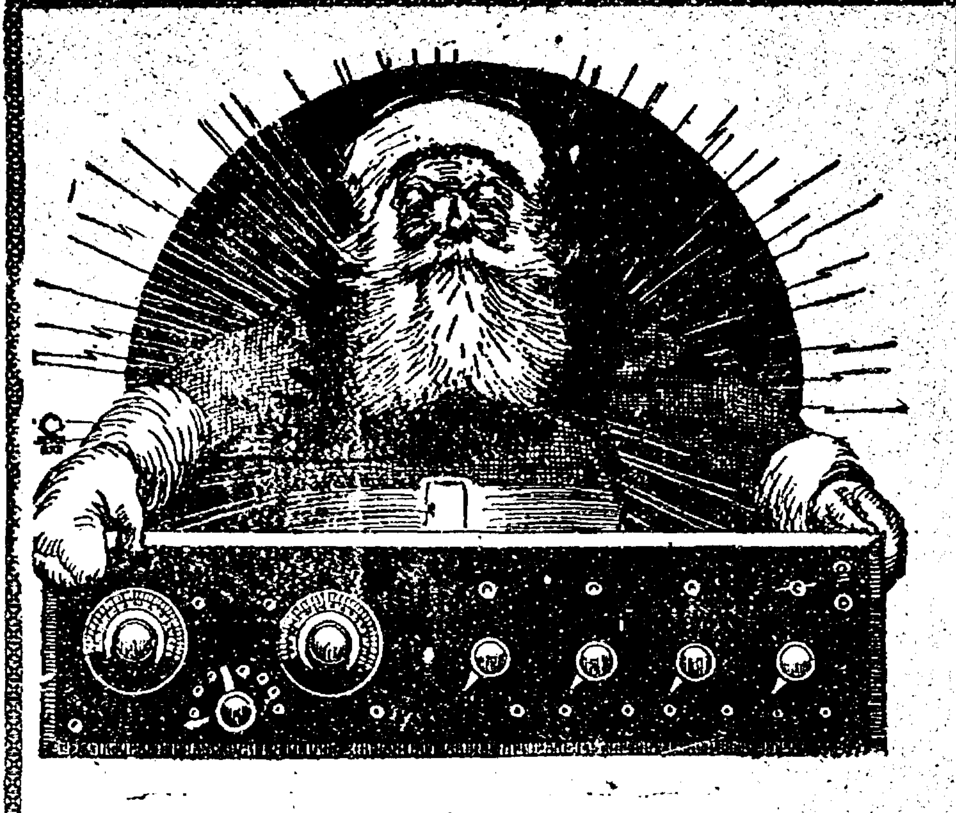

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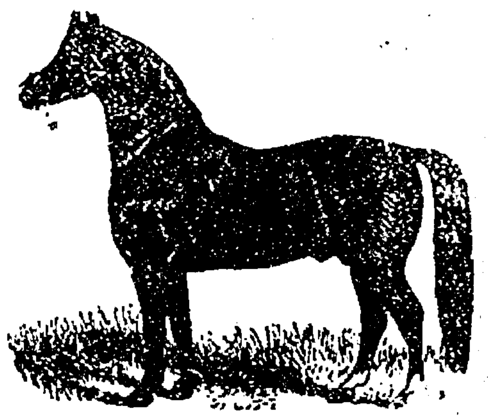
PUBLIC SALE

Having decided to quit farming and move to town, I will have a closing out sale at my place 5 miles east of Belmond, 4 miles south and 2 miles west of Meservey, and 3 miles north and 2 miles west of Alexander, on

Wednesday, December 20th

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. sharp, the following described property:

8 - Head of Horses - 8



1 BLACK GELDING COMING 7 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1550
1 BAY MARE COMING 7 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1500
1 BAY MARE COMING 5 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1500
1 BLACK GELDING COMING 8 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1450
1 BLACK GELDING COMING 9 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1250
1 BAY GELDING COMING 8 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1250
1 SORREL GELDING COMING 7 YEAR SOLD, WT. ABOUT 1100
1 SORREL WORK HORSE, 12 YEARS OLD, WT. 1300

24 - Head of Cattle - 24

4 FALL CALVES
3 HEIFERS TO BE FRESH IN SPRING
7 SPRING CALVES
1 GRADE HEREFORD BULL
2 STEERS COMING 2 YEARS OLD
7 MILK COWS, SOME FRESH, OTHERS WILL BE SOON

24 - Head of Hogs - 24

1 BOAR
8 SHOAT S
15 BROOD SOWS, 5 REDS AND 10 WHITES, ALL BRED

About 200 Chickens About 300 bushels Corn

1 Studebaker Automobile, 1917 model

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 cutter
1 bob sled
1 swill cart
1 hay rake
1 drag cart
1 grindstone
1 pump jack
1 tank heater
1 feed grinder
2 scoop boards
1 P & O disc
1 spring wagon
1 Sterling seeder
1 laundry cook stove
2 3-section drags
1 walking cultivator
1 McCormick mower
2 Emerson stulky plows
1 walking stubble plo w
1 truck wagon with rack
1 McCormick corn binder
1 Kemp manure spreader
1 1-hole Pony corn sheller
1 Deering binder, 8 ft cut
2 P & O riding cultivators
2 wide tired wagons with boxes
1 1½ h. p. Gray gasolene engine
4 sets work harness and some collors
1 Ankerholth cream separator, nearly new
Other articles too numerous to mention
1 Avery corn planter with 80 rods of wire

Free Lunch At Noon

TERMS OF SALE: All sums of $10 and under, cash. Over that amount 10 months' time given on approved security at 8 per cent interest. No property removed until settled for.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Annual Meeting January 3rd

The annual meeting of the Wrigh county Farm bureau has been set for Wednesday, January 3rrd and will be held in the court room as usual. Last year seemed to be the record bearker as far as attendance was concerned, but plans are being made for a lively meetng which will, no doubt be the most interesting meeting ever held.

A program committee consisting of Mrs. Merle Peck, (Grant township) Mrs. M. L. Clark (Lake township), G. D. Denger, (Vernon township and the county agent was appointed at the last board of directors meeting and this committee is making every affort to see that an interesting program is arranged. J. F. Coupe, assistance secretary of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, has been secured for the speaker of the day. It will be remembered that Mr. Coupe spoke at the annual farm bureau picnic at the fair grounds two years ago. He is an interesting and forceful speaker and will, no doubt, bring a great message to the farmers of Wright county.

January 3rd will no doubt be a red-letter day in 1923 for the county farm bureau. At this time all members of the organization have opportunity to hear one of the best speakers in the state, who will tell in an interesting way what has been accomplished by the farm bureau as a state and national organization durng the past year. The directors from the various townships will be voted in at this meeting. The program which is being worked out by the committee will be published in the local papers in order that all members may know the interesting things which will be included in the program.

Wright County at the International

The Wright county junior livestock judging team succeeded in landing first place at the International Live Stock Exposition as the best judges of beef cattle, second place as the best team on all classes of live stock, and Everett Denby, a member of the Wright county team, has the distinction of being the second best junior live stock judge in the United States. The boys were required to judge six classes of live stock and give reasons on three classes. The basis of award was fifty points on the correct placing of each class and fifty points on reasons for placing. The livestock which the boys worked over consisted of one class each of fat Hereford steers, Shorthorn heifers Percheron mares, Percheron geldings, Poland China barrows, and Duroc Jersey sows.

Iowa had the largest delegation of boys and girls in attendance at the International, there being 130 boys and girls from various parts of the state who made the trip on a special train which left Ames on Sunday, December 3. In all there were about 500 boys and girls from the different states within the union who had the pleasure of taking in the livestock exposition and being entertained by the various commercial organization of the city of Chicago. The first day of the show was spent by the boys and girls in visiting the International Live Stock show and in observing the various club exhibits and demonstrations. In the evening the youngsters were entertained by the Chicago theater, one of the newest and best equipped theaters of Chicago. On the second day of their stay in the city the club members were taken into the packing plants of Swift, Armour, and Morse Companies, each plant serving lunch to the boys and girls at one p. m. From here they were taken for a trip through Tigarland, Bird Paradise and the Tropical Gardens at Lincoln Park. They were entertained for a six o' clock dinner at the Wilson & Company packing house dining room, The third day was spent in visiting the Field Museum, the Chicago Board of Trade, the offices of the American Farm Federation, Marshall Field department store. Sears Roebuck & Company and Montgomery Ward & Company. They were entertained for luncheon at the Central Y. M. C. A. building as guests of the Chicago Board of Trade and for a six o'clock dinner they were entertained by Sears, Roebuck & Company and Montgomery Ward & Company. On the last day of their trip they started out by visiting the McCormick harvester plant of which organization they were guests for luncheon at noon. From here they were taken on a tour of the cold storage warehouses of Chicago this trip being arranged by the national poultry, butter and egg association. A six o'clock banquet was given them by the cold storage ware house men of Chicago in the Tiger and South Sea rooms, Hotel Sherman.

The week of December 3rd to 9th marked the occasion of the 4th annual boys' and girls' club tour and besides the launching of the first National boys' and girls' club exposition. These club activities were arranged and fostered by the National committee on boys' and girls' club work—first for the proposition of providing educational entertainment for the winning club members who were in Chicago and second and the most important in order that our citizens may witness the value of boys and girls club work and know of the great good which will come to the country as a whole when this work is made available to all our farm boys and girls. Boys' and girls' club work is the most important phase of extension work carried on by the Unitd States department of agriculture and the agriculturarl colleges. There were six hundred thousand club members this year. In 1921 club members produced over seven million dollars worth of products at a cost of four million five hundred thousand dollars which cost includes leadership Banks loaned the club members two million dollars this year and will no doubt, increase the amount next season. Various agencies provided 734,000 dollars in prizes for 1922 winners to aid and promote club work. Statistics show that 2,100 former club members are now attending college.

Special Course at Ames for Boys

Wright county farm boys are offered a non-collegiate course in agriculture by the state college at Ames from January 2 to March 23 the time when farm folks can best get away for a little polishing up in the fundamentals of farming.

Many young men find it possible to get away from the farm only during the winter months, especially with the present scarcity and high price of farm labor. The course which will be offered will allow the student considerabe choice among the following subjects: Beef and dual propose cattle sheep, horses, farm dairying, agricultural chemistry, agricultural arthimetic, farm management, farm mechanics, animal feeding, soils and business English.

Each of these subjects will be, as nearly as possible, complete in itself. At the same time, should the student find it possible to return a year later, or at some other period, he will receive full credit for the work taken and can take additional or advanced work.

One special phase of this work will be conference with successful farmrs managers of shipping associations and men of his character. George Godfrey of Algona will be the first leader and speaker at these farm boy conferences early in January.

Questions concerning the course and other arrangements are invited. All letters should be addressed to the registrar, Iowa State College.

Brood Sows Need Protein

That tankage or some other form of protein feed will more than pay for its cost in producing good litters of pigs from young sows has been shown in a recent experiment conducted by John M. Evvard and C. C. Culbertson of the animal husbandry section of the Iowa agricultural experiment station. Not only are the litters better from sows that have had a protein balanced ration but the sows show better condition than do those fed only a corn ration.

Test, conducted by the animal husbandry men showed that young sows fed a corn ration, carrying their first litters, produced litters whose average weight was 13.2 pounds or an average of 1.74 pounds per pig. Of the group of pigs, 58 per cent were classed as strong and 16 per cent were medium and the same number were weak. These sows ate 3.65 pounds of corn daily and gained one-third of a pound each, not enough to make up the requirements for their own body and the developing offspring.

Similar young sows, sisters of those just mentioned, were fed the same kind of corn but with it about two-fifths of a pound of six per cent tankage daily.

Although these sows ate only 2.75 pounds of corn each, they were thriftier and gained about twice as much per day as the other group. The litters produced weighed on the average 19.6 pounds and pigs averaged 2.2 pounds and were classed ninety-three per cent strong, with 5 medium and only 2 per cent weak.

Where alfalfa was fed the sows, with corn before farrowing, the litters weighed on an average of 17.4 pounds with an average of 2.29 pounds per pig and 98 per cent of the offspring were strong with 2 per cent medium and no weak. About a pound of alfalfa p er sow was either consumed or wasted per day.

OLAF

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baxter and Mrs. S. O. Windecker drove to Mason City last Wednesday afternoon on a business mission.

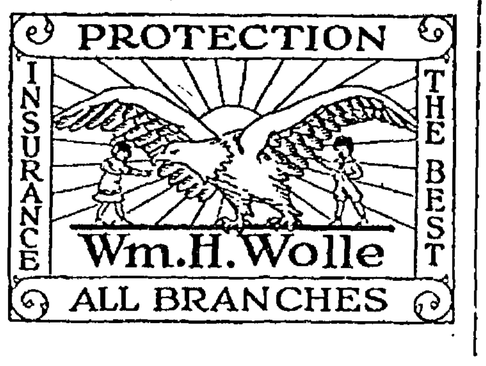
Geo. Cook's boys are the proud owners of a new Ford touring car.

Our blacksmith, Jake Hess, is kept very busy, since the ice came, shoeing horses.

Corn husking has been delayed by the heavy coating of ice which gathered on the stalks during last week's sleet storm.

A three-day meeting was held Friday, Saurday, and Sunday at St. Olaf Church.

At twelve o'clock Thursday, in the presence of about 40 relatives Miss Clara Eliason was united to Henry Ginapp, in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. Tresdahl of Kanawha officiating. The Misses Nora Eleason and Martha Eckhardt acted as bridemaids and Olaf Eleason and John Eckhardt as best men. After congratulations the guests were seated to tables loaded with all the good things which go with a wedding feast. Mrs. Ginapp was born and raised in this community, and all speak praises for her. Mr. Ginapp is a stranger to the writer but we hear him well spoken of, he being a well-to-do farmer living near Sheffield where they will make their home. We with many others extend our congratulations.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Crushers of Value

We don't always associate "crushers" with feed grinders because we'd probably be put in jail if we did. But the Cob Crusher of the McCormick-Deering Feed Grinder does some very necessary work. As the ears of corn reach the bottom of the hopper the cobs are broken into small bits and fed with the shelled corn to the grinding plates. Thus the effective work of the cob crushers makes the work of the grinding plates easier. It's one reason why McCormick-Deering Feed Grinders will grind corn on the cob, shelled corn and grain, as fine or as coarse as desired. Besides having efficient cob crushers, grinding plates that are self-sharpening and self-cleaning, there are many other features about the McCormick-Deering that you will want to know about. Find your way down to our store and let us demonstrate.

Is It Practical

This year more then ever we are all thinkng of the practical gifts.

Take care of economies and profits will take care of themselves.

"Gosh Hang the Durn Thing!"

Wait a minute now! Before you go swearing around at that farm machine because it went on the blinkety-blink just when you needed it most, stop to think if it isn't your own fault. Just because it worked all right when you bought it is no indication that it will do so always. Farm machines as well as everything else need inspection and repairing. While your machines are in the shed now is the time to replace worn and broken parts with genuine IHC repairs. Save your cussings and get your machines ready for the season's work before the season starts. We sell genuine repairs for genuine machines.

A new stove or range, Pyrex ware Silverware, sleds, skates, tools, skis, kitchen ware, thermos ware electric grills, irons and washing machines, We have just received a nice line of the above goods and some of the best of all will be on exhibit at our store from now until Christmas at very fair prices. Better come in and look them over.

For Shelling Seed Corn

The McCormick-Deering line of hand shellers is especially adapted for shelling seed corn. Most farmers are particular in the selection of choice ears for seed. The matter of shelling these ears without breaking the kernels can best be answered by a McCormick-Deering Corn Sheller. The McCormick-Deering is made in two styles, the allsteel hand sheller, and the wood and steel sheller. The interior construction of both these machines is identical. Both will do a clean job of shelling without breaking kernels or cobs. If you are looking for a sheller to shell your seed corn, or to handle any of the light shelling jobs around the place, come in and see us because we beleive it's the McCormick-Deering you want.

A Hardware Store is not as often that of as a gift center as are some other stores, but we wish to list below a few suggestions:

Women are said to be increasing in height. Do you suppose it is from standng up for their rights?

CATTLE SALE

As I am going into the Holstein line of cattle, I will sell the following stock at my place, known as the old Simon Bohning farm, 4 1-2 miles west of Belmond, on

Tuesday, December 19

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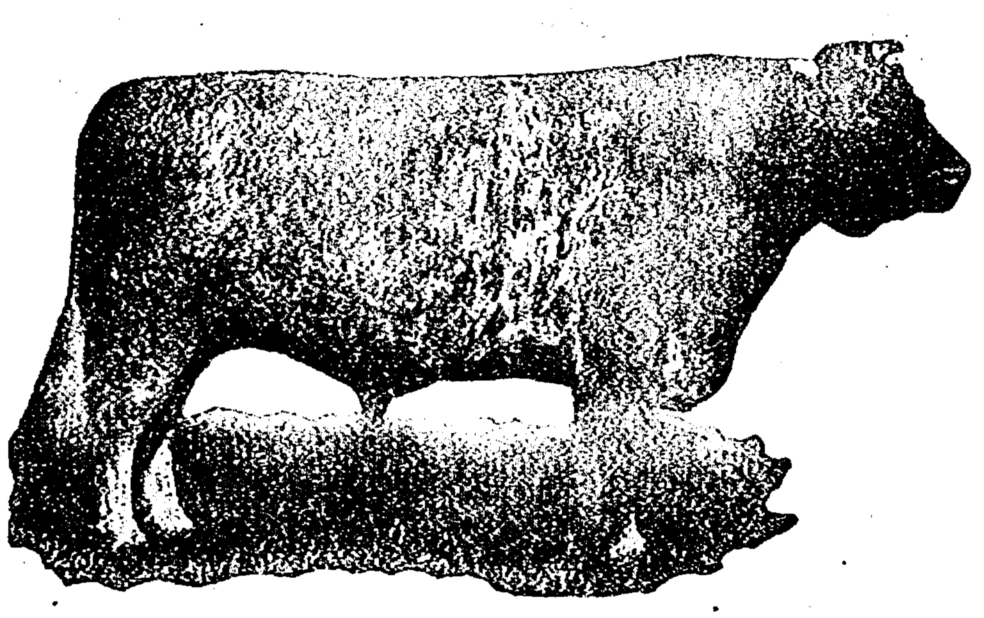

22 - Head of Cattle - 22

9 Cows and 3 Heifers, some now fresh and balance to be fresh this winter.
1 two-year-old Steer.
8 Calves.
1 registered Red Polled Bull.

30 - Head of Cattle - 30

Consigned by John Halfpop.

3 Cows and 1 Heifer, to be fresh this winter.
4 yearling Calves.
22 spring and summer Calves.

4 - Head of Horses - 4

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John Dorenkamp Sr.
Jake Smidt
Mrs. F. Frohling, Sr.
W. H. Trafford
Henry Dippel
Geo. Jenison
Adolf Meinders
H. B. Dorenkamp
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Geo Hake
S. Antoniou
L. M. Foster
Cash Meat Market
Herald Press
Dr. L. R. Parsons
L. J. Kerman

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C. I. Williams
H. L. Gowdy
Belmond Independent
M. J. Thoe

$ 2.50

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F. O. Fitts
Ray Morris
W. A. Parsons
John Zook
Wm. Voiles
D. Bishop
C. J. Papousek
Steve Dorenkamp
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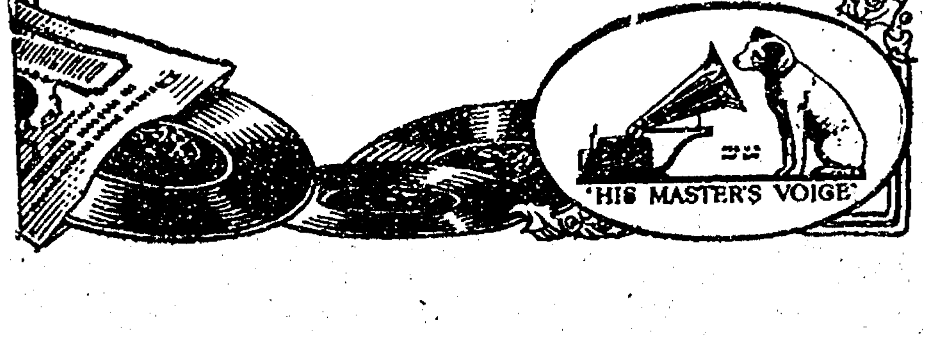


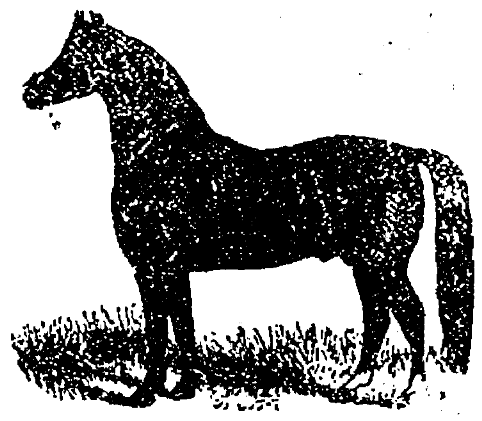
PUBLIC SALE

Having decided to quit farming and move to town, I will have a closing out sale at my place 5 miles east of Belmond, 4 miles south and 2 miles west of Meservey, and 3 miles north and 2 miles west of Alexander, on

Wednesday, December 20th

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. sharp, the following described property:

8 - Head of Horses - 8



1 BLACK GELDING COMING 7 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1550
1 BAY MARE COMING 7 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1500
1 BAY MARE COMING 5 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1500
1 BLACK GELDING COMING 8 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1450
1 BLACK GELDING COMING 9 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1250
1 BAY GELDING COMING 8 YEARS OLD, WT. ABOUT 1250
1 SORREL GELDING COMING 7 YEAR SOLD, WT. ABOUT 1100
1 SORREL WORK HORSE, 12 YEARS OLD, WT. 1300

24 - Head of Cattle - 24

4 FALL CALVES
7 SPRING CALVES
1 GRADE HEREFORD BULL
3 HEIFERS TO BE FRESH IN SPRING
2 STEERS COMING 2 YEARS OLD
7 MILK COWS, SOME FRESH, OTHERS WILL BE SOON

24 - Head of Hogs - 24

1 BOAR
8 SHOAT S
15 BROOD SOWS, 5 REDS AND 10 WHITES, ALL BRED

About 200 Chickens
About 300 bushels Corn

1 Studebaker Automobile, 1917 model

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 cutter
1 bob sled
1 swill cart
1 hay rake
1 drag cart
1 grindstone
1 pump jack
1 tank heater
1 feed grinder
2 scoop boards
1 P & O disc
1 spring wagon
1 Sterling seeder
1 laundry cook stove
2 3-section drags
1 walking cultivator
1 McCormick mower
2 Emerson stulky plows
1 walking stubble plo w
1 truck wagon with rack
1 McCormick corn binder
1 Kemp manure spreader
1 1-hole Pony corn sheller
1 Deering binder, 8 ft cut
2 P & O riding cultivators
2 wide tired wagons with boxes
1 1½ h. p. Gray gasolene engine
4 sets work harness and some collors
1 Ankerholth cream separator, nearly new
Other articles too numerous to mention
1 Avery corn planter with 80 rods of wire

Free Lunch At Noon

TERMS OF SALE: All sums of $10 and under, cash. Over that amount 10 months' time given on approved security at 8 per cent interest. No property removed until settled for.

Clerk---State Bank of Belmond
Auctioneer---Lewis Hauge

ED KRIENS

NEAR EAST RELIEF

The Near East Relief was chartered by special act of Congress Aug. 6, 1919. It bears the same relationship to the goverment as the Red Cross. It must report all money, grain and clothing secured to Congress, who audit its books regularly.

The Near East Relief territory extends from the Aegean Sea (Greece) to the Caspian Sea, 1,250 miles or equal the distance from Des moines to New York City; and from the Black sea to Jerusalem, 1,200 miles or equal the distance from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico.

With generous free service rendered the Near East Relief, ninety-five cents of every dollar collected is expended in actual relief.

Within this territory it feeds, clothes and educates 110,000 orphan children located in 124 orphanages. In addition to this since the burning of Smyrna, there has been added 500,000 homeless refugees and children who must be cared for this winter. It has 38 hospitals; 56 clinics; 20 food relief stations where soup is given out once in one two or three days, as the supply will justify; 20 clothing distributing stations; 10 rescue homes and 25 refugee camps.

In the orphanages boys are taught carpentering, blacksmithing, shoemaking, electrical work, tin and coppersmithing various lines of engineering agricultural work in fact every line needed. Girls are taugh domestic science, dressmaking, milliery home economics tatting, lace and rug making.

There are over 200 American workers in the Near East territory, who are teaching American methods, customs and ideals, while caring for these children. The American Flag and Patriotic Songs are their best and dearest friends. These orphans look to America their only source a Land of Plenty for their help and supply.

There are twice the number outside of the orphanages, who exist in ruined houses without windows and heat, not enough clothing to cover their bodies and barefooted in weather below zero. Their only food is grass leaves bark of trees twigs earth or what they can beg, which is but little. They also look to America for help which seldom comes. Yet America wastes more each year than would feed and clothe these unfortunates who are orphans of massacred Christain parents. Only 6 per cent of the children are yet in Turkish Territory.

To clothe, feed and educate a child it costs 17 cents a day (less than the cost of a breakfast). $5.00 a month or $60.00 a year. Many families or organizations are adopting and supporting one or more of these orphans. What will you do?

Iowa's quota is $500,000 a year. How near will we come to our quato? Our answer depends on your help.

The above statement by the Near East Relief Committee concerning the awful condition of the people within the given radius should be sufficient to take the heart of all Kind people, especially of Belmond and Pleasant township take to heart the appeal and meet committees appointed to solicit for their cause with smiling faces and open hearts and hands.

Let us not forget what the Lord says, "He that hath pity on the poor giveth unto the Lord.

Rev. J. M. Jensen
Committee on Publicity.

GOODELL NEWS NOTES

Mr. Carl Engseth of Frost, Minn. was in town one day last week.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. Franer Cordes went to Mason City where he is taking medical treatment.

Dr. and Mrs. Snearly were in Hampton last Wednesday.

Last Wednesday Mrs. L. W. Wesenberg attended the Twin Lake Farm Bureau at the home of Mrs. Dorthy Heginger where they demonstrated the Commercial Pattern.

Mr. Ed Mellem from Frost Minn. was in Goodell last week. He is now engaged in the business of buying produce at Frost.

Mrs. Owen Conwell is injoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. Folley and her brother. They came the latter part of last week.

On Sunday Mrs. Matson entertained Mr. and Mrs. O. Sandberg and Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Miller in honor of Mr. Matsons birthday. Mr Matson is well along in years but he has the prospect of spending many more useful years in this community.

Mrs. Earl Clark was in Hampton for medical advice.

The new store in the building vacated by Mr. Engeseth is now doing business.

Mrs. Dan Miller made a trip to Hampton last week.

A case of measles at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kutzner. Their baby came down with the disease on last Wednesday.

Miss Hill and Mrs. D. Christensen visited at Clarion on Sunday.

Last Tuesday Joe Finn was in Belmond having dental work done

Mrs. J. E Savague and Mrs. Blanche were in Belmond last Tuesday shopping.

Mrs. Frank Gee visited at Klemme on Saturday.

A. Anderson of Garner was in Goodell on Saurday.

Last Friday the Women's Missionary Association held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. W. F. Beier.

The Sunday School and choir are working on a fine program for Christmas Eve.

On New Years Day there will be a New Years dinner in the basement of the church. Plan your work and social program so that you can attend and have a good visit with your neighbors.

Sunday School 9:45, Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30.

Guy Lynch of Belmond was visiting friends in Goodell on Sunday.

Give Him Something to Wear
for Christmas
from
PATTON'S
Useful Gifts for Men and Boys

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Where A Dollar Does Its Duty
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The Gift That Lasts

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This is a "Gift" that will be appreciated and will be a constant reminder of the Giver.

You can get Certificates for one or more Shares, and can distribute the payment for the Certificate over a period of one and one-half years, if you so desire.

Just as a suggestion: Start a SAVINGS ACCOUNT for yourself an family as a CRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE, by making a payment of $5.00 on a $100.00 SHARE.

The DIVIDEND RATE is now 7 per cent

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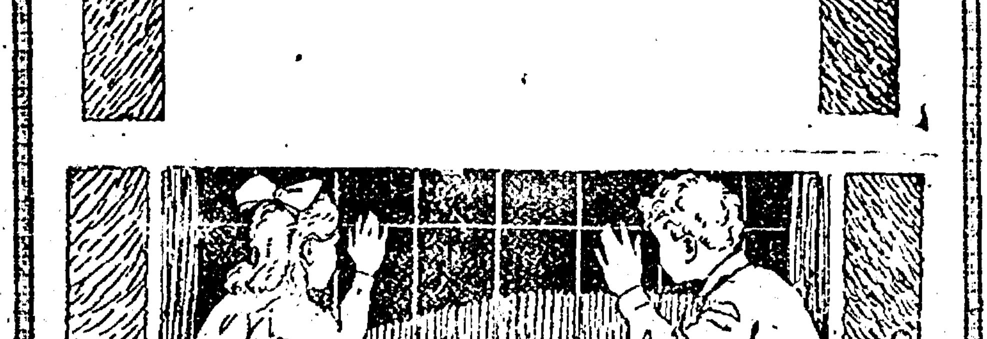

PUBLIC SALE

As I am moving to Minnesota, I will sell the following described property at my place 6 miles west and 1 mile north of Belmond; just west of the St. Olaf church, on

Thursday, December 21

Commencing at 1:00 o'clock p. m. Sharp

7 - Head of Horses - 7

1 GRAY HORSE, WT. 1500
1 SORREL MARE, WT. 1200
2 COLTS
1 SORREL MARE, WT. 1400
1 GRAY MARE, WT. 1300
1 BAY HORSE COMING 4 YRS. OLD, WT. 1200

14 - Head of Cattle - 14

6 MILK COWS
2 HEIFERS
5 CALVES
1 BULL

30 - Head of Good Shoats - 30

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 hog oiler
1 8-ft disc
1 hay rack
1 bob sleigh
1 hay bucker
1 grind stone
2 sets fly nets
1 Hoosier seeder
1 Low steel truck
1 good heating stove
1 single buggy
2 stacks fodder
Some horse collars
1 4-section harrow
1McCormick mower
2 sets work harness
1 single harness new
1 narrow tired wagon
1 10-ft. Janesville disc
1 John Deere Tower plow
1 John Deere corn planter
1 Sandwich gasolene engine
1 John Deere binder 8 ft. cut
1 wide tired wagon with new box
1 DeLaval NO. 17 cream separator
1 John Deere corn planter with 80 rods of wire
1 Klondike incubator holding 150 eggs

150 - Chickens - 150

TERMS OF SALE: All sums of $10 and under, cash. Over that amount 10 months' time given on approved security at 8 per cent interest. No property removed until settled for.

TORRES SCOTT
Owner

State Bank of Belmond, Clerk
A. B. Erickson, Auctioneer

MESERVEY SECTION

Meservey

Barber Shop

H. F. REIF, Prop.

Laundry Dry Cleaning

Three sales are advertised this week in the Independent, those of Elmer Larson on December 20, and Torres Scott on December 21. The Independent will appreciate the listing of any sale dates, and is glad to publish them for the benefit of our rural readers. Please phone 115.

Have you tried the Want Ads to sell that extra chair or that stove? They do the work—and now is a fine time to sell a stove.

YOU NEED ME!

I am the maker of OPPORTUNITIES---the foundation of FORTUNES!

I am the builder of CHARACTER---SELF RESPECT---CITIZENSHIP!

Homes are erected and these homes made happy because of me.

In sickness and adversity I keep the wheels turning---pay the doctor---the landlord---the grocer---make sorrow lighter.

To Youth I offer SUCCESS in life---to Old Age, PEACE and COMFORT.

Turn me aside and it means life-long regret. Accept me and I will work day and night, Sundays and holidays, earning money for you.

I am HERE---at this Bank--- ready to begin doing all if these things for YOU---if you but ACT!

I am---A BANK ACCOUNT!

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MESERVEY, IOWA

AMERICAN LEGION POST ELECTS OFFICERS

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year at the monthly meeting of the William J. Schmalle Post of the American Legion, Thursday night: Commander, Christ Wendell; Vice commander, Neils Faaborg; Adjutant, F. A. Lemke; Finance officer, Alvin L. Halfpop; Historian, K. C. Ruigh; Chaplin, Elmer Nissen; Sergeant at Arms, Simon Eckhoff. After the meeting the members gathered at Jones' Cafe for a big supper. The wives and lady friends of the members were the invited guests of the evening.

Word was received here that Arnold Butz was in St. Luke's Hospital at Mason City, preparatory to enlisting in the U. S. Navy, for a period of four years. We did not learn just when he will join but wish him success in this new undertaking.

C. E. Brogan is stepping around rather lively these days. The reason for this is that the stork left an 11¾ pound boy at is home in Garner last Wednesday. All concerned are doing nicely.

'Phone your news to 54.

BEING that pork is high, come in and buy beef by the quarter, as it is cheaper.

NUT-MARGARINE always on hand.

FRESH AND SMOKED MEATS of all kinds on hand at prices that are right.

WE BUY CREAM.

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Phone 27 Meservey, Iowa

The W. M. S. met in the church basement last Thursdaly p. m. for their annual business meeting. Following is the result of the election:

President, Mrs. Schlesselman
Vice president, Mrs. J. Wickerschiem
Second vice president, Mrs. A. E. Muller.
Secretary, Mrs. H. Brater
Treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Butz
Y. W. M. C. secretary, Mrs. H. Rief
Message Bearer secretary, Mrs. C. J. Janssen.
Little Herald secretary, Mrs. F. C. Sprau.

Harm Dirks and wife, John Dirks and wife, Carl Statdlander and wife motored to Mason City last Thursday on a business errand.

W. F. Butz returned from Mason City last Thursday where he had been with his mother at the Park Hospital.

The W. C. T. U. met at the Evangelical church basement last Wednesday p. m. from 2 to 4 for their regular monthly meeting.

The Helping Hand Society will meet in the Evangelical church basement next Thursday, December 21 for their annual business meeting and election of officers. A good attendance is desired.

Mrs. H. Meinderts is at the Andrew Nelson home near Goodell caring for her new grand daughter, who arrived Tuesday of last week, and whom they have named Alma Jennie.

C. J. Wendell drove his truck to Mason City last Thursday, bringing back a load of hard coal for John Langlitz and G. E. Roecker.

Wm. Koehler left the fore part of last week for Waterloo, Wisconsin, to spend a week or ten days at the home of a brother.

W. F. Butz spent Friday in Mason City with his mother.

Mrs. U. J. Cooper and baby have been visiting at the home of her parents near Kanawha.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stattlander were Clarion callers one day last week, where the former was called on jury duty. He was excused however.

The Y. P. A. held their annual Business Meeting and election of officers at the Evangelical church base ment last Tuesday evening The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus.
Vice president, Miss Agnes Fischer.
Secretary, Miss Eva Sprau.
Treasurer, G. E. Raecker
Missionary secretary, Mrs. L. Foss
Pianist, Miss Viola Thomas
Assistant pianist, Mrs. L. Foss

C. Bier and Frank Guth were in Mason City Wednesday. They brought a truck load of hard coal back with them.

The W. M. S. and Little Heralds held a joint Rally meeting in the Evangelical church basement last Tuesday afternoon. A short program was rendered, the Little Herald roll was called to which they responded by bringing their cradle offering, amounting to $16.39, which will be used for missionary purposes. Following this a social hour was held and refreshments served to the Little Herald members and their mothers. The menu consisted of sandwiches, pickles and coffee, ice cream and cake. A goodly number were present and all enjoyed the informal gathering immensely. Seven new members were added to the roll.

L. B. Hulsebus and W. R. Prelipp were Mason City business callers Thursday.

G. E. Roecker and A. J. Nissen were transacting business in Mason City and Hampton last Thursday, driving in the former's car.

MESERVEY LOCALS

Mrs. Soren Faaburg visited with relatives and friends in Thornton last Monday.

Mrr. and Mrs. Irving Nissen and Mr. and Mrs. Chas Waddingham were Mason City callers last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hajo Goeman were Mason City shoppers last Monday.

We failed to mention in last week's issue that a son had been born to Mr and Mrs. K. K. Pals, on December 1st.

Geo. Lewis and G. Lauster were Klemme visitors on Wednesday of last week.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. H B. Gruis has been seriously ill for several days. Not much change at the present writing.

Albert Kuhlers was a business caller at Mason City last Monday.

Mrs. A. E. Muller was in Mason City Monday, having dental work done and doing a few business errands.

The fond father of 12 husky children took his family to the Shoe Store one day asking one of the clerks to "fit them out." After considerable effort on the part of the clerk he finallly succeeded in finding a pair of shoes to fit each child. With the satisfaction that comes to a clerk who has tried hard to please, he was about to present the bill, when the father remarked, "Never mind the bill, I only wanted to get the sizes, so I could send to Sear's, Roebuck for the shoes."

Miss Irene Butz spent Saturday and Sunday in Mason City.

L. B. Hulsebus was a Minneapolis business visitor the fore part of this week.

Geo. Langlitz was a motor passenger to Mason City last Tuesday.

G. E. Raecker and the Jones Cafe have each installed new Radio receiving sets since our last writing. Both getting good results and enjoying the concerts etc.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Janssen and daughters were Mason City shoppers last Monday afternoon.

Miss Helen Harberts returned to her home in Belmond Monday, after being at the Frank Guth home about 2 weeks caring for Mrs. Guth and the new daughter.

Both the boy's and girl's basket ball teams went to Belmond Monday evening to play the B. H. S. teams, but were defeated. The scores were 29 to 1 for the girls, and 30 to 5 for the boys.

Miss Rena Boelman returned Saturday from Bradford where she had been visiting relatives since Thanksgiving.

Both Sunday Schools of this place are busy preparing Christmas program on Christmas eve, but we haven't heard when the Reformed people will render theirs.

W. F. Butz and his mother departed last Tuesday, from Mason City for Monterey, Minnesota, spending a short time at the home of Dr. J. A. Butz. On Thursday of last week Mrs. Butz had her teeth extracted at the Park Hospital, Mason City. She underwent the operation successfully. Dr. and W. F. Butz were both present during the operation.

FOR SALE—Black walnuts and Butter nuts. See W. F. Butz. 31c

FOR SALE—Some good Poland China male hogs weight 250 lbs. price $25. Roy Halfpap Goodell Ia. 1tfc

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

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Meservey, Iowa

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We "cornered the handkerchief market" recently, an the result is that we are now able to show you one of the most complete and beautiful lines ever shown here. And what's more —we are offering them to you at wholesale prices. Now, before buying your Christmas gifts, come and look our stock over, and be convinced.

We have a new satin table damask, 72 inches wide, beautiful design, which we are offering as a special at 98 cents per yard.

Have you seen the new bath robe blankets we had on display? Well, those are all sold up, but more are coming.

Make our store your headquarters for practical Christmas shopping. We are always willing to show you goods and quote prices.

Yours for courteous and fair treatment,

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Meservey, Iowa
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C. J. WENDEL

MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

Theodore Dirks was absent from school Thursday.

Iena Pals and Margaret Gerdes were absent from school Tuesday. This was their first absence for this year.

Mr. K. C. Ruigh spoke to the Practical Law class Wednesday afternoon on the subject "Negotiable Instruments." The explanations proved a great aid to the class and were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Clyde Smith was absent from school Monday.

Invitations to come and visit school proved successful this week. This was American Education week and our aim has been to try to get the community and the school into a little closer touch.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. A. J. Nissen, Mrs. A. E. Muller, Mrs. G. Raecker and Mrs. H. K. Pals visited some of the High school classes. On Friday the following people visited High school: Mrs F. C. Sprau, Mrs. E. G. Thomas, Mrs. O. Strassburg, Mrrs. C. I. Ralston, Mrs. W. Butz and Mrs. H. Rief and Miss Rozell Sprau.

This week was the usual time for the regular six week's examinations but the drudgery was somewhat lessened by the announcement of a high school party for Friday evening.

Christmas Seals have been received by the scool and are now for sale in all of the rooms. The children are trying to sell as many possible in order that we may sell our entire quota. Governor Kendall has promised that for every two dollars' worth of seals sold he will send a certificate signed with his name.

The High school party was held Friday evening. Those present consisted of the members of the Board of Education and their wives, the teachers, the high school students and the eighth grade pupils. The guests were entertained in carnival style. The "Chamber of Horrors" was indeed a frightful place for a timid and nervous person to enter. Very educative and interestng was the "Dime Museum." For one who had never seen the seven wonders it almost seemed unreal. The fortune teller was a great attraction of the evening. Outside the door the guests waited in line for their turn to come. Some sallied forth with frowns and others smilngly according to their future as it had been revealed to them. Madame X entertained all present in the assembly. Thru her clever revelations the past, present and future were made known. Refreshments were served after which several games were played. The guests then departed declaring the faculty first rate entertainets.

The school has been trying in a small way to observe "American Education Week," which was nationally observed during the week Dec. 4-8. The purpose of this is to bring a little more vividly to the minds of the American people the vast importance of the schools. Monday was American Citizenship day. A paper on "The Duties of Citizenship" was read to the high school. On Tuesday a debate on the question: "Resolved that the Japanese people in this country be allowed to become citizens" was held in the Sophomore English class. American Education Week should help one to realize that children are educated not only in the schools but also in the homes and in the churches, and that the children of today will be the citizens of tomorrow. As future citizens they must be taught that it is a citizens' duty to vote, and that it is also his duty to study and think in order that his vote may be cast wisely. Other things which have been brought out this week are that illiteracy is a blot on our nation. All children should finish the grammar school work and should, if it is in any way possible, graduate from high school, for they will be far better fitted to occupy their places in the community than they would otherwise be. Still another fact which has been stressed this week is the importance of making the use of the English language universal in the United States . To be able to speak clearly, concisely and forcefully is indeed an asset to any individual and it is the purpose of English classes to make this possible to all the students. Some of the slogans for the students were: "A goodly Nation Cannot Fail," "Visit the Schools Today" and "Patriotism is the Basis of a Happy Nation." The people of the community responded heartily to the efforts of the school and many of them came to visit the school. The school is always glad to have its programs well attended but it is especially glad to have the people show their interest in the work by coming to visit regular classes.

FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE NOTES

Those receiving "perfect deportment" stars the past week are: Harri[illegible] Sprau, Harland Blewitt, Wayne Waddingham, Arlene Nissen, Nellie Frey, Emma Boelman, Esther Van Osten, Neva Muller and Mildred Janssen.

Bert Fry was absent from sixth grade duties Thursday. Marie Pals was absent from school Friday.

Everyone has been writing examinations this week. A few have received perfect grades.

Parts for a little play entitled "On Judea's Plain," which is to be given at the community program, Friday, December 22nd, have been given out to members of the fifth and sixth grades.

The girls of the fifth and sixth grades are busy outside of school hours, on some embroidery work for Christmas gifts.

Meservey was represented at the Older Boys Conference by the following: Merwin Wickerscheim, Donald Muller, Ralph Paul, Orvis Schlesselman and Oliver Sprau with J. G. Herbster and Ferdinand Lempke in charge of the group. This conference was held at Mason City, December 1—2—3. Its purpose was to bring together for inspiration, instruction and information, boys from fifteen to twenty years of age that they may become active in the doing of worthwhile deeds in the church, the school, the home and the community.

It gives them a vision and an inspiration and an impetus toward true service and noble effort which is valuable in every day life.

The principal speakers on the program were:

W. P. McCormick, pastor of one of the leading churches in Des Moines
Robt. B. Wallace of Council Bluffs, a prominent business man.
Otis C. McCreery, left half-back on the University of Minnesota football team.
C. W. Kirkpatrick of Des Moines, Conference Manager.
B. B. Hadley, General Secretary of Cedar Rapids Y. M. C. A.

7th and 8th Grades

1st and 2nd Graades

ALEXANDER NEWS

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A bountious Thanksgiving dinner was served by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte at their home. The affair served the double purpose of honoring the annual festival holiday and also as a family reunion. The children present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frohling, Belmond; Mr. and Mrs. Jelto Beenken; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schulte, Jr., and Johnie and Hannetta who are at home. The grandchildren present numered five. Others present were Mr. and Mrs Clyde Blau and son, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Murphy and son, Miss Ethel Roulet and Claas Modderman.

A birthday party was held at the Henry Schulte, Jr., home on November 26 in honor of the 7th birthday of Grace. Refreshments were served.

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Mason City, Iowa

Big Chicago Wholesale Firm Goes Out of business. C. & C. Store buyer, of Fort Dodge on the spot and buys big block of stock at average price of FIFTY CENTS ON THE DOLLAR. This merchandise on sale tomorrow.

Handbags: 39c, just 144, mostly strap purses, few better ones at 69c worth double.

Stockings: 98c womens silk and wool, black and colors $1.50 reg.

Xmas Sippers: $1, men's and womens majority $1.39 and $1.69 values

Boy's Leather Mitts: 10c to 29c, slight seconds but wear like the best.

Wool Blankets: $8,98, 100 per cent wool, regular $12,50; army wool $2,98

Boy's Xmas Slippers: $1:39, real boys' style.

Infants Sweaters: $1,45, infants' fancy wools, some worth double.

Ball Brand Overshoes: $2,98, 4-buckle all ubber; 40 pair of 10. All size U S $2,98.

Mixed Nuts: 19c lb. Limit 5 lbs to a customer.

Candy Sale: at 2 for 25c and 19c lb.

Manicure Sets: 49c, also $2 sets at $1.39; $5 sets at $2,98.

Lavender Top Stockings: 39c, regular 60c, fine mercerized, women's, slight seconds.

Flannel Shirts: $1.98, men's gray and brown.

Infant's Wool Stockings: 39c pair. Black, white or brown, some mended.

Black Sateen Dress Aprons: $1,98, regular $2,45, great gifts

This ad good for $1 when buying any woman's coat or dress in the house this week, regular pices $14,75 to $24,75 and selling big

Dress Gloves Men: $1,49—genuine leather, dressy.

High Shoe Sale: $2.98, women's black and brown, genuine welts in lot $1 Brassiers 49c.

Ivory Pieces: 39c for 75c pieces; genuine French ivory clocks $2,98.

Aprons: 29c women's light and dark.

Lunch Cloths: $1,98, regular $3 to $5, bought at less than ½ price, very elaborate, round.

Xmas Silk Stockings: 98c, regular $1,39 art silk Notaseme, women's.

Horsehide Gloves: $1.19, men's regular $2.

Heaviest Outing: 10 yds. $1.75, light and dark.

Dress Wool Sox: 59c, men's 100 per cent; clocked 100 per cent 88c.

Boys' High Cut Shoes: $2.98, to 12 sizes, larger sizes $3..9, big boys sizes $3.96.

Boys' Knit Caps: 39c, warm knit, 2 combinatons.

Heavy Sateen Bloomers: 89c, all wear 'em; give sister, mother, grand mother; girls' 50c ones for 29c.

Men's Leather Slippers Sale: $1.98 and $2.45, genuine leather, many padded soles and rubber heels.

Girls' Wool Stockings: 59c pr. Fancies, plain heavy brown wool 65c two pr. $1.25. Also boys' wool 49c and 75c.

Scalloped Cases: 2 for $1, regular 75c.

Infants Wool Vests: 59c and 79c, great values.

Leather Sole Xmas Slippers: $1.39, women's, a real buy.

Boys' Wool Suits: $5.98 buy him one for Xmas.

Shoes: $1.95 and $2.45 sale of 300 pair, men's, women's, children's and boys.' Bargains.

Women's Dress Hats: $1, sold for much more.

Boy's Unions: 89c and 98c, heavy fleeced; men's $1.19.

Washed Figs: just in, were 55c, sale 39c lb.

Gold Knives: 69c, with chains, also $1.50 at 98c.

Dresser Scarfs: 59c, regular 90c; also $3 and $3.50 classy scarfs.

Baby Blankets: 33c, single size, limit 2.

Japan Lunch Cloths: 98c, regular $1,39, Oriental designs.

Silk Sox: 59c, men's regular 75c.

Plates: 39c, genuine hand painted, also cups and saucers 39c.

Boys' Silk Ties: 25c and 39c, job lot of silks.

Motor Transport Caps: $1, warmest made for the man who drives. Govt. ones.

Bon Bons: 29c and 39c, for 45c to 75c kind.

Childrens Slipper Sale: 69c pair, over 300 pair of pinks and blues.

Luncheon Sets: 98c, 13 pieces in set, worth double.

Cat Dolls: 79c, greatest novelty of the season; make sour people smile.

Bathrobe Blankets: $2,98, small lot soldto $4,98; Bathrobes $2,98, $3,98, $4.98.

Knit Bootees: 39c, large sample line.

Satin Slippers: $2,45, women's black all sizs.

White Outing: 19c or 10 yds $1.79; best 23c, 10 yds. $1,98; 29c yard wide, 4 yards $1; yard wide darks 25c.

Dress Oxfords: $2,98 and $3,98; Peters', women's, dressy, all leather.

Blankets: $1,98, double.

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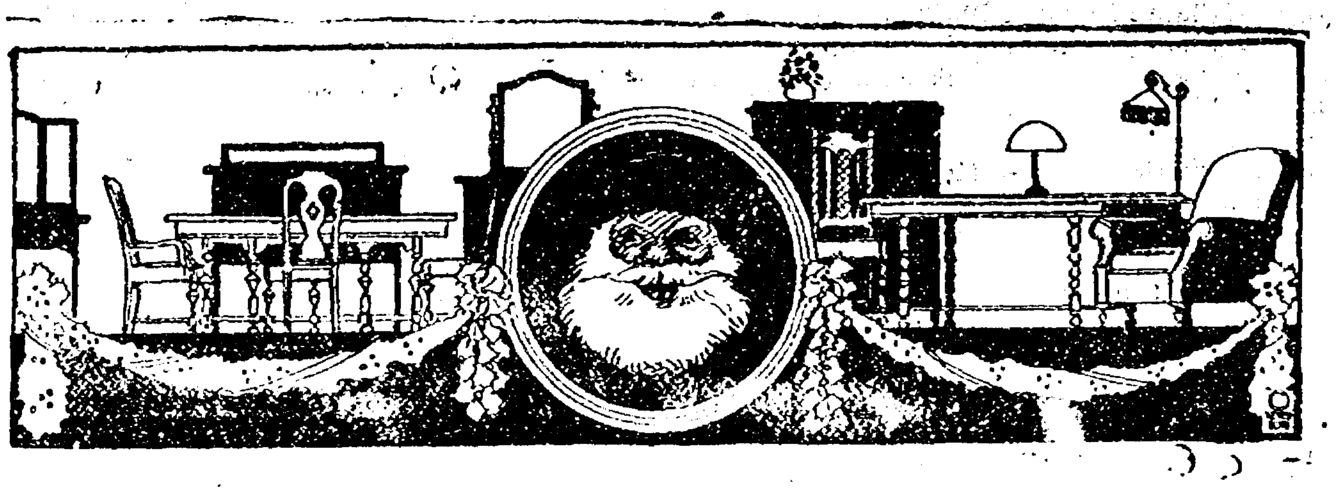

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ROWAN NEWS

Miss Alfrieda Whitten, who has been spending the Thanksgiving vaction a home returned to her school work at Cedar Falls Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Wehrsze returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives at her old home in Bristow.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens was at Hampton Tuesday having some sewing done.

The Chester Conn sale Wednesday was well attended and every thing brought good prices. They are talking of moving to Bruce Wis. soon.

Leona Bowers has been out of school for several days on account of sickness.

Mrs. U. P. Kepford, of Waterloo visited at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Brooks several days last week.

James Langdon had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse last week.

The river in this vicinity is full of dead fish, killed by the sewerage from the sugar factory at Belmond and lots that escaped that are frozen in the ice.

Mr. and Mrs. Manley McCormick are rejoicing over the arrival of a nine and a half pound boy this past week. The young man has been named Robert Wesley and Grandpa Wesley Azeltine is as proud as he can be.

Miss Izetta Fletcher went to Ft. Dodge last week to visit her sister, Mrs. Morris Sullivan. She is clerking there during the Holiday season.

Mrs. J. A. Whitten and daughter, Billie, were Belmond callers Saturday afternoon.

Jens Kjar was a Garner business caller Saturday.

Mrs. Arthur Hansen went to Hamuton Saturday to see her husband who is still in the hospital. He is doing nicely and expects to come home in a short time.

Little Wanda Stout, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Stout is on the sick list.

Roy Hyde went to Ft. Dodge Monday to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. J. F. Howell and children were Belmond callers Saturday.

Gay Fletcher returned Tuesday from Stanhope where he has been hauling gravel.

Harvey Lineweaver and John Riker returned to their jobs of hauling gravel Wednesday. Harvey expects to move to near Ames soon to haul.

Mrs. Fred Sheldon was a Dows callers Monday.

J. F. Howell went to Des Moines Wednesday noon to work.

Edgar Mantle returned from Stanhope last week, where he has been hauling gravel.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Brarden, of Des Moines spent the week end with her parents, Mr, and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett. Ora returned to Des Moines Monday and Mrs. Braden remained for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Harris were Belmond callers last Wednesday having dental work done.

Last Thursday afternoon a company of relatives and friends surprised Mrs. J. D .Brooks by gathering at her home in the afternoon in honor of her 83rd birthday. A very pleasant afternoon was spent by all present. She was presented with some beautiful flowers. Light refreshments were served.

Ray Harson is very sick with tonsilitis.

Last Thursday night the show "Snowblind" which was to be given for the benefit of the Congregational Aid Society had to be postponed on account of no lights. It was given Monday night and the house was filled at both shows. The Society made $50.00.

Tuesday morning two or three Greeks who work on the Great Western section came into the D. W. Whitten store. They ordered potatoes and as there was only one clerk there so early in the morning he was forced to leave them in the store alone while he went to the basement to get them. When he came back he noticed some goods in under one of their coats. He opened the door for them and stepped in front of them. He then asked the man what he had under his coat. The man denied having anything but Will jerked his coat open and three bolts of silk dress goods dropped out.

Misses Esther and Ruth Emerson and Bernice Hansen were Belmond callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Azeltine, Mrs. Edgar Mantle and Miss Thelma Brooks were Mason City shoppers Monday.

William Baines left Wednesday for his home near Spirit Lake.

Nellie Hackley came up from Dows

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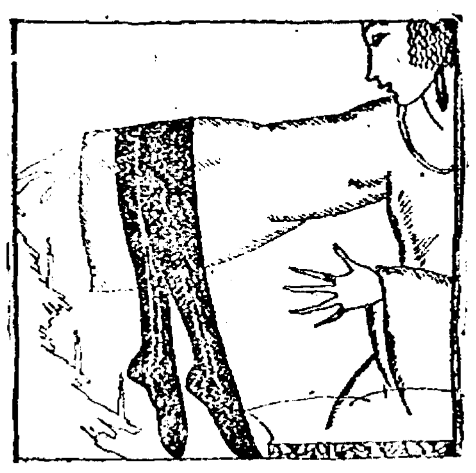
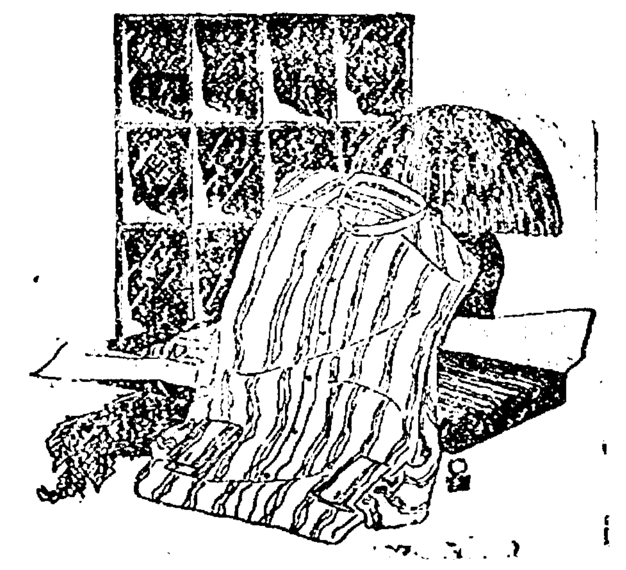
Gifts for Men

These fine mufflers are the ideal gift for Christmas. See the new brush wool mufflers in brown and tan shades. Also silk knit. $1.50 to $3.50.



An ideal gift for the lady. You can please her by presenting a pair of good silk or silk and wool hose. We have a good assortment of wool, silk and wool in various colors with clocks and drop stitch.

We have a large variety of knit, silk, silk aed wool ties in attractive patterns so it will make it easy for you to make your selection. 75c to $1.50.



All you need to remember is his size and we will help you select the shirt he likes. New patterns for the Christmas trade have just arrived.

Other Suggestions:

Handkerchief
Suspenders
Cuff Buttons
Belts
Overcoats
Silk and Wool Hose
Suit
Hat
Cap
Bathrobes
House Slippers
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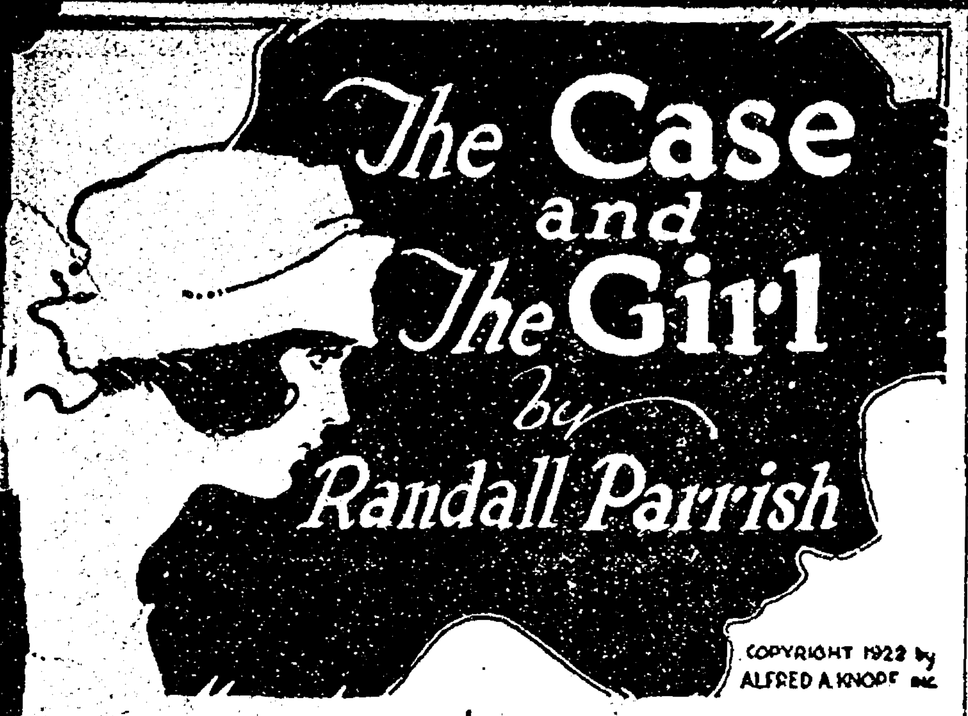

The Case and The Girl

By Randall Parrish

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"I do not know what I believed, if actually believed anything, Miss talie," he explained rather lamely. cannot make the situation altoher clear even to myself. Under circumstances, you cannot connn me justly."

'Condemn! I do not. How could I? u must have kept faith in me, nevereless, or you would never be here ow. That is what seems marvelous to e—that you actually cared enough o believe."

"I realize now that I have," he said gravely. "Through it all I have kept a very large measure of faith in you."

"Why should that faith have survived?" she questioned persistently, as though doubt would not wholly leave her mind. "Surely there was never a madder story told than the one I told you, and I couldn't have proven an item of it."

"Yet it has shown itself true," he interrupted.

"You actually believe, then, that there is another woman—a counterfeit of myself?"

"It is the only theory feasible; you have convinced me of that. Will you believe what I say?"

"Implicitly."

"Perhaps it sounds like a fairy tale," he spoke frankly, his eyes seeking her own, all their surroundings forgotten in the eagerness of the moment, "but I will tell you the exact truth. Before this misunderstanding occurred you had confided in me, trusted me, although I was a stranger and I believed absolutely in your story. I had that basis to rest on. Then I got hold of various odds and ends of evidence which convinced me that something was wrong—that you were actually being conspired against. I even gained a suspicion that Percival Coolidge was the actual leader of the conspiracy. You could never have been made prisoner in that cottage without his connivance; he must have lured you there for that particular purpose, so that this other girl could take your place without danger of discovery. The reason for Percival's participation is only a guess, but my theory is the fellow had so juggled your fortune, and the time for final accounting was so near, he had to take a desperate chance in order to save himself.

"My own theory is that when Hobart learned what Percival Coolidge proposed doing, his own criminal tendencies told him that here was some easy money. The girl was undoubtedly wholly under his control; some denizen of the underworld probably. She had already played her part sufficiently well to convince Hobart of success. Why then, shouldn't he have this money instead of Percival? There was no reason except that Percival was in the way. That was why he was killed."

"And," she questioned breathlessly, "the man meant to murder me also?"

"Not at that time, in my judgment," West answered thoughtfully. "Such an additional crime was not a part of the original plan. Once the money, and other property, were delivered to the fake Natalie, the cashing in and get away would be easy; even the identity of the thieves would be concealed."

"But they did try to kill me."

"Yes, later, by the sinking of the yacht. Probably I am largely responsible for that. My appearance in Wray street must have been quite a shock, and when I succeeded in escaping from their trap there, Hobart very evidently lost his head completely. The knowledge that I was free, perhaps in communication with the police, led to your night trip to the Seminole, and the secret sinking of the yacht. He had gone too far by then to hesitate at another murder."

"I—I think I understand now," she admitted, "how all this occurred; but why—why were you so persistent? There—there must have been a reason more impelling than a vague suspicion?'

"There was—the most compelling impulse in the world."

"You mean faith in me?"

"Even more than that; love for you. Natalie, I love you, have loved you all the time, without fully realizing exactly what it meant. There have been times when I have doubted you, when I could not wholly escape the evidence that you were also concerned personally in this fraud. I have endeavored to withdraw from the case, to forget, and blot everything from memory. But something stronger than will prevented; I could not desert you; could not believe you were wilfully wrong. You understand what I mean."

"Yes," the words barely reaching him. "It was the other girl; she undermined your faith."

"That is the truth; yet how could it be, do you suppose? My very love should have enabled me to detect the difference."

She touched his arm with her hand, and under the slight pressure he looked aside at her.

"You know now," she said softly, "and I know. All this is past and gone between us. We are here alone, the sport of the waves, and I have no reason to be other than frank. I believe in you, Matthew West; in your honesty and manhood. You say you love me?"

"With all my heart and soul; it seems to me now I have always loved you—you came to me, the lady of my dreams."

Her eyes were wet with unshed tears, yet she smiled back into his face, her voice trembling as she answered:

"And I," she said slowly, "have had no thought but of you since our morning in the garden together. How far away that seems."

"You mean you love me?"

"Yes; I love you; there is no word stronger, but I would speak it—is that not enough?"

He held her in his arms, in spite of the trembling raft, tossed by the swell of the sea, and crushed her against him in the ardent strain of passion. An instant she held her head back, her eyes gazing straight into his; then, with sigh of content, yielded, and their lips met, and clung.

CHAPTER XV

Escape From the Raft.

The raft drifted aimlessly on, the waves lapping its sides, and tossing it about as though in wanton play. The girl lay quiet, her face upturned, unconscious now of her dread surroundings; and the man swayed above her, his head bent upon his breast, both sleeping the sleep of sheer exhaustion.

It was the startled cry of Natalie that roused West, and brought his drooping head upright. She was sitting up and pointing excitedly behind him.

"Oh, see there! Look where I point —isn't that land?"

The raft rocked as he swung his body hastily about, and gazed intently in the direction indicated. He rubbed his eyes, scarcely able to credit his sight, half believing it a mirage. Yet the view remained unchanged; it was land, a bit of the west shore, a short promontory running out into the lake toward which the raft, impelled by some hidden current, was steadily drifting. His arm clasped the girl in sudden ecstasy.

"Yes, it's land, thank God!" he exclaimed thoughtfully. "We are floating ashore, Natalie—saved in spite of ourselves. Why, we could not have been so far out in the lake, after all. I ought to have thought of that before; those villains would never have deserted the yacht in mid-lake, and taken to the boat. They must have known they could make shore easily."

"You don't suppose they landed here, do you?"

"Not very likely; even if they did they are not here now. Not one of them has a thought but that we went down in the Seminole. Now they'll pull off their graft, and pull it quick. They are not loitering around here, Natalie, waiting for ghosts to appear; they are back in town hours ago."

"But what can we do?"

"Get ashore first, of course, and discover the quickest way to return to the city. I figure we have a big advantage. We know their real game now, and they are so sure we are both dead, they'll operate in the open—walk right into a trap. By this time McAdams must have discovered some clue as to the whereabouts of Hobart. With him under arrest, and our story told, some of these fellows will confess, and it will all be over with.

"It is twilight already—the sun has gone down behind the bluff, but it will require an hour yet for this raft to drift into shallow water. You swim, you told me?'

"Yes, very well indeed."

"Shall we risk it then together? It is not far to the end of the point yonder."

She looked where he pointed and smiled, glancing back into his questioning eyes.

"Why, that involves no danger at all. I will do anything to get off this raft."

The two slipped silently over the edge of the dipping raft, and struck out for the nearest point of land. The distance was greater than it had seemed, the twilight deceiving their eyes, while their clothing had a tendency to retard progress. Weakened by lack of food, and buffeted by cross currents, both were decidedly exhausted by the time their lowering feet finally touched bottom.

"Oh," Natalie exclaimed breathlessly, "That was glorious, but I hardly had enough strength left to make it. Why, it is almost dark already. I cannot see the old raft at all. I—I wish it would come ashore; it gave you to me, Matt."

"And you are not sorry, even now, safe here on shore?'

"Sorry! Why I am the happiest girl in all the world this minute. I am here with you, and you love me—what more can I ask? Is that silly, dear?"

He laughed, and kissed her, neither giving a thought to their dripping garments, or a regret for the hardships they had passed through.

"Yes, I love you, Natalie, dear," he answered. "So it is not silly at all. But we must seek shelter and food. Are you strong enough now to climb the bluff?"

She nodded her readiness to try, too happy for words, and hand in hand they toiled their way upward through the gloom.

CHAPTER XVI

The House in the Bluffs.

The cleft in the bluff was both narrow and steep, but it gave them passage. At the upper end Natalie's reserve strength suddenly deserted her, and she sank down on the grass, laboring for breath, feeling unable to advance a step farther. The days and nights of excitement, coupled with lack of food and sleep, had left her physically weakened; now suddenly, even her will and courage both gave way.

"No, it is nothing," she explained in a whisper. "I am just completely tired out, I guess. You go on, Matt, and find some place of shelter. I'll just sit where I am now until you come back—only—only don't go very far away."

She held out her hand, and endeavored to smile.

"Desert me! Of course you are not, dear. I am bidding you go. I shall not mind being left here alone. I am so tired."

West felt the importance of gaining a view inland before the closing down of night obscured everything, and therefore reluctantly left her alone there while he made his way to the top of the ridge. It was a wild, broken country revealed to his gaze, a land of ridges and ravines, rugged and picturesque, but exhibiting no evidence of roads, or inhabitants. Then his eyes caught a thin spiral of smoke rising from out a narrow valley almost directly beneath where he stood, the depths of which were totally concealed from sight. As he stared at this, uncertain of its reality, a single spark of light winked out at him through the darkness. There was certainly a habitation of some kind hidden away down there. If he could only leave Natalie there in safe hands, in the security of a home, however humble, food would give him strength to push on alone. West turned and hastened back through the woods, clambering down the slope of the ridge in darkness to the spot where he had left the girl. For the moment he could not distinguish her presence in the gloom, and, fearing he might have gone astray, called her name aloud.

"Yes," she answered. "I am here; to your right. I am standing up. Have you discovered anything?"

"There is a house of some kind over yonder in a hollow just beyond the ridge. We will have to stumble along through the dark. Do you think you can make it?"

"Of course, I can," and she placed her hand confidingly in his. "I am all right now; really I am; I guess all I needed was to get my breath."

He grasped her arm, helping her to clamber up the steep bank, suddenly becoming aware that the sleeve felt dry.

"Why, Natalie, your clothes seem to have all dried off already; mine are soaked through," he exclaimed in surprise.

She laughed, a faint tinge of mockery in the sound.

"No mystery whatever. This light stuff dries quickly, exposed to the air. Did you think you had hold of the wrong girl?"

The tone of her voice stung slightly, causing him to make a sober answer.

"That would, of course, be improbable, but I have been so completely deceived, even by daylight, that I dare not affirm that it would prove impossible. Your counterfeit is certainly a wizard."

"She must be. But as she is miles away from here, you might let the suspicion rest. Is this where we go down?"

She led the way, the action awakening no question in his mind. If he thought at all about her thus assuming the initiative, the suspicion was dismissed with the idea that probably her eyes were more keen to discover the best path. In this she was certainly successful, and he contented himself by following her closely, but vaguely he felt that in some almost imperceptible manner she had changed her mood. He could not base his thoughts on a single word, or action, yet he felt the difference—this was not the Natalie of the raft. She was too irritable; too sharp of speech. But then, no doubt, she was tired, worn out, her nerves broken. So he drove the thought from him, clinging close to her arm, and vaguely wondering how she was able to trace the path so easily. By this time even West could recognize that they were proceeding along a well-used path, and he was not surprised when she announced the presence of the house before them, pointing out the dim shadow through the gloom.

"That is no hut," he exclaimed in surprise. "It looks more like a mansion."

"And why not?" pleasantly enough. 'I have always heard these bluffs were filled with summer homes. Unfortunately this one appears to be de-

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ROWAN LOCAL NEWS

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where she is working in the telephone office, Wednesday, to spend the day with her parents.

The Woman's Home Missionary meeting of the M. E Church met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Georgia Rowen. A good program was given. Reports from the convention at Webster City was given by Mrs. Tomkinson and Mrs. Liming. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Rowen and Mrs. R. H. Keith.

A business meeting of the League was held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. George Liming. The election of officers for the ensuing six months was held. They are as follows:

President	A. O. Pelley.
First Vice Pres.	Angie Baines.
Second Vice Pres.	Katherine Harsen.
Third Vice Pres.	Amy Azeltine
Fourth Vice Pres.	Lillian Azeltine.
Secretary	W. R. McCallum.
Treasurer	Mrs. A. O. Pelley.
Organist	Bernice Hansen.

Plans were also made for the League to carol the streets on Christmas night. An offering will be taken at this time for the Near East Relief Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tresidder and daughter, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder.

The D. H. Keith family, of Goldfield were Sunday guests at the home of his brother R. H. Keith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Peyton attended the sale at the Peter Mathiason home last Friday.

"The Little Minister" by James Barrie will be given in the picture palace next Thursday, December 14. This is one of the best films in the picture world to day, and the Rowan people will do well to see it. Though this is a high priced picture and one that rarely comes to the smaller towns the prices will be as usual. Mr. Brooks is giving the proceeds to the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church.

The election of officers for the American Legion has been postponed until the end of December. The local post of the American Legion plan on holding a Christmas supper together with the Auxiliary on the Friday before Christmas.

The young people's society of the M. E. Church plan to start out at ten o'clock on Christmas eve and render carols in the town. They intend to sing all the favorite Christmas carols and songs, and to take up an offering along the way, and give the proceeds to the Near East Relief Fund. This will be a worthy subject and one which should appeal to all.

Methodist Church.
Rev. Harold Tomkinson.
Services for Sunday December, 17.
10:00 a. m. Sunday School.
11:00 a. m. Service with a sermon on "Thoughts that thrill us."
6:30 p. m. Epworth League.
7:30 p. m. Evensong with sermon

The pastor and friends of the church extend a hearty invitation to all who have no church relatives or affiliation not only for inspiration but real instruction. We plan to relate the gospel to all the problems of your daily life.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

"Go-to-church" Sunday was a real event; reminding us of the days when family pews were the customs. The special service was deferred until a future date we hope next Sunday on account of the non-arrival of the furniture but the congregation enjoyed listening to "The Worlds Crises," by the pastor and also "The Day Star" as sung by Miss Lavonne Ballou. "The Index" was the junior sermon topic which interested many younger people.

There was a pleasant addition to the Sunday School when the Bluebird class with Mrs. O. E Ballou teacher, marched to the platform and became a choir for the Sunday School.

A special Christmas program is being prepared under the leadership of Miss Frances Farren with Mrs. Fred Brooks head of decorating committee.

The teachers and officers of the Sunday school met at the parsonage Monday evening to talk over means and methods of improvement in the work.

Wednesday night was Rowan night at the special meeting at the Galt church.

Handicapped.

"That actress looks at least ninety years old. Do have a look at her through my opera glasses."

"I can't; I have forgotten to put on my rings."

Belmond Local News

Bernard Moody came home Sunday and is now helping his mother Mrs. Cleveland in the Elite Cafe.

Mrs. Ed Jenkins has been quite ill with an attack of appendicitis but is much better now.

W. F. Robinson from Tennessee, came Friday to visit his brother C. S. Robinson.

Clyde Robbins from Seattle, Washington, is visiting relataives here.

Gilda Nelson spent the week end with friends at Iowa Falls.

The Odd Fellows held their annual Home Coming Tuesday evening, with the usual big feed. A good time is reported by those who were present.

Mrs. E. W. Luick's mother Mrs. Brandt is on the sick list. She fell a few days ago bruising her side, then an attack of pleurisy made it worse. But the doctor said with care she would be alright in a short time.

The Masonic lodge held election of officers last week. The following were elected for the coming year:

C. N. Hildebrand, W. M.
Adolph Skovlin, S. W.
Harry Bohning, J. W.
Ben Fetrow, Secretary.
E. A. Ely, Treasurer.

The Catholic church bazaar held at the library last Saturday was well patronized. The ladies taking in about $400. They had ever so many articles of the most beautiful hand work.

Little Harriet Walters had her tonsils and adnoides removed at the hospital here Tuesday.

Last Thursday a fine baby girl arrived at the home Mr. and Mrs. Jim Finn.

For Sale—Full blood Rhode Island Red Roosters.—Mrs. P. W. Kaufman, phone 141 42*

Wanted—Horses to pasture in good corn fodder.—Gunner Ahlstrom, phone 2904. 42*

For Sale—Fresh cows.—P. W. Kaufman, phone 141. 42*

Wanted—Used laundry stove.—H. Wilkinson. 41c

We buy poultry both alive and dressed. Call us, phone 272.—White Produce Co. 4tfc

A demonstration of Electric Ranges will be held Saturday, December 16, at the electric store, a lady demonstrator having charge. An electric flat iron will be given away.

AUCTION SALE

Of Maxwell Touring Car Thursday December 14 at 2:00 o'clock p. m. at the Ford Garage. Car will be sold to the highest bidder.—Motor Finance Co. Des Moines Iowa

Read the ads.

We Buy
Cream
Eggs
Poultry

We can use any kind of Live Poultry, any amount. Call us for prices.

We come to your place and get it free of charge. If you haven't tried our service, try it once.

Phone 272.

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Produce Co.
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Exchange new Treasury Savings Certificates maturing in five years for them.

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Accept them for immediate credit at maturity value in your savings account or to open a new savings account. Take advantage of this offer now and receive free interest on your deposit until January 1st.

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VICTORY BONDS with prefix letter A, B, C, D, E and F are called for payment December 15, 1922 and this Bank will be pleased to cash them for you.

Belmond Savings Bank
Belmond, Iowa

Belmond Local News

For good milk and cream, call the Ash Grove Dairy. Phone 8506. tf

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon from Rowan were Belmond callers Friday.

Mrs. I. V. Earhart was visiting at Alexander last week.

Frank Barry was a business caller at Mason City last week Friday.

Wanted—An experienced girl for housework. Inquire at this office.

Ed Kriens will have a closing out sale on Wednesday, December, 20. See his ad in this issue.

Mrs E. Fowler from Rowan was in Belmond last Thursday having dental work done.

Atty J. M. Jensen was a visitor at Garner yesterday, where he had business at the district court in session there.

Ed Kriens will have a closing out sale on Wednesday, December, 20. See his ad in this issue.

W. J. Guthrie, Supt. of the local school, was a caller at Clarion last Friday on some school affairs.

Elmer Larson is holding a cattle sale at his farm near Morse Lake on Tuesday, December, 19.

Mr. and Mrs. A B. Landon of Goodell were Belmond shoppers Saturday.

Wanted to trade—Five year old mare for a gentle single driver.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217 3tfc

Helen Harberts returned from Meservey Monday, she had been up there the past two weeks taking care of Mrs. F .Guth and the new baby.

D. R. Schmidt of Alexander was a business caller here last Thursday and while here added his name to the list of Independent readers.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Longley of near Goodell were in town last Saturday looking after business matters and greeting old friends.

Harry Webb was home a few days last week. Harry has a charge at Woden now and is doing well in his chosen work.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Verner Reed last Wednesday, mother and baby are getting along fine.

Miss Emma Wilkins of Buffalo Center, was a recent visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Merle Hildebrand, and family, returning home last Wednesday.

As I have a few more good milk cows than I need, I will sell some of them at reasonable prices. You can have fresh ones if desired.—James Kurtz. 2 tfc

Mr and Mrs. A. E. Martin drove to Mason City Monday, where Mr. Martin consulted a specialist regarding his physical condition. Mrs. Catherine Rosecrans and Mrs. Ward Martin accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Shaffer left the first of this week for their yearly winter's sojourn at Portland, Oregon where their daughter, Mrs. Ed Ziska resides, Mrs. Dave Veeder has moved into their house while they are away.

Better have your cattle tested for tuberculosis. Dr. R. G. Brown, Veterinarian, accredited by Iowa Board and U. S. Board Animal Industry. 35*

Don't let your radiator freeze up and burst, fill it with alcohol. We have it, the genuine, at reasonable prices.—Jones Harness Co.

Mrs. Frank Luick returned from Mason City Monday.

We desire to thank the members of the fire department for their quick and efficient service last Saturday night. Belmond has reason to be proud of her fire company and equipment.

S. U. Leinbach

Miss Veronica Finn held a very successful entertainment at her school in district No. 8, near Goodell last Friday the school realizing over forty two dollars from the program.

Rid yourself of that headache, constipation, billiousness, nervousness, burning, smarting, red and inflamed eyelids and eyeballs, blurring of vision, etc. All of these are symptoms of eyestrain. See me, I can help you. I will tell you the truth about your eyes.—A. H. Berger, Eyesight Specialist, Clarion, Iowa.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF IOWA,
WRIGHT COUNTY, ss.

To E. G. Miller:

You are hereby notified that by virtue of a Special Execution in Attachment to me directed, and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgement rendered in said Court in favor of State Bank of Belmond, Belmond, Iowa, and against E. G. Miller for the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-three and 30-100 Dollars debt and Fifty-four and 94-100 Dollars costs, I have levied upon the following described personal property, to-wit:

One Acetylene Generator, Welding table and welding plate, Pre-heating torch, one Acetylene cylinder, Four Boys charcoal, One barrel oil, one barrel grease, welding stock, one stock rack.

And that on the 30th day of December, 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m. at the Old First National Bank Corner, Belmond, Wright County, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clarion, on this 8th day of December 1922.

HENRY LANG.
Sheriff Wright County.

J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Eight Duroc Jersey spring boars, pedigreed. Papers furnished.—Wm. Moellering & Sons, Rowan, Ia. 514*

For Sale—Good grade Short Horn bull, 18 months old.—Guy Baker, Belmond. Phone 2207. 1tfc

For Sale—Buff Rock roostes, full bloods.—Mrs. O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 3tfc

For Sale—Full blood Poland China stock hog. Weight about 240 lbs.—Chas. Chapman. 33*

For Sale—Willow wood, sawed for stove lengths $4.00 per load at the farm, $6.00 delivered in town.—phone 2010. Leo D. Veeder.

For Sale—Spotted Poland China boar pigs, eligble to registry.—M. R. Pierce, Belmond, phone 3615. 34*

ForSale—Brown Leghorn roosters, of the everlaying strain at $1.00 each. Also some good geese feathers,—Mrs. Jerome Sheffield. 14tfc

For Sale—Three choice Duroc Jersey male pigs, weight about 225 lbs. Price $ 25 each. Pedigrees furnished, phone 1206.—W. J. McLaughlin. 42*

For Sale—Six well bred Duroc Jersey boars, weight 200 lbs. each. Sired by pedigreed boar. Phone 2207. —Guy Baker, Belmond. 1tfc

For Sale—Fancy large boned heavy purebred Black Langshan cockerals The kind that WEIGH, LAY, and PAY. Write for prices.—Mrs. Chas L. Richards, Rowan, Iowa. 44*

For Sale—Walker Fox hound,—phone 248. 41c

Place your order for dressed chickens for Christmas with A. W. Martin. 41c

LOST AND FOUND

Found-Fur robe. Owners can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.—Ray Best.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

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If particular about buying your meats where they are particularly good, and put up for you in a particularly nice way, your meats and consequently your life will be more enjoyable.

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1 Cent Sale
For Saturday Only
Peanut Brittle-- 2 lbs. 31c
Regular Price 30c per pound
Christmas Candy 20c lb. Order early.
Special prices for Churches and Sunday Schools.
Belmond Candy Kitchen
Steve Antoniou, Manager

Is Your Christmas Wardrobe In Order?
Belmond Tailor Shop
F. J. Tuffree

Kinseth's Store News

It's a little bit early, but we just want to say "Merry Christmas" to you and ask whether you need a good galvanized bucket? If you do, drop into our store and we will give you one free with each of the following Soap Specials:

17 bars Luna Soap
1 bar Ivory soap
2 packages Star Naptha powder
20 bars a $1.05 value and 1 bucket a 35c value, $1.40 in all, for only 99 cents. Can you beat it?

Get yours now!

But don't think that soap is all we sell; we sell everything that is good to eat and most everything that you need to make good things to eat.

For instance there's Olives. We have them ripe for 15c, plain for a dime, and in large jars for 50c. They are good ones too.

And of course we have all kinds of Christmas candies and nuts, and you want to be sure to look them over before you buy your supply.

Yeast at 8 cents. Not good for pudding kicks in White Mule but all there for good bread.

Matches a nickel.

And juicy apples, Jonathans, and Black Twig, and Baldwins and Delicious. Oh yes there's another good soap special:

Genuine Palm Olive soap 6 cakes at 49c and one cake free.

We've come clean, and if you want to keep that way here's your chance at a bargain price. The water's free and plenty.

So just remember that the store on the corner is the store for bargains and come in and get a few.

STOP!
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Winter Is Here!
The most trying time on your car.
Now is the time to have your car completely overhauled. We can repair any part of your car.
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EVERY JOB GUARANTEED
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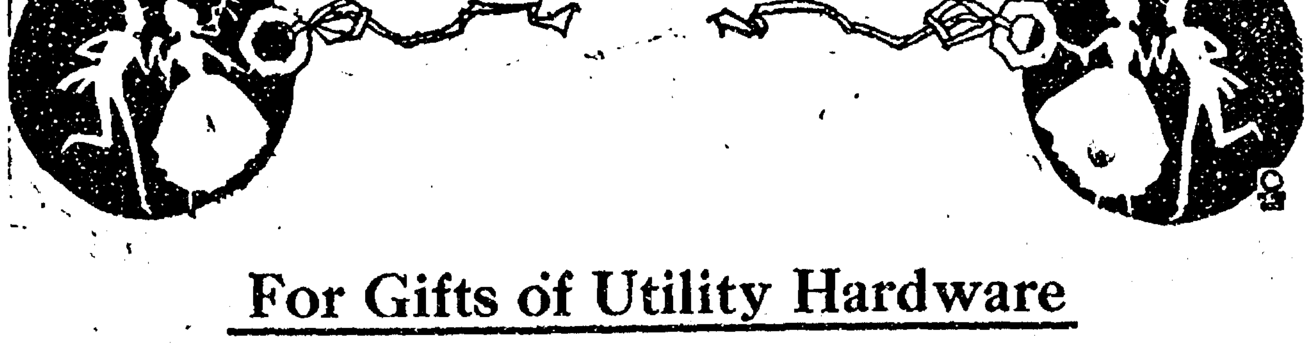

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Merry Christmas

Three Fires Here Monday And Tuesday

Firemen Respond To Three Calls Monday And Tuesday And Arrive Promptly.

PROPERTY LOSS IS SMALL

Belmond has been plentifully supplied with fires the past few days, three having broken out within 24 hours Monday and Tuesday. The first blaze occured at The Hat Shoppe Monday morning, when a defective chimney started a small blaze near the roof. The fire company was on the scene promptly and by the use of the chemicals soon subdued the blaze with very little damage, and none whatever to the millinery stock.

Monday afternoon fire was discovered at the Wm. Purdy residence. The fire company responded again and arrived at the house in jig time. Owing to the wishes of the family, they did not use the axes to get at the fire between the walls, and shortly after the company had gone back the fire broke out again. Using their axes, this time they chopped into the wall and soon had the blaze subdued.

Tuesday morning a fire started at the home of Mrs. Will Starnes in north Belmond, from a defective chimney, and this was quickly put out by the fire company with the chemicals.

Much credit is due the fire boys for their work in fighting these fires as they subdued all three with the use of chemicals, thereby saving a great deal of damage from water. They were on the job in astonishingly short order and knew their business when they got there. Belmond may well be proud of its fire fighting company

BUYS ASH GROVE DAIRY

A deal was concluded last Friday whereby the Ash Grove Dairy changes hands, the owner and proprietor being James Kurtz ,one of Belmond's most progressive farmers Mr. Kurtz purchased all equipment except the wagons and cattle, and began immediate delivery to the customers of the old firm. The Ash Grove Dairy conducted by M. H. Luick Jr. had developed many friends and customers during their business life who will be given the same good service and high quality product by the new firm, which will be known as the Kurtz Dairy. Mr. Kurtz, like Mr. Luick, has a fine herd of tutercular tested dairy cows.

BIG SHIPMENT OF CORN

The canning factory at Hampton recently made a large shipment of sweet corn to Wilmington, California the shipment being 38,000 cans of this delectible food. The shipment was sent by way of the Panama Canal to save on shipping costs, going to St. Loius by rail thence to New Orleans by boat where it was transfered to a freighter for the long ocean voyage thru the Gulf of Mexico, the Canal and up the Pacific coast to San Diego, where it was unloaded and **shipped inland by rail.** If it's cheaper to send freight by this route, with the many changes and transfering enroute, than it is by rail overland, then there certainly is something wrong with the railroad freight rates in this country.

Try some of our Roasted peanuts. They are this year's crop and dandies. The pop corn is the same. Leave orders for Christmas any amount, and we will supply you. We also will have a fine line of Bar Candies,gum and Cracker Jack to select from.—Wm. Dempsey, opposite the Case Hotel.

CREDITORS OF SHEFFIELD BANK MEET AT HAMPTON

The Creditors of the Sheffield Bank met at Hampton last week Saturday to file their claims against the bank. This institution was better know as the Carhart bank as it was owned and managed by the family of that name. The bank went defunct and was voluntarilly closed by the Carhart Bros. on. August 21. The reason given out was that the bank was unable to make collections At the time it was quite generally believed the bank would re-open, but it appears that the bank is hope lessly insolvent. A new bank has been organized at Sheffield to take its place.

LEE COUNTY MAN CLAIMS HUSKING HONORS

Louis Curly of Lee county claims the corn husking championship of Iowa, as the result of his winning in competition with the winners of three district contests at the Ankeny fair recently. His average was 15 bushels an hour under conditions said to have been unfavorable, the corn running 170 ears to the bushel. Curley won a $50 prize offered by a farm magazine and $10 offered by the fair association. In addition he took the $50 prize for the best husking average for nine and one-half hours, making 21½ bushels an hour in a certified contest in Lee county. He may or may not be the champion corn husker but if he picks that much no one will gainsay the fact that he is some husker.

SKATING RINK FOR CLARION

The commercial Club of Clarion is building a fine up town skating rink for the youth of the county seat, and the board of directors have authorized the construction of the rink. Workmen are now on the job getting it in shape, at the east end of main street. The rink is half a block in size and will accomodate a large number of skaters when flooded and frozen over.

BELMOND SCHOOLS COST $39,170 TO RUN A YEAR

Annual Report Of County Superintendent Gives Total Enrollment As 460.

From the annual report of the county superintendent of schools, Miss Blanche Bock, it is learned that the Belmond schools cost $39,107.03 to run during the past year, and that the total enrollment was 460. In the entire county there was an enrollment of 6,187, 3,101 of whom were boys and 3,086 girls. Two hundred and fifty-nine teachers were employed, and of this total only 17 were men. Non-resident pupils totaled 331 and they paid a tuition of $21,927.96. Eagle Grove's expense in running her schools was $71,423.-90, and Clarion spent $57,382.14. And at that they all received their money's worth.

CHICKEN THIEVES USE GAS

The slick way that chicken thieves have of picking the choicest and fattest hens from the roost has been more or less debated, and was recently solved at Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, in the way that had been expected. The crooks use gas. At Sleepy Eye eight hogs were stolen and it was found they had been stupefied by gas. Even the dog had been rendered harmless by this method. By injecting the gas into the hen house the chickens are rendered partially unconscious, and it is an easy task to pick the best ones without a squawk to give the alarm.

There are millions of good citizens in this country, but the bad ones make most of the noise.

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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND READERS WE WISH THIS CHRISTMAS DAY MAY CONTAIN THE FULLEST MEASURE OF GLADNESS AND CONTENT, FILLED WITH ALL GOOD CHEER AND HAPPINESS, AND MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING TO YOU THE REALIZATION OF YOUR EVERY HOPE.

—THE PUBLISHER.

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$2,000 CASH AND 109 TROPHIES OFFERED

Many Premiums Are Offered In Contest For Best Corn At State Corn Show.

Wright county farmers will have a chance to win a large valuable silver trophy. This trophy is awarded each year by the Security Savings Bank of Eagle Grove for the best 10 ears of corn from this county, shown at the state show, which show will be held, for Iowa farmers only, at Ames during the farmers short course, January 29 to February 3.

The trophy offered by the Security Savings Bank is awarded for only one year and is passed along from winner to winner, each having his name engraved on the cup. It has been won by Marquis Nelson, Geo. Madison. These men are barred from further competition for this cup. All other exhibitors from Wright county who make entry in this class will compete.

In addition to competing for the county trophy, the entries of corn are eligible to compete in the state classes for which a $2000 cash premium list has been arranged. The 20th annual State Corn Show, the largest of its kind in the world, will be held the later part of January. It is under the auspices of the Iowa Corn and Small Grain Growers' Association, an organization of Iowa farmers who are vitally interested in the development of good seed corn for the state.

The state corn show with its 15,000 ears of corn on the tables and its numerous good samples of small grain and clovers will be one of the features of the annual farmers short course. This year the show will be held in the new Armory, which has an acre of floor space without a pillar. Each department of the college will have an interesting exhibit at the show.

One of the most interesting exhibits will be the one showing the results of the third year's corn yield test. It includes entries of 70 leading varieties or strains of corn. It will be well worth your time to study the results which will be graphically illustrated.

Premium lists and full information of the state corn show, which is open to Iowa *farmers only*, may be obtained by writing Joe L. Robinson Secretary, Iowa Corn and Small Grain Growers' Association Ames, Iowa. Enter your corn or grain and take home a large silver cup and cash premium from Ames.

Miss Jennie Gealow came home from Des Moines, where she is attending college last Friday to spend the holidays with the home folks.

BONUS TAX LEVY TO BE SPREAD IN WRIGHT

Auditor Receives Instructions To Spread Levy In This County For Bonds.

Auditor Walker has been instructed to spread the tax levy for the soldier's bonus in Wright county, the amount being fixed by the State Execution council at two mills which will be spread upon the taxable property for 1922 and collected in the usual manner next spring. The bonus bonds are to run twenty years and it is estimated that the above levy will bring in one-tweni-eth of the amount and interest each year. Based on the average taxable value of a 160 acre Wright county farm, $77.60, the bonus tax will amount to a trifle less than four cents per acre, or about $6.25 per quarter section. The bonds are now being advertised in the Des Moines papers, the sale of the same to take place January 9th. They will be in denomination of $1000 only and darw four and one-half per cent interest. Bond men say they should sell at a pemium. It is estimated that the payment of the bonus will begin in February.

Another new case for the Febuay term of court is that of Chas. Culmer of Woolstock vs. John Jones and Mary Culmer. The last mentioned defendant is the wife of the plaintiff. For cause of action plaintiff states that John Jones began paying attention to his wife about one year ago and that his wife's conduct with said Jones had become so flagrant that in June of this year this plaintiff ceased to live with his wife and in Septemebr filed an action against Jones for damages in the sum of $5,000, which suit is still pending. The plaintiff now alleges that his wife and Jones have conspired and entered into plans for the sale of pesonal property consisting of horses, cows, hogs, etc. Wherefore, plaintiff asks a temporary injunction restraining them from disposing of the above property, which petition was granted Mon day by Judge Wright.

A general assignment for the benefit of his creditors was made Tuesday by E. R. Lockwood of Clarion who is engaged in the racket store and notion business A. L. Tracy has been named as the assignee.

The case of Earl Ewing was given to the jury at four o'clock, Tuesday afternoon. Defendant was charged with bootlegging. Five hours later a verdict of guilty was returned. Sentence will be passed *Monday, December 18. Officers* found six quarts of booze in a Ford car driven by Holmes and Ewing. Holmes trial comes later.

FORMER BELMOND BOY TANGLED IN RED TAPE

The following article is taken from the Des Moines Register of last Saturday, and will be of interest to many Belmond people who are friends or know of the young man mentioned:

A striking instance of government red tape, delay and inefficiency came to the attention of Senator Cummins this week George R. Pond of Belmond Ia., a skilled aviator, sought a place as air pilot in the postal service. He was directed by the postoffice department to go to Chicago and be tested. He went to Chicago and was obliged to spend twenty days waiting about there. Finally, he was given a ten minute test and turned down by the official in charge. Satisfied that Pond had not been given a square deal, Senator Cummins insisted the postoffice department give him a fair trial. He will be tested in New York in a short time.

FORM BIG COMMERCIAL CLUB

The big meeting scheduled for last week at Forest City for the purpose of forming a Chamber of Commerce or Commercial Club, went over with a bang and at the banquet held at the college last Friday night, a club of 150 members was organized. The Summit reports a very enthusiastic gathering with lots of pep, and many plans being made for future activities for the new organization.

THORNTON NOW SERVED BY IOWA FALLS CO.

The Iowa Falls Electric Co. last week added another town to their list when they connected Thornton up with the "juice." That lively little burg is now using electricity for light and power and reports say the citizens are highly pleased with the change. This makes a total of 29 towns that this company is now serving with electricity.

BOOTLEGGERS GET $800 FINE OR JAIL SENTENCE

Mrs. Neuhring And Son Otto, And Leo Prince, Draw Big Fines In Court.

Mrs. Neuhring and son Otto Neuhring together with Leo Prince who constituted Belmond's quota of hootch makers and bootleggers in district court, each received their medicine Monday when Judge Wright gave them their choice of paying eight hundred dollars, or spending about two hundred and forty days in the county bastile.

The three mentioned were up before the judge on Monday afternoon and the judge was not at all backward in giving them what they had coming. It is understood that the two Neuhrings will pay their fine and costs, but that Prince will lay his out while someone else supports his family All three plead guilty before the court last week after giving the matter some serious consideration, to maintaining a liquor nusance.

In connecton with the Neuhring case, the editor of the Independent received a visit from one of the Neuhring boys last week, after the paper was out and was strongly informed that the Neuhrings had not entered any plea of guilty as the Independent had stated; that they "never made no booze or sold" and they wanted that piece straightened out and corrected, because it was injuring their reputation. All of which the Independent takes pleasure in doing by the first two paragraphs of this article.

Years are much like kings. As one dies there is always another ready to takes its place.

New County Attorney Starts Housecleaning

Four Men Arrested For Being Drunk—Two Have Trials And Get Limit.

30 DAYS IN COUNTY JAIL

Guy Bates and Amos "Jack" Smith were arrested Tuesday afternoon and hailed before Justice L. O. Skovlin on the charge of intoxication, on information filed by Atty. J. M. Jensen Two other men, Fred Lynch and Bob Coulson, were also charged with the same offense and warrants issued for their arrest.

Lynch and Coulson were arrested and brought before Skovlin yesterday afternoon. Both men plead not guilty and were released without bond to appear at their trial to be held on December 30.

Appearing before Justice Skovlin, Bates and Smith both plead not guilty Tuesday afternoon and demanded a jury trial. Constable W. E. McAlpin rounded up the jurors, both men and women, and the first case, that of Bates, was brought to trial in jig time before Justice Skovlin, with Jensen as prosecuting attorney. The jury on this case was composed of Andrew Bullis, Theo. Wright, Ray P. Morris, Mrs. Gus Johnson, Mrs. F. E Snyder, and Mrs. H. L. Gowdy The jury found Bates guilty of intoxication, and Justice Skovlin promtly gave him the limit, 30 days in the county jail with the suspension of sentence if he would tell where he got the booze. This he refused to do, and took an appeal to the district court. He was released on bonds, his bonds being furnished by Jack Finn and S. S. Packard, and settlement of his case will be made in district court probably next term.

The next case was Amos Smith. The jury on his case was composed of T. D. Rankins, Hal Nourse, Clyde Jennings, Pat Barry, Hans Hanson, and Wm. Voiles. He was found guilty of being drunk, was given the limit by Justice Skovlin, and was taken yesterday morning to Clarion by Constable McAlpin to begin serving his 30 days in the county jail.

These cases were state cases, and it is understood that the city officials may, at the expiration of the sentences of these men, rearrest them on the same charge, give them another trial, and if found guilty impose a fine of $100 or another term in jail, if the city officials see fit to do so. It is to be hoped and expected that they will. The booze ring in Belmond has got to be cleaned out. Every lawabiding citizen and self-respecting person in town will give Atty. Jensen and Justice Skovlin their fullest support and commendation for their good work in these cases, and will back up every jurymen and woman to the last ditch. Jensen deserves unlimited credit for filing information on the cases, and Skovlin for giving the guilty parties the limit of the law. Now that these men have started the ball rolling, let it continue to roll, and a general and thoro clean-up made in Belmond of these things which have been a stench in the nostrils of the public too long. The new county attorney as part of his duties, will have just such affairs to look after, and he is making the right start by beginning in his own home town. For the guilty parties in this case, it will doubtless be a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and it is to be hoped that the term in jail will bring them to a sober realization that the public demands and is going to have, decency and law enforcement.

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SCHOOL NOTES

The public declamatory program will be given Wednesday, December 20 at eight o'clock. At this program the High school orchestra will play and there will be other good musical numbers.

Monday afternoon was held the Junior-Senior debate. The state question was debated: "Resolved that the present state highway law be repealed and an act substituted in lieu thereof providing for the primary roads of the state" The Juniors supported the affirmative and the Seniors the negative. The Junior team were Katherine Thiltgen, Everill Thompson and Alfred Wilkinson. The Senior team, Minnie Madison, Valda Robinson and Winston Thiltgen. The Juniors won by a two to one decision. The Judges also picked the team to represent our high school in the State debate series. This team is Minnie Madison, Alfred Wilkinson and Winston Thiltgen. We are paired with Clarion for our first inter-school debate.

Mr. Varland, Cato Griesy and Clarence Hildebrand were the judges for the debate.

Friday afternoon at 2:30 Division 1 of the Literary Society will give a Christmas program. Among other things a very pretty Christmas play will be given. Everyone is cordially invited. The entire program is as follows:

Piano Solo—Marie Stevens
Christmas Story—Jurgen Tebben.
Accordian Solo—John Henn.
Reading—Lucile Harrison.
Chorus:
Herman Mennenga, Gladys Qualley Racine Wig, Elizabeth Kessler, Leslie Swenson, Tillie Henn, Claude Johnson, Wava Holm, Howard Nelson Fay Jenison, Eugene McLaughlin, Leola Jenison.
Play: The man who didn't believe in Christmas. Benjamin Mennenga, William Tyrrell Coetta Foster Faye Jenison, Gerald Barry, Kathleen Barry Cecil Finn, Marshall Nourse, Dale Jenison Shirley Brooks, Clar Rierson, Esther Amblie, Glenn Rierson, Roger Leinbach, Reint Kessler Laura Brooks, Lewis Parsons.

Friday evening will be held the Alumni vs High school basket ball games. These games promise to be among the best of the season. Everyone should plan to attend.

David Luick, William Vestweber and Ted Johnson visited high school and attended the debate Monday. We are always glad to have the Alumni visit us.

Morey Nelson and Clifford Johnson visited high school Friday.

Dr. McBurney was up to hear the debate Monday.

The Christmas vacation begins Friday night December 22 and lasts until January 8.

The basket ball games with Sheffield last Friday night were very exciting and interesting to watch. Belmond was fortunate enough to win both; the girls game 10 to 11 and the boys' by the score of 28 to 20 Former Superintendent Fyler was over from Sheffield with the basket ball teams.

Arthur Christie is wearing the Typing medal for the fourth consecutive week.

Grace Quigley, Valda Robinson and Mae Starnes received their second award from the Remington company. This award is an all leather card case and is given to the student writing forty net words per minute for ten consecutive minutes. All of the advanced typing class are now in line for the Gold Medal which is next to the highest award given by the Remington Company.

Margaret and Elizabeth Yust in the second grade, are quarantined for scarlet fever.

Beatrice Barry, Morey Nelson and Clifford Johnson visited the kindergarten room this week.

Julian Perez entered the 4th grade December 11.

Beatrice Barry was a visitor of the 5th grade this week.

Albert Ruhl entered school in the 5th grade this week.

Alvin Allen is absent from school in the 5th grade for the removal of his tonsils.

The Phoeleus Literary Division composed of the seventh and eighth grades will give the following program Thrusday.

Original Story ------Lucille Leggee.
Piano Solo ----------Ruth Ramsay.
Reading ----------Leonard Johnson
Song ---------Lyle Hawley, Ralph Mortimer Lucille Leggee, Ruth Ramsay, Harriet Martin, Margaret Leavy, Harmie Bushmann, Alex Dietz.

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A CHRISTMAS SERMON

By Rev. J. M. Jensen

Luke 21:10: "And the angel said unto them: 'Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people.

Christmas Tide is the happy season of the year. What a stir we notice among all at that time. Young and old, even little children, are excited. Their feelings are different then from any other time of the year. Why is it? Oh, the story is easily told. Christmas is the time when all are remembered. We give and receive tokens of good will. But let us not make Christmas merely a giving and receiving affair. Surely it is a beautiful custom to remember others at this time.

And oh, how good it feels to know that one has friends who have not forgotten. Let us think just a little about the great cause of giving and receiving. What is it? Fear not says the angel, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be unto all people.

The great cause for joy at this time is God's gift to man. It is the Gift of Gifts. It is not for one or for a few, but "to all people." Has it any value? It must have or God would not have sent it. Fear not. What has man to fear. He has to true. And that transgression means gainst God, who is holy, just and true. And that transgressed means death. He that sinneth shall die. Is it unpleasant, unhappy to realize the unhappy judgement: But in the Christmas gospel the angel says "Fear not." Sin will always produce sorrow. Hear this you that have sinned against God. God does not want to destory; God wants you and me to live. Therefore He sent His Son. Come to Him. Fall down before Him. Confess your sin and put your trust in Him. and you have the joy the angel brought to the shepherds on that eventful Christmas Eve. God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should Not perish, but have everlasting life.

Do you see the cause for joy? Do you see it must be a precious message to you. Believe it and you have all the message offers, life everlasting. May you have a most blessed Christmas.

TRINITY CHURCH NOTES

Wednesday evening choir practice at the usual hour at the church. Thursday evening prayer meeting at the home of John Kalvig. Class meets at 10 Saturday at the church. Sunday morning Sunday School and English service at the usual hour. In the evening a Christmas tree program will be given by the children and choir. Christmas Day services will be conducted in the Norwegian language. Let us all meet in God's house and take part in the Christmas service. Service will begin at 10:30 We have no Sunday school so let us begin that early

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Regular services Sunday morning.

Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.

Regular preaching service 11:00 A. M.

The message of the morning will be in harmony with the Christmas time.

Epworth League Welfare service, 4 p. m.

The Sabbath school will give their Christmas program at 7:30 Sunday evening.

All are invited to attend.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Christmas Sunday, Sabbath school at 10:00 a. m. Morning at 11:00 Evening Christmas program by the Sunday school at 7:30. An offering will be taken at the services for mission work.

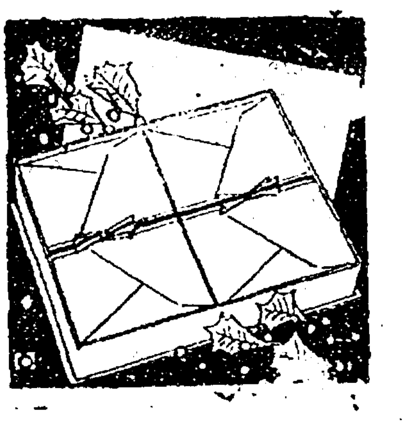
The annual meeting on Thursday the 28th. Picnic dinner and a good time. Do not fail to bring your offering of grain or cash for the Near East Relief. Thousands are starving , your Christmas will be happier if you help.

ST. OLAF CHURCH NOTES

Cottage prayer meeting at the home of Jacob Thompson on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. The lay men conduct service at the church next Sunday at 11. Come and take someone with you. Christmas Day at 2:00 Christmas services in Norwegian followed by a Christmas tree and program. Remember the time at 2 o'clock.

BELMOND WINS TWO GAMES FROM SHEFFIELD

The basket ball teams of the Sheffield and Belmond high schools, both boys' and girls', met in battle on the local floor last Friday evening and Belmond emerged with the bacon. The games were both lively affairs. The girls' game being particularly good with the close score of 11 to 10 Belmond boys' had a little better edge on their opponents and won by a score of 28 to 20. They were fine games, cleanly played and the spectators received the worth of their money. Former Supt. Fyler brought the Sheffield teams over, he being head of that school this year. The next game is tomorrow night when the Alumni and high school meet.



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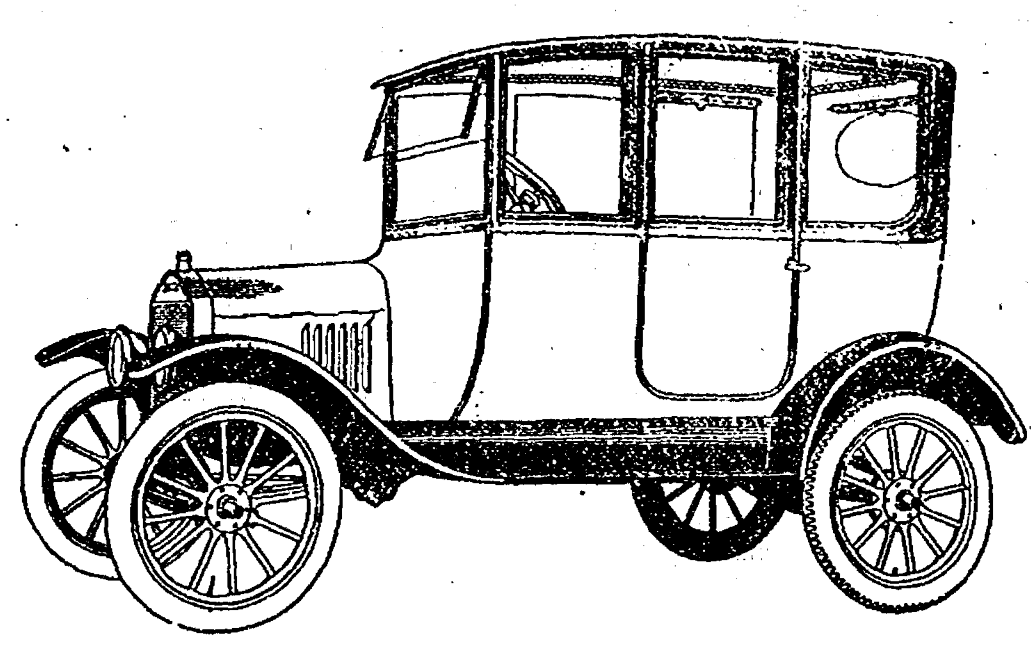

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Belmond Planning Short Course

Business men and farmers of Belmond and surrounding community have decided to hold a mid-winter short course or, as was known a few years ago, an institute. There being considerable pure bred live stock in that community it has been thought that some sort of an exhibit should be arranged in order that the best could be shown and the county farm products bought out for comparison.

A committee consisting of A. C. Hinman, Belmond township, O. D. Jenison, Pleasant township, E. G. Reed, Grant township, D. E. Lobdell Iowa township, and Cato C. Greisy, city of Belmond met in the Belmond Savings bank on Saturday afternoon for the purpose of planning and organizing the 1923 winter short course for Belmond and community. According to the plans of this committee a superintendent will be appointed for each department of the short course and those who enter in the various departments will look to these superintendents for instructions and suggestions for entering the different farm products.

Belmond held a most successful two-day short course two years ago and the committee hopes to outline a two day exhibit that will be chuck full of instruction and entertainment. While the people of Belmond and surrounding territory are somewhat limited in the matter of facilities for housing the live stock, they do have the community spirit which means considerable in organizing a community affair of this kind. Any who have not been thinking in terms of a short course are urged to reflect back to the experience of two years ago, then begin preparing their exhibits for the mid-winter short course which is being planned by the committee for some time during the latter part of January.

Pure Bred Gilt Club

The county agent expects to spend considerable time during the next two or three months in organizing what will be known as a pure bred gilt club.

Each boy and girl who enrolls in this club will be expected to select a pure bred female pig from any of the breeds from a March farrow, and feed and care for this gilt according to instructions and suggestions that will be sent out from the county agent's office. Members of the club will show their gilts in some sort of a county exhibit after whch they will be taken to the state fair at Des Moines.

Boys and girls who are interested in this pure bred gilt club should either write or call on the county agent as soon as possible and enrollments will be taken and instructions sent out from this office.

Townships Hold Business Socials

The farmers of the Norway township farm bureau succeeded in mixing business and pleasure when they held their regular meeting, Wednesday evening Dec. 13th, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year.

A most interesting program, planned by Miss Lucy Roge, the local teacher, was given at the new school house in district No. 7. The program consisted of songs, reading, dialogs, and a few special numbers were given after which the election took place, resulting in the election of John Engh as director, Mrs. L. E. Evans for vice directo r,and W. E. Buck, secretary-treasurer. This was followed by a lively box social which netted the township treasury a neat sum, which will be used to carry on the social activities of the organization.

The farmers of Grant township farm bureau met at the center shool Friday evening for the election of officers for the coming year, and to enjoy the interesting program which was arranged for the occasion by Miss Lela Woodin, the local teacher. Miss Woodin was in charge of the meeting and opened the program with a Christmas song by the pupils of her school. This was followed by a few dialogs, a number of recitations and musical numbers. Although neither of the directors of the township farm bureau were present, the meeting progressed very nicely and everyone seemed to enjoy the splendid program which was given.

The school program was followed by the election of officers which resulted in the election of Alf Huntley as director, Mrs. Harry Woodley as vice director, and Mrs John Fenninger as secretary and treasurer. The farmers of Grant township have made a practice of holding regular monthly meetings in their farm bureau organization and the new officers will no doubt continue in this practice.

Goldfield Short Course Proves A Great Success

The Goldfield short course which was held on Thursday and Friday of last week was bigger and better than ever before. The attendance at this mid winter exhibit was estimated at between 1500 and 2000 people who came from a territory within a radius of 15 to 20 miles in every direction from Goldfield. The stormy condition of the weather on Thursday did not seem to halt the people who were determined to exhibit their farm products in this short course which is becoming to be an annual event in Goldfield.

Goldfield people were indeed very fortunate in securing some of the talent which assisted in judging the live stock and grain exhibits and in awarding the prizes to the exhibitors. Mark G. Thornburg of Emmetsburg, a former professor of animal husbandry at Ames gave great satisfaction in judging the live stock exhibits, and all exhibitors in this section are agreed that Mr. Thornburg knew his job in judging the various classes of live stock. Prof. P. E. Heitzman from the extension department, judged the grain exhibits and everyone seemed satisfied with the decisions that were made in this department. A big show of corn was brought out also some oats and other small grains. Some splendid samples of hay and other forage were also shown. The poultry exhibit was especially large for a short course of this size and one would judge from the splendid exhibits in this department that the poultry industry is becoming more popular in Wright county.

One of the features of the pou[illegible]try exhibit was the club departmen[illegible] in which enrties were made by abou[illegible] eighteen boys and girls who are members of the Wright Co[illegible] Poultry club. Great interest was [illegible]en in this part of the poultry exhibit and some keen competition among the poultry club members was brought out at this show. Special prizes were offered in the poultry club exhibit by the county farm bureau and the prizes were awarded as follows:

First Prize trio and sweepstakes, Alta Duerst, Goldfield.
Second prize trio, Earl Mickelson, Clarion.
Third prize trio, H attie Metson, Eagle Grove.
First prize cockerel, Edson Hanson, Goldfield.
First prize pullet, Gerald Kennedy, Goldfield.

The exhibit of canned goods, fancy work, cooking, etc in the ladies' department proved to be one of the most interesting departments of the short course. Jess Kerkes, former domestic science teacher, who now lives at Ames judged the exhibits in the ladies' department and according to Mr. Kerkes the exhibits in this department were very much above the average. The success of the exhibits in the ladies' department is due in a large measure to the efforts put forth by Geo. M. Nelson, who had the work in charge.

The Goldfield short course which has become an annual affair in that community is looked forward to by the citizens of Goldfield, and the farmers of the surrounding territory as a red letter day, when all people of the community get together for an exhibit of the fruits of their labor and for a general good time for everyone. This annual affair seems to be growing in popularity and the territory is broadening each year to such an extent that the officers of the short course association are beginning to concern themselves as to the facilities for taking care of all of the agrcultural exhibits, particularly along the live stock line.

The success of this short course was due in a large measure to the untiring efforts put forth by Magnus Hanson, chairman, and W. M. Coons, secretary and other officers and committee members who succeeded in gettng the people to work together on a project which was for the good of all. The success was due in no small measure to the splendid cooperation which was given by the business men of Goldfield not only financially, but also in the liberal way in which they threw open the doors of their business establishments for the exhibition of the agricultural products.

We heard a funny joke the other day. You know that this year's license tags for cars are yellow. A farmer saw a Garner man drive into Klemme the other day and saw the yellow tag on the car. Said he to another farmer, "Well, I'll b[illegible] damned if they don't [illegible] in at Garner [illegible] the cars!"

Griesy's Store News

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During the Festive Season of mistletoe and holly and all its glad and joyful associations, it is truly befitting that we should acknowledge with sincere gratitude our heartfelt thanks for the loyal support of our many friends and customers.

It has always been our desire to be worthy of this support. We have earnestly endeavored to abide with truth, justice and square dealing in all our transactions and whatever mistakes we have made have been of the head and not of the heart.

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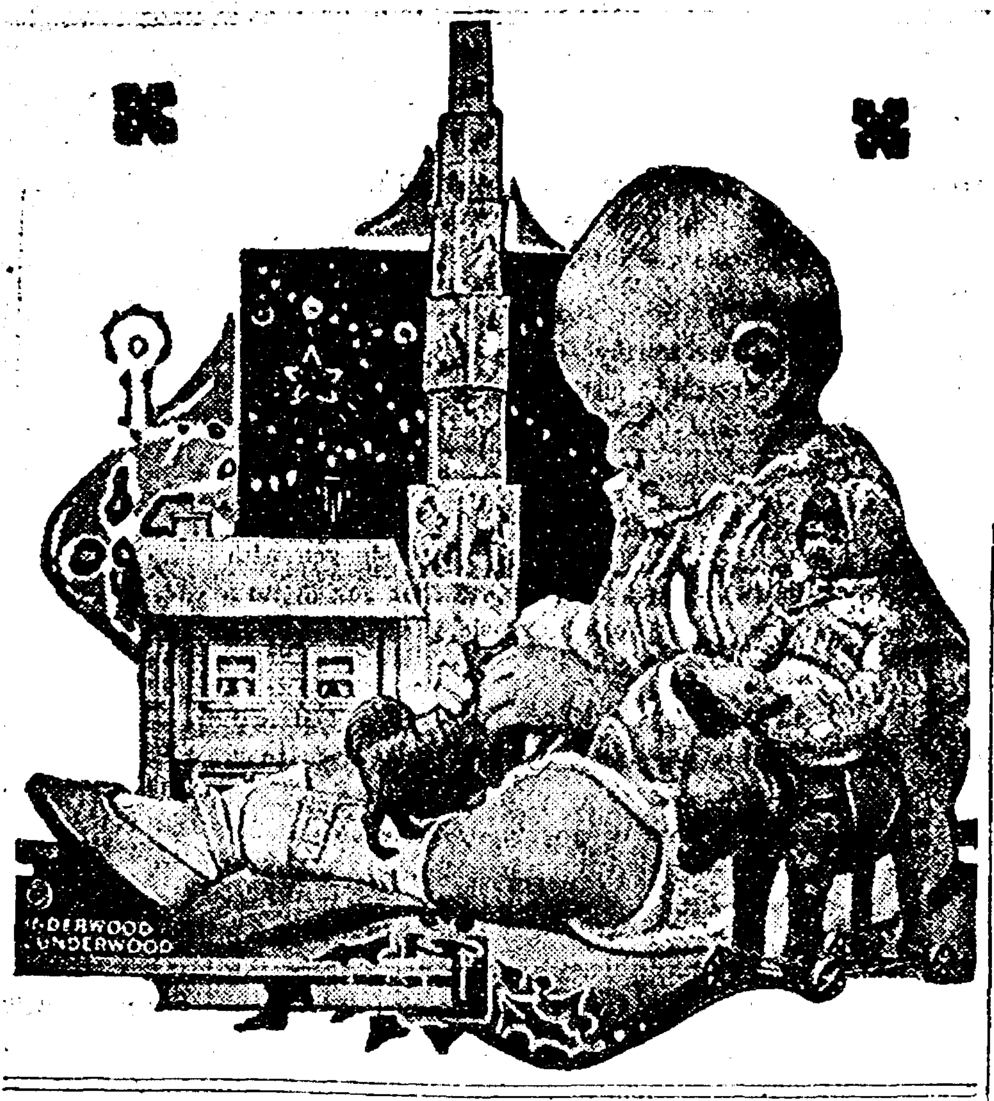
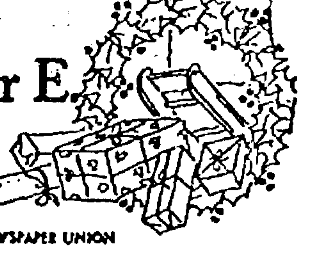
I'd Like to See Old Santa



Jacques' Christmas

By
Eleanor E. King



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A BLIZZARD was brewing. Little cutting pieces of snow were being blown in whirls around corners and down the street. Huddled down in his coat stood a newsboy of some eight or nine years. His face was drawn with the cold and he beat his hands against his sides to keep them warm.

Last-minute Christmas shoppers, hurrying along to get their various errands done, gave no thought to the little fellow who pestered them with his papers. He ought to have known better when they had so many things to think about.

"Yeh, all the news—the latest news. Won't cha buy one, mister? I only have a couple more." He looked up pleadingly into the face of a passerby.

"Sorry, sonny," smiled the man," "got one here now that I probably won't ever get a chance to read—so busy," and he hurried along his way.

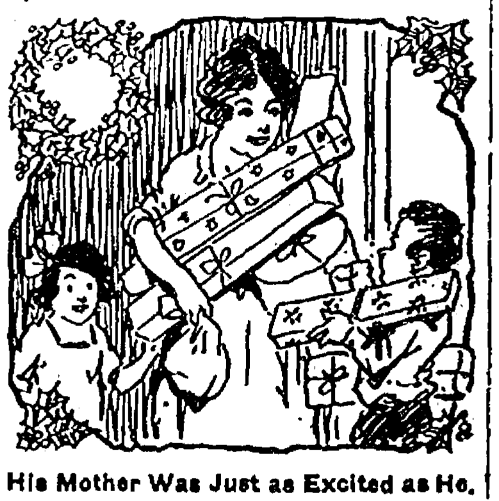
The rush of pedestrians subsided, [illegible] The boy singled out a yo[illegible] "She loo[illegible]

little voice started chanting, "Frere Jacques, Frere Jacques—you're late tonight."

"Yes, Marthe. Today I was talking to Santa on the corner, and he said he was awfully busy. He doubted if he would get all around this year."

"Oh!" said Marthe in a disappointed tone.

Jacques' mother was sewing busily upon a garment she was intent upon finishing. Tomorrow was Christmas,



His Mother Was Just as Excited as He.

and no sewing was going to be left over to bother her.

Marthe's bedtime came, and Jacques fixed his presents in preparation for the morrow. He had found a Christmas tree branch in the street, and this he made into a little tree under which he placed his gifts.

Christmas [illegible] in the [illegible] su[illegible]

and kissed her doll, keeping up a constant chatter to it in French. The orange and a few other presents that she had found under the tree she put on the shelf, so that she could admire them while she rocked her doll.

Jacques had had his surprise, too—"Give and it shall be given unto you"—for his two packets under the tree had grown to be six or seven,

"Mother," he said, "I think I will have to try my new mittens and see exactly how warm they are." So saying, he slipped into his coat and pushed on the door. What ailed it? Was it frozen shut, stuck, or what was the matter?

With his mother's help the door was opened. To their surprise they found that a huge pile of packages had been the cause of their trouble.

Jacques gave a cry of delight as he pounced upon the bundles. His mother was just as excited as he, as she helped carry in the stuff.

Then followed one of the happiest hours the family had ever known—whole two-dozen oranges and all sorts of wholesome food. Jacques' mother fairly wept with joy.

Santa remembered us after all, mother," said little Jacques, "and he left this note on one of my presents. Look, mother, it says:—

"'I hope you will always be as thoughtful of your sister, Jacques. A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year.

'SANTA CLAUS.'"

Eight Eagle Grove citizens left Monday and Tuesday evenings on trips across the Atlantic. Seven will go to Norway for about a three months' stay and the eighth will go to Sweden.—Eagle.

Remember Him With Cigars!

You'll find buying Him Cigars will make your shopping worries a bit easier, and it will be more appreciated. We've got the Brand of Cigars he smokes or the Pipe He'll like. Let us make a special Christmas package of smokes for the lucky one.

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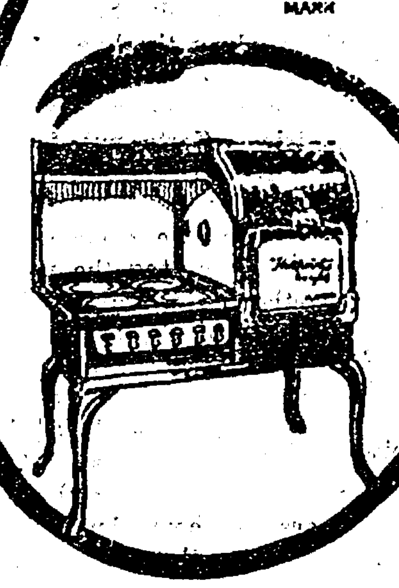
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Belmond Local News

SHORT COURSE COMMITTEES

Belmond, Iowa, 12-19-22

The executive committee for the Short Course met in the Belmond Sayings Bank with the following members present: O. D. Jenison, E. G. Reed, C. C. Griesy and A. C. Hinman.

On motion O. D. Jenison was selected premanent chairman, and A C. Hinman secretary. Carried.

On motion C. C. Griesy was elected treasurer. Carried.

The following men were selected as finance committe: C. O. Fitts, C. M. Morse, J. F. Henn for Pleasant township; E. G. Reed of Grant township; D. E. Lobdell, Iowa township; A. C. Hinman, Belmond township.

Committee on Live Stock: C. P. Luick, George Dipple J. R. Christie, A. E. Thompson, Win Dziewanowski.

Committee on Grains: Wm. Hembd Frank Barry, Tom Brooks.

Committee on Poultry: C. C. Christie, D. C. Abel.

Committee on Ladies Exhibits: Mrs Wallace Ramsay, Mrs. O. D. Jenison, Mrs. Martin, Mrs Henn, Mrs. Tiara.

Committee on Premium: C. C. Griesy (chairman), C. C. Christie, E. G. Reed, O. D. Jenison H. F. Luick.

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The Independent makes a fine Christmas remembrance. $1.50 a year.

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Shetland horse ponies, $35. to $55 the only real Christmas present for the children.—H. J Brooks, Belmond. 51*

Harry Newgard arrived in town the first of the week from his home in Canada. He will spend most of the winter here at the home of his mother and with other relataives and friends. Harry is a former local boy who has for a number of years made his home in Canada. He reports conditions there as being good.

"Shorty" Eggers of Manly and Miss Benson of Belmond were over Sunday visitors here with young friends.—Kanawha Reporter.

Mesdames A. L. Tracy, T. H. Hood and C. J. Nagle spent Saturday afternoon in Belmond.—Monitor.

Louis Baldridge of Belmond was visiting here today, Wednesday, at the home of his brother George and family.—Reporter.

TO PAY BONUS IN FEBRUARY

Announcement was made last week the first notice of the sale of the soldier's bous issue of $22,000,000 would be published, barring of course unexpected delay. Indications point to the first payment of individual claims of ex-service men and women of Iowa for the state bonus about the first of February. Some unforeseen cause may bring about a delay but it is not thought that payment will be postponed for any length of time after February 1.

In announcing the publication of the bond issue State Treasurer W. J. Burbank stated that the bonds would bear 4½ per cent interest. The sale of the bonds is expected to be completed between January 5th and January 20th. Under the law the sale must be advertised twenty days. General Harry E. Wilkins secretary of the bous board, expects to have completed the task of transcribing the war department records with which to check application for the bonus within seven or more working days. At the close of the work on last Saturday noon over sixty-seven thousand individual's records had been copied. The office staff is completing aproximately seven thousand records a day and something like forty-three thousand remain to be copied.

An announcement was made this week by State Anditor Haynes, who is chairman of the board, that the application blanks will be sent out as soon as all the records have been copied. Members of the board have expressed the opinion that possibly seventy-five thousand or more of the application will be filled out and returned within first three days.

Chairman Haynes also stated that all soldiers in the state will have an even chance to get their applications in among the first to be considered. Application blanks to the more distant parts of the state will be mailed a day in advance of their delivery to Legion posts, postmasters and clerks of court in the central Iowa counties.

SOMETHING WRONG

The lottery jigs are up. No more can the merchants of a town hang up a new Ford or a shiny Buick for the purpose of stimulating trade.

The attorney general has specifically ordered the Humboldt county attorney to prosecute Renwick merchants for offering a Ford car as a grand prize. The Humboldt county attorney is in a dilemma for Humboldt closed a trade lottery a few weeks ago. Also the Legion Posts at Bode and Livermore pulled off similar stunts and the law doesn't allow us to say anything about what's doing in a small town between here and Humboldt right now.

Why pick on Renwick where not a single lawyer resides to advise us, and where there is little use for one, while county seats and larger towns around us with dead loads of attorneys right on the ground get away with it.

Humboldt gave away a Ford. Clarion gave away a Buick. Eagle Grove gave away a Ford. Algona gave a Ford last Saturday and other prizes on other days of the week and carried an announcement of the fact in the newspaper. Individual merchants have given away merchandise in a like manner for years. Eagle Grove Hampton and other towns are at it right now. While at the recent Humboldt county fair a sack of flour and a kitchen range were given away.

The newspapers have been given a new warning by the postal authorities advising them that advertising directly or indirectly announcing lotteries is contrary to law and postal regulations, and yet an announcement of a turkey shoot appeared in a Des Moines paper last week and another in the Britt paper.

Why pick on Renwick?—Renwick Times.

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WHY ONE BOY LEFT THE FARM

I left my dad, his farm, his plow;
Because my calf became his cow;
I left my dad—'twas wrong of course,
Because my colt became his horse,
I left my dad to sow and reap
Because my lamb became his sheep
I dropped my hoe and struck my fork,
Because my pig became his pork.
The garden truck I made to grow
Was his to sell and mine to hoe.

Why Another One Didn't—

With dad and me it's half and half,
The cow I own was once his calf;
No town for mine, I will not bolt;
Because my horse was once his colt;
I'm going to stick right where I am,
Because my sheep was once his lamb;
I'll stay with dad—he gets my vote,
Because my hog was once his shote;
It's "fifty-fifty" with dad and me—
A profit sharing company.

—The Missionary Voice.

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ALEXANDER NEWS

Earl Hall was a business caller at Belmond last Saturday.

John Arends was a caller at Rowan last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kieslich and children Elmer and Blanche and Bert Kieslich were visitors at the J. F. Douglas home at Hampton last Sunday.

Hilko Pals was a Meservey caller Saturday.

George Winwood of Mason City visited with relatives at Alexander the first of the week.

Mr and Mrs. Herman Pals are the happy parents of a fine baby girl born Sunday December 17th.

Miss Ethel Hall was a caller at Fort Dodge last Saturday.

Mrs. Genetta Bell of Houston Missousi visited with Alexander relatives the past week.

Miss Wilma Foughty visited with relatives at Belmond the last of the week.

James Green of Hampton was in town last Saturday looking after business matters.

Mrs. Forest Gillett was a caller at Belmond last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Kauslan of Ackley cam last Wednesday for a few weeks visit with relatives at this place.

Mrs. Charley Hansen was a visitor at Iowa Falls several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lulof Kaduce mourn the death of their three week old baby daughter who died at their home of pneumonia last Thursday.

Children's MEDICINE

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and given it to my children on many occasions and am thoroughly acquainted with its good qualities. Let any one troubled with a cold or cough use it and he will be quickly convinced of its superiority," writes Mrs. C. H. Woods, Decatur, Ill.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

is for sale by druggists everywhere, 35 cents per bottle; large size 60 cents.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF IOWA,
WRIGHT COUNTY, ss.

To E. G, Miller:

You are hereby notified that by virtue of a Special Execution in Attachment to me directed, and issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, within and for Wright County, upon a judgement rendered in said Court in favor of State Bank of Belmond, Belmond, Iowa, and against E. G. Miller for the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-three and 30-100 Dollars debt and Fifty-four and 94-100 Dollars costs, I have levied upon the following described personal property, to-wit:

One Acetylene Generator, Welding table and welding plate, Pre-heating torch, one Acetylene cylinder, Four Boys charcoal, One barrel oil, one barrel grease, welding stock, one stock rack.

And that on the 30th day of December, 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m. at the Old First National Bank Corner, Belmond, Wright County, Iowa, I will proceed to sell the same in satisfaction of said execution, together with all legal costs accruing.

Dated at the Sheriff's office, in Clerion, on this 8th day of December 1922.

HENRY LANG.
Sheriff Wright County.
J. M. Jensen, Attorney.

Shop Here For Christmas

You will find in our complete stock, the ideal gift for friend or relative. We have a range from the most costly jewel to an inexpensive trinket. You can find just what you want if you come before the rush cuts down your choice. Come today.

Schultz Jewelry Co.
Belmond, Iowa

EVERYBODY WANTS A RADIO SET!

SANTA CLAUS has added Radio Sets to the most popular Christmas gifts this season. He has received so many, many requests from young and old.

Our Receiving Sets are the most efficient available. They're the kind your friends and relatives will enjoy most. So if you wish Santa to leave them one, stop in and tell us about it.

Radio Receiving Sets from $5 Up

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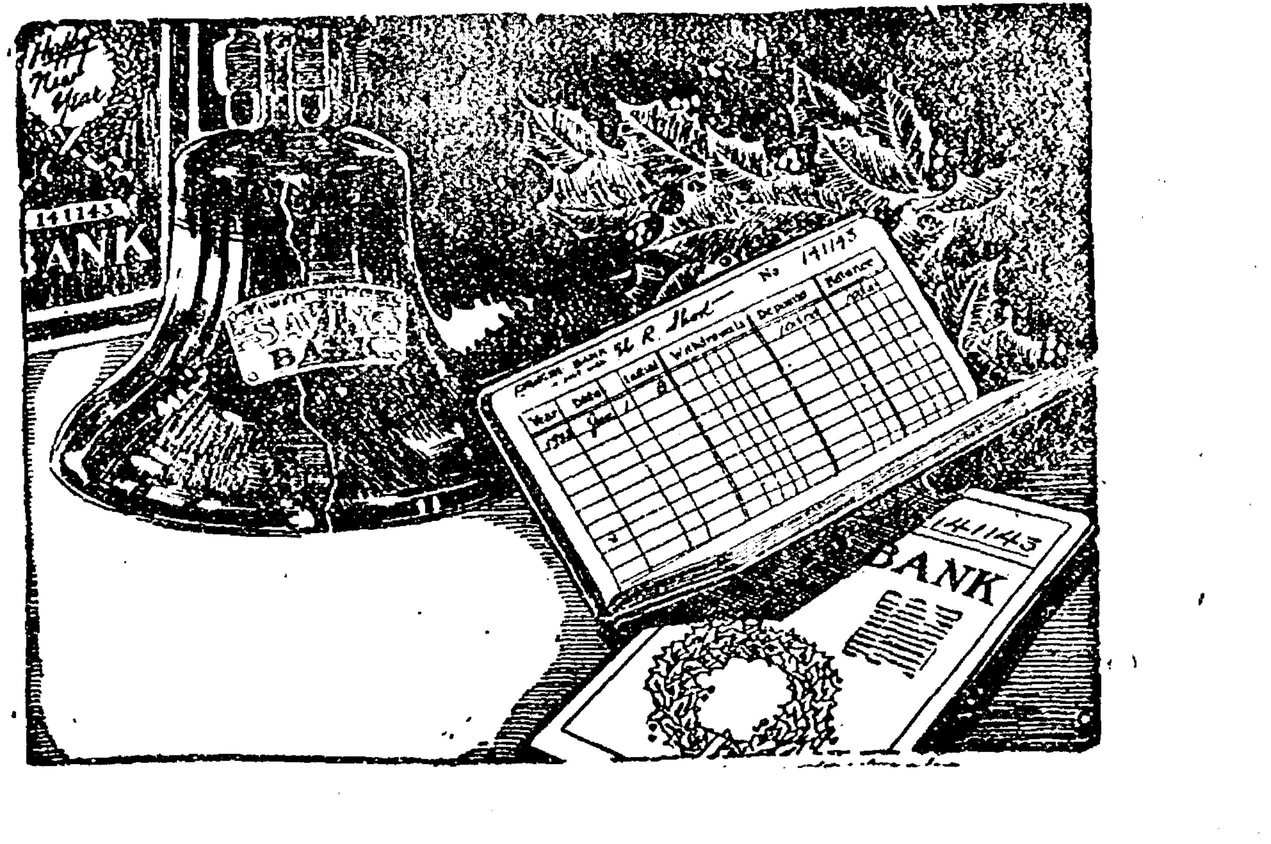
FIRST DOOR SOUTH OF STATE BANK OF BELMOND



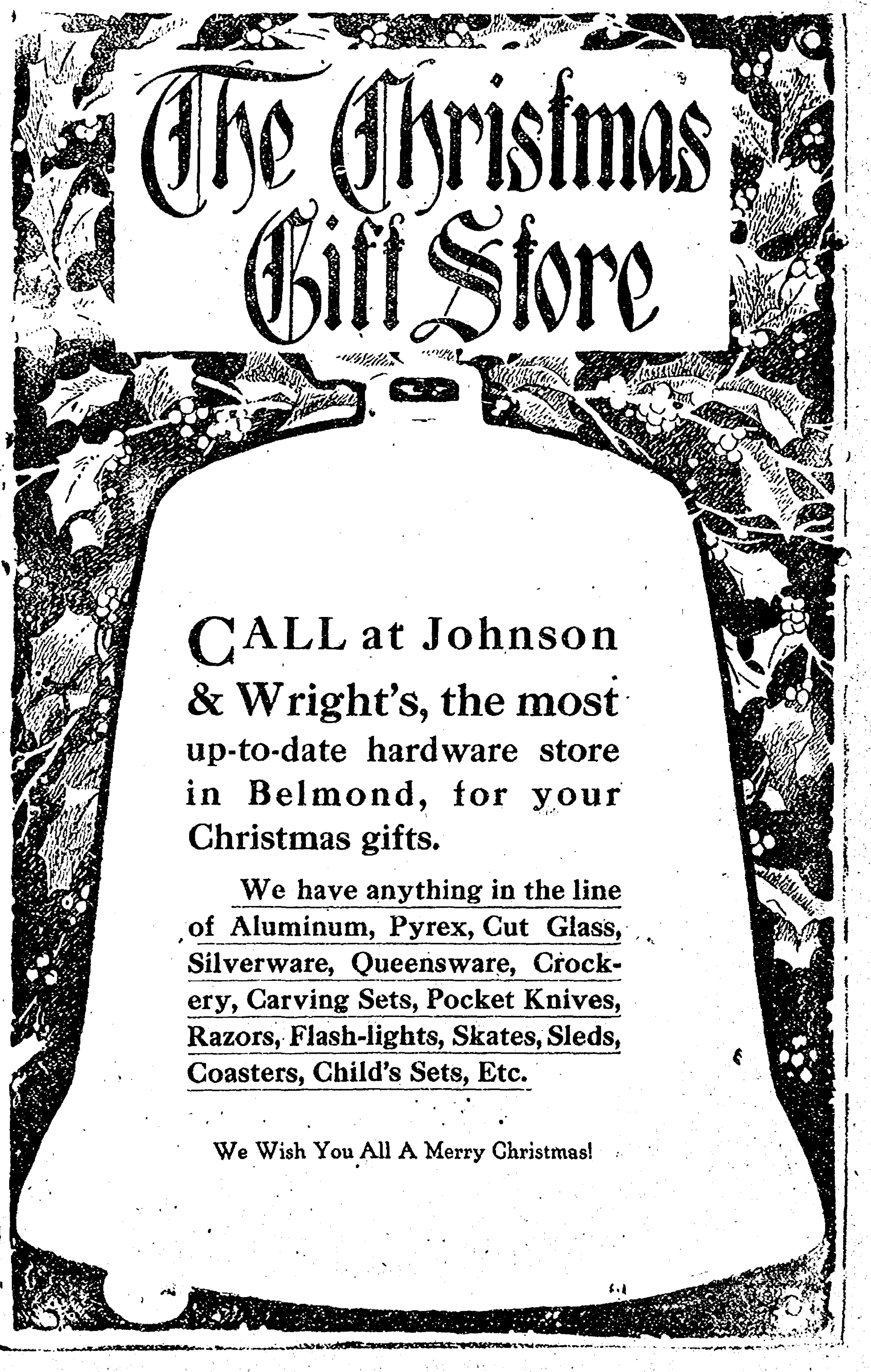
Give Yourself A Christmas Present

THAT is more wise than selfish, if the present be a Savings Account in this strong bank. It is a present that will not only last but grow. Next Christmas it will be worth more than this, and in ten years it will have doubled. Some present! A growing savings account means independence, freedom from worry and power to take advantage of opportunity.

This bank means absolute safety and helpful service.

Again we say, some present.

STATE BANK OF BELMOND



The Christmas Gift Store

CALL at Johnson & Wright's, the most up-to-date hardware store in Belmond, for your Christmas gifts.

We have anything in the line of Aluminum, Pyrex, Cut Glass, Silverware, Queensware, Crockery, Carving Sets, Pocket Knives, Razors, Flash-lights, Skates, Sleds, Coasters, Child's Sets, Etc.

We Wish You All A Merry Christmas!

MESERVEY SECTION

Meservey

Barber Shop

H. F. REIF, Prop.

Laundry Dry Cleaning

Miss Fannie Bruns is visiting at the Heiko Mennenga home near Palsville until after Christmas.

Mrs. Fred Fulton of Belmond spent last Friday at the Brater home.

Mrs. Clyde Smith of Mason City accompanied her grandmother Mrs. Mary Butz home on Tuesday of last week. Arnold Butz came also for a few days visit at the W. F. Butz home.

We wish you a

Merry Christmas and a

Happy and Prosperous

1923

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MESERVEY, IOWA

We wish you a Merry Christmas and

A Happy and Prosperous

New Year.

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Meservey, Iowa

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WE WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

MAY THE NEW YEAR BE A PROSPEROUS ONE FOR ALL OF YOU. THANKING YOU FOR PAST PATRONAGE WE ARE AS EVER READY TO SERVE.

C. J. WENDEL

Mrs. K. C. Ruigh was a motor passenger to Mason City last Wednesday.

Hogs For Sale.

Large type Poland China boars for sale. March and Apr. farrow. Sired by Long Joe by The Joker. Others by The Yank. The kind that will improve your herd .New blood for old customers.(Cholera Immune) Price $25.& $30.

C H. Quandt, 2 1-2 miles south of Meservey. Phone 619.

Miss Wilhehmine Loats spent Thursday night at the home of her parents so as to be present at the Xmas rehearsal at the church, that evening.

L. Foss' moved their household goods to town last Friday and they will occupy the Brater house, vacated last Fall by the Brogan family. Louie has charge of the Standard oil station and Mrs. Foss will clerk for Fischer and Wickersheim.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

City Meat Market

Waage & Ruiter, Props.

Phone 27 Meservey, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stattlander motored to Sheffield last Saturday and spent the afternoon visiting friends.

Miss Humke was a Mason City caller last Saturday.

H. Fischer was transacting business in Mason City between trains, last Monday.

FOR SALE—Black walnuts and Butter nuts. See W. F. Butz. 31c

Rev. Schlesselman is still confined to his home by illness.

The Community Calender gotten up by the business men of this place are being distributed this week, and we think they are quite a clever way of advertising for a change.

Wm. Koehler returned Monday from his Wisconsin trip.

Mrs. H. Meinderts is reported on the sick list this week.

Miss Mildred Gealow spent Sunday with home folks at Belmond.

Grand champion Poland China Blood, offering choice spring boars and gilts by Victor Buster 2nd and the Yank Grand Champion boar at Mason City fair 1921, and out of 800 lb. sows. One was grand champion sow 1920 at Mason City. Prices $25 to $35. (Immune.)—Jacob Nissen Meservey, Iowa. 47tfc

Rev. Schesselman was on the sick list several days last week.

The Misses Mildred Gealow and Ollie Pals were doing their Xmas shopping in Mason City last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harm Groen were Mason City callers last Wednesday.

The Public Sales of L. Foss and Mrs. Brater held last week were both well attended and things sold well.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH NOTES

S. S. 9:45 a. m. followed by regular services at 10:45.

Wednesday prayer services of the German class at 2 p. m. during winter months, in the homes. Thursday English services. Friay T. T. and choir rehearsal.

Special This Week

Thursday prayer service will be followed by choir rehearsal. No T. T. or choir rehearsal on account of community program Friday. Election of S. S. and church officials immediately after short session of S. S. The officials to be elected are 2 class leaders, 2 exhorters and 1 trustee. The new discipline will be the rule by which the election will be governed.

Evang. Christmas Program

Song—Congregation
ResponseReading —Congregation.
Prayer—Rev. A. W. Schlesselman
Song—Choir
Welcome—Harlan Avery
Merry Christmas—Avery Bier
Christmas—Exercise by Beginners
Little Candles—Vonna Proost, Barbara Braga, Viola Kolhler, Leona Prellip, Ethel Bier.
Song—Choir
Coming—Exercise by Tiny Tots
Crown Him Lord of All—Exercise by Mrs. Janssen's class
Recitation—Esther Smith
A Christmas Gift—Orval Rook
Solo—Phyllis Agler
To Make Christmas—Wanda Waddingham
Instrumental Duet—Mabel Prelipp and Dorothy Schlesselman
Christmas Time—Floyd Janssen
The Christ Child Lives Again—Virgil Prelipp, Raymond Rooks, Jens Olson, Harvey Quandt, Harwood Avery, George Hartwig
Song—Pollyana Class
Exercise—Gwethlynn Wenzel and Ivadel Wickersheim
Herals at Dawn—Mrs. L. Foss' class
Song—Choir
Exercise—Lyle Fischer, Mervin Morse Norman Muller, Clarence Olson.
Last Portrayal of Bethlehem—Mrs. L. B. Hulsebus' class.
Talk—Rev. Schlesselman
Collection.
Song—Choir

The Christmas offering will be for the benefit of the Orphan's Home at Flat Rock, Ohio. Please remember the fatherless and motherless children with an extra liberal offering this year.

MESERVEY SCHOOL NOTES

3rd. and 4th. Grades.

Tillie Rieckens has been absent from school most of the week.

Wednesday our room enjoyed visits from Mrs. Wm. Prilipp and son Marvin, Mrs. H. Frey, Mrs. A Wendel, Mrs. J. Hartfelder, Mrs. Dan Wenzell, and Mrs. H. Blewitt, Byron Blewitt and Rusell Wenzell, also were visitors.

Those receiving prizes for having made the most "hundreds" in spelling during the past six weeks were Leona Prilipp, Naomi Schlesselman, Lydle Fischer, and Merle Zieman.

We have decorated our room for Christmas. Come and see how nicely it looks.

Last Monday morning the water pipes in our room burst causing a lot of excitement. They were quickly repaired by the janitor, however, and school duties were resumed as usual.

Sample tubes of tooth paste were received from the Lambert Pharmacal Co. We have given them to the children and hope the parents will cooperate with us and see that the paste is rightly used by the children.

The 3rd and 4th grades are going to give the playlet. "Christmas Eve with Mother Goose" and the "Snowball song" at the Community Program.

5th and 6th Grades

We have been having jolly times in the newly fallen snow. More than one has had a good face washing.

Mildred Janssen attended her mother to the city Monday and therefore was absent from school duties.

Nellie Frey was absent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Thursday, for the first time in seven weeks, we had a perfect attendance.

We have been waiting for visitors all fall so were glad to welcome Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Sprau, Rozell Sprau, Sterling Sprau, Mrs. Blewitt and Mrs. O. Strasburg Friday afternoon.

The sixth grade wrote themes on different places of interest in the United States Friday afternoon. The class voted Lydia Pannkuk's thence best. They have finished the study of the United States and are now ready to hear of Alaska.

The students having a perfect deportment star for every day the past week are Herman Nuints, Marvin Nissen, Fredona Lemke, Esther Van Osten, Iva Beyer, Arlene Nissen Neva Muller, Harland Blewitt, Wayne Waddingham, Jennie Riekens and Harriet Sprau.

7th and 8th Grades

Emil Dorencamp entered the 8th grade Monday.

Arloene Janssen and Alfred Olson have had a perfect record in spelling this week.

Gilbert Koekler, Louis Dirks, Bernard Brader Raymond Watermiller and Henry Pals were absent from school Friday.

The 7th and 8th grades expect to have a "grab bag" for Xmas.

Mrs. Wendel and Mrs. Frey were visitors in the Grammar room Wednesday afternoon.

Pupils having highest grades in the six weeks test are as follows:-

Arloene Janssen 7th grade and Orvis Schlesselman in the 8th grade.

Primary Room

The following people have visited our room this week: Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Strasburg, Mrs. Irving Bier,

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Meservey Garage

G. E. Raecker, Prop.

Thanking you for your patronage during the past year, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and A Prosperous New Year.

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Mrs. Will Prillipp, Mrs. Harold Blewitt, Mrs. Wenzel, Mrs. Hartfelder, Mrs. Sprau and Miss Rosella Sprau.

We hope many more of the parents and others will find time to come and see us before Christmas.

These past two weeks, we have celebrated two more birthdays. Ruth Prillip attained the age of six years last Monday and celebrated the occasion by treating us to candy. Friday Gladys Strasburg was the hostess and treated us to cookies and apples.

Opal Larson and Anita Herman were promoted to the "Busy Bee" or A Division of the First grade, this week.

The perfect spellers for this week are Lois Thomas, Esther Smith, Neola Watermiller and Kenneth Kelb. Last weeks list included Viola Bernice Barbara, Kenneth and Julia.

Grace Groen was absent the fore part of the week because of illness.

Harm Groen and Gerald Braga were absent one day this week.

The basket ball games with Alexander which had been set for Friday evening were cancelled on account of the severity of the weather.

The following students have not been absent this year; Eva Schluter Mollie Zieman, Agnes Fisher, Mervin Wickersheim, Donald Muller and Evelyn Thomas.

A few minutes in the morning several days a week will be devoted to physical exercises. "Keep fit through music" has been applied and the victorola is found to be an aid.

George Brater was absent the last two days of this week.

Beginning shortly after Christmas the high school expects to put on educational movies once or twice a month. No admission will be charged but a collection will be taken to defray the necessary expenses.

The following community program will be held at the M. E. church Friday December 22 at 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend.

Music —Orchestra

"On Judea's Plain" —Fifth and sixth Grade pupils.

Christmas Drama—First and Second grade pupils.

"The Day Before Christmas" Tina Pals.

The Day After Christmas—Ruby Quandt.

Christmas Song—Male Quartette.

Christmas with the Old Lady—Third and Fourth grade pupils.

"The Girl Who Walked Without Fear —Lena Pals.

Music—Orchestra.

Reading "Just Before Christmas"—Bernard Brater.

Talk—Rev. Schlesselmann

Vocal Duet—Mrs. A. E. Muller Mrs. G. Raecker.

Old Christmas Dolls—Fifth grade girls.

[illegible] Other Wise Man"—Evelyn [illegible]omas.

[illegible]ong "Holy Night" Male Quartette.

Reading Selection from "Ben-Hur" Anna Pals.

Music —Orchestra.

ROWAN NEWS

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Although the weather was very extreme Sunday a large number enjoyed the helpful services of the day.

The High School Orchestra will be heard at the Christmas program Saturday evening. Although a new organization it has developed splendidly under the able leadership of Miss Mohr and has already delighted audiences. Come out and hear them again.

The Ladies Aid Society have elected the following for officers for 1923: Pres. Mrs. O. E. Ballou, Vice Pres. Mrs. R. Virden Secretary Mrs. J. S. Farran, Treasurer Mrs. D W Whitten corresponding Secretary Mrs. L. A. McCallum.

The choirs of the two churches will sing Christmas carols on Sunday evening, Christmas Eve, going out about 10 o'clock. An offering for the Near East Relief Fund will be accepted along the way.

The Sunday School has prepared a good Christmas program which will be given Saturday evening at 7:30.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New York and we wish to thank you all for the help you have given us during the past year in getting the news. This is your paper and you can make it more so by phoning any news item to No 62.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Domestic Science girls began serving hot lunches last week.

The basket ball games played Friday of last week between Chapin and Rowan were not as well attended as usual. The games were both well played tho we were not victorious in both. The girls score was 28 to 8 in favor of Rowan. Miss Frances Farren referreed the girls game.

Players on the two teams were:

Rowan F, Amy Azeltine F Esther Emerson, J. C. Cleo Duffy R. C. Clara Azeltine G. Laura Aldinger, G. Grace Holliday. Chapin: F, Arberns F. Harlow, R. C. Fisher and Allen, G. Crawford G. De Reus J. C De Reus.

The boys score stood at 9 to 14 in favor of Chapin, Albert Moellering referreed the boys game. The player were, Rowan, F. James Kercheval F. Ray Azeltine J. C. Joe McKinley, G. George Utz, G. Fred Moellering G. sub. Duane Bingham. Chapin, F. Withaft, F. Saunders J. C. Hemm G. Lewitt, and G. Rowe.

The bigger the crowd the peppier the game. Let's all go and boost. The two Rowan teams are going to Chapin Wednesday or this week.

Lillian Azeltine was absent Monday a. m. of this week.

The grade rooms all have plans for Christmas fun they are going to celebrate with Chirstmas trees and grab bags.

A literary play entitled "Miss Poinsetta" will be given at the school house Friday afternoon of this week. The characters of the play are: Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Evelyn Anderson, Jennie Smith, Tom Simth, Kathyrn Harson, Douglass Farren, Nine Reitz, Dollie Duffy Roy Fanselow, Laverna Simons and Pearl Hiams.

Miss Poinsetta—Amy Azeltine.

Spirit of Christmas— Ruth Emerson.

Santa Claus —Ray Azeltine.

Johnny Holly—Everett Holliday.

Father of Christmas—Kenneth Keith.

Candle Girls—Maude Aldrich, Garner Stumph, Sophia Eson, Ruth Weber, Irene Steffens, Luelda McKindley.

Bell Girls—Annie Peddle, Gladys Cupp, Eleanor Martin June Burt, Veva Hill, Ione Francomb.

Orchestra practice was held at the Braden home Monday night of this week.

School will close for the Christmas and New Year holiday on Friday of this week. The vacation will be for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs Floyd Whitten have returned from Green where he has been hauling gravel and are visiting at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Whitten.

Mrs. Jesse Steffens was a visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Packard at Belmond Monday afternoon.

George Frank, of Des Moines was calling on old friends in town Tuesday. He and J. F. Howell were driving from Des Moines to Belmond where they are working. They expect to return to Des Moines the last of this week.

Perle La Gue was called to Fowler Indiana last week by the death of his father who died Wednesday after several months suffering with cancer of the somach.

N. B. Olson was a Clarion caller Saturday.

Ralph Whitten who is attending college at Grinnell arrived home Friday for the holiday vacation.

Miss May Virden who is attending college at Cornell arrived home Saturday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Virden.

O. F. Braden has returned from Des Moines where he was working.

Carl Steffens went to Iowa City Thursday to the hospital. Miss Stella Emerson is staying with Mrs. Steffens while he is absent.

Ray Harson was quite seriously ill the past week with tonsilitis.

Work was received that Gewndolyn Venum who lives in Ft. Dodge, had fallen on the ice and had broken her wrist.

Mrs. Etta Carr returned from visiting her daughter at Lyle Minn. last week.

Mrs. Kate Conn returned last week from an extended visit at Waterloo and other points. She is planning on taking a trip to Florida after the Holidays.

Mr. Arthur Hanson who has spent several weeks at the Hampton hospital came home last Thursday. He is doing very nicely and is able to be around on his crutches.

Dr. Maker was a Rowan business caller Monday.

Ray Cramer suffered a sprained ankle Monday.

Clarence Lindsey is clerking in the Drug Shore at Latimer during the Christmas holidays.

O. F. Braden was a Latimer caller Monday.

We understand there is a new firm in town, Patton and Emerson.

Christmas program at the Congregational Church December 23rd 1922. 7:30.

Selections—High School Orchestra.

Scripture and Prayer—Rev. Halbert

Song "Hear them Gafly Peeling—Blue Bird Class.

Welcome—Vachal Silvey.

Christmas wish—Milton Jergensen.

A Christmas Telephone—Bobby Farren.

Solo "The Christmas Stocking—Violet Halbrook.

Acrostic Share—Noma Andrews, Donald Gunderson, Luelda Gunderson Maurice Harson, Harold Rututz, and Marylee Harson.

Merry Christmas to all—Nita Fanselow.

Hang up the Baby's Stocking—John Howell.

We're Glad—Cecil Silvey.

Gifts for the Christmas Tree—Dorothy Knuths.

Solo "I Love this Stranger"— Evelyn Whitten.

A Christmas Song—Arthur Emerson

Joybells—Maude Aldrich.

Acrostic "A Christmas Lesson—May Hyde, Edwin Emerson, Harold Hiams Hazel Hiams.

We know God Loves the Children—Wayne Whitten.

Solo "Santa Olaus Land—Enid Nelson

Christmas has Come—Edna Hansen.

Christmas Once a Year—Avron Peyton

Shoe or Stocking—Reed Bailey.

Christmas Day—Robert Fanselow.

Solo "Jolly Old Santa Claus—Clara Jane Howell.

Grandma's Mistake—Charles Kercheval.

A Chrstmas Lullaby—Fern Streveler

Kris Kringle—Edgar Brooks.

Are You Glad?—Merton Harson.

Santa's Order Clerk—John Agnew.

A Good Boy—Darl Farren.

The Gift's of Wise Men—Denver Phyllis.

Song "Silver Stars are Shining—Blue Bird Class.

A Patient Little Fir Tree—Avard Hanson.

I Can Spell Christmas—Carol Fanselow.

The Secret—Dean Agnew.

Santa Claus —Rule Silvey.

Good Bye—Margeret Emerson.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Christmas program, Saturday, December, 23. The following program will be given by the members of the Sunday School:

Paryer,—Rev. H. Tomkinson.

Choir Selection—"Shepherds have ye Seen"

Chorus "Clear and Bright"—Primary Class;

Recitation, "A word of Welcome"—Gilbert Rowan

Chorus "Three Wise Men"—The Sunday School;

Recitation,—Azelda Hackley,

Exercise, "Sharing"—Maxene and Maxfield Sheldon, Edward and Valois Drury;

Recitation, "The Secret"—Paul Ketchum;

Chorus, "I Love this little Stranger" —Sunday School.

Exercise, "Polly's Prescription"—Lois Steffens and Helen Toyne;

Song, **"Bethlehem's Lullaby"**—La Vonne McCallum;

Exercise, "Little Spellers" —Loretta Bingham, Delma Harris, M. Strahorn Ed. Rietz, Elsie and Buster Kjar Joan Tomkinson, Ivan Williams, V. Boyington.

Motion Exercise—Beatrice Hiedon,

Motion Song, 'S'now Birds"—Primary Class.

Recitation "Christmas Flowers"—Ruby Azeltine;

Recitation,—Eloraine Isenberger,

Choir Selection, "Out of the East"

Recitation,—Celeste Hadley.

Recitation—Kenneth Symons.

Exercise,—Lorne Hadley, Raymond Hansen, Martin Easin, Carl Rietz; Albert Hackley Laurel Whitten;

Song—Arnot Myers;

Exercise, "Gifts for Jesus" ---Constance Tomkinson, Miriom Sellars. Margart Azeltine, Vera Hackley, Ruby Steffens M. Martin, Viva Clynestrout Ferne Carr, Adelia Moellering.

Recitation, "Thee Holly Wreath"—Cleo Peddle,

Chorus "Son of Mine"—Mrs. Willard and Miss Esther Fowler's Classes.

Recitation—June Hubble;

Recitation—Bryden Myers,

Exercise "Christmas Sheaf"—Guedon Toyne, Chas Sellars, Floyd Hackley B. Stumph, Ed Wessel Max. Thomas' Rex. Steffens, Lloyd Hack ley, Albert Wessel;

Christmas Tree and distribution of Christmas gifts and candies. All you have a part in this last item. The church gives a hearty invitation to the friends anywhere in town and in the country. This is for you all and we want you to come and join in these glorious Christmas festivities. There will be a gift for everyone present, and lots of good cheer. The program will start at seven thirty prompt; so be on time and get a good seat.

Sunday services, December 24.

10:00 a. m. Sunday School.

11:00 a. m. "Some Christmas thoughts".

6:30 p. m. League.

7:30 p. m. A real Christmas Eve program of music and carols and good wishes.

The young people of the church will commence their carolling at 10 o'clock at night. They will sing before the nomes of the town and will take up an offering for the Near East Relief Fund. Don't forget the little starving children of Armenia and the homeless people. This will give you an opportunity to make some happy at Christmas.

"Everything For Sale"
FRIDAY AND MONDAY
at the
STAR THEATRE

How Much Does A Girl Owe To Her Family?

For her education and being launched in society, just how deeply in debt is a girl to her family?

That is the problem which is threshed out by Hector Turnbull in his latest photoplay, "Everything For Sale," in which May McAvoy the latest addition to the Readart constellation, will be seen here next Friday 22 and Monday 25 at the Star Theatre.

The family in this story believed that the girl owed them her whole future, and was morally obliged to marry the richest man they could secure for her.

The Turnbull play is a scathing arraignment of the heartless creed of modern society, which offers its girls on the auction block of marriage to the highest bidder.

GOODELL NEWS

Loyd Carpenter was in Mason City last Tuesday.

L. W. Wesenberg spent a number of days last week in Des Moines on business.

Thursday evening Ellsworth and L. G. Avery drove to Garner to get Mrs. Ellsworth, daughter and husband from North Dakota.

Sunday while A. Boller was winding the High school clock he fell from the ladder and broke two of his ribs.

Willie Boller is taking his father's place as janitor this week.

Thursday, Perry Stevenson of Webster City, was in town. He represents the American Sunday Union. His work is to secure financial support for the workers that organize Sunday schools in the neglected places.

Harry and Loyd Carpenter and Carl Sandberg drove to Britt last Thursday night and joined the Modern Woodman We understand that more than a dozen from Goodell and the community joined.

Warner Butts was in Belmond Sunday evening.

Wm. Allaben had the misfortune to have his garage, car, fur coat and guns burn Friday morning. He had built a fire in the garage to warm up his car and in some way while he was out the garage caught fire. He at once purchased a new car from Mr. Tokeman who delivered the car in time for Mr. Allaben to carry the mail that morning.

Saturday Mrs. O. Nelson and the Misses Sandberg and Butts were in Belmond shopping.

John McCorkle and family visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Graeber on Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. Beier is on the sick list, having been confined to her bed lately.

Dr. Snearly is installing a Radio outfit at his home.

The Radio at the High school is now in working order and some fine concerts are being heard.

Saturday Miss Hill Visited her sister, who lives near Belmond.

L. W. Wesenberg is fitting up the brick store on the corner preparatory to opening up his hardware business.

U. B. CHURCH NOTES

The sermon next Sunday morning will be on the birth of Christ, in harmony with the time of the season.

On Christmas Eve the Sunday school is putting on a Cantata, the "Sons of Promise."

The program will begin promply at 7:30. At the close ofthe program all will go to the basement where the children will receive their treat and the adults will receive refreshments.

Everyboby is invited and will receive a warm welcome.

Remember the New Years Dinner in the church.

On Saturday evening, Mrs Jake Thul was called to the telephone and imformed that she was grandmothed to a fine boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Casey Thul. Before she had hardly had time to leave the phone it rang again and once again she was told she was grandmother, this time to a boy born to her daughter, Mrs. Pete Schumaker. It is not often that an incident of this kind occurs, but this is where Mrs Thul has it over the other newly made grandmothers.—News.

The fellow who doesn't turn to look at a pretty woman probably doesn't see her.

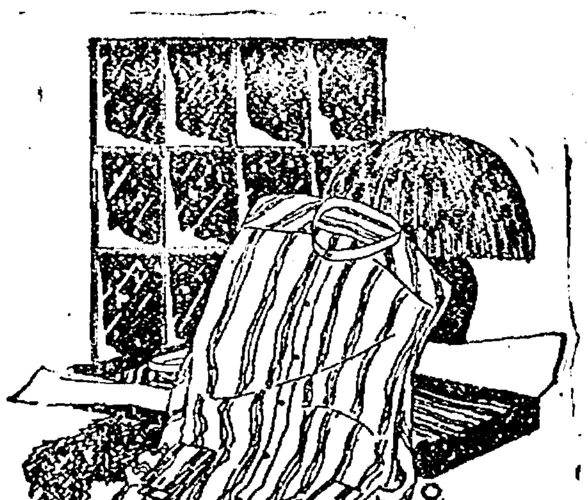
The less a man is influenced by his past the more he can influence his future.

Gifts for Men

These fine mufflers are the ideal gift for Christmas. See the new brush wool mufflers in brown and tan shades. Also silk knit. $1.50 to $3.50.

An ideal gift for the lady. You can please her by presenting a pair of good silk or silk and wool hose. We have a good assortment of wool, silk and wool in various colors with clocks and drop stitch.

We have a large variety of knit, silk, silk aed wool ties in attractive patterns so it will make it easy for you to make your selection. 75c to $1.50.



All you need to remember is his size and we will help you select the shirt he likes. New patterns for the Christmas trade have just arrived.

Other Suggestions:

Handkerchief Suspenders
Cuff Buttons Belts Overcoats
Silk and Wool Hose
Suit Hat Cap
Bathrobes House Slippers
Ladies' Wool Gloves Luggage

Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year

Carlston & Skovlin

See Our Window Displays
House of Kuppenheimer Good Clothes
The Men's Gift Store

ENGINEER WOULD ELIMINATE TAX ON ABUTTING FARMS

(From the Jefferson Bee)

Mr. F. R. White, Chief Engineer of the Iowa State Highway Commission has written to the Bee, the following statement of his views as to the future of Iowa Highways. He present in easily understandable form the program which he thinks ought to be carried out, and it will be noted that he favors the abolition of the 25 per cent paving and graveling assessment against adjacent lands. Mr. White says:

"Viewing our road problem from the standpoint of the State as a whole, the following points present themselves: About two-thirds of the mileage of the primary road system of Iowa is now constructed to finished grade. In two more years, this grading and draining work will practically all have been completed, while during the past four years, 329 miles have been paved and 483 miles have been surfaced with gravel, yet the surfacing work has so far been more or less incidental to the grading and draining program. With only about two more years required to complete the grading and draining work, we should now determine our policy with reference to future highway improvements.

There are just three courses open; first the work might be stopped, no more funds collected, and no further progress made in the development of our highway system; second, we might proceed to the grading and draining of the secondary roads and leave the primary roads without any surfacing on them; and third, we can adopt a definite policy of surfacing our primarry roads in a manner commensurate with the traffic which they carry.

The first of these possible courses is unthinkable. There are now approximately five hundred thousand motor vehicles in this state, representing an investment probably of close to five hundred million dollars. We must have highways over which these vehicles can be operated; otherwise the investment in the vehicles is of no value to us, and we would thereby lose far more than the cost of paving the primary roads.

The second possible course would be a very unwise and uneconomical policy for the state to pursue. The traffic on the highways is becoming more intense every year. From traffic counts which we have, it appears that the traffic has more than doubled in the past three years. Considering the heavy traffic which these primary roads are called upon to carry it would be an enormous waste of funds to fail to surface them in a proper manner so that they can be used at all seasons of the year and with the minimum amount of expense and inconvenience.

The third course seems to be the only logical or reasonable one to pursue. The state should proceed to the surfacing of primary roads in a manner suited to the traffic which each road carries. This means that a considerable protion of the primary road system should be paved. On some of the lesser traveled portions, a gravel surface will carry the traffic for several years, and on these portions, it should be logical to construct a gravel road. But on main thoroughfares, such as the Lincoln Highway and other similar roads a paved surface is the only thing that will adeguately serve.

A great many people honestly think that we cannot afford to pave the primary road system. I have gone into the matter carefully, and from the data which I have, I am confident that we cannot longer afford not to pave at least the main portions of the primary road system. During the past four years, the College at Ames and the Highway Commission have co-operated in an investigation of the amount of gasoline consumed on different types of road surfaces. The data collected shows that on the ordinary earth road such as we might expect to have on the primary road system, we get fourteen ton miles per gallon of gas. On a gravel road we get thirty-one ton miles per gallon of gas. With gasoline costing twenty-four cents per gallon the fuel on a dirt road costs 1.71 cents per ton mile on a gravel road it costs 1.15 cents per ton mile, and on paved road it costs 0.777 cents per ton mile. From this you will note that the difference in the cost of the fuel on a dirt road as compared with a paved road, is 0.94 of a cent per ton mile. A Ford touring car with its ordinary load of passengers, weighs approximately one ton. Accordingly, it cost the owner of an ordinary Ford touring car approximately .94 of a cent per mile more for the fuel consumed in traveling over a dirt road, than it would in traveling over a paved road. With the heavier types of cars the cost in fuel consumed is correspondingly larger.

We have in this state aproximately five hundred thousand motor vehicles. If we get an average of four thousand ton miles per vehicles each year (and that seems to be a conservative estimate) then we have approximately two million ton miles of traffic annually over our highways. Our figures show that approximately eighty per cent of this traffic or one million, six hundred millon ton miles annually is on the primary road system. Since the saving in gasoline between a dirt road and a paved road is approximately one cent per ton per mile, then by paving the primary roads, we can save approximately sixteen million dollars annually in gasoline consumption

The primary road fund in the state as you know, amounts to about nine million dollars annually. If we would add to this fund, the sixteen now spent for extra gas in driving over dirt roads, it would made a fund sufficient to completely pay for the paving of the primary road system in a period of eight years, without the issuance of bonds or any other form of inbebtedness. From this you will note that we are now paying for paved roads in this state through the excess gasoline which we burn and we are not getting the paved roads.

As a check on this estimate of savings, we have counted the traffic on roads in various parts of the state during the past year. One counting station was located on the Sioux City-LeMars Road just north of Sioux City. This is a dirt road The traffic on this road is such that the saving in gasoline, due to paving would pay all the interest costs and would pay for the paved road in a period of about eight years.

Another counting station was located on the gravel road just north of Spencer. The traffic on this road is such that the saving in gasoline due to the paving of this road, would pay all the interest costs and pay for the pavement in a period of ten years.

Another counting station was located on the Lincoln Highway east of Ames. This is a gravel road. The saving in gasoline due to the paving of this road, would pay for the pavement in a period of fifteen years.

The above savings are based on fuel consumption only. They do not take into consideration the saving that may be made in the depreciation of motor equipment, by adequately surfacing the highways. Automobile men who are in a position to know, tell me that the average life of a motor vehicle in this state is five years. If this is true, then we must buy one hundred thousand new motor vehicles in this state each year in order to keep our motor equipment up to its present numerical stength of five hundred thousand. These new vehicles, at an average of eight hundred dollars each, will cost eighty million dollars annually. If through the paving of our roads, we can prolong the life of our motor vehicles one year, (and that seems entirely reasonable and practical) then we would save one-fifth of our annual bill for new vehicles or sixteen million dollars annually.

With these figures in mind, the question ceases to be of whether we can afford to pave our primary roads, and becomes a question as to how much longer we can afford not to pave them.

Under the present law, twenty-five per cent of the cost of paving is assessed against adjacent farm property. I feel that this assesment should be done away with. Since it can be clearly shown that through the paving of our primary roads we can effect savings to the motor owner far in excess of the cost of paving, I feel that the cost of the paving should be borne by the road user.

Yours very truly,
F. R. White, Chief Engineer."

LUDEN'S
MENTHOL COUGH DROPS
for nose and throat
Give Quick Relief

The...
Season's Greetings
from
The Hat Shoppe

MERCHANT PRINCE CALLED BY DEATH

Philadelphia, Dec. 12—John Wanamaker, founder of the stores bearing his name in New York and Philadelphia, and former postmaster general, who has been ill for several weeks, died here today. He was 84 years old. Within the last few days however, he took a turn for the better and the end came suddenly, after a relapse. A bulletin issued at Wanamaker's residence, shortly after 8 o'clock, read: "Mr. Wanamaker died peacefully at 8 a. m."

Wanamaker was taken ill about two months ago while staying at his summer estate near Jenkinton. He was brought to his home in Philadelphia so as to be nearer medicial attention. Though the malady was diagnosed as a severe cold, his advanced age and its long duration made it serious.

Wanamaker, one of the merchant pioneers of America, was born July 11, 1838, in the county of Philadelphia, a little more than 17 years before its consolidation into the city. His father, John Nelson Wanamaker, was a brick layer and his grandfather was a farmer. Their ancestors came to America at the time of the landing of William Penn.

Wanamaker attended public school until he was 14 years old. Anxious to engage in business he obtained a position in a retail clothing store at $1.50 a week from which he saved $100. This was the foundation of his fortune. Upon the outbreak of the civil war, he sought to enlist in the army but was refused on account of his physical condition.

On April 11, 1861, the day Fort Sumter was cannonaded, he opened a small clothing store. War paralyzed trade but by remarkable business tact, he brought his business through the turbulent times and at the close of the war was a wealthy man. As years advanced he became more prominent and widened his mercantile operations.

Outside of business he engaged in religious and social work. He organized the famous Bethany Sunday school with 27 members and it now numbers more than 3,000.

Wanamaker was the founder of the first penny savings bank. He was active in the Y. M. C. A. during the war. He was decorated with the Legion of Honor by the French government.

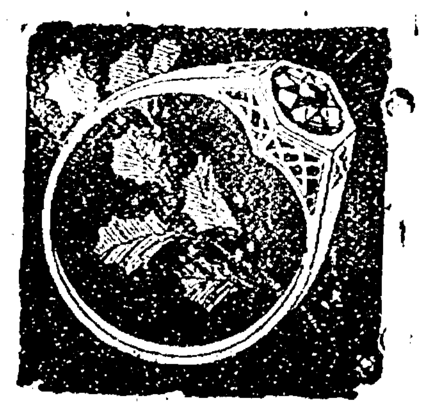
He nominated Fairbanks for vice president at the republican convention in 1916 and in 1921 celebrated 60 years of business life.

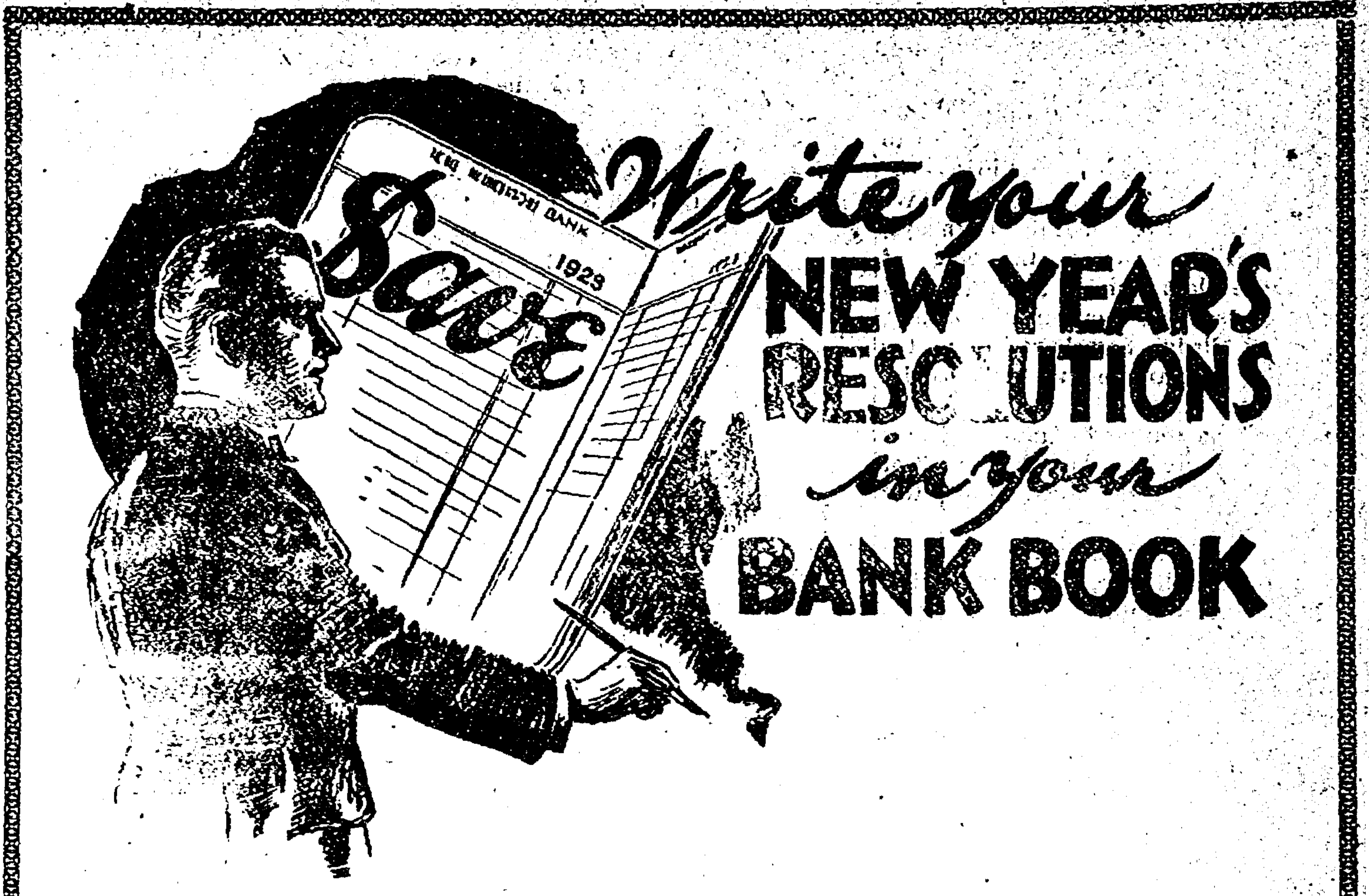
Many a husband makes a mistake in keeping secrets from his wife. She suspects them of being worse than they are.

Some young men are so energetic they never go to bed until just before dawn. Usually dad pays the bills.

Some men are always kind to their wives. It's the safest way.

Beautiful and Useful Gifts At
D. L. MALLORY
—Jewelry Store—





A SAVINGS account gives you a concrete, definite resolution, which can be seen and felt and appreciated. It is an easy one to make and an easier one to keep.

Just think what a savings account gives you! It can be planned for definite uses. A home of your own, an education for your children, a partnership in your business.

Decide what you want. Then save for it. Begin today with that Christmas nest egg.

Belmond Savings Bank

$50.00 FREE! Find the Misspelled Words C. & C., Fort Dodge

CLOSED

From Saturday Evening, 10:00 p. m., December 23rd to Wednesday Morning, 8:00 a. m., December 27th. Never in our history have we lost a days' business---except holidays---but present large stocks forces us to do things different in preparation of the greatest before Inventory sale in our career. Money talks, so be ready when we

OPEN WEDNESDAY

A big Wedneseday---A bigger Thurseday---A record Friday---A whirlwind finish Saturday.

Every Coat and evry Dress in the House included in one of these price groups:

COATS---DRESSES $7.85 Regular $9.95 to $19.95

COATS---DRESSES $12.85 Regular $14.75 to $24.75

COATS---DRESSES $15.85 Regular $19.95 to $29.95

Think of buying the choice of our high grade stock of women's latest coats and dresses at one of these prices

ANY WOMAN'S HAT $1, no matter if the price was $2.95, $3.98 or $4.98.

WOMAN'S APRONS 21c; darkes and lightes.

WOMEN'S $3.45, to $5.95 SHOES $2.75; Peter's, Hamilton Brown and other good makes, 12 styles, 200 pair, not entire stock.

MEN'S TROUSERS $2.95; 60 pair of men's wools sold regular at $3.45, $3.98 to $4.98

BOYS' WOOL UNION SUITS $1.19; ribbed suits; 80 garments $1.39 to $1.79, not entire stock; sizes to 14.

BOYS' HEAVY FLEECED UNIONS 75c; regular 89c and 98c, 100 suts 2 to 14 sizes

MEN'S HEAVY FLEECED UNION SUITS 90c; never at this price; limit 2.

MEN'S 35c HEAVY WOOL SOX 21c pr; limit 2.

HANDERCHIEFS 25c for men's and women's 35c to $1.98 Xmas ones

ARMY BLANKETS $2.45 for regular $2.98 3 lbs; $2.98 for regular $3.98 3½ lbs.

XMAS CANDY and chocolates to be closed at 2 lbs. 25c; also all Bon Bon boxes to 75c at 29c.

RICK RACKS 5c bolt; 10c reg.

FRESH WASHED FIGS 25c lb. regular 39c

GIRLS' DRESSES $1; one lot of 200, regular $1.25, $1.98, $2.45 and $2.98.

$50.00 FREE!

We have misspelled on purpose in this advertisement at least five words—every person over 18 years handing in a correct list will receive a sack of candy—the first 50 sacks and after 50 every tenth, will contoin a number; each number is worth a prize that has a retail value and has sold at the C. & C. store of Fort Dodge at 10c to $5.00.

CHILDREN'S WINTER UNIONS 75c; 2 to 11 sizes, button style, heavy fleeced.

SWEATER COATS $1.88.

SLIP OVER SWEATERS $1.88; men's, girls', boys', women's, children's, 200 sold $1.98 to $5; not entire stock.

WASH FROCKS $2.98, regular $5, clean new merchandise; $3 ones $1.98

DRESS GINGHAMS 10 yds $1; limit 10, reg. 21c, enough for 50 customers.

SATEEN BLOOMERS 21c; girls' black.

MEN'S $5.95 to $8 DUNLAP & PETER'S SHOES $4.95; 20 styles; 200 pr. not entire stock.

BOYS' & GIRLS' SHOES $1.98 and $2.45; over 200 pair on the bargain tables for this 4-day event.

MEN'S WOOL UNION SUITS at $2.45; never this price, reg. $2.98, $3.98 and $4.50

WOMEN'S UNIONS 69c; regular 98c to $1.69, 100 winter unions, some soiled, not entire stock.

MEN'S SHIRTS or DRAWERS at 55c; never less than 85c regular. Extra heavy fleece.

FELT SLIPPERS 1c; 200 pair of children's, men's, women's, every second pair 1c; first 65c, $1 and $1.98.

XMAS NUTS except walnuts to be closed at 2 lbs. 25c.

BIG 26-inch DOLLS can't be brcken $2.98 regular, all left $1.98.

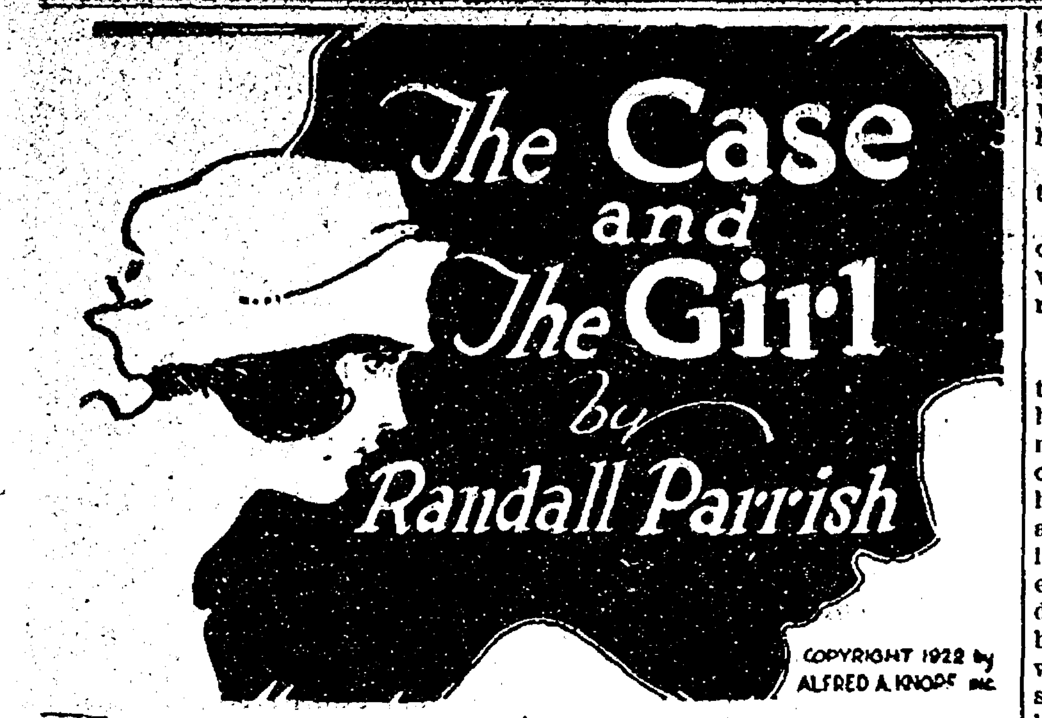
KNIT CAPS 27c; boys' and girls' 12 dozen regular 39c to 65c, not entire stock.

Practically every thing slashed for four days---blankets, sheets, sheeting, pillow cases, piece goods, percales, silks, hosiery, gloves, umbrellas, leather vests,, leather coats, boys' coats, girls' coats, girls' wool dresses, skirts, blouses, gold seal Congoleum rugs, corsets, soap, comforts, flannel shirts, aprons, hand knit caps, muslin outing. We have doubled our force for this four day sale.

SURPRISE VALUEES
25c Grab
Guaranteed to
Contain Merchandise
that sold from 50c to $2.50

C. & C.
Fort Dodge, Iowa
LOOK FOR THE YELOW TAGS

THE HOME
Of
HARRY and HERBERT



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serted."

"But there must be some one about here," West insisted. "For this was the house I saw from the ridge, and there was a light burning then in one of the windows, and there was a wisp of smoke rising from a chimney."

She stepped boldly forward, and placed her hand on the knob of the door.

"Why," she whispered, excitedly. "It is unlocked; see, I can open it. Perhaps something is wrong here. What shall we do?"

"Knock first; then if there is no response, we can feel our way about inside. My matches are all wet."

She rapped sharply on the wood; waited for some reply, and then called out. Not a word reached them from within. West, his teeth clinched, stepped in through the open door, determined to learn the secret of that mysterious interior. With hands outstretched he felt his way forward, by sense of touch alone assuring himself that he traversed a hall, carpeted, his extended arms barely reaching from wall to wall. He encountered no furniture, and must have advanced some two yards, before his groping disclosed the presence of a closed door on the left. He had located the knob, when the outer door suddenly closed, as though blown shut by a draught of wind, and, at the same instant, his eyes were blinded by a dazzling outburst of light.

This came with such startling, unexpected brilliancy that West staggered back as though struck. For the instant he was positively blind; then he dimly perceived a man standing before him—a man who, little by little, became more clearly defined, recognizable, suddenly exhibiting the features of Jim Hobart, sarcastically grinning into his face.

"You are evidently a cat of nine lives, West," he said sneeringly. "But this ought to be the last of them."

For a moment West lost all control over himself. He was too completely dazed for either words or action; could only stare into that mocking countenance confronting him, endeavoring to sense what had really occurred. He was undoubtedly trapped again, but how had the trick been accomplished? What devilish freak of luck had thus thrown them once more into the merciless hands of this ruffian? He even ventured to turn his head, and glance at the girl. She stood leaning back against the closed door as though on guard, her uncovered hair ruffled, a scornful, defiant look in her eyes, the smile on her lips revealing the gleam of white teeth. In spite of a wonderful resemblance, a mysterious counterfeit in both features and expression, West knew now this was not Natalie Coolidge. He had permitted himself to be tricked again by the jade; the smart of the wound angered him beyond control.

"You are not Miss Coolidge," he insisted hotly. "Then who are you?"

She laughed, evidently enjoying the scene.

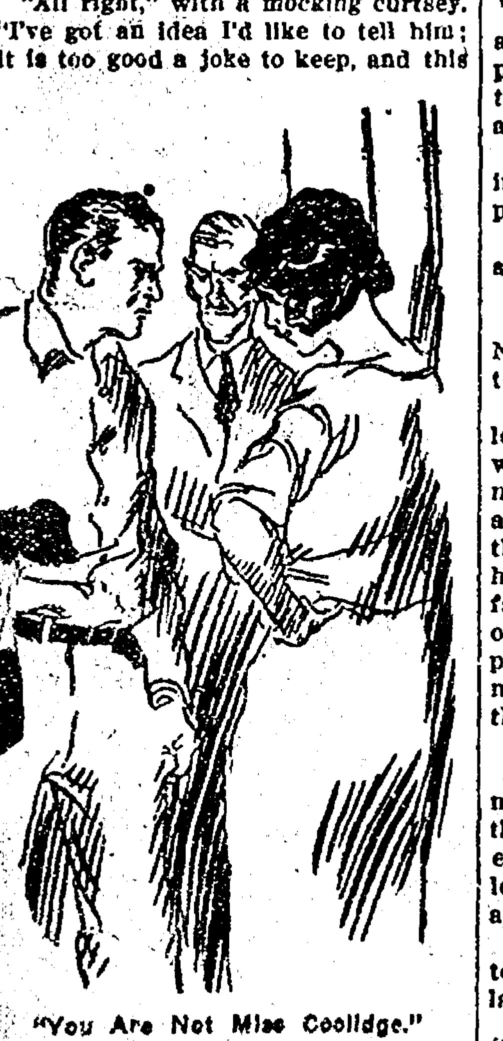
"Oh, so even Captain West has at last penetrated the disguise. No, I am not the lady you mention, if you must know."

"Then who are you?"

She glanced toward Hobart, as though questioning, and the man answered the look gruffly.

"Tell him if you want to, Del," he said, with an oath. "It will never do the guy any good. He's played his last hand in this game; he'll never get away from me again. Spit it out."

"All right," with a mocking curtsey. "I've got an idea I'd like to tell him; it is too good a joke to keep, and this fellow has certainly been an easy mark. Lord, but I could have had you making love to me, if I'd only have said the word—out there on the hills in the dark, hey! You sure are plumb nutty after this Natalie Coolidge. That's the straight goods, isn't it, Mister Captain West?"



"You Are Not Miss Coolidge."

"I care very much for Miss Coolidge, if that is what you mean."

"Sure you do; and you've put up a game fight for her too, my boy. I'd like it in you if I wasn't on the other side. But you see we can't be easy on you just because of that. Sentiment and romance is one thing, while business is another. You and I don't belong in the same worlds—see? You can't rightly blame me because I was born different, can you?"

"Perhaps not; what would you make me believe?"

"I thought I'd put it that way so you'd understand, that's all. There's a difference in people, ain't there. I'm just as good looking as this Natalie Coolidge, ain't I? Sure I am; you can't even tell us apart when we are dressed up alike. I could come in here, and have you make love to me inside of twenty minutes. But we ain't a bit alike, for all that. She's a lady, and I'm a crook—that's the difference. She's been brought up with all the money she wants, while I've had to hustle for every penny since I was a kid. I was brought up a thief, and I don't know anything else. I never did care much, but in this Coolidge matter, I've got just as much right to all that kale as she has—so naturally I'm going after it."

"As much right, you say? Why, who are you?"

She stood up straight, and looked at him, her eyes burning.

"Me!" scornfully, "why I am Della Hobart—'Diamond Del,' they call me."

"Yes, but that is not what you mean; that gives you no such right as you claim. You are Hobart's daughter, then?"

"I didn't say so, Mister Captain West. I told you my moniker, that's all. Jim here brought me up, but he ain't no father to me, and his wife ain't my mother. It took me a while to find that out, but I got the thing straight at last. I saw then just what those two were driving at; first I didn't take no particular interest in the scheme; then I got to thinking until finally I hated that soft, downy thing; d—n her, she'd robbed me, and I had a right to my share even if I had to steal it."

"What soft, downy thing?"

"Natalie Coolidge! Bah, I went out to see her once. Jim took me and we hid in the garden; and when I came back I was raving mad. Lord, why should that little idiot have everything while half the time I was hungry?"

"You mean you envied her?"

"Envied, h—l! Didn't I have a right! Wasn't she my twin sister? Didn't she have it all, and I nothing?"

He gasped for breath at this sudden revelation. Then he laughed, convinced it could not be possible.

"Who told you that?"

"Why, don't you believe it? Has she never said a word about it to you?"

"Certainly not. I am sure she possesses no knowledge of ever having had a sister. Moreover, I do not believe it is true. If you had proof of such relationship, why didn't you go to her, and openly claim your share?"

"Go to her! me? Do you hear that Jim? Isn't he the cute little fixer? Why, of course, she knew it; there was nothing doing on the divide. It's all straight enough, only we couldn't prove it by law; anyhow that is what they told me—so we got at it from another direction."

She seemed so convinced, so earnest in her statement that West in perplexity turned to glance at Hobart.

"Do you make this claim also?" he asked.

"What claim?"

"That this girl is a twin sister to Natalie Coolidge? Why, it is preposterous."

"Is it? D—d if I think so. Now look here, West; I don't know just what the Coolidge girl has been told; maybe she never even heard she had a twin sister. If they ever told her that she had, then they must have told her also that the sister died in infancy. Anyhow, that's how it stands on the records. There were just two people who knew different—do you get me? One of them is dead, but one of them is still alive."

"Which one is dead?"

"Percival Coolidge; he knew too much and got gay; he planned to cop the whole boodle. The fact is he started the whole scheme, soon as he learned who Del was, and planned it all out."

"But if this girl was really entitled to a part of it, why not claim it by law?"

"We talked about that, but the chance didn't look good. Everything showed the second child died; hospital records, doctor's certificate; there wasn't a link in the chain we could break."

"But who was the other witness—the living one?"

"The nurse; she made the exchange of the dead baby for the living one. It was easily done, as the child was really sick."

"But for what object—revenge?"

"She was poor, and yielded to temptation. Percival Coolidge paid her to make the exchange. I have never been able to learn what his original purpose was, but she thinks he believed the stolen child was a boy, and that later, through him, the Coolidge money might be controlled. However, the woman lost her nerve, and disappeared with the infant. She brought it up as her own in the West, where she married again. I am her second husband, and that is how I learned the truth."

"The woman on the yacht?"

"Yes, you saw her. The child was brought up in our life; I figured on this coup for years, and finally when all was ready, we came back East again. I had a plan, but I wasn't quite sure it would work until I could see the two girls together. After that it was like taking candy from a kid. H—l, you are the only one who has even piped off the game."

West looked closely at the man, who was thus coolly boasting of his exploits, and then at the silent girl, whose eyes sullenly gave back their challenge. What did it all mean? Why were they calmly telling him these things? Was it merely the egotism of crime, pride of achievement? or did Hobart hope in some way to thus win his assistance, or at least his silence?

"Why do you tell all this to me, Hobart?" he asked shortly. "You do not expect me to play with you in the game, do you?"

"You!" the fellow laughed coarsely. "We don't care what you do, you young fool. Del started this talking, and I let her go on. Then, when she stopped, I thought you might as well learn the rest of it. The fact is, West, we're fixed now so whatever you know won't hurt us any. We have as good as got the swag; and, to make it absolutely safe, we've got both you and the girl. I'll say this for you, old man, you've sure put up a game fight. I don't know how the h—l you ever got out of that yacht alive, or ever happened to drift in here. It was nothing but bull luck that gave us a glimpse of you tossing round on that raft—but after that it was dead easy. Del here is some actorine."

"You say you've got the swag?"

"All but in our hands; nobody can get it away from us. The court order was issued today; the entire estate placed, in accordance with the terms of the will, in the possession of Natalie Coolidge. Once the proper receipt is signed, all moneys can be checked out by her. That about settles it, doesn't it? Tomorrow Del and I will go down to the city, and turn the trick, and after that there is nothing left but the get-away."

It was a cold-blooded proposition, but neither face exhibited any regret; both were intoxicated by success; untroubled by any scruples of conscience. West felt the utter uselessness of an attempt to appeal to either.

"Where is Natalie Coolidge?" he asked, his own determination hardening. "What do you propose doing with her?"

Hobart's teeth exhibited themselves in a sarcastic grin.

"That is our business, but you can bet she'll not interfere."

"And a similar answer, I presume, will apply also to my case?"

"It will. Don't make the mistake, West, of believing we are d—n fools. I don't know just why I've blowed all this to you, but it ain't going to help you any, you can be sure of that. In fact our knowing how the thing was worked is liable to make things a blame sight harder in your case. We won't do no more talking; so go on in through that door."

The fellow's demeanor had entirely changed; he was no longer pretending to geniality, and his words were almost brutal. Apparently, all at once, it had dawned sharply upon him that they had made a mistake—had boasted far too freely. Any slip now, after what had been said, would wreck the ship. West faced him watchfully, fully aware of the desperate situation, instinctively feeling that this might be his last chance.

"In there, you say?" indicating the closed door.

"Yes; move!"

He did; with one swift leap forward, the whole impetus of his body behind the blow, West drove his fist straight into the face confronting him. The fellow reeled, clutched feebly at the smooth wall for support, dropped helplessly forward, and fell headlong, with face hidden in outstretched arms. The assailant sprang back, and turned, in a mad determination to crash his way out through the locked door behind, but as suddenly stopped startled by the vision of a leveled revolver pointed at his head.

"Not a move," the girl said icily. "Take one step, and I'll kill you."

Hobart lifted his head groggily, and pushed himself half-way up on his knees.

"Don't shoot, unless he makes you, Del," he ordered grimly. "We don't want that kind of row here." He dragged himself painfully to the side door, and pressed it open.

"Hey you!" he cried. "Come on out here. Now then, rough-house this guy!"

CHAPTER XVII

McAdams Blows In.

It was a real fight; they all knew that when it was finished. But it was three to one, with Hobart blocking the only open door, and egging them on, and the excited girl, backed into a corner out of the way, the revolver still gripped in her hand, ready for any emergency. The narrowness of the hall alone afforded West a chance, as the walls protected him, and compelled direct attack from the front. Yet this advantage only served to delay the ending. He recognized two of the fellows—"Red" Hogan and Mark—while the third man was a wiry little barroom scrapper, who smashed fiercely in through his guard, and finally got a grip on his throat which could not be wrenched loose. The others pounded him unmercifully, driving his head back against the wall. Hogan smashed him twice, crashing through his weak attempt at defense, and with the second vicious drive, West went down for the count, lying motionless on the floor, scarcely conscious that he was still living.

"It's a knockout all right," Hogan declared. "That guy is good for an hour in dreamland. What's the dope?"

"We got' to keep him here, that's all; and there's goin' to be no get-away this time!"

"Do you want him croaked?"

"No, I don't—not now. What the h—l's the use? It would only make things harder. We're ready to make our get-away, ain't we? After tomorrow all h—l can't get onto our trail. This guy's life wouldn't help us none, so far as I can see."

"Getting squeamish, ain't you?"

"No, I'm not. I've got as much reason to hate the fellow as you have, 'Red.' He certainly swiped me one. Before we had the swag copped, I was willing enough to put him out of the running. That was business. You sure did a fine job then, d—n you; now I don't think it is your time to howl. Listen here, will you? From all I learn, this bird amounts to something; he ain't just a dago to be bumped off, and nobody care what's become of him. This guy has got friends. It won't help us any to be hunted after for murder on top of this other job. If we cop the kale, that's all we're after. Is that right, Del?"

The girl seemed to come forward and face them defiantly.

"Sure it's right. I never was for the strong-arm stuff, Hogan. This is my graft, anyhow, and not one of you stiffs gets a penny of it unless I split with you. This fellow isn't going to be slugged—that's flat. It is only because he's fell in love with the Coolidge girl that he is here, and once we've skipped out, I don't wish the guy any bad luck."

"You ought to have caught him yourself, Del," some one said. "The bird never would have known the difference."

She laughed, quickly restored to good humor.

"You're about right there, Dave," she answered. "That was another mistake; the only chance I ever had of marrying in high social circles. But h—l, I'll be a lady tomorrow, so let's let the poor devil go. Wrap him up, and lay him away out in the garage. The walls are two-foot solid stone; he'll stay buried there, all right."

Hogan growled in derision, yet it was evident that she and Hobart would have their way. Some one brought a rope, which was deftly wound about him, West continuing to feign unconsciousness. He secretly hoped this condition might result in some carelessness on their part, in either speech or action. Anyway it would undoubtedly save him from further brutal treatment. He had no reason to suspect that his ruse was questioned. The fellows spoke freely while making him secure, but he gained very little information from their conversation—not a hint as to where Natalie was confined, or how long it was proposed to hold them prisoners. Then "Red" and Dave lugged his limp body through several rooms, out upon a back porch, finally dragging him down the steps and along a cement driveway, letting him lie there a moment in the dark, while one of them unlocked the door. The next instant he was carelessly thrown inside, and the door forced back into place. He could hear Hogan swear outside, and then the sound of both men's feet on the drive as they departed.

With a struggle West managed to sit up, but could scarcely attempt more, as his arms were bound closely to his sides. The darkness about him was intense, and, with the disappearance of the two men up the steps, all outside sounds had ceased. He knew he had been flung into the garage and was resting there on the hard cement floor. He could neither feel nor see any machine, nor was there probably the slightest prospect of his getting out unaided.

What was that? He listened, for an instant doubtful if he had really heard anything. Then he actually heard a sound. He doubted no longer, yet made no effort to move, even holding his breath in suspense. There was movement of some kind back there—a cautious movement; seemingly the slow advance of something across the floor, a dog perhaps. West's heart throbbed with apprehension; suppose it was a dog, he had no means of protection from the brute. Cold sweat tingled on his flesh; there was nothing he could do, no place where he could go. The thing was moving nearer; yet surely it could not be a dog; no dog would ever creep like that. He could bear the strain no longer; it was beyond endurance.

"What's moving back there?" he asked in a hoarse whisper.

There was a moment of utter silence; then, a man's voice said in low, cautious tone.

"The fellow ain't dead, Mac; anyhow he seems able to talk yet."

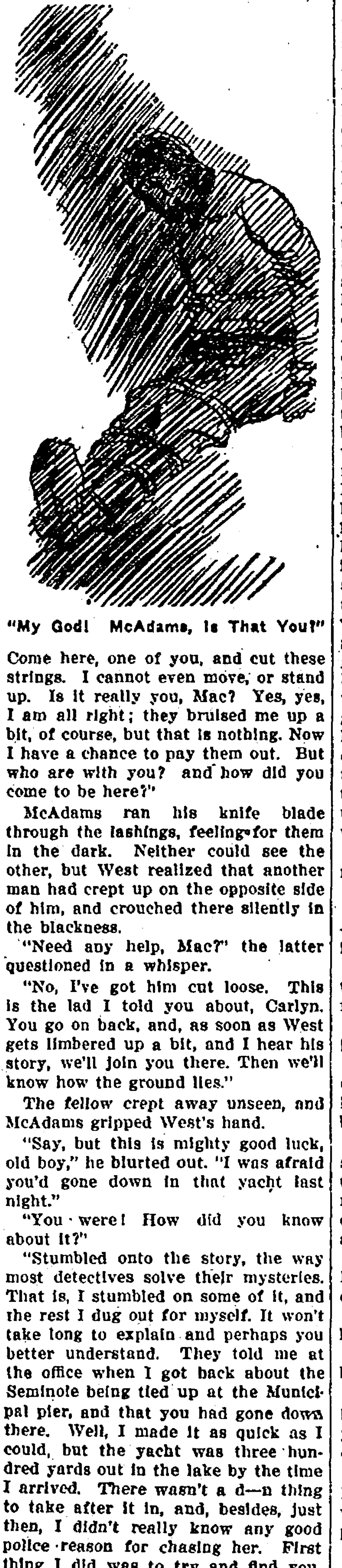
"All right, we'll find out what he's got to say—go on along."

West sat up, his heart bounding with sudden remembrance.

"My G—d! McAdams, is that you?"

"You have the name—who's speaking?"

"Matt West. Good G—d, but this is like a miracle. I'd played my last card. Come here, one of you, and cut these strings. I cannot even move, or stand up. Is it really you, Mac? Yes, yes, I am all right; they bruised me up a bit, of course, but that is nothing. Now I have a chance to pay them out. But who are with you? and how did you come to be here?"



"My God! McAdams, Is That You!"

McAdams ran his knife blade through the lashings, feeling for them in the dark. Neither could see the other, but West realized that another man had crept up on the opposite side of him, and crouched there silently in the blackness.

"Need any help, Mac?" the latter questioned in a whisper.

"No, I've got him cut loose. This is the lad I told you about, Carlyn. You go on back, and, as soon as West gets limbered up a bit, and I hear his story, we'll join you there. Then we'll know how the ground lies."

The fellow crept away unseen, and McAdams gripped West's hand.

"Say, but this is mighty good luck, old boy," he blurted out. "I was afraid you'd gone down in that yacht last night."

"You were! How did you know about it?"

"Stumbled onto the story, the way most detectives solve their mysteries. That is, I stumbled on some of it, and the rest I dug out for myself. It won't take long to explain and perhaps you better understand. They told me at the office when I got back about the Seminole being tied up at the Municipal pier, and that you had gone down there. Well, I made it as quick as I could, but the yacht was three hundred yards out in the lake by the time I arrived. There wasn't a d—n thing to take after it in, and, besides, just then, I didn't really know any good police reason for chasing her. First thing I did was to try and find you, so we could get our heads together. But you wasn't there, and so I naturally jumped to the conclusion you must have got aboard someway. Say, I combed that pier, believe me, West, and finally I ran across a kid who put me wise. He saw you go across the deck, and into the cabin with two other guys. They came out again, but you didn't. I pumped him until I got a pretty good description of both those fellows, and I decided one of them must be 'Red' Hogan, about the toughest gunman in Chicago.

"It was Hogan."

"I made sure of that afterward. Then I got busy. If you was in the hands of that guy, and his gang, the chances was dead against you. But there wasn't a darn thing I could do, except to hunt up Hobart, wire every town along the North shore to keep an eye out for the yacht, and pick up a thread or two around town. I got a bit, at that, to wise me up. We found Hobart hid away in a cheap hotel out on Broadway, and put a trailer on him. The girl had disappeared; she'd been to a bank, and then to the Coolidge lawyer and signed some papers; after that we lost all trace of her for awhile. Your man Sexton, out at Fairlawn, reported that she hadn't returned there. Then I got desperate and decided I'd blow the whole thing to the Coolidge lawyer, and get him to take a hand. I was afraid they were all ready for the get-away—see? I couldn't round 'em up alone; besides I'm a Chicago police officer, and have to keep more or less on my own beat."

"*And you told the lawyer?*"

"Everything I knew, and some I guessed at. I thought the old guy would throw a fit, but he didn't. He came through game after the first shock. But say, that dame had sold him out all right. He never had an inkling anything was wrong; no more did the banks. We went over and talked to the president of one of them —a smooth guy with white mutton chops—and the girl had signed up the preliminary papers already, and, tomorrow the whole boodle was going to drop softly into her lap. Say, I felt better when I learned they hadn't copped the swag yet. But just the same I needed help."

"And you got it?"

"Sure; those two duffers coughed up money in a stream. Called in a detective agency, and gave me three operatives to work under me. Got the chief on the wire, and made him give me a free hand. Then I had a cinch."

CHAPTER XVIII

A Bridge of Love.

He paused, listening, but all remained quiet without, and he resumed his story.

"There is not much else to it, West. A little after one o'clock the shadow phoned in from the Union depot that Hobart had just purchased two tickets for Patacne. We hustled over, but were too late to catch that train, but learned the girl had accompanied him on the trip. We caught another rattler two hours later, and got off at Patacne, which is about three miles west of here. It is not much of a job to gather up gossip in a small burg, and, inside of ten minutes, I had extracted all I needed from the station agent. It seems this outfit was the summer sensation out here. We hoofed it for reasons of our own, and came around by way of the lake shore, aiming to keep out of sight until after dark. That is how we discovered that Seminole boat hauled up on the beach, but with no yacht in sight. One of the fellows with me said Hogan did a boat-sinking job before and got away with it, and that is how I figured that maybe you was at the bottom of Lake Michigan—see? Well, we crept up here through the woods, but nothing happened. Didn't look as if the place had a soul within a hundred miles of it—no smoke, no light; not a d—n sound. We laid out and waited, not sure what we were up against. Finally we jimmied open the back door of this garage, just to find out whether those guys had a car out here, or not. They had, but we no more than located it when those two fellows came dragging you out of the back door of the house, and flung you in here like a bag of old linen. We lay still, and let them go back, but we hadn't any notion it was really you; so we crawled up to find out. That's the story. Now what do you think we better do?"

West moved his arms in an effort to restore circulation.

"How many with you?"

"Four altogether—hard boiled, too —five with you. Is there any fight left in you, old man?"

"I'll say there is; I'd certainly like to get in one clip at 'Red' before the fracas is over."

"That sounds vicious. Now, who is inside?"

"I saw five, and there may be others. If the crew of the Seminole are here also, that would make quite a bunch."

"I don't think they are, Captain. The station agent said several men bought tickets to Chicago early this afternoon. It is the real gang we've got cornered. Do you know just who they are?"

"Those I saw were Hobart, 'Red' Hogan, the girl, a big fellow they called Mark who was on the yacht—"

"Mark Sennett; he's Hogan's sidekick, and tough as they make 'em."

"And a wiry little black-haired devil by the name of Dave."

"H—l, is he in this too? That must be 'Dago Dave.' That guy would cut your throat for fifty dollars. Any others?"

"Those were all I saw. No doubt Hobart's wife is in the house somewhere, guarding Natalie Coolidge probably."

"Six altogether, counting the women."

"Yes, and you better count them, for they will fight like tigers. The girl held me up at the point of a gun."

"We've got to get the drop first, that's all. They're yellow, the whole outfit is yellow. Shootin' in the back is their style. Now, you know the lay inside the house; what is our best chance?"

West studied over the situation, his eyes staring into the darkness, and McAdams waited.

"Well, Mac," he said finally. "This is a new job for me, but I'd put a man out in front, and then take the others in through the back door. We'd have to rush it, of course. I know the front door is locked, and it couldn't be broken down quickly. I listened when those fellows went back, and I heard no click, as though they had locked the door behind them. They don't know anybody has been after them except me, and they believe I am done for. They feel so safe out here, they are a bit careless. I'll wager something we can walk straight in on the outfit; how does that strike you?"

"As the only feasible plan. Let's crawl out of here."

The arrangements were quickly perfected; a short, whispered conference in the dark; then one man crept silently away through the night toward the front of the house. McAdams added a few more words of instruction to the others, and, with West slightly in advance, revolvers drawn and ready, the five stole forward in the direction of the rear porch. The windows were either heavily curtained, or covered by outside shades, for no gleam of light was anywhere visible. West mounted the back steps silently, with McAdams close at his heels. A second later the entire bunch of officers were grouped before the door, poised breathless, listening for any sound from within. Nothing broke the impressive silence, and McAdams' hand closed over the knob, which he turned slowly. The door opened quietly into a darkened interior. For an instant he bent forward, peering through the narrow crack, endeavoring to learn what lay hidden beyond, the others quivering behind him. There was scarcely the sound of a breath audible. The de-

Continued next week.

Belmond Local News

Firemen's Big Annual Dance New Year's Night. Be there!

The big event of the winter—the Firemen's Ball—New Year's night. Watch for bills.

Miss Carol Tyrrell arrived home Monday from her school in the south to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell.

Your chance for a big time will come on January 1, at the Opera House, when the Firemen's Ball takes place. Watch for bills.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bergsma of Huron S. Dakota arrived Tuesday morning to spend the holidays with Mrs. Bergsma's sister, Mrs. F. E. Snyder.

The Commuity Club play "The Golden Giant" was given at Goodell last Thursday night to a large audience. On Wednesday evening of this week the player staged the show at Thornton for the benefit of Thornton Legion. Belmond's amateurs seem to be acquiring a wide reputation for their acting ability.

Atty. J. M. Jensen was a visitor at district court last Friday on legal business, and this week has been at Garner where he has two cases up for trial in the Hancock county district court one for a party at Cornelia and one for a Goodell client. He will assume his new duties as county attorney for Wright the first of the year.

Ralph Wilcox and "Babe" Bowers went to Des Moines last Tuesday, where they appeared before a govern ment medical board to be examined as a preliminary to their application for vocational training.

Those Leathertte top folding card tables for only $2.98 this week only. —Belmond Furniture Co

H. J. Lester of Rowan was a caller in town last Saturday on matters of business.

The Electric Store held two very fine demonstrations last Saturday of the Hughes electric stove, and showed to a large and interested group of local ladies how to "Cook by wire." Cooking by electricity is being done by several housewivies in Belmond now, and after seeing the demonstration others have developed the "bug" Mrs. Rees, the lady demonstrator gave a very fine demonstration.

There will be Christmas program and tree at the Norway Center school Friday afternoon twenty-second. The program will begin at two-thirty, p. m.

Erma L. Wilkinson, teacher.

Keep in mind that the biggest event of the winter the Firemen's Annual Ball will take place January 1, at the Opera House and plan to be there.

Candle Sticks and candles of all kinds.—Belmond Furniture Co.

Chain of Ten met with Mrs. F. O. Fitts, Monday afternoon.

Miss Shirley Thompson went to Ft. Dodge Saturday returning Sunday afternoon.

Jim Easton and Lawrence Gealow drove to Hampton Tuesday.

Miss Lois Morse was on the sick list the first of the week.

Close out price on toys.—Belmond Furniture Co.

The Pricilla club met with Mrs. Marvin Christie Wednesday afternoon and enjoyed a picnic supper.

Word was recieved by Mr. and Mrs J. N. Johnson that their son Frank was worse. Mrs. Thayne Bailey and Mrs. Hill of Clarion left Friday for Colorado Springs to see him.

Mrs. Harry Bohning entertained the Bridge club at her home Monday evening. Miss Gertrude Ely won highest honor.

Ben Blake spent last week at Ackley, visiting. He returned Saturday.

Two Russians had a mix-up in one of the pool halls on Tuesday night, and got into a fight, one struck the other over the head with a billiard cue and laid his scalp open, requiring the care of a physician. The weilder of the cue was arrested and it is understood fined $25. and costs. We were unable to secure the names of the parties.

Lambert Pals, Jr., on Route one is already enjoying a fine Christmas present a new Delco light system on his farm, installed by C. J. Papousek and the gift to him from Mrs. Emma Stadtlander.

When you have trouble with your eyes see me. I have specialized in the fitting of glasses and taking care of muscular trouble.—A H. Berger, Eyesight specialist, Clarion, Iowa. 5eowc

Lost—Crank to Oakland car, between Delaney place and town. Finder please leave at this office. 51*

Bridge lamps $17. this week only. —Belmond Furniture Co.

The Townsan boys this week installed a radio set in their store, and will now be able to listen in on the world's talk.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the Firmen for their good work and services at the fire in our home Tuesday, an act which is very truly appreciated.—Mrs. Will Starnes and Will Starnes, Jr.

I am deeply grateful to the members of the fire company for the excellent work they performed at the fire in our shop Monday, and wish to extend their my sincere thanks —Mrs Catherine Rosecrans.

A. G. Pribbenow of Hampton was a business caller in town on Tuesday afternoon.

Cedar Chests $16.00 up. Nice for sister's gift.—Belmond Furniture Co.

Otto Ostendorf of Alexander was a business caller here Tuesday.

Christmas trees and holders. Get your order in early.—Belmond Furniture Co.

Leo Kenefick is expected home on next Sunday afternoon from Fort Collins, Colorado to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Kenefick. Leo will have two weeks' vacation from his studies.

H. F. Reif and "Bing" Jones of Meservey were business callers in this city on Monday afternoon.

Wm. Chase came the of first of the week from Coe College for the Christmas holidays. He will visit old friends here a few days and go to Clear Lake to spend Christmas with his parents.

John Wenzel came home from Kanawha Sunday to spend the day with his folks.

Mrs. Lloyd Green from Alexander was a Belmond shopper Tuesday.

For Sale—A few Hampshire male pigs.—A E. Martin. 53*

Mid-Season

HATS

In

Satin and Haircloth
FOR CHRISTMAS

Ida Tyrrell

..Basket Ball..

B. H. S. vs. ALUMNI

Friday, December 22

7:45 p. m.

ANDREW JACOBSON

Friends in Belmond were shocked and grieved Saturday morning when they heard of the sudden death of Andrew Jacobson. Mr. Jacobson had been about the streets the day before apparantly in his usual good health, busy about the many tasks he daily looked after. He had been for some time suffering from a cold and indisposed at times, but his sudden demise was entirely unlooked for.

Mr. Jacobson was about 56 years and six months of age at his death, being born May 19, 1866 in Nerstand Norway. In 1885 he came to America, locating first in Story county and shortly after moving to Wright county where he resided until his death. In 1891 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Anna Johnson, and to this union five children were born, two of whom are dead, and the three living, Mrs. Ole Sharpe. He leaves three stepchildren, 12 grandchildren, one great grandchild and other relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the house at 1:30 and at the Trinity church at 2:00, Rev. J. M. Jensen in charge, and interment was made in the Belmond cemetery. Mr. Jacobson was a splendid character and a fine citizen. Always cheerful, always jolly, he will be greatly missed.

Why not a sewing machine for mother? We carry only the best.—Belmond Furniture Co.

Miss Irene Hunter returned to her home in S. Dakota Sunday, having finished her season as trimmer at the Hat Shoppe. Miss Hunter will return for the spring season.

The Royal neighbors met at the home of Mrs. L. Collins, Saturday afternoon.

Better have your cattle tested for tuberculosis. Dr. R. G. Brown, Veterinarian, accredited by Iowa Board and U. S. Board Animal Industry. 35*

We buy poultry both alive and dressed. Call us, phone 272.—White Produce Co. 4tfc

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

ForSale—White Wyandotte and Buff Orpington roosters, thorobred, phone 1606.—Wm. Blau, Belmond. 52*

For Sale—Buff Rock roostes, full bloods.—Mrs. O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 3tfc

For Sale—Full blood Poland China stock hog. Weight about 240 lbs.—Chas. Chapman. 33*

For Sale—Willow wood, sawed for stove lengths $4.00 per load at the farm, $6.00 delivered in town.—phone 2010. Leo D. Veeder.

For Sale—Fresh cows.—P. W. Kaufman, phone 141. 42*

For Sale—Full blood Rhode Island Red Roosters.—Mrs. P. W. Kaufman, phone 141 42*

For Sale—Spotted Poland China boar pigs, eligble to registry.—M. R. Pierce, Belmond, phone 3615. 34*

ForSale—Brown Leghorn roosters, of the everlaying strain at $1.00 each. Also some good geese feathers,—Mrs. Jerome Sheffield. 14tfc

For Sale—Three choice Duroc Jersey male pigs, weight about 225 lbs. Price $ 25 each. Pedigrees furnished, phone 1206.—W. J. McLaughlin. 42*

For Sale—Fancy large boned heavy purebred Black Langshan cockerals The kind that WEIGH, LAY, and PAY. Write for prices.—Mrs. Chas L. Richards, Rowan, Iowa. 44*

WANTED

Wanted—Horses to pasture in good corn fodder,—Gunner Ahlstrom, phone 2904 42*

Wanted to trade—Five year old mare for a gentle single driver.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217 3tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Found-Fur robe. Owners can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.—Ray Best.

Lost—Lost Friday evening between Belmond and Sheffield, suit case containing basket ball clothes. Finder please notify Prof. E. S. Fyler, Sheffield, Iowa. 51c

Lost—Baby's romper, on December 9 on Main street. Finder please leave at this office. 51*

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc

Is Your Christmas Wardrobe In Order?

Belmond Tailor Shop

F. J. Tuffree

YOU will find at the City Meat Market, for your Christmas dinner, all kinds of poultry. Choice roasts in beef, pork or veal.

Before buying that quarter of beef see us for prices and quality. We handle only the best. For quality and service, try the

City Meat Market

Nissen & Harbison, Proprietors

Free Delivery

Phone 207

Kinseth's Store News

JUST A FEW LINES TO WISH YOU EVERY ONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR, AND DON'T FORGET THAT THE STORE ON THE CORNER IS THE PLACE TO GET YOUR CHRISTMAS EATS.

ALVIN B. ERICKSON

GENERAL AUCTIONEER

Kanawha mail and phone.

Phone or write at my expense for dates and terms.

Tens years' experience in selling at all classes of sales.

DON'T FORGET

For Gifts of

UTILITY

Buy

HARDWARE

WE ARE INSTALLING A RADIO RECEIVING SET IN OUR STORE THIS WEEK. COME IN AND LISTEN.

TOWNSAN HARDWARE

The Store of Service
Phone 34
Belmond, Iowa

1 Cent Sale

For Saturday Only

Peanut Brittle-- 2 lbs. 31c
Regular Price 30c per pound

Christmas Candy 20c lb. Order early.

Special prices for Churches and Sunday Schools.

Belmond Candy Kitchen

Steve Antoniou, Manager

Belmond Independent

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A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL!

State Hospital Given $2,250,000

State Hospital Given Huge Sum By Rockefeller Foundation If State Gives Rest.

MEANS $450,000 EACH YEAR

Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 27—Special—President W. A. Jessup announced this morning that the College of Medicine has been proffered the largest gift ever made to a tax-supported institution in the United States, namely, $2,250,000 to assist in completing the building and equiping of the new hospital and teaching laboratories. These will be erected on the beautiful site purchased at the time the Children's and the Psychopathic hospital units were built. The site is on the west bluff of the Iowa river facing Old Capitol.

This gift comes from the General Education Board and the Rockefeller Foundation jointly, at the request of the Iowa State Board of Education and Governor Kendall.

The Iowa State Board of Education and Governor Kendall brought this matter to the attention of these foundations which, of late, have been appropriating large sums of money for the advancement of medical education public health service, and enlarged hospital facilities thruout the world. Previous gifts have been made chiefly to independent institutions, but now and then to states.

In spite of the fact that more than twenty thousand state patients, mostly children, under the provisions of the Perkins Law, have been cared for and helped at the University Hospital during the last few years present facilities had come to be wholly inadequate and the Board had realized that a new and modern plant has become a necessity.

Dr. Abraham Flexner of the General Education Board and Dr. George E. Vincent of thee Rockefeller Foundation, after acquainting themselves with the needs of the situation by Personal visits to Iowa City, informed President Jessup that they would recommend to their Boards favorable action on the request of the State Board of Education to assist in completing the plant. The estimated cost of the completed job is $4,500,000 and agreeable to these recommendations the two foundations joined in proffering a gift of $2,250,000, providing the state of Iowa shall, over a period of five years, agree to complete the plant. This will require an appropriation of $450,000 a year for the next five years.

The moment the General Assembly accepts the plan the University can begin the work, as the foundation's gift will be instantly available.

Up to this time the Board of Education had been at a loss to know how to meet the hospital needs and at the same time meet the ever increasing demands of instruction in the University and other educational institutions. This gift would seem to solve their problem, for the medical service can go forward at once with only a modest annual appropriation.

COMMUNITY WELFARE CLUB MEETING

The Community Welfare club meets this week Friday afternoon at the library. The program is about Iowa writers and Mrs. J. J. Sharon is the leader.

Mrs. J. S. White is chairman of the serving committee.

The president would like to see all the members at this meeting, the last in 1922. Come and bring some suggestion regarding work the club can do the coming year for the betterment of the community.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
Regular Services at 11:00 a. m.
Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p. m.

Plan to make this the big day of the year.

W. A. Wilkinson, Pastor

BELMOND GIRL HONORED

The following letter speaks for itself, and is pleasing news to Miss Jenison's many friends:

December 20, 1922

My Dear Mr. and Mrs. Jenison:

I am sending this message to congratulate you upon the honor that has come to Virgie in having been chosen for the 1922 Freshman Commission of the Coe Young Women's Christian Association.

It is the greatest honor that can come to a college girl in her freshman year and I am happy to tell you how pleased I am with her work and the spirit she has shown in her college life and work.

Most cordially yours,
Maria Leonard
Dean of women, Coe College

GIVES AWAY CHICKENS

The Hampton pepole and merchants had a big time and a lot of fun Saturday, when a large number of chickens were given away to the crowds The fowls were let loose from the top of one of the business buildings, and as they flew down catchers were keepers the birds becoming their property for a Christmas dinner. Each bird had a slip attached to one leg bearing the name of one of the merchants and this slip was good for another Christmas gift if presented to the merchant. The Hampton merchants put on a number of special bargains that day, and this, together with the free chickens and some additional entertainment provided, brought packed crowds and a big business to the stores.

TRINITY CHURCH

Wednesday evening choir practice at the church at 7:30. Thursday evening prayer meeting at the home of Henry Anderson at 7:30. Saturday morning at 10 the class meets at the church, Sunday morning Sunday school and Bible classes at the usual hour. Sunday afternoon at 2:30 the lay people conduct a service at the church in the Norwegian language. Sunday evening the Young Peoples' League will have charge of the song service. We want to see a full house at all our services. New Years' Day services at 11.

ST. OLAF

Thursday afternoon the South Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. O. J. Lewis. Wednesday afternoon Jan 3 the North Ladies Aid meets at the home of Mrs. Henry Lein. On Wednesday forenoon Jan. 3 the annual business meeting of the church will be held. Please note this and be present. Next Sunday forenoon at 11 English services will be conducted and we would like to see a big attendance. Think of the last day in the year. Why not spend it or a part of it in the house of God?

PAY DEBTS FROM BOOZE

The little town of Milford Kentucky about the same size as Belmond, has managed to free itself from debt thru booze. Advocates of booze in order to derive the taxes are dealt a hard blow by the reverse English used on their theory by the officials of Milford. Mayor Scott, who drops hs title when occasion arises to assume that of J. P. has the welfare of Milford at heart. When a violator of the 18th amendment is brought before him he promtly gives them a good stiff fine and thereby enriches the city treasury. In the past year, in this town of 2000 people, he has imposed fines totalling $88,860 on liquor violators $58,165 of which has been collected exclusive of costs. *Money from this* source has left the town free of debt. Belmond might copy the example, for while moonshine is made in Kentucky a lot of it is used in Belmond. Why not cut down the taxes?

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Henry Busick to Mabel C Busick und. sixth interest in sw of nw 5 and half of se of ne 6-93-23, $1.

A. M. Axen to Charles McNamara nw ofnw 12-92-24; $1.

Frank. E. Christie to Micheal J. Kermen, tract in lots 3-4 of sw of sw 19-93-23, $1.—Monitor.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND READERS WE HOPE THE NEW YEAR WILL CONTAIN THE FULLEST MEASURE OF GLADNESS AND CONTENT, FILLED WITH ALL GOOD CHEER AND HAPPINESS, AND MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING TO YOU THE REALIZATION OF YOUR EVERY HOPE.

—THE PUBLISHER.

Ministers Endorse Movement Started To Clean Up Town

Every lover of law, order and liberty rejoices over the good work which has been done by our new prosecuting attorney and squire Skovlin We are glad to know that there are a few men yet who realize the fact that their oath of office is more than a few words and an affirmation.

If the reports which have been going the rounds the past year or more are half true, Belmond is a good place for the county attorney to begin his work. They must be true in part or one young man would not now be minus a foot and the drunks would not have been so frequently seen on our streets.

We are glad that the officers are making the fines more than a mere joke. Perhaps after awhile some people will learn that the laws are for the good of the people and not merely to be treated with contempt.

We commend our officers for what they have already accomplished and promise them our hearty support. Let the good work go on until every bootlegger and every patron of bootleggers gets his just reward.

S. U Leinbach.

All good citizens are pleased that an effort is being made to clean-up our town morally. Uncle Sam says "Give no quarter to the bootlegger." We ought to back all officers trying to enforce the law against liquor—making, selling, and drinking. The man who drinks is guilty of being a menace to society. Law evasion leads to lawlessness, and no one ought to be shielded who defies the law. Why not fight for a clean town so that womanhood and girlhood would be safe from moral danger? A good beginning has been made—let us all boost for a clean New Year and make lawbreakers as scarce as chickens after a ministers' convention.

W. A. Wilkinson

The expression 100 Per Cent Americanism was the watchword during the war. And since the war too, it has been emphasized very much. What is Americanism? Is it a catch expression or does it mean something? Taking the word at its face value, it must mean matters pertaining to America or whatever is distinctly American. Whatever then is for the good of America is Americanism. The word Americanism is closely related to Patriotism. Possibly we might say that Patriotism is the cause, Americanism the effect. Patriotism is love of country. Since we live in America, then Patriotism must be love of and for America. It is only reasonable to suppose then that American Patriotism will breed and foster Americanism. In other words, the person who lays claim to American patriotism will be interested in, accentuate, foster and further everything that will be for the best interest of America. Do we believe in American law and American institutions? If so, we are interested as American citizens in the up-keep of American laws and institutions. We have as American law the 18th Amendment. Who made that law? Did *not* the people, who decide what laws are to be, make that law also? And is not the law a good one? Let the home say its word. Let the Church say it is not. Let the institutions of correction before filled to overflowing, say that it is not a good law. Are not people and people's children at large the better for such a law? Isn't crime lessened because the demon, Rum, has been outlawed and all kindred institutions with it? Is it not significant that business men will tell you, too, that business has done considerably better since the old time brewery and saloon have been put out of business?

And yet we are told that we have more intemperance now, than when we had the saloon. What a travesty upon the 100 Per Cent Americanism and Patriotism of our people in this much famed America. But who believe this? Nobody but the one who is directly interested in the illegal manufacture and sale of the "stuff," and the ones who are the patrons of the institution, which operates under cover. No 100 Per Cent Patriot will defend such lawless act nor be a partner thereto.

Are we in Belmond 100 Per Cent American? Let your attitude to the booze matter be the answer. Let Belmond's five churches and home and public school answer. How in the name of common sense would a still or more be possible if all the citizens of Belmond were 100 Per Cent American patriots fostering and furthering 100 Per Cent Americanism? The verdict is to be not what has been, but what is to be hereafter. Let us mean what we claim or be mum, because it has been true and is true now that a stream is no better than its fountain. Let us have law enforcement in Belmond, and help those who are doing it.

Rev. J. M. Jensen.

HIGH CLASS STOCK PAYS

Just as another illustration of what the farmers can do, and how much more money he can make with good stock, the Independent gives a few facts regarding the success of Guy Baker. Mr. Baker during the month of November, milked nine Holstein cows. These nine cows brought him in a total for the month of $178.-81 for cream. Averaged $16.50 apiece clear, besides their feed. Two of them gave 51 pounds apiece. of butterfat in the month, and he received an average of 54 cents a pound for the butter fat. The average test of his cows was 3,8 of milk This is not so extra high, but the fact that his cows gave 15 to 20 quarts at a milking is mighty good. The feed for the cows during the month averaged $9.25 apiece. He figures that his nine high grade cows made him over $95 for the month and he has the skim-milk and the calves besides. The Independent will be glad to have figures and facts from other farmers on what they are getting from their cows.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Monday was hootch day in the district court and when all were arraigned J. A. Rogers was able to point with satisfaction to the tangible results of his last term of court as county attorney. There facing Judge Wright sat five liquor violators four men and one woman. In about ten minutes the judge had cleaned the slate and $1,600 was added to the school fund, which with the Groh fine of $800 collected a few days previously made the grand total of $2,400 with $1400 standing against three men now serving time in the county jail. The first man up was Earl Ewing of Clarion. He drew sixty days in the county jail and a fine of $300. If the fine is not paid an additional ninety days is to be added to the jail sentence. His partner, Ed Holmes was treated in the same manner. Both were convicted of bootlegging last week.

Leo Prince of Belmond came next and the judge says: "$800 and costs or 240 days in the county jail." Prince chose the latter method of liquidation. Another Belmond man was Otto Neuhrng who fared the same fate. Then came his mother Mrs. Wm Neuhring, mother of ten children. The audience was silent. The judge hesitated a few minutes and seemed distressed to learn the relationship of the two defendants, both of whom had plead guilty to the charge of bootlegging. The defendant was born in Germany fifty-seven years ago but had been a resident of these good United States for thirty-two years After a brief conference with County Attorney Rogers the court came to the conclusion that the mother was equally guilty with the son and passed sentence accordingly. Both fines were paid as above stated. The Neuhrings are well to do owning farm lands worth approximately $100000 and why they should be engaged in such a despised business is hard to understand. A son in Hancock manufactured the moonshine. Son No 2 would visit his brother and bring home a consignment which he divided with the mother who resided on a separate farm. The stuff retailed at $1.75 per pint. Their fines and costs amounted to nearly $1800. At the above price it would be necessary to peddle over one thousand pints to break even with the assessments imposed. It is the general opinion that both Attorney Rogers and Judge Wright did a good job in cleaning up the liquor violators.

Julius Puls and Albert Zeithler who plead guilty to an attempt to burn the Frank Fisher home in Eagle Grove received their sentences Thursday the former three years at Fort Madison and the latter three years at Anamosa. In passing sentence Judge Wright regretted the fact that the law was not more drastic for his opinion ten years was none to severe a penalty for such a henious crime. The two main reasons for punishing criminals is, first for the protection of society and to keep others from committing crime; second to prevent criminals from committing a second offense and thereby effecting a reformation. The defendants were accompanied to the state institutions by Deputy Denger and Supervisor Kitley of Eagle Grove, who had a desire to visit the penitentiaries. While at Fort Madison he saw Olander, the Fort Dodge murderer, who is to hang in a few weeks.

John Groh, who plead guilty to the charge of making hootch was fined $800 by Judge Wright which with the costs made the total amount $909.45. The same was paid by the defendant's father. If the court was permitted to impose a jail sentence of not less than a year this popular pastime would go out of fashion in a very short while.

Judge Wright has ordered Sheriff Lang to destory all moonshine whiskey which he had captured from bootleggers during the past few months. The vessels containing the liquor consist of six jugs, seven fruit jars ten pint and quart bottles and a large stone jar, totaling several gallons in all. The order also included the wash boiler still. Monitor.

More Grist Goes Thru Law Mill

Two More Go Before Justice Of The Peace And Get Limit In Fines.

ONE IS ARRESTED TWICE

On information filed by Guy Bates James Kenefick was arrested last Wednesday, on the charge of allowing minors to play in his place of business. Marshal Herb Harberts served the papers, issued by Mayor Morse. The town had an array of eight witnesses to prove the charge, who, however, were unnecessary as Kenefick admitted the violation, entering a plea of guilty and being assesed a fine of $10 and costs, amounting in all to about $21. Bates swore that his son, a minor, had played pool in Kenefick's hall.

Guy Bates was arrested the second time, Thursday, on information filed by James Kenefick before Mayor Morse, charging him with disorderly conduct. The case was tried before the mayor, with an interested audience present, and after much argument and oratory, the mayor gave Bates a fine of five dollars and costs.

The cases of Bob Coulson and Fred Lynch, to be tried Saturday next, were settled Tuesday night when the two appeared before Justice Skovlin and entered pleas of guilty. In consideration of the plea, they were given the limit in fines, $25, and costs, instead of a jail sentence as was given those who plead not guilty last week.

SHOE SALESMAN NO JOB FOR BALD HEADED MAN

Is a bald head an advantage or a disadvantage? There are ardent champions for both sides of the question, but one man in Centerville is convinced that there are times at least when a bald head is a decided disadvantage. The man is a clerk in a prominent shoe store in that city and he belongs to the super-bald. A few days ago he was fitting a pair of shoes on a rather near-sighted woman from Lancaster, who was not paying any particular attention to the operation but was looking about here and there over the store. Happening to glance in the direction of the clerk, she mistook his bald head for her bare knee and suddenly grabbing her skirt she promptly covered what she supposed was the exposed part of her anatomy. Timely assistance on the part of fellow clerks saved the bald one from death by suffocation.—Advertiser, (Fayette, Mo.)

LEINBACH-MCGOWAN

Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock December 27, occured the marriage of Miss Sara Beatrice Leinbach, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. U. Leinbach of Belmond, to Mr. Orr Beaumont McGowan, of West Union, Rev. Leinbach performing the ceremony in the presence of some thirty-two relatives and friends.

Following the ceremony, a sumptuous wedding supper was served, and the happy couple took the evening Rock Island for Cedar Rapids and other points for a short honeymoon trip before proceeding to West Union, where they will make their future home, and where they will be at home to their friends after Jan. 10th.

The bride is well known to Belmond people, where she has attended school and resided for a number of years. She has made a host of good friends here who unite in wishing her the best of happiness in her new life.

Mr. McGowan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McGowan of Achevden. Iowa. and is employed in a bank at West Union.

The Independent takes pleasure in joining with the many friends of this couple in extending best wishes for a long and prosperous life.

The less a man is influenced by his past the more he can influence his future.

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CLIPPINGS

There have been a few cases of diphtheria reported in this community and at other points in the county during the past ten days. The cases are said to be of a very mild form, and it is evident that it is not the old type of diphtheria, in most of the cases at least. Physicians state that prompt precautions should be taken when any throat trouble appears so that the spread of the disease can be confined to the list which is now under quarantine.—Hampton Chronicle.

Congressman Sweet will have the naming of the next postmaster here, with the local help of the republican leadership, and it is very likely that a nomination will be presented to the senate at the national capital either immediately before or after the first of the year.—News.

Paul Pritchard and family were in a serious auto accident at Tulsa, Oklahoma recently. Just how it happened Paul did not tell in writing his parents, but he did say that he had one finger broken and one shoulder [illegible]. His wife suffered the fracture of three ribs, and one leg was seriously hurt. She had been thrown about 30 feet and her head badly cut. The baby was thrown out but was picked up in the street unhurt.—Garner Signal.

Times.—The Eagle Grove Rotary Club is having the lots west of the Porter Garage cleared off prepartory to flooding them for a skating rink for this winter. All of the corner of Iowa Avenue will be used.

The skating rink will be free to everyone. The use of the ground has been donated by the owners and the city will furnish the water to flood it free of charge. It will be lighted by the Northern Iowa Gas & Electric company. The rink will be under the supervision of the Rotary club and a man will be in charge of the pond day and night while it is being used.

Dr. H. E. Meyer who had his Cadillac coupe stolen at Mason City a few months ago, has never been able to secure any trace of his car. Neither has the insurance company which carried the insurance on the car or any clue to the party or parties who stole it. It will be remembered that the car was stolen while standing alongside of the Hanford hotel at Mason City.

The insurance company, having been unable to locate the car within the specified time, has notified Dr. Meyer that it will pay the face value of his automobile theft policy, $1250.—Hampton Chronicle.

At last the Oaks Hotel has disappeared. The work of taking it to pieces has been in progress for nearly two months. This hotel was built in 1876, and at that time was called the Park House, so we are informed by old residents here. It is certainly a building with a history.—Clear Lake Reporter.

That Clarion people will shortly know just who the next postmaster will be is the feeling that is in the air. Neighbor towns which were bulletined about the same time as Clarion have just received word of the three highest men in the selection of eligibles. [illegible] whose parents were celebrating a [illegible] golden wedding, [illegible] Clarion man [illegible] a man, had a more than ordinary [illegible] where he could lay hands [illegible]

nearly all the time. But now things have changed Federal reserve bank officials have passed out the word that people who wished gold for Christmas giving are to be accommodated. So if you want to give the editor a $10 gold piece for Christmas go to your banker and get it.—News.

Fire visited Forest City's business district Tuesday mornng and completely destroyed the three frame buildings on the west side of the street, and south of the alley at the Oddfellow building and where the old Independent office was for years The buildings were occupied by the Cross barber shop, the Ford millinery store, and Moen's variety store. The fire originated in the center of the three buildings, which was the millinery store and was well under way when discovered. It was first seen by Walter Olsen from the rear of the Nelson hotel, and he immediately turned in the alarm.—Summit.

GOODELL NEWS

Last Wednesday evening Mrs. T. R. Burgess invited a number of young people and older ones to her home when she gave a shower for Miss Thelma Carpenter. Miss Carpenter was the recipient of many valuable and useful articles.

Mrs. Fay Boller has been visiting in Gilman, the past week.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trumbell is seriously sick at this time. Mrs. James Trumbell of Mason City is staying at the home of her son Harry during the sickness of the child.

Mr. Wesenberg of Cedar Rapids visited a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wesenberg.

Thursday morning the five Goodell young people that are attending Coe College came home for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Ethel McNutt of Fort Dodge is home for Christmas.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bachman and Mrs. Lewis Reimer were in Mason City shopping.

Author Lowenberg is home from the Iowa State College for the holidays.

Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kieninberger came up from Garwin, and moved into Mrs. Mary McNutt's house. The work of hauling gravel has closed up for this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Boller also returned to Goodell from Garwin last Thursday.

The grade school program given in the U. B. church last Thursday was well attended. The children indeed, did fine. The exercises show much carefull training on the part of Misses Johnson, Sandberg and Butts.

L. G. Avery and John Ellsworth were in Garner on Saurday.

A. C. Carpenter was in Garner Saturday on business.

Miss Ina Ahrenkiel attended the Mayland-Hughes wedding at Garner on Saturday at four o'clock.

Vincent Allaben, who is attending the State University, spent his Xmas vacation at home.

H. R. Allaben is spending the holidays with his parents.

Mayland-Hughes

The marriage of Miss Dulcie Hughes, Garner, to Mr. A. J. Monroe Mayland of Minneapolis.

The wedding was at the bride's home. Only the parents of Miss Hughes and Mayland, and his sister, Mrs. Church of Clear Lake, Miss Ahrenkiel and Mrs. H. T. Miller of Goodell and Ethel and Edward Hughes were present at the ceremony.

Mr. Mayland is a young business man, in the employment of the International Harvester Company.

Miss Hughes has been one of the successful teachers of Hancock county. At present she is teaching in the school of Garner. Following the dinner they left for Klemme where they took the train, going south for a short wedding trip.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. T. Miller of Goodell.

We wish them a long and happy and useful life.

The cantata given at the U. B. church on Christmas was attended by a very large crowd. More than 300 were present to listen and to enjoy the splendid program. Those that directed the training and those that took part are to be commended for the excellent program.

On New Year's day at 12:30 will be the New Year's dinner in the basement of the church. Everybody is invited. Bring your dinner and enjoy a social time. There will be a program.

The first Sunday of the New Year will be Communion Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Clark is sick with pleurisy.

[illegible] Demerett and family visited at the home of Frank Clarks [illegible] Iowa.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR

An old saying a trite greeting, but none the less sincere and true. It means a lot, this little greeting; and when a fellowman says it to you, and smiles, you cheer up, and smile back at him, and say "the same to you!" And you mean it too, just as he does. You feel kindly toward him, toward all the world; you want him to have good things in store to be prosperous and successful; you want him to have "A Happy New Year."

The old year now drawing to a close hasn't been such a bad one at that. It brought the beginning of better times, of better markets and better prices. We have had peace and plenty; we have gained in knowledge; our civilization has advanced a step nearer the goal. If 1923 fulfills the prospects as seen today, it will be for all a better time. With this hope and all sincerity we wish you truly "A Happy New Year."

"ON WITH THE DANCE"

The clean-up campaign started last week by several of Belmond's peace officials should be carried thru to a finish, until this little city is thoroly cleaned of every evidence of booze and its advocates. There should be no let-up on the part of either these officials or of the public; they should push the campaign to the utmost. Now that the ball has been started to rolling, let it continue to roll until it has crushed to earth every lawbreaker and every offense that has existed too long in our community.

The action taken last week has met with emphatic approval from nearly every citizen of the community, except, of course, those toward whom the action has been aimed and those who sympathize with them. The great majority of our people are heartily in accord with the movement to clean up the town. Those toward whom action has been taken, and those who are on their side of the fence, have used and are using, the most strenuous efforts of their tongues to defile and decry the men and the movement, but the shoe always pinches when placed on their own foot and no recognition should be accorded their ravings. Let the campaign proceed—"on with the dance." Every knock from some quarters can only be a boost, and any man of honor will be glad to have the booze bullies against him.

The Independent this week prints the views of some of the Belmond ministers relative to the booze business in Belmond. They very emphatically show where they and their churches stand, and give their most hearty endorsement to the men who have started to clean up.

Business men on Main street, solid, substantial citizens, have given the mop-up movement their approval.

The public is back of them. Let these men therefore carry on. Booze must go. It is a relic of the dark ages and has no place in this enlightened 20th century. No man is going to go snooping around in private cellars to see whether the owner takes a nip now and then in his own home, but when that man gets drunk and disorderly on the public streets he is a nuisance and a pest, and as such should be dealt with. The aim of this campaign is not so much to get the man who gets drunk and disorderly, as it is to get the man who sells the stuff to them, that human polecat the bootlegger. He is lining his pockets with gold at the expense of public health and morals. To stop the trouble shut off the supplies. And to this end the campaign is being conducted. If the public will back it up, a general and thoro house-cleaning can be made.

Two horses owned by L. G. Hill of near Clarion wandered out onto the ice at Elm Lake Thursday night and after going out to the center of the lake plunged thru, and the remainder of the night the horses spent in the icy waters, swimming and trodding ground with the water up to their very heads. They were discovered the next morning and Mr. Hill went down to see about them. He had to summon neighbors and all worked hard to cut a trench from the shore to the middle of the lake, and the horses were headed that way and driven to the bank.

After getting them onto the bank Mr. Hill took them to the barn and blanketed them and then drove them outside He drove them around the lot almost two hours, working up a good sweat, and then returned them to the barn and it's a fact that they were none the worse off for their all-night stay in the icy waters of Elm Lake.—News.

Parties contemplating holding a public sale should see T. D. Rankins, Belmond, for dates and prices. Twenty-five years of successful auctioneering. Phone 196 or 115.

It pays us to go hungry occasionally. It teaches us to be thankful for what the Lord gives us at other times.

Kinseth's Store News

First of all folks, we want to extend to you our most sincere greetings for a Happy and Prosperous New Year! May it bring to you every good thing.

And then we want to tell you that we have men's flannel shirts, heavy warm ones, at $2.65. And worth every cent of it too.

Then we have outing flannel at 28c for a yard, and some more 27 inches wide at 18c. It will come in right some of these days, so you better get some now at this price.

Why bake your bread when you can get just as good here at less than you can afford to bake it? We have Campbell's Double-Loaf, and Raisin bread full of goodness, Whole Wheat bread, Rye bread and Have-A-Slice bread.

If you insist on baking your own, however let us suggest to you that Seal of Minnesota at $2.85, White Swan at the same low price, White Rock at $2.25, Snobread for $2.15, Cream at $2. and Dynamite at $1.95 are some flours that it is worth your while to investigate.

So don't forget to call 19 and remember that we deliver any time of the day you want. The store on the corner is the place to save money, time and worry.

Jan 1st
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Belmond Savings Bank

Announcement

We wish to announce to the people of Belmond that we have purchased the Ash Grove Dairy, and are now delivering to their customers. We will sell only the best, clean, high grade milk and cream from our tubercular tested herd, and respectfully solicit a share of your patronage. Our products will be delivered, or may be purchased in town at both meat markets and the Robinson Grocery.

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FARM BUREAU NOTES

Annual Meeting, January 3rd

Plans have been completed and a most interesting program worked out for the annual meeting of the Wright County Farm Bureau, which will be held in Clarion in the court room on Wednesday, January 3rd.

The program committee has succeeded in securing J. F. Coupe, assistant secretary of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation as the principal speaker of the day and has arranged a program filled with music and other special numbers in addition to the election of officers and other official business. For those who have not kept in close touch with the farm bureau during the past year the annual meeting will furnish an opportunity to get a summary of the activities which have been carried on by the organization.

It is hoped that road and weather conditions will be favorable so that people from the outlying districts can make the drive to this meeting The Wright County Farm bureau has been very fortunate in having an active organization in each township within the county and when these representatives come together at the annual meeting a conference will be held which will be of great interest to every farm bureau member.

Short Course at Woolstock

Tentative plans have been made for a mid-winter short course to be held at Woolstock some time during the latter part of January or the fore part of February at which time the farmers and business men of that community will get together for a mid-winter exhibits of their agricultural products.

It has been suggested that the business men of Woolstock take care of about fifty per cent of the expenses of the short course and the balance be carried by the townships immediately surrounding Woolstock.

Three township of Wright county including Troy, Woolstock and Wall Lake and about two townships of Hamilton county adjacent to Woolstock will be asked to contribute toward this agricultural exhibit not only in the showing of their products but in a financial way.

Since Woolstock has not had a short course for about eight years or more it has been suggested that such an agricultural exhibit should be organized in the community. Woolstock has plenty of fine live stock and a splendid spirit of cooperation in the community and there is no doubt but what they will hold a most successful short course this winter. The people of Woolstock and surrounding community will find that there is no activity that could be held which would create more enthusiasm and interest in the production of good stock and farm crops in the community, and bring about a closer feeling of co-operation and community helpfulness, than a mid-winter short course of this kind.

Bradfute Heads American Farm Bureau Federation

O. E. Bradfute, of Ohio is the new president of the American Farm Bureau Federation. He was elected unanimously by the convention at the Thursday afternoon session. President J. R. Howard positively declined to permit his name to be presented, and E. B. Cornwall of Vermont placed Mr. Bradfute in nomination. Seconding speeches were made by Mrs. W. C. Martin of Texas and George McKerrow of Wisconsin. E. H. Cunningham of Iowa moved that the nominations be closed, and Mr. Bradfute was elected president by acclamation. President Bradfute mounted the platform and spoke briefly and feelingly of the honor conferred on him by the world's greatest farmers' organization. He said "I pledge myself to give American agriculture the best efforts of my life, as God will give me strength".

The United States of America was no more fortunate in choosing George Washington as its first president than was the American Farm Bureau Federation in choosing J. R. Howard as its first leader. Mr. Howard has headed the national farm bureau movement during thirty-seven months — the trying months when the organization assumed form and direction. Mr. Howard's career is an epic in American agriculture. He leaves the high office of president full of honors and with the heartfelt regard of millions of farmers. The folks on the farm will grip Jim Howard's hand in parting and will quote James Whitcomb Riley: "Goodbye, Jim Take keer of yerse'f."

Resigns Presidency of Grain Growers

At a meeting of the board of directors of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., held in conjunction with the annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation, in Chicago December 15th, E. H. Cunningham resigned as president. O. E. Bradfute, newly elected president of the farm bureau federation, was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Cunningham retains the presidency of the U. S. Grain Growers Sales company.

Extension Policies

C. W. Pugsley assistant secretary of agriculture, referred to education as the keystone of the arch which supports any government organized on the theory that it is responsive to the desires of its citizens. "It would be a grave mistake," declared Mr. Pugsley. "for any county to get the idea that it could carry on its agricultural and home economics work without the closest sort cooperation with the state agricultural college."

He stressed "the need for better informed managers and executives of cooperative enterprises of the United States." The time will come he predicted, when colleges of agriculture will give a complete college course designed from start to finish to prepare managers for cooperative executive work. Farm organization should use their influence in creating a demand for such courses. Mr Pugsley believes that farmers have the right to demand the services of extension agents who can supply vaulable information. "The more closely a farm organization keeps to the source of agricultural information, the more likely, they are to succeed."

CURING PORK SIMPLE JOB

Farm butchering, especially pork, is a simple process, according to M. D. Helser of the animal husbandry department at Iowa State College.

"There is nothing mysterious about curing pork," says Mr. Helser, "and anyone who can follow directions can supply himself and his neighbor with a high class product of pork. The hog yields a greater percentage of edible meat than any other animal. There is no other animal that equals the hog for fat storing tendencies and pork is one of the easiest meats to cure. There is no other meat from which so many products can be made"

In a bulletin just republished by the Iowa Agricultural Experiment station, Mr. Helser gives complete instructions as to preparing animals for slaughter. cutting up the carcass and the preparation of the various parts for curing.

Animals to be slaughtered, he says should be in medium condition. Muscles of a thin hog are tough and lack the flavor of juciness of the fatter animal. However, overfat hogs are oily and do not produce good pork. One of the common faults of country killed pork is that it is too fat as many people think the fatter the hog the better the pork.

Hogs in medium condition, weighing between 200 and 250 pounds, are the best to slaughter, as these have been found to be the most satisfactory.

This circular No. 61 can be secured by addressing the bulletin editor at Ames.

H. C. Meyer, insurance agent and adjuster, was called to the farm of Fred Benson south of Britt Saturday morning to adjust a loss occasioned Thanksgiving day when a straw stack blew over on a cow and the animal was smothered. The wind blew at a terrific rate of speed. No other losses have been reported.—Britt News Tribune.

READ THE ADS

The fellow who doesn't turn to look at a pretty woman probably doesn't see her.

Griesy's Store News

Vol. 1 BELMOND, IOWA, DECEMBER 28, 1922. No. 41

During the Festive Season of mistletoe and holly and all its glad and joyful associations, it is truly befitting that we should acknowledge with sincere gratitude our heartfelt thanks for the loyal support of our many friends and customers.

It has always been our desire to be worthy of this support. We have earnestly endeavored to abide with truth, justice and square dealing in all our transactions and whatever mistakes we have made have been of the head and not of the heart.

To be engaged in a business that is of real service to mankind is truly a worthy calling. It is our aim to be of service to you; to provide you with efficient labor savings farm machines, and hardware so that you in turn may provide the prime necessities of life for the world. Yours is indeed a noble calling

Our Yuletide wish is that all may have a Merry Christmaas, and that the New Year may bring you health, happiness and prosperity even to a greater measure than ever before.

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That 1923 may be for you one of Happiness and Prosperity, of successful achievement and the realization of your desires. We hope the coming year will enable us to give still better service, and with this thought in mind we sincerely wish you all

A Happy New Year

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Wednesday, January 3rd

Commencing at 1:30 p. m. Sharp

6 - Head of Horses - 6

1 Bay Colt 5 years old, wt. 1400
1 Black mare 9 years old, wt. 1500
1 Black Gelding 9 years old, wt. 1600
1 Bay Gelding 7 years old, wt. 1900
1 Bay Gelding 8 years old, wt. 1400
1 Sorrel Mare

15 - Head of Cattle - 15

10 Yearlings, heifers and steers
5 good milk cows, to freshen in the spring.

34 - Head of Hogs - 34

14 brood sows, 11 of which are full blooded Poland Chinas.
Balance fall and summer shoats

Farm Machinery, Etc.

1 hay rack
1 hog oiler
5 horse collars
1 John Deere disc
Half a stack of straw
1 wagon with triple box
1 John Deere sulky plow
1 beet box
1 triple box
1 20-ft. drag
1 single harness
A quantity of fodder
1 John Deere cultivator
2 sets good work harness
About 25 spring chickens
About 12 bushel of seed corn
1 20th Century manure spreader
1 DeLaval cream separator, No. 17
2 balanced frame corn plows, nearly new
1 Hayes corn planter with 120 rods of wire

TERMS: $10 AND UNDER, CASH; OVER THAT AMOUNT 11 MONTHS' TIME WILL BE GIVEN ON APPROVED SECURITY AT 8 PER CENT. ALL PROPERTY TO BE SETTLED FOR ON DAY OF SALE.

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H K. Pals and family ate Xmas dinner at the K. C. Ruigh home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B Hulsebus entertained the A. J. Nissen and A. E. Muller families, Mr. and Mrs. Hulsebus, H. W. Hulsebus and Walter and Herman Witt at a Xmas dinner.

Mrs. A. D. Brogan has been visiting at the home of her parents in Whittemore. On Sunday last A. D. motored to the same place to join his wife in a few days visit.

C. J. Wendell's had for their guests at a family Christmas dinner Theo. Wendell and wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Wendell, Ralph and Henry Wendell and Miss Rika Kuhlers.

There was a family gathering at the Adam Kolb home Christmas, the guests were the children and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bachman and children of near Klemme, B. Lauen and family, Mrs. H. Meinderts and daughter Miss Jennie, were guests at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Wilkinson on Christmas day. Mrs Bachman and children remained for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. August Guth entertained the following at their home Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fischer and daughter Miss Anetta of Fort Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. G. Lauster, and Miss Viola and Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rooks and children and Mr and Mrs. L. Foss.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. W. Paul are rejoicing over the arrival of a new son born to them on December 23. He has been named Lu Verne Ardell.

H. W Hulsebus of Mason City spent Christmas with home folks.

G. E. Raecker wife and daughter Jeanette spent Christmas at the home of the former's parents at Waverly.

Fred Wenzel spent Christmas with friends at Auburn.

Miss Wilhelmine was home for Christmas day and Tuesday.

A. J. Nissen was transacting business in Mason City last Tuesday.

L. B. Hulsebus went to Marshalltown last Tuesday on a business errand.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bier are happy over the arrival of a new son born on December 21st.

F. W. Buche and family of Mason City spent Christmas at the Lemke home.

Carl Herrman is spending the holidays with relatives at Sigourney.

Herman Ostendorf and Herman Dirks students at Central college, Pella are home for the holidays.

Hajo Pals of Belmond is spending the holiday vacation at the parental home.

Ed Herrman visited at the home of his sister Mrs. Brater from the latter part of last week until Tuesday, when he departed for his home in Sigourney, after being in Minnesota for the past year.

Phone your news to 54.

EVANG. CHURCH NOTES

S. S. 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a m. E. L. C. E. devotional 7:00 p m followed by preaching at 7:30.

Wed. general prayer service in homes. Thursday English prayer services. Friday Bible study classes 7 to 8:30 p. m. Choir rehearal at 8:30. Sat. Catechetical instruction 2 p. m. Special next Sunday: Election of S. S. and church offcials after a short session of S. S.

Christmas offering for the Orphans Home at Flat Rock, Ohio, came to $42.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilko Pals are the parents of a baby boy born Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fischer and daughter of Fort Dodge spent Sunday and Monday with friends and relatives here.

Walter and Herm Witt are spending their holidays vacation at the L. B. Hulsebus home.

Herman Fischer Sr. was out of town Christmas day. He didn't mention where he went and we didn't like to ask, so it is up to all who might be interested, to draw their own conclusions.

The Christmas program at both churches held Sunday and Monday nights were well attended and good programs rendered at each place.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hemming of Thornton spent last Sunday at the Ed Foss home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Blewitt and baby, spent Sunday and Monday at the J. H. Hartfelder home.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

(Editor's note owing to lack of time in which to get the type set, some of the school notes were forced out this week.)

The boys basket ball team played Latimer last Tuesday at Latimer. The game was a very close one, the score being six to four. It was by far the best game that the local team has played.

On January 15 will be given the first of the "free movie program" During the program the audience will be entertained by a radio concert through the kindness of Mr. Jones. After the movies a basket social will be held for the benefit of the high school.

In addition to the "community program" given monthly a "free movie" will be given every two weeks during the winter by the High school and Legion. The films are those disthributed by the State University are of very high class.

Friday afternoon the high school had a grab bag. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all, especially some of the "grabs" taken out.

5th and 6th Grade Notes

Every member of the sixth grade received a perfect spelling grade Wednesday.

The following pupils have received perfects deportment stars the past week: Jennie Riekens, Marvin Nissen, Harland Blewitt, Wayne Waddingham, Ive Bier, Edna Koemen, Nellie Frey, Fredona Lemke, Emma Boelman, Esther Van Osten, Harry Lauen, Herman Meints, Lydia Pannkuk, Edna Koehler Marit Pals, Alma Dorenkamp.

Christmas poems were written for language work in both fifth and sixth grades Friday morning. The best poem was written by Lydia Pannkuk.

Third and Fourth Grades

Frederick Sunthen, Wilbert Frey Norman Muller, Ethel Bier, Harold Pals and Ivadel Wickersheim in the third grade and Phyllis Agler, Marvin Lauen and Lu Vern Butz have had perfect lesson in spelling for last two weeks.

Thursday th third grade had a reading contest. Lyle Fischer was winner of the boys and Vana Weaver was winner of the girls.

The 3rd and 4th grades had a Christmas party Friday afternoon.

Grammar Room

Louie Pals entered the 8th grade Monday, making a total enrollment of 11 in this grade.

The Grammar room had a "grab bag" Friday afternoon.

Primary Room

Friday afternoon we had a Christmas party. A large Christmas tree and a real Santa Claus were the main attractions.

The perfect spellers for this week were Lois, Esther, Viola, Julia, Barbara and Bernice.

A MILLION RABBITS

Seven Clarion sportsman indulged in a rabbit hunt the first of the week and bagged 112 cotton tails after a few hours tramp. On one stretch of drainage ditch a mile in length they captured an even eighty rabbits. As Wright county has upwards of two hundred drain ditches, it is reasonable to safely estimate on the same basis as above that no fewer than a million rabbits more or less may be found in this county.—Monitor.

The teacher asked the class to write about frogs. Little Waldo did his best.

We wish you a

Merry Christmas and a

Happy and Prosperous

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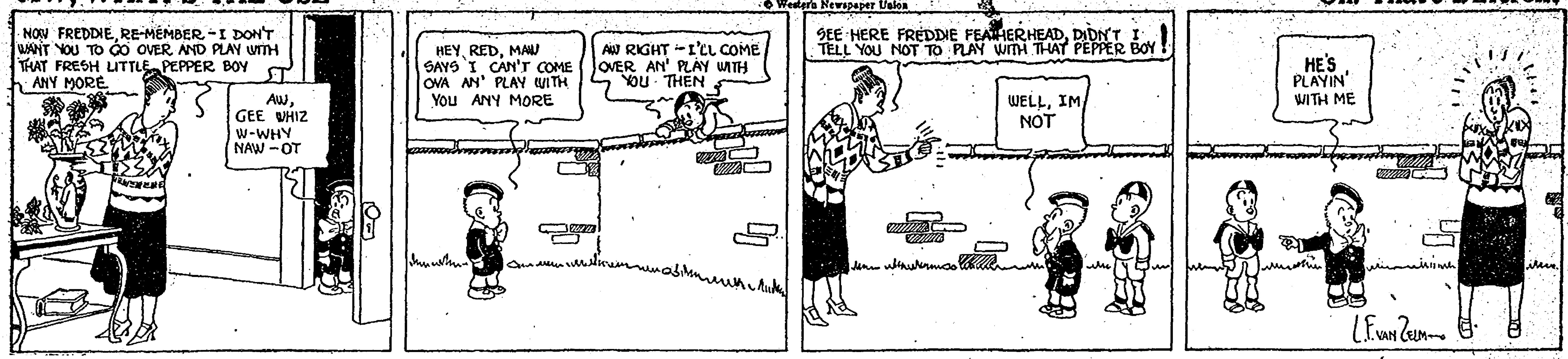
NOW FREDDIE, RE-MEMBER - I DON'T WANT YOU TO GO OVER AND PLAY WITH THAT FRESH LITTLE PEPPER BOY ANY MORE
AW, GEE WHIZ W-WHY NAW-OT
HEY, RED, MAW SAYS I CAN'T COME OVA AN' PLAY WITH YOU ANY MORE
AW RIGHT - I'LL COME OVER AN' PLAY WITH YOU THEN
SEE HERE FREDDIE FEATHERHEAD, DIDN'T I TELL YOU NOT TO PLAY WITH THAT PEPPER BOY!
WELL, IM NOT
HE'S PLAYIN' WITH ME
L.F. VAN ZELM

NATIONAL SWINDLERS PLAN RAID ON PEOPLE'S CASH

During December and January the United States government is to pay back to the people of this country millions of dollars in redemption of War Savings Stamps bought five years ago. Several thousand dollars of the general sum will come into Wright county.

These millions represent a considerable part of the savings of our people, and as savings should be carefully guarded. The money paid by the government should be immediately reinvested where it will start working again to bring in dividends to the investor.

And for the very reason that most of the holders of War Savings Stamps will re-invest their money in some other dividend paying position, their money is in danger.

For, already dishonest promoters are at work getting ready to harvest their corp of suckers from among those to whom the government is making payments. All sorts of fake stocks and bonds promising big returns will soon flood the market, and worthless although pretty paper will be foistered upon an unsuspecting public.

So be careful how you re-invest your money. Don't expect to find a safe investment that will pay you extra large interest returns, for you can't get something for nothing in this old world, you know. Better take less interest and keep your capital than take promises of getting rich quick and lose your all If you are in doubt about the value of making an investment ask your banker and take his advise. For we are sure he will advise you right.

Death comes to us all, but with some people it pauses a long time at the door.

ROWAN NEWS

Rowan Congregational Church Notes

The annual business meeting with reports and election of officers will occur Jan. 4. There will be a dinner at the noon hour to which all Cong. families are invited. Following this will be the business meeting.

The pulpit and communion table have arrived and there will be a dedication service Sunday morning at 11. These have been purchased with the money left the church by the late Daniel Whitten, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Azeltine announce the marriage of their daughter, Celia, to Mr James R. Groom, of Hampton, on Sunday, December 24, 1922.

MOELLERING--BROOKS

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks was the scene of a pretty wedding on Tuesday evening, when their oldest daughter, Thelma Leone, was united in marriage to Mr. Chester William Moellering. The house was prettily and seasonably decorated in red and green. The bridal couple stood under a large bell. The bride was becomingly gowned in henna silk crinkled net, and carried a boquet of carnations. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Harold Tomkinson, in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends. After a delicious supper had been served the happy couple left by auto for Clarion where they took the train on a wedding trip, followed by the best wishes of their many friends.

DUFFY—KETCHUM

Monday evening December 25th, at a very quiet home wedding occured the marriage of Miss Mildred Duffy to Shirley Ketchum at 7:00.p.m. The only guests present were the parents and sisters of the bride, the parents of the groom and Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Halbert. The bride was dressed in a beautiful gown of white georgette and satin trimmed in lace. her only ornament being a string of pearls, a gift from her mother. The groom was dressed in the conventional black. Rev C. T. Halbert, of the Congregational church officiated with a very beautiful ring ceremony.

After the ceremony a delicious three course luncheon was served by the bride's two younger sisters, Cleo and Dolly. The happy couple left by auto for Forrest City where they will spend a few days visiting at the home of friends. They expect to go to housekeeping immediately after their return. Both young people have a host of friends here. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Duffy and has lived all her life in this community. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Ketchum and is an industrious young man. Their many friends wish to extend congratulations to this young couple and to wish them long life and happiness and prosperity together.

Mrs George Frank and daughters, Mildred, Gladys and Thelma, of Des Moines, came Saturday to spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sheldon. Mr. Frank who is working north of Belmond came down Saturday evening to spend Christmas with them.

J. F. Howell who is working north of Belmond with Mr. Frank, spent the Christmas holidays with his family. They returned to their work Monday evening and expect to go back to Des Moinces the latter part of this week.

O. F. Braden was a Clarion caller Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Drury of Highmore South Dakota are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. F. H. Fowler.

Everett Holliday suffered quite a serious accident last Wednesday when a piece of plate glass fell on him striking him in the face and cutting his nose very badly. It was necessary to have several stitches taken in it. Some boys were fooling on the street in front of the Star theater when they broke the big window in front.

Last Monday night O. F. Braden's were awakened by their house being full of smoke. On investigation they found their back porch on fire. In the evening "Ping" had tried to put a stick of wood in the stove but it was too large. He supposed he had the fire all out on it and had laid it on the back porch floor. The wind had fanned it to flames but quick work on his part with several pails of water saved their house.

Miss Florence Box arrived Monday from Chicago where she is taking nurse's training at the West Side Hospital. She surprised her parents as they were not looking for her home.

Eugene Harson came home to spend the holidays with his mother Mrs. Edith Harson.

Mrs. Kleinschrodt and daughter Vida, went to Manchester Friday to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs D. Patton.

Clarence Currie, of Highmore So. Dakota, arrived Monday for a visit with the John Keleher family.

Rev. and Mrs. Halbert were Clarion shoppers Tuesday.

Donald Farren, Donald McCallum and Harry Harris attended a double header basket ball game at Belmond Friday night. Donald Farren refereed the boys' game.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tresidder were visitors at the home of their son, Howard and family in Clarion Sunday.

Donald and Dale Farren were Belmond shoppers between trains Saturday.

Jake Steffens and his grand daughter, Harriet Ports, of Milledgeville, Ill., arrived Saturday for a visit with the William Steffens family.

Ezra Drury, of Highmore South Dakota is spending the holidays with his brother, Frank and family and his sister, Mrs. Herb Hadley, and family.

Miss Elfrieda Whitten is home from Cedar Falls for the Christmas holidays.

Mr and Mrs. Jake Thomas came Tuesday from Alden to visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Braden have moved into the Will Azeltine house north of Main street.

Miss Grace Dayton came Saturday from Cedar Rapids to spend her vacation with her sister Mrs. D. A French.

Miss Gladys Toyne came Saturday from Mich. to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harris and son Leland came Sunday to spend Christmas with relatives here.

Miss Wilda Whitten came Saturday from Marne, where she is teaching school to spend her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. White.

Cards were received by several friends of Miss Viola Charter, of Hampton that a little baby sister had arrived at her home last week.

Mrs. O. E. Ballou and daughter LaVonne motored to Goldfield Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kabele who passed away the first of the week after a very short illness caused by a stroke of paralysis.

Christmas has been a time of happy family gatherings at Rowan, The A. H. Emerson family enjoyed their home tree Sunday with the Charles Emerson and Roy Hyde families Miss Frances Farren and Douglas Farren and Philip Ketchum as guests.

Monday the following guests gathered at the S. B .Heath home, the A. F. Emerson family, Ben Fanselow family, Bert Hiams family, Ed Azeltine family and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Box.

At the Edgar Bingham home the following guests gathered: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kercheval, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pritchett, Mr. and Mrs. O. F Braden, the J. A. Whitten family, Cirt Kerchevaal family, Will Bingham family, and J. F. Howell family. Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchett were present in the afternoon at the family tree but were at a family dinner at the R. Virden home.

At the N. B. Olson home the John McAlpin family and Arthur Hansen family gathered.

George Aldrich and wife entertained the Arthur Box family of Clarion, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. C. Box and Miss Florence and the Ray Azeltine family.

Mrs. Mary Braden went to Dows Saturday to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. George Unger.

The Wm. Steffens' home was the seat of a family gathering Monday.

ROWAN SCHOOL NOTES

Rowan was victorious in both the games played at Chapin last Wednesday night. Both teams played a good game. The girls game was refereed by the Chapin coach. The score was 24-13 in favor of Rowan The boys' game was a close fought game but Rowan won with a score of 14-17

The school programs were given Friday afternoon. There were quite a number of visitors present. The high school teachers gave each pupil of the high school and eighth grade a candy bar. The high school presented each teacher with a box of stationery except Supt. Holliday, who was given a writing case. The grade rooms also presented their teachers with gifts.

The entire faculty went to their homes to spend their two weeks' vacation.

The two basket ball teams were given an oyster stew Thursday noon at the school house by Mr. Holliday and Miss Mohr.

Stella Emerson and Frances Farren taught for Miss Haven and Miss Parks Friday afternoon as the teachers left on the noon train for their homes.

Mesdames Herb Hadley and Harold Tomkinson visited the 2nd and 3rd grades Friday afternoon.

For Sale—One Majestic Range in good condition; one dining room table good as new, and other furniture. Cheap if taken at once.—J. F. Howell, Rowan, Iowa.

ALEXANDER NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs John Arends and family were callers at Belmond last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs L. M. Green were shoppers at Belmond Tuesday.

John Bell and daughter Miss Jessie Bell were callers at Hampton last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Greenfield were Belmond visitors on Friday.

Arthur Winwood was a Hampton caller last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arends and family were callers at Ventura last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hensel and two sons Donald and Carrol spent the first of the week with relatives at Webster City.

The Hilko Pals family are rejoicing over the arrived of a baby boy which came to their home on Saturday December 23rd.

Misses Edna and Hazel Arends are spending this week with relatives and friends at Everly and Spencer.

Mrs. Mary Kausian of Ackley is visiting with relatives in this vicinity.

F. L. Greenfield was a business caller at Fort Dodge last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Veeder and daughter Virginia Ruth of Hampton visited at the Nels Larsen home a few days the past week.

Leonard Arends, who attends college at Elmhurst, Ill came home Thursday to spend the holidays with Alexander relatives and friends.

Arthur Thomas of Iowa Falls was a visitor in town last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Finkle and daughter Leona of Hampton were Sunday visitors at the Nels Larsen home.

Arthur Winwood was a caller at Meservey last Friday.

Jerry Blau is home from his college duties at Iowa City for a visit with his parents.

Mr and Mrs. Fred Greenfield and Miss Nellie Bell were Belmond callers last Tuesday.

Miss Gertrude Borninghausen of Hanlantown was calling on friends at Alexander the last of the week.

Walter Smith who attends college at Iowa City came home to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Funeral Services were held last Saturday at the Reformed church at Alexarder for Adolph Eden who passed away at the hospital at Rochester, Minnesota on December, 20, 1922 following an illness of about two years duration. The services were conducted by Rev J. Heyenga pastor of the Reformed church at Alexander and Interment was made in the Alexander cemetery.

Mr. Eden had been a resident of Franklin county for several years and he has a wide acquaintance through out the county. He was born the 29th day of February 1885 in Germany and died at the age of 37 years 9months and 21 days. At the age of 8 years he came to this country with his parents and settled at Belmond and later they lived in the immediate vicinity of Alexander He was united in holy matrimony on the 10th day of December 1907 to Miss Minnie Pals. This union was blessed with four children Edith, Edward, Jelto and Elsie.

He united with the Reformed church in 1910 and has since been a faithful member.

During his illness of severe suffering the deceased bore it all with patience and continued to be thoughtful of his loved ones to the very last. He leaves to mourn his death, The bereaved wife, four children, four sisters and one brother and many other relatives and a host of friends which extend their sympathy to the bereaved oness in this sad time of grief.

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sunday school at 2 o'clock.

Preaching service at 2:45 in the German language.

Our Aid Society meets with Mrs. William Muhlenbruch January 3rd at one o'clock the ladies are invited.

Plan to attend these services.

C. J. Barth, Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH

Last Saturday evening we held our Christmas exercises. Every one present enjoyed the evening. The children all delivered their parts well. A reading given by Mrs. A. C. Lieuwen, (the other wise man), contained a great lesson for each individual. Rdv Wilkinson told the story of Christs Birth in a way that the children as well as the older folks listened with attentive ears. Singing was rendered by the choir.

Santa arrived in time to greet us, Xmas packages were distributed, and all went home well pleased with the evening program.

Next Sunday evening December 31st a series of Revival services will begin at 7:30. Rev. Metcalf the Evangilist, and Mr. Peterson who will lead the singing will be with us. Let us not fail to be there.

SUCCESS

It's doing your job the best you can,
And being just to your fellow man;
It's making money, but holding
friends,
And staying true to your aims and
ends;
It's figuring how and learning why
And looking forward and thinking
high,
And dreaming a little and doing
much;
It's keeping always in closest touch,
With what is finest in word and deed
It's being thorough yet making speed;
It's daring blithely the field of chance
While making labor a brave romance;
It's going onward despite defeat
And fighting staunchly but keeping
sweet;
It's being clean and it's playing fair;
It's laughing lightly at Dame Despair;
Its looking up at the stars above,
And drinking deeply of life and love;
It's struggling on with a will to win,
It's taking loss with a cheerful grin;
It's sharing sorrow and work and
mirth,
And making better this good old
earth:
It's serving, striving through strain
and stress,
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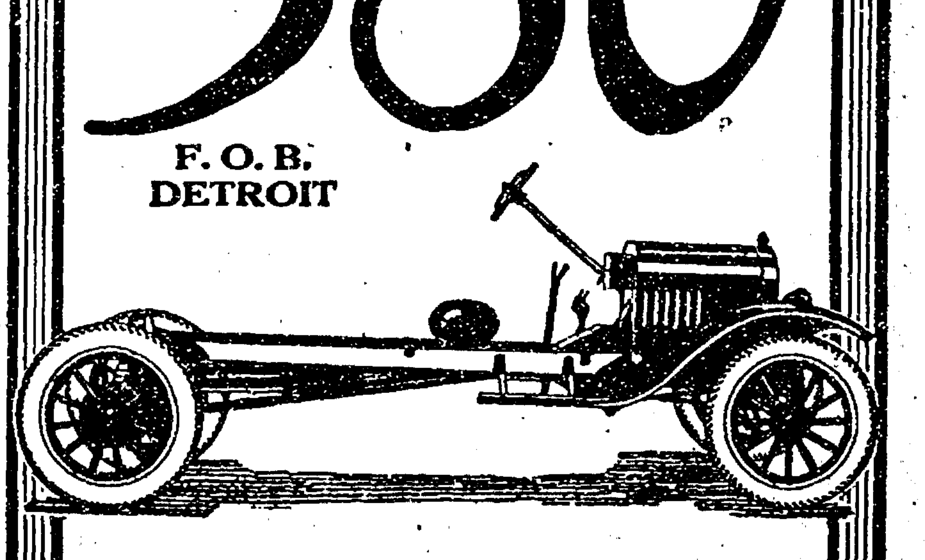

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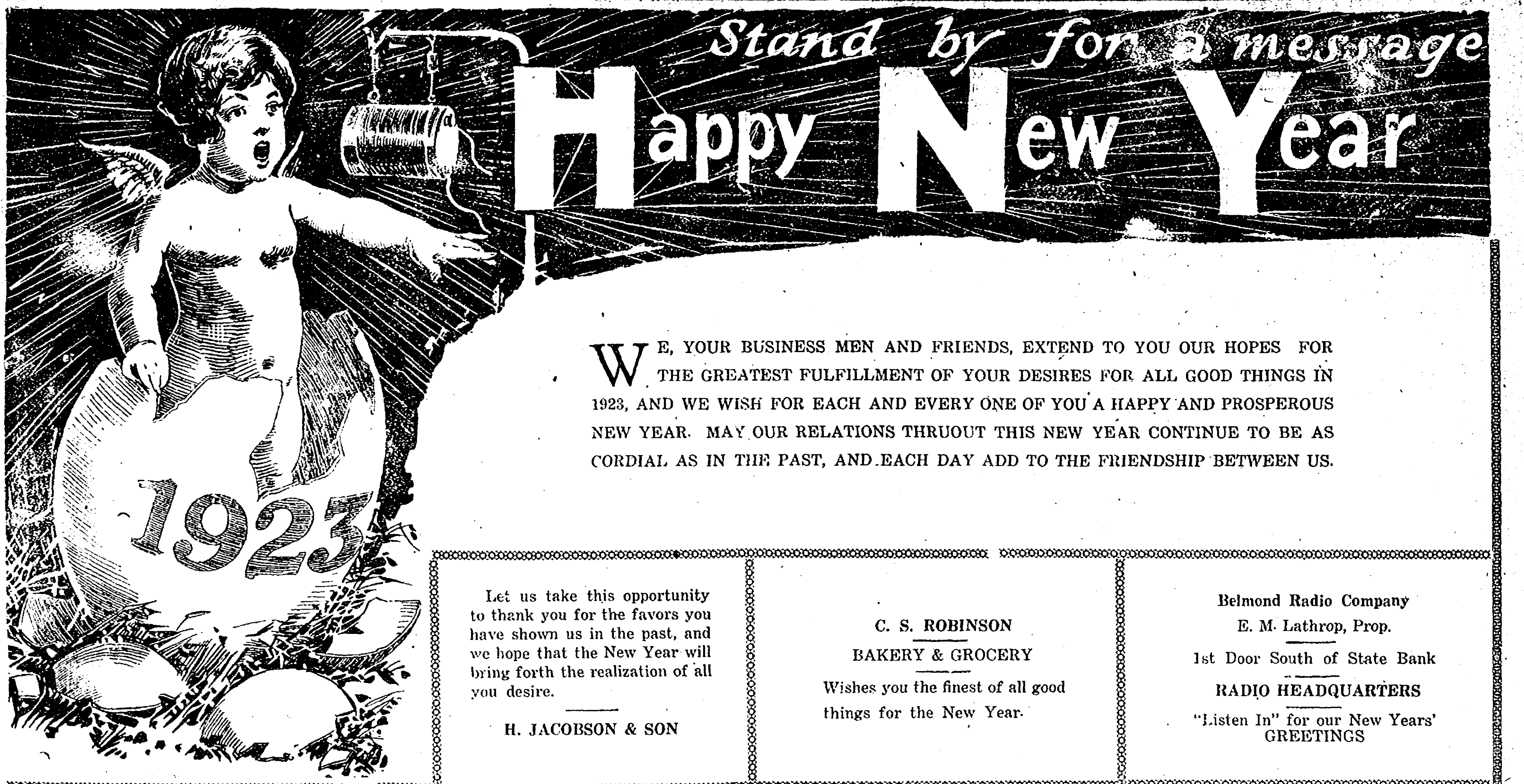
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Happy New Year
1923

WE, YOUR BUSINESS MEN AND FRIENDS, EXTEND TO YOU OUR HOPES FOR THE GREATEST FULFILLMENT OF YOUR DESIRES FOR ALL GOOD THINGS IN 1923, AND WE WISH FOR EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. MAY OUR RELATIONS THRUOUT THIS NEW YEAR CONTINUE TO BE AS CORDIAL AS IN THE PAST, AND EACH DAY ADD TO THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN US.

Let us take this opportunity to thank you for the favors you have shown us in the past, and we hope that the New Year will bring forth the realization of all you desire.

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Wishes you the finest of all good things for the New Year.

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Good bread, cakes, candies and all kinds of pastries.

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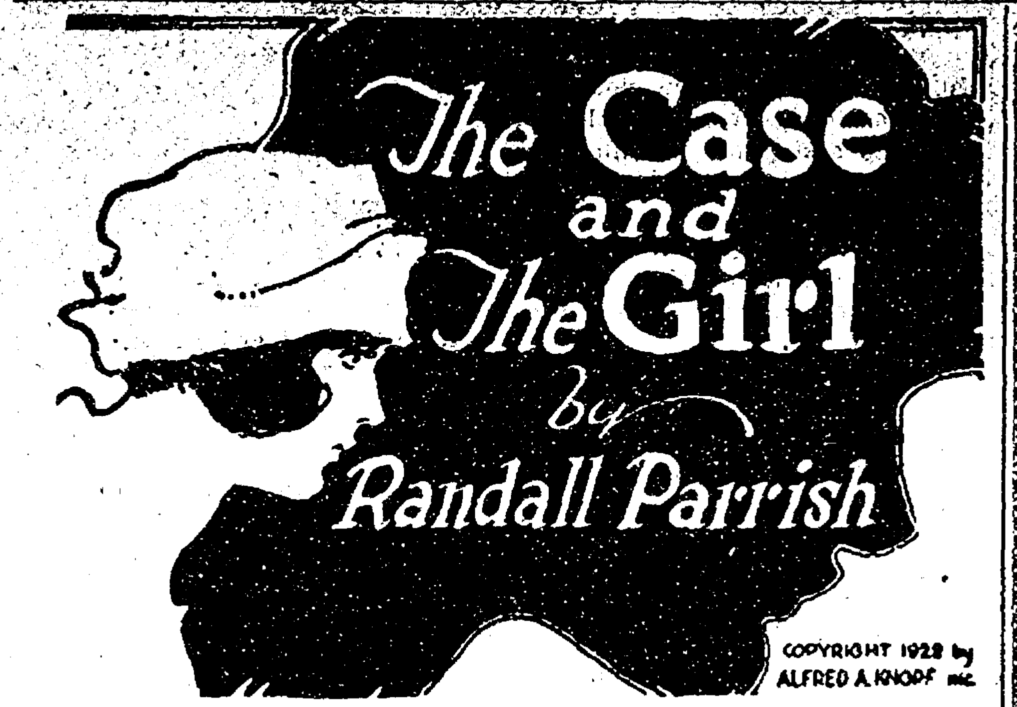
The BELMOND INDEPENDENT wishes its readers the best of all good things throughout the New Year.



The Case and The Girl

by

Randall Parrish

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tective hesitated; such luck, such carelessness on the part of criminals seemed almost uncanny; he half suspected some trap. Then he became convinced that this was only the result of recklessness—the fellows felt so safe in this hidden hole in the woods as to neglect all precaution. He stepped cautiously inside, leaving the door ajar for the others to follow. Then, they paused—straight ahead a double swinging door divided the kitchen in which they were from another room beyond. Through the center crack shone a single bar of light, barely visible, and forth through that same orifice came the sound of a voice speaking. McAdams flung up his hand in signal, and then crept silently forward.

It was apparently a quarrel among thieves over the spoils, each fearful lest the other was double-crossing. Hobart and "Red" Hogan were doing most of the talking, although occasionally others chimed in, and once there was a woman's voice added to the debate. Seemingly the whole gang were present; a strong odor of tobacco smoke stole through the crack in the door, and both Hobart and Hogan swore angrily. Who was to remain out there on guard while Hobart and the girl returned to Chicago for the money was evidently the question, Hogan wishing to accompany them to make sure of his share. The woman sided with Hobart, the other men apparently ranged up with "Red," and some very plain talking was indulged in.

McAdams listened grimly, the light through the crack showing his lips curled in a smile of appreciation. He lowered his head, and with one eye at the slight opening gained a glimpse of the lighted room beyond. A moment, motionless, he stared in on the scene; then straightened up, and, with revolver in hand, signaled to the others to close in closer. They stood there for a tense instant, poised and eager; then the doors were flung crashing back, and they leaped recklessly forward, out of the darkness into the light. It was a furious fight—sharp, merciless, uncompromising. The thieves, startled, desperate, were hurled back by the first rush against the further wall, tables and chairs overturned, the shrieking woman pushed headlong into one corner, and one of the fellows downed by the crashing butt of a revolver. But the others rallied, maddened, desperate, rats caught in a trap, fighting as animals fight. Hobart fired, catching an assailant in the arm; Hogan snatched up a chair and struck viciously at West, who leaped straight forward, breaking the full force of the blow, and driving his own fist into the man's face. It was all over within a minute's fierce fighting—the surprise turning the trick. Hobart went down cursing, the gun kicked out of his hand, his arm broken; Hogan, struggling still, but pinned to the floor by three men, was given a blow to the chin which left him unconscious, while the other two threw up their hands and yelled for mercy. McAdams wiped his streaming face, and looked around.

It was a shambles, the floor spotted with blood, the table overturned and broken, a blanket over one of the windows torn down, a smashed chair in one corner. The detective who had been shot was still lying in front of the door, "Red" lay motionless, a ghastly cut over his eye, and Hobart, his arm dangling, sat propped up against the wall, cursing, malevolent, but helpless. On the other side stood Sennett and "Dago Dave," their hands high above their heads; each looking into the leveled barrel of a gun. The woman had got to her knees, still dazed from the blow which had felled her. The ex-service man smiled grimly, well satisfied.

"Some surprise party, eh, Jim?" he asked pleasantly. "This rather puts a crimp in your little game, I would say, old boy. Going to cop the whole boodle tomorrow, was you?"

"Who the h—l are you?"

"Well, if I answer your questions, perhaps you will answer mine. I am McAdams of the City Hall station, Chicago, and I know exactly what I am here after. So the best thing you guys can do, is cough up. Who's that girl who has been working with you?"

Hobart glared sullenly, but made no response.

"You'll not answer?"

"Oh, go to h—l!"

"All right, old top. She is in this house somewhere, and can't get out. Somers, look around a bit; try behind those curtains over there."

The officer stepped forward, but at the same instant the draperies parted, and two girls stood beside each other in the opening, framed against the brighter glare of light beyond—two girls, looking so alike, except for dress and the arrangement of their hair, as to be almost indistinguishable—Natalie white faced, frightened, gazing with wide-open eyes on the strange scene before her; the other smiling and audacious, her glance full of defiance. It was the voice of the latter which broke the silence.

"Am I the one you want, Mr. Bob McAdams?" she asked clearly. "Very well, I am here."

McAdams stared at them both, gulping in startled surprise at the vision confronting him, unable to find words. Then his eyes fixed themselves on the face of the speaker.

"What!" he burst forth. "You, Del? Great Scott! your name was Hobart, wasn't it? Why, I never once connected you two together. Is—is this guy your father?"

"I don't know about that," she returned indifferently. "It is a matter of argument I believe. However, Bob, what's the odds now? I am the one you're after, Mister Fly-Cop; and here I am."

She walked forward, almost proudly, her eyes shining, and gazing fearlessly into his. He stepped back, one hand extended.

"No, Del, this must be a mistake. I—I can't believe it of you, you—you are not a crook."

"Oh, yes I am," she insisted, but with a tremor in the low voice. "I've never been anything else, Bobby boy—thanks, thanks to that thing down there."

Natalie still remained poised uncertainly in the doorway, scarcely realizing what was occurring before her; she saw suddenly a familiar face, and held out her hands.

"Oh, Matt, what is it?" she cried. "Is—is it all over?"

"Yes, all over dear; these are police officers."

"And that—that girl? She looks so much like me. Who is she? Do you know?"

West clasped her hands tightly, his voice sunk to a whisper.

"She is your sister, Natalie," he asserted soberly, "your twin sister."

Her unbelieving eyes swept to his face.

"My sister; my twin sister? But I had none."

"Yes, but you did," he insisted gently. "You never knew it, but Percival Coolidge did. This was his devilish scheme, plotted years ago when you were born. Now here is the end of it—the girl is your sister. There is no doubt of that."

"No doubt, you say! My sister!" Her head lifted, and there was a flame of color in her cheeks. "My sister!" she repeated, as though she would thus make it seem more true. "Then I will go to her, Matthew West."

She loosened the clasp of her fingers and walked forward, her eyes misted with tears. Straight across the room she went, her hands outstretched to where the other shrank back from her in embarrassment—between them still the gulf which love must bridge.

[THE END.]

OVER THE FENCE

Loyd Rourk spent Sunday at Belmond with his sister Mrs. Parker and her husband.—Reporter.

Rev. M. L. Metcalf the evangelist who has been conducting services in Klemme for the past four weeks, left Sunday night from Belmond for his home at Sioux City where he will spend the holidays with his family. Herb Daily took him to Belmond after the services Sunday night.—Times

A number of the young folks attended a dance at Belmond Thursday evening. They found auto riding rather cool as it was one of the coldest nights of the winter.—Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Papousek of Belmond were in Klemme Saturday. "Pap' was doing some electrical work and Mrs. Papousek visited at the home of her brother Ed Jacobs. —Times.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Papousek of Belmond, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs. —Times.

Mrs. George Hake went to Belmond last Friday the occassion being her father's birthday. She returned in the evening.—Times.

" What a wonderful bird he frog are! When he stand he sit almost. When he hop he fly, almost. He ain't got no sense hardly. He ain't got no tail, hardly, either. When he sit, he sit on what he ain't got. almost."—Exchange.

"Blind Man's Eyes"

A breath-holding story of mystery, of intrigue, of Big Business; of a man who could see as others could not. The story of a master mind, deadly in its ability to sift the wheat from the chaff.

You may have read good stories ---stories of seemingly unsolvable mystery---but until you have read "Blind Man's Eyes" you have not read the best. It is a serial, yet it savors of the incomparable O. Henry's short stories; until the last chapter you will be unable to guess the riddle.

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The Independent's

NEW SERIAL STORY

Beginning Next Week

DON'T FAIL TO READ IT!

Belmond Local News

Firemen's Big Annual Dance New Year's Night. Be there!

Eloise Brooks arrived home from Drake University at Des Moines last Thursday to spend the holidays with her folks.

Mrs. Brass from Winnipeg Canada was visiting relatives and friends here last week and the first of this week.

Mildred Veeder and Marjorie Williams are spending the holidays with their folks here. They are attending Grinnell College this year.

Keep in mind that the biggest event of the winter the Firemen's Annual Ball will take place January 1, at the Opera House and plan to be there.

Myrthe Hawley came home from Morningside college Thrusday of last week. Miss Parker whose home is in Thornton stayed over night with her as the mid-night train does not stop at Thornton.

Miss Inez Cochran was visiting here a few days last week. Miss Cochran taught here last year and this year is teaching at Fort Dodge.

Mrs. C. L. Groh returned from St. Paul and Lyle Minnesota last Wednesday. She had been visting her sons Louie and Edmund a few weeks.

Your chance for a big time will come on January 1, at the Opera House, when the Firemen's Ball takes place. Watch for bills.

Mrs. Rosecrans recieved word last week from her son Leo in Los Angelis Cal. saying he had been appointed Associate Councel of the Californa state board of health, also that his law firm won a big suit against the Salt Lake railroad.

ACTIVE REPRESENTATIVE—Wanted by large wholesale house of high standing. Unlimited earning possibilities with opportunity to build permanent trade selling complete line of staples in constant use. A connection with a real future. State age and full details. JOHN SEXTON & CO., Chicago, Ill..

Mr and Mrs. Joe Graham came down from Titonka to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Graham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jenison.

Miss Virgie Jenison came home from Coe college to spend the holidays at the home of relatives here.

Louie Tokman was a business caller Tuesday at Meservey.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Marjorie went to Clear Lake to spend Christmas.

Miss Pearl Barry was home a few days from Chicago where she is taking a course in nursing. She will finish her course in March and then expects to work in the same hospital She returned to Chicago Wednesday.

The big event of the winter—the Firemen's Ball--New Year's night. Watch for bills.

If you have anything you want to sell, or if you want to buy something, need help or have something to trade, try an Independent want ad. They bring big results.

Miss Gladys Barry is home from Ute, Iowa where she is teaching to spend the holidays with her parents.

The Misses Lena and Emma Brenilsen from Mason City spent Christmas at the A. W Martin home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Martin and son Albert and Mrs Rosecrans attended a family dinner at the Pritchard home at Garner Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F Courtney went to Thornton for Christmas.

Henry Crist is at the hospital at Rochester where he had his eyes operated on. He expects to be home in a few days.

Scott Smith of Des Moines was visiting at the McBurney home a few days this week. Miss Coetta Foster returned to Des Moines with him for a few days visit.

Bert Trumbell was in town last Saturday, enroute to Klemmo to spend Christmas with his grandmother, Mrs. Elwy Brooks and other relatives Bert is now located in Des Moines, where he is establishing a collection agency and meeting with good success.

We buy poultry both alive and dressed. Call us, phone 272.—White Produce Co. 4tfc

Miss Cloe Jenison came home from Ames to spend the holidays.

Grace Reed came home from Beaman, where she is teaching, to spend the holidays.

M. C. Madsen is still quite ill and not able yet to be around.

Mrs. Fowler and Miss E. Fowler from Rowan were Belmond callers Tuesday.

Mrs. Amy Peterson is home from Cedar Falls where she is attending school, to spend the holidays.

George Braun went to La Salle Ill. Saturday for a few weeks visit with relatives and friends.

After the Christmas program at the Congregational church Sunday evening the choir went out and sang Christmas carols in the streets in front of the homes of the shutin members of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Peterson and Dr. Meyer from Hampton were calling on friends and relatives here Friday.

The two youngest children of Mr. and Mrs. Geo Elder are having an attack of whooping cough.

"Scoop" Larsen spent Christmas at Webster City.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Tyrrell entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ballou from Rowan Christmas day

Mr. and Mrs. C. Winey and children from Spencer, spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynch.

Ruben Reeds went to Eagle Grove to spend Christmas at the Renicker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Spooner and children of Storm Lake spent Christmas here with Mrs. Spooners parents Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson.

Ollie Tomson, who moved this fall to Dickinson, North Dakota recently had a spell of homesickness. Ollie is employed in a store at Dickinson, handling meats and groceries and in a recent shipment of goods to the store there were several bags of sugar—made in Belmond and bearing the old familiar mark of the Belmond factory. It made Ollie homesick for the old home town, but he was able to tell the Dickinson folks all about how and where the sugar they ate was made.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jensen and little daughter spent Christmas at the home of his folks at Forest City.

M. C. Barry left Saturday evening for Iowa City to spend Christmas with his wife, at the home of her people there.

Mr and Mrs. Merle Hilrebrand and daughter spent Christmas with Mrs. Hildebrand's people at Buffalo center. They expect to move to Cedar Rapids about the first of the year.

For Sale—My Spotted Poland China herd boars. Breeding paper furnished. Price reasonable.—Inquire of M. Halfwassen, Meservey. 61c

Walter Sorenson of Beebee, South Dakota, returned last week Thursday to his home after spending the past six weeks here helping his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sorenson, with the beet and corn harvest. Walter is much pleased with South Dakota, and likes his home in that country fine.

Chase Chapman is quiting the farm and will have a closing out sale at his place on January 3rd. His advertisement may be found on another page of this issue of the Independent.

Jack Munnis of near Clarion, was a business caller in Belmond one day last week.

Local skaters have been enjoying the skating on the river the past week, which has been fairly good. Eevery boy to whom Santa Claus brought a new pair of skates, has been down to the river to try them out.

Leo Kenefick came Sunday for a two weeks vacation from his college studies at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Miss Anna Sprenzel underwent a minor operation Friday at the local hospital, for the removal of her tonsils. She recovered nicely.

Mrs. Chas. Richards of Rowan was a shopper in Belmond on Tuesday. She was accompanied by her mother.

Friends here of Paul Northrop will be pleased to learn that he is now holding down a responsible position as linotype operator on a paper at Indianola, Iowa.

FORD CARS AND TRUCKS RECENTLY DELIVERED

The Belmond Auto Co. reports the following recent deliveries of cars and trucks:

Geo. Bohning, Belmond, 4-door Sedan
D. T. Duncan, Kanawha, Coupe
A. B. Landon, Goodell, Touring
R. S. Wilson, Cornelia, Touring
John Tiara, Belmond, Runabout
Fred Neuhring, Klemme, Truck
Ben Heginger, Goodell, Touring
Lester Johnson, Belmond, Touring
Clifford Chase, Goodell, Coupe
Wm. Allaben, Goodell, Touring
Arthur Erickson, Kanawha, Sedan
Nissen & Harbinson, Belmond, Runabout.
Geo. Coburn, Cornelia, Truck
Julius Johnson, Belmond, Sedan
J. H. Flurer, Clarion, Coupe
C. J. Papousek, Belmond, Runabout
N C. Chelsvig, Goodell, Touring
Soren Toftey, Kanawha, Truck
Clarence Jordanger, Kanawha, Coupe
Ben Fanselow, Rowan, Touring
Friend Aldrich, Rowan, Touring

The Misses Marjory Purcell and Clara Johnson came home from Duncombe, Iowa where they are teaching this year, to spend the holidays at their respective homes.

Better have your cattle tested for tuberculosis. Dr. R. G. Brown, Veterinarian, accredited by Iowa Board and U. S. Board Animal Industry. 35*

Three Eagle Grove poker players were added to the list of guests at Hotel Lang Monday. About the same time two Clarion bootleggers were assigned quarters by the judge This swells the list to an even dozen, whereas the normal capacity of the jail is only eight inhabitants.—

For Sale—One soft coal heating stove, in good condition. Price $10. Also one Remington .22 calibre repeating rifle, new. Inquire at, this office. 61*

Cobs for Sale—$2.50 load delivered. Braun Bros. Phone 1207.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jenkins a week ago Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brewer went to Garner last week to spend Christmas with their daughter Mrs. Ray Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beckett of Clarion are rejocing over the arrival of a baby girl. Mrs. Beckett was formerly Miss Alberta Pierce.

Wm. Meyer of Chicago arrived the first of the week for a two weeks visit with his son and daughter in Belmond. Mr. Meyer was an old time resident of this vicinity where he has many friends. He has lived for many years in Chicago, where he is foreman in some railroad shops.

Friend Bras from Fort Dodge was visiting friends and relatives here during the holidays.

MEAT IS NEEDED

"More meat in the sandwich"—that's what this country really needs says Sen. Capper of Kansas. By "more meat in the sandwich" Capper means that farmers should send more meat to market, and less grain. Consumers pay more for meat than for bread. The farmer prospers more by feeding his corn to his hogs and then selling the pork. "Not only that, but the wise farmer will quit raising lard hogs and will raise more bacon pigs," says Capper. "There are too many substitutes for lard on the market to make lard hogs profitable these days."

"The Hog of the Hour"

I raise them, you praise them; I sell them, you tell 'em---double-immuned Spotted Polands. Choice sows and bred gilts. Everything next to champion and grand champion stuff. I do not breed to a fad or fancy; I procure the best individuals and breed them better. My herd will show for itself. Registered in the National Spotted Poland China Association. I invite your inspection.

I also have a Shorthorn bull, Duchess' Lad No. 808360, recorded in American Shorthorn Breeders' Association.

Roy Jenison
Belmond, Iowa
Phone 1811

WANT ADS

Two cents per word first insertion; one cent per word ensuing insertions.

FOR SALE

ForSale—White Wyandotte and Buff Orpington roosters, thorobred, phone 1606.—Wm. Blau, Belmond. 52*

For Sale—A few Hampshire male pigs.—A E. Martin. 53*

For Sale—Buff Rock roostes, full bloods.—Mrs. O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217. 3tfc

For Sale—Spotted Poland China boar pigs, eligble to registry.—M. R. Pierce, Belmond, phone 3615. 34*

ForSale—Brown Leghorn roosters, of the everlaying strain at $1,00 each. Also some good geese feathers,—Mrs. Jerome Sheffield. 14tfc

For Sale—Fancy large boned heavy purebred Black Langshan cockerels Also a number of good pullets. The kind that WEIGH, LAY, and PAY. Write for prices.—Mrs. Chas L. Richards, Rowan, Iowa. 44*

WANTED

Wanted to trade—Five year old mare for a gentle single driver.—O. D. Jenison, Phone 3217 8tfc

LOST AND FOUND

Lost—Crank to Oakland car, between Delaney place and town. Finder please leave at this office. 51*

LOST—Package cantaining house dress. Finder please leave at Bohning's store. 61c

MISCELLANEOUS

Dead animals removed from your premises FREE.—Belmond Rendering Works. Phone 2119. 48tfc time to sell a stove.

ORIGINAL NOTICE

In the District Court, of Wright County, Iowa.
February Term, 1923.

Nellie Luick,
Plaintiff
vs.
Christian Sorensen,
Sena Sorensen,
W. S. Hagen,
Defendant

To W. S. Hagen, Defendant:

You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the above named County and State, the petition of Nellie Luick, claiming of you the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred and fifty, ($1,350.00) Dollars, on your certain joint promisory note, made executed and delivered by you to Nellie Luick, the plaintiff aforesaid, on the 11th day of May, 1920, for the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and fifty, (1,250.00), Dollars, payable on or before the 24th day of May, 1922, with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent per annum from November 1922; also asking for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage, dated May 11, 1920, upon lot four (4) in block one, (1), in the original town of Belmond, Iowa; also asking for the allowance of a reasonable attorney's fee, to be taxed with the costs.

No personal judgement is asked against the defendant, W. S. Hagen.

For further particulars, see petition now on file.

Now unless you appear thereto and defend, on or before noon of the second day of the next term of said Court, to be held at Clarion, in said County, commencing on the 5th day of February, 1923, default will be entered against you, and judgment rendered thereon, in accordance with the prayer of said petition.

W. E. BULLARD
Attorney for Plaintiff.

64c

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We wish all our customers and friends a Happy and Prosperous New Year

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Belmond, Iowa

STRENGTH SERVICE

Build A Bridge To Bigger Things

By means of a Savings Account you can bridge the gap between what you are and what you hope to be; between what you have and what you hope to have.

If you start now, at the beginning of the New Year, to make regular weekly deposits in our Savings Department, you can have your bridge well under way by the end of 1923.

Bring in a dollar or more now to open your account. We'll pay five per cent compound interest on every dollar you deposit.

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